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**- Citizen's Academy Program -  
March 4 - April 15, 2010**

Want to know more about City government? Then you may be interested in participating in the Citizen Academy Program. The sessions will begin on March 4, 2010 and will meet each Thursday evening for a total of seven weeks. You must be a City resident to participate and enrollment forms are accepted on a first come, first served basis.

For more information, please visit the Citizen's Academy Program on the front page of the City website.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR, AND WELCOME TO THE NEW SMYRNA BEACH CITY WEB LETTER

The City of New Smyrna Beach is happy to reintroduce the quarterly newsletter on our City website in 2010. You may recall that several years ago, the City published and mailed out a quarterly newsletter to every resident of the City. However, due to increased costs in printing and mailing, we decided it would be more economical to renovate the City website, with the intention of providing a quarterly "web letter" as an alternative way of keeping the citizens of the community up-to-date on current events and items of interest in the City.

We will be providing a quarterly report on the financial "State of the City", a listing of upcoming special events, and an update on any new

and/or ongoing capital projects throughout the City. We would like to keep you informed so that you will know when to expect changes in your neighborhood, such as road closures, detours, etc. We hope you will find the articles and information enlightening, and we will strive to keep it informative.



City Hall, 210 Sams Avenue, New Smyrna Beach

Best Wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year!

**- WE'VE MOVED -**

In case you were not aware, the Administrative Offices of the City have relocated from the North Causeway back to City Hall, 210 Sams Avenue. The City Commission and Board meetings are now being held in the City Commission Chambers on the south side of the City Hall building and are no longer in the DeBerry Room on Canal Street.

## 2010 VISION STATEMENT

- We will build an attractive City that offers exceptional opportunities for her citizens and lifestyles that embrace an enhanced quality of life.
- Our walking friendly City with her beautiful waterways will engender diverse recreational and economic opportunities for people of all ages.
- Job opportunities will abound throughout our industrial centers and downtown areas. Beautifully landscaped corridors with attractive signage will refine our City with a well maintained road system and a transportation network, including train and air transportation.
- Our City will boast of sustainable business corridors and office parks. We will possess a hospital district and be a hub for educational enhancement through our schools and colleges.
- Through our diligence our City will grow and be a place in which people want to live. Our partnerships with educational institutions, governmental entities, community and cultural groups will further be a testament to being responsive to citizens' needs and pro-active in making our vision a reality!

## Capital Projects Underway And Other Highlights

The West Canal Streetscape and Drainage Improvements Project - Construction was initiated on this project, which will replace the canal system under the north sidewalk and improve the streetscape through the relocation of overhead power lines, the installation of decorative roadway and pedestrian lighting and the installation of landscaping and pedestrian amenities. The project will be completed in 2010.



**West Canal Streetscape Project**

Pettis Park improvements were completed, including construction of the picnic pavilion, barbecue pit, racquetball court, re-roof existing gazebo, new MUSCO lighting and resurfacing existing courts. A grand opening was held on January 1st.

The boat ramps and gangways have been rebuilt at the North Causeway Boat Ramp facility; work was completed and ramps open to the public October 2009.



**North Causeway Boat Ramps**

The Central Beach Flood Mitigation Project was completed.

The first annual "Balloon Fest" was held at the Municipal Airport.

The City launched the new and improved website.

Broadcast audio of City Commission meetings over the internet enabling more citizen access to current Commission activities & decisions.



**New Skatepark & Eagle Scout Tiki Hut Project**

The new Skate Park was opened, February 2009.

- The Police Department Victims Advocate Program served over 1,125 victims
- The Special Task Force seized over \$2 million dollars in narcotics
- Over 5,400 youth were served in the D.A.R.E, P.A.L. & G.R.E.A.T. programs

The City had the Grand Opening of the new Fire Station 52, and started construction on the North Police and Fire Station which will be opened in 2010.

## GOALS & PRIORITIES 2010

The City Commission met in a visioning retreat session late in 2009. Following is a list of the Top 10 Goals that the City Commission indicated they would like to see the City address in the New Year:

- Babe James /Minerva Center Program Expansion in support of the Westside Community**
- Change Elections to Even Years**
- Draft New Land Development Regulations**
- Determine the next steps for The Old High School Site**
- Approve and Implement an Economic Development Plan**
- Finalize Site Plan and Funding for Esther Street**
- Improve Partnerships with Volusia County, the Hospital and the Utilities Commission**
- Design and Fund Flagler Avenue Boardwalk & Restroom Project**
- Annexation Policy**
- Myrtle Avenue Landscapping (between Canal & Washington Street)**

# FIRE SAFETY FOR WINTER STORMS



The New Smyrna Beach Fire Administration encourages you to protect yourself, your family and your home from the potential threat of fire during or after a winter storm. You can reduce your chances by being able to identify potential hazards and by following these simple safety tips.



## - Fire Safety Tips -

- ✓ Please use alternative heating devices properly.
- ✓ Make sure you have no leaking gas lines or leaky containers.
- ✓ Use generators properly and follow the instruction manual.
- ✓ Keep combustible liquids away from heat sources.
- ✓ Replace frayed or cracked extension cords and plugs.
- ✓ Be careful using candles, and keep them out of reach of children.
- ✓ Check your smoke alarms and install a new battery every year.
- ✓ Repair or replace appliances that emit smoke or sparks.
- ✓ Keep fire hydrants near your home free from debris.



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## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHEER

Nothing says Christmas like the face of a child getting a new toy on Christmas morning. Unfortunately, there are many children right here in our own community that might not have enjoyed that excitement if it were not for a program called "Operation Christmas Cheer".

Sergeant Donna LaVallee of the New Smyrna Beach Police Department, coordinated this program, which is in its 20th year, collecting unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items for families in need in our community. In 2008, this project provided Christmas for 121 children in the community and in December 2009, well over 100 families were presented with food and gifts.

Donna says, "being able to put a smile on those faces, is so rewarding, and I can assure you from the recipients tears of joy, it was greatly appreciated".

Congresswoman Suzanne Kosmas visited New Smyrna Beach recently in support of *Operation Christmas Cheer* and to give special recognition to Sergeant LaVallee and the New Smyrna Beach Police and Fire Department. She stated, "this is what makes our community successful".



**Sergeant Donna LaVallee, NSBPD  
Congresswoman Suzanne M. Kosmas and  
Randy Wright, Division Chief, NSBFD**

The Congresswoman presented a letter of thanks and congratulated Donna and the Department on the 20th successful year. She indicated that the "generosity and leadership has helped provide toys and food to so many families in need, and the dedication of the Police and Fire Department to the community is greatly appreciated".

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### - JANUARY -

The Seaside Balloon Fest 2010 will be held at the Municipal Airport on January 8th & 9th. The gates will be open from **4 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday**, and **6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday**. They will re-open Sunday morning for the flights from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.



For all the details about the event, you can visit the Airport page of the City website or call (386) 424-2199, or you can visit the seaside balloon fest website directly at [www.seasideballoonfest.com](http://www.seasideballoonfest.com)



The 34th annual IMAGES: A Festival of the Arts, presented by [Atlantic Center for the Arts](http://www.atlanticcenterforthearts.org), will be held January 30 & 31, 2010 in picturesque Riverside Park along the beautiful Intracoastal Waterway in New Smyrna Beach. It will be an outstanding weekend featuring more than 200 talented artists, a delicious festival menu in the food court, children's art projects, and free top-notch entertainment all day. Plan to attend this outstanding annual art festival! For more information, visit their website at [www.imagesartfestival.org](http://www.imagesartfestival.org)

### - FEBRUARY -

#### - ART FIESTA 2010 -

Come and and join us for the 48th Annual Art Fiesta which will be held Saturday and Sunday, February 27 & 28 in Old Fort Park, across from City Hall, 210 Sams Avenue.

The hours of the event are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and it is "Free to the Public". For more information you can contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 386-424-2175.



### - REGULAR MONTHLY EVENTS -

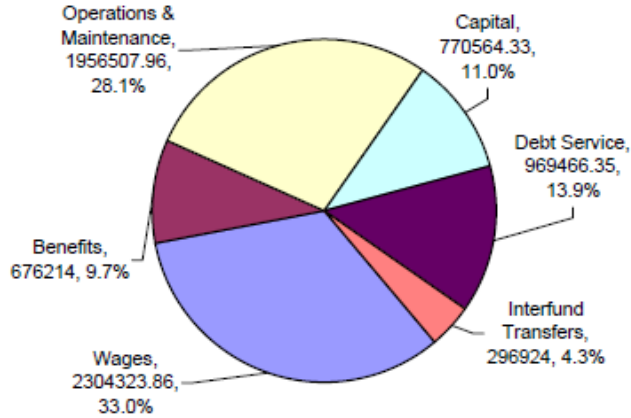
- ✓ The first Saturday of every month Canal Street features a **Gallery Walk** from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- ✓ The second Saturday of each month is **Cruise Night** on Canal Street from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Come enjoy antique cars, music, food and fun!
- ✓ And don't forget, every Saturday the **Farmers Market** is open on Canal Street in the Chamber of Commerce parking lot from 7:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. It features fresh produce, hand made crafts and many other items of interest.

**These events are free and open to the public!**

**BUDGET-IN-BRIEF as of November 30, 2009**

(16.7% of year elapsed)

**YTD-Citywide Expense Allocation**



**General Fund Revenues**

Revenues	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Taxes	16,177,163	2,677,177	16.5%
Licenses & Permits	164,700	128,903	78.3%
Intergovernmental Revenue	2,668,362	421,698	15.8%
Fines & Forfeitures	88,000	12,643	14.4%
Misc. Revenue	698,310	38,151	5.5%
Charges for Services	358,600	53,985	15.1%
Interfund Transfers	584,179	83,867	14.4%
Appropriations & Carryover	968,553	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 21,707,867</b>	<b>\$ 3,416,425</b>	<b>15.7%</b>

**General Fund Expenditures**

Expenditures	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
City Council	176,637	31,954	18.1%
*City Manager	715,156	321,373	44.9%
City Clerk	179,164	53,799	30.0%
Finance	417,418	73,200	17.5%
Information Technology	275,838	81,701	29.6%
Human Resources	150,903	27,094	18.0%
City Attorney	424,271	81,012	19.1%
Development Services	792,932	142,527	18.0%
Non-Departmental	650,940	105,864	16.3%
Public Works Administration	234,468	43,685	18.6%
Police	6,097,209	892,562	14.6%
Fire	5,134,204	737,733	14.4%
Emergency Operation Center	27,487	3,853	14.0%
Streets	1,623,944	237,980	14.7%
Recreation	1,299,899	173,881	13.4%
Parks	1,356,811	209,919	15.5%
Sports Complex	629,563	94,386	15.0%
Building & Maintenance	464,911	80,915	17.4%
Interfund Transfers Out	645,867	102,938	15.9%
Debt Service	410,245	205,255	50.0%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 21,707,867</b>	<b>\$ 3,701,628</b>	<b>17.1%</b>

\*City Manager Dept- Former City Manager Payout Package paid in October(\$266,256.03)

**YTD-Total Citywide Budget**

Expenditures	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
<b>Total Citywide Budget</b>	<b>49,393,301</b>	<b>6,974,001</b>	<b>14.1%</b>

**Selected Other Funds**

Stormwater Fund	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	4,921,086	201,383	4.1%
Appropriations & Carryover	1,098,443	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>6,019,529</b>	<b>201,383</b>	<b>3.3%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>6,019,529</b>	<b>98,306</b>	<b>1.6%</b>

Airport	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	2,884,206	129,225	4.5%
Appropriations & Carryover	9,202	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>2,893,408</b>	<b>129,225</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>2,893,408</b>	<b>113,664</b>	<b>3.9%</b>

Marina	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	263,600	48,190	18.3%
Appropriations & Carryover	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>263,600</b>	<b>48,190</b>	<b>18.3%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>263,600</b>	<b>34,235</b>	<b>13.0%</b>

Water Taxi	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	298,922	29,261	9.8%
Appropriations & Carryover	6,632	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>305,554</b>	<b>29,261</b>	<b>9.6%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>305,554</b>	<b>53,082</b>	<b>17.4%</b>

Building & Inspection	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	531,548	67,981	12.8%
Appropriations & Carryover	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>531,548</b>	<b>67,981</b>	<b>12.8%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>531,548</b>	<b>88,551</b>	<b>16.7%</b>

CRA	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	2,535,974	7,067	0.3%
Appropriations & Carryover	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>2,535,974</b>	<b>7,067</b>	<b>0.3%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>2,535,974</b>	<b>521,403</b>	<b>20.6%</b>

Golf Course	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	1,470,000	155,278	10.6%
Transfer from General Fund	28,240	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>1,498,240</b>	<b>155,278</b>	<b>10.4%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1,498,240</b>	<b>202,021</b>	<b>13.5%</b>

Sanitation	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	5,049,742	821,620	16.3%
Appropriations & Carryover	166,693	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>5,216,435</b>	<b>821,620</b>	<b>15.8%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>5,216,435</b>	<b>839,382</b>	<b>16.1%</b>

Garage	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	941,000	144,436	15.3%
Appropriations & Carryover	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>941,000</b>	<b>144,436</b>	<b>15.3%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>941,000</b>	<b>137,999</b>	<b>14.7%</b>