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Planning & Zoning Commission to Consider Code Changes

The City's Planning and Zoning Commission will be taking up a formal review of some changes to Article 3 of the City's Land Development Code (LDC). Article 3 of the LDC establishes the zoning categories, the uses allowed under those categories, various supplemental regulations regarding such uses. The meeting will take place on April 16, 2013 at 6pm. While there are several changes being made, some of the more significant changes include the following:

- Establishing a Waterfront Development overlay district to promote quality development along our most significant assets—our lakes.
- Requiring a conditional use permit for outdoor recreational facilities greater than 500 sq ft in residential zoning.
- Allowing for longer time frames to complete projects approved under a PUD zoning.
- Allowing for installation of poles or tower structures for personal use in residential zoning to accommodate satellite television, digital television antennas and wireless internet antennas.
- Amending fence regulations to establish where fence height is measured and clarifying the height exceptions for certain fence types.

Also being considered is an application for a variance to the maximum size of an accessory building in MR-1 zoning.

Exciting stuff huh?
(Maybe not, but it is important.)

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This view will change: Following on the theme established in our first issues of the Crescent City Chronicle this picture features a landscape that is soon to change for the better. Rocket Lane is scheduled to be paved this year. In addition to paving the roadway, we will be opening it up so that it passes all the way through to Bay Street, which will allow better access for residents, garbage service and emergency services.

April 11th City Commission Workshop and Regular Meeting

The City Commission will be meeting early at 5:15 pm on April 11th to conduct a workshop. Workshop agenda will be:

IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
(See article on page 2 for more info.)

The regular meeting will still begin at 7:00pm and the topics of discussion will be:
GRANT APPLICATION FOR ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW FIRE TRUCK.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FLORIDA MILITARY FAMILY AND COMMUNITY COVENANT

AN UPDATE REGARDING PUTNAM

COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S NEW STRATEGIES FROM JIM MELFI

PRESENTATION OF THE REGIONAL POLICY PLAN BY THE NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL.

There is always time at the end of the meetings for visitor communication. You can come in and ask a question or voice an opinion to the Commission regarding any topic relevant to the city. If special accommodation is needed to attend the meeting, please contact City Hall 24 hours in advance at 698-2525

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

35th Annual Catfish Festival

Rotary Club of Crescent City
Location: Eva Lyon Park
Date/Time: 04/05/13 5p to 9p and 04/06/13 9a to 5p
Info:
<http://www.clubrunner.ca/crescentcity/>

Cardboard Boat Regatta

Crescent City Yacht Club
Location: Dexter Beach (Lake Stella)
Date/Time: 04/13/13 11:00 a
Info: www.cc-yc.com

Commission, Committee and Board Meetings for April:

City Commission
April 11th
Special Workshop @ 5:15 pm
(see page 2)
Regular Meeting @ 7pm
Planning & Zoning
April 16th @ 6pm
CRA Advisory Committee
April 17th @ 2pm

Special Workshop Notice

City Commission Workshop
April 11th @ 5:15pm
Purpose: Discuss City-Wide Improvement Priorities and Funding Options.

Movie In The Park (yes it is back!)

Featuring: "The Lorax"
May 4th 7:45 pm
(Hotdogs, drinks and popcorn set up 30 minutes prior to movie time)

To Get Your Crescent City Community Event Posted Here, send by email with the information to:

newsletter@crescentcity-fl.com

Ideas for Newsletter Subjects??
Time sensitive subjects should be sent in by the 28th of each month to make it in the Chronicle at the beginning of the month. You can email your ideas to:
newsletter@crescentcity-fl.com

CRA Advisory Committee Beautification Award

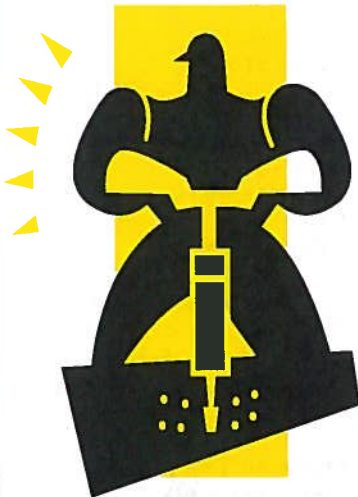


March Beautification Award Winners—John and Grace Thomas

The CRA Advisory Committee is happy to announce the renewal of recognition of property owners throughout the city who maintain and strive to make their place one that is, well...beautiful! A Beautification Award sign is being placed on deserving homes or businesses. The Beautification Award will be selected monthly. So far, the award has been given to the City Hall in January for their new mural of the steamboat. Awarded in February to Roberto and Linda Rodriguez for their ongoing and long-standing upkeep of their property on Lake Street. It is always pristine. We are aware that there was some concern regarding the removal of a laurel

oak from their property. This was permitted by the City subject to replacement with another live oak tree. Finally, the March selection is the home of John and Grace Thomas at 301 S. Prospect Street. We invite all to drive by and see this lovely turn of the century classic structure with its beautiful lawns, oaks, and landscape. The CRA Advisory Committee invites the public to give us their recommendations of places that have done an outstanding job at revitalizing, rehabilitating and beautifying any property in our City. Please feel free to drop nominations at City Hall or email them (with pictures) to:

newsletter@crescentcity-fl.com



Want Input On Future Improvements in Our City?

The City Commission will be holding a public workshop on April 11, 2013 starting at 5:15 pm. (The regular commission meeting will follow starting at 7pm.). The purpose of the workshop is to discuss the City's priorities for capital improvements and what funding options may be available to implement them.

As I often like to say, you do not have to throw a rock very far to hit something that could use some improvement with our

public infrastructure and amenities.

Many of you may be aware of the Sunrise Park boating access improvements taking place. We also have a fire hydrant replacement project about to go out for bid; and we hope to have Rocket Lane pave before the end of the summer. The question we are asking at this workshop is:

"What is next?"

Do we want some local roads paved? Do we want to address the numerous storm drains out-

falls to our lakes that are "under performing"?

How about the playground equipment and tennis courts at Eva Lyon or the softball diamond at Harry Banks Community Park? Those are just a few of projects we, as a community, may want to take on. May be there is something you have on your mind that is not mentioned or maybe you have an opinion about which projects should be the priority. Be a part of the decision making process and come to the workshop!



Cardboard Boat Regatta April 13th!

The Crescent City Yacht Club is proud to announce the return of the Cardboard Boat Regatta. This will be the third such cardboard boat race to take place on the shores of Lake Stella at Dexter Beach. The first two years were a great success, but the Yacht Club had to regroup and find a member willing to take over the event. In walked Dorothy Grell, and that issue was solved.

The boats are easier to make than you might realize and they do float! It should be a nice day at the park, even if you just want to come watch the race. I am willing to bet that there will be at least one sinking for those of you who go to the races to see the wrecks!

Visit cc-yc.com for event information and for a link to a great "how to build a cardboard boat" website