



# Crescent City Chronicle

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### City of Crescent City, Florida

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### Commission Agenda for August 2014

This is the current agenda for the August 14th City Commission regular meeting:

**Recognition of Ashlyn Savel** for a very successful Special Olympics (Ashlyn is the daughter of one of our own City employees, Scott Savel)

**Bid Award on Old Gas Department Building**

**Multi-Cultural Arts Guild --** Marcia Marinello is planning to announce the start of this guild right here in Crescent City...right on! This is the kind of pro-active group efforts we need in our town.

**Repair and repainting of "City of Crescent City" signs at the north & south ends of town --** Patrick Kennedy has a price quote for refurbishing the "Welcome to Crescent City" signs at the entry ways to our city on Summit Street.

Presentation of the first draft of the proposed budget for FY 2014-2015 and scheduling dates for the budget hearings. This budget was handed out at a July workshop and should be in the website for your review by tomorrow. Hard copies are available in City Hall now.

Visit our [mobile friendly website](http://mobilefriendly.crescentcity-fl.com) at [crescentcity-fl.com](http://crescentcity-fl.com)

Also, keep an eye out for our [Visit Crescent City](http://VisitCrescentCity.com) website, which is currently under development. This website will be focused things to do and see in our area for visitors and residents.

### ITS AN ELECTION YEAR

Crescent City has two seats up for election in November. If you are interested in running for office, you need to get your qualification paperwork submitted before Noon on Friday August 8th. You pick up the full candidate's packet at City Hall but the best place to go with questions about the packet and process is the Supervisor of Elections in Palatka.

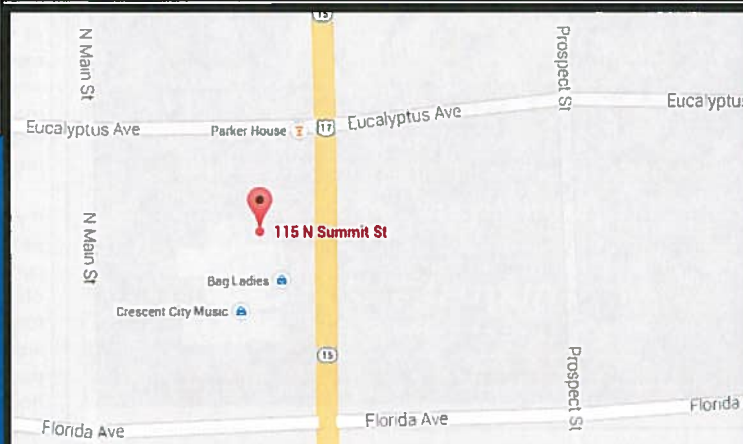
Even if you are not running for office, you need to register to vote and plan on participating in the election. It is too late to register for the primary election, but there is still time to register for the general election in November. You will be helping choose the next governor of the state of Florida, our state senator, county commissioner seats and some very interesting ballot initiatives.

**2014 Primary Election: August 26, 2014**

**2014 General Election: November 4th, 2014.**

Crescent City also has a new polling place. In years past it has been at the Woman's Club and more recently, the Crescent City Library. However, the City of Crescent City and Putnam County have been working hard to open a new polling place for those who vote in our precinct. If you voted at the Crescent City Woman's Club or the Crescent City Library in the past, then most likely, you will now cast your vote in the South Putnam Government Center at 115 N. Summit Street. Some may know it as the old City Hall and others may know it as the place where you get your license tag and driver's license. You can go to this location for early voting as well.

On the day of the primary and general elections there will be access from the Main Street side of the office with plenty of parking. If you turn down Florida Avenue or Eucalyptus Avenue, you enter the back parking lot from either Eucalyptus or Main Street.



### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Police Department Workshop —** August 7th starting at 6pm in City Hall. This is the second quarterly workshop following the recent public meetings asking for improvements to our law enforcement and code enforcement efforts. Come hear about progress that has been made and provide input where you believe progress is still needed.

**Movie in the Park —** August 9th at dusk in Eva Lyon Park— "Cloudy With A Chance of Meatballs 2" (See flyer on page 2)

**City Commission Regular Meeting —** August 14th at 7 pm at City Hall

**Better Place Plan Committee —** August 5th at 4:30p at City Hall

**Summer Recreation Activities —** The Putnam Family Fitness Center is conducting softball, beach volleyball and soccer programs in Harry Banks Community Park and Dexter Beach, here in Crescent City. We will send out more specific information when we get it, but you can contact the **Putnam Family Fitness Center at (386) 649-8784 for more information.**

**Does your club, church or civic group have an event in the Crescent City Community?** Send the information by email before the end of the month prior to the event to the following email [newsletter@crescentcity-fl.com](mailto:newsletter@crescentcity-fl.com)



# Did You Know...

The following exemptions for single-family residential construction is hereby adopted as a local amendment to the Florida Building Code 2007:

**ACCESSORY BUILDINGS:** Permits shall not be required for construction, alteration, repair, removal, placement or demolition of the following residential accessory buildings: One story accessory storage buildings or structures, less than 12 feet to the ridge in height, and less than 151 and otherwise meet zoning requirements; sq. ft. in area, which are free-standing

**WOOD DECKS:** Permits shall not be required for construction, alteration, repair, removal, placement or demolition of wood decks no greater than 150 square feet and less than 29 1/2" above the finished grade and do not support a hot tub, spa or pool.

**SIDEWALKS:** Concrete or paver systems used for residential sidewalks, vehicles, parking, patios and other similar uses, and are not intended to support a building or structure that otherwise requires a permit.

**ROOFS:** Non-structural repairs with a value of less than \$1,000 or less than 25% of the roof, whichever is less, for a residential roof in any 12-month period.

**EXTERIOR WALLS:** Non-structural repairs with a value of less than \$1,000 or less 25% of exterior wall, whichever is less, on a residential exterior in any 12-month period.

**INTERIOR WALLS:** Non-structural repairs with a value of less than \$1,000 or less than 25% of a residential interior relating to ceiling and wall coverings (e.g. dry-wall, plaster, etc) in any 12-month period.

**ELECTRICAL FIXTURES:** Replacing residential light fixtures, ceiling fans, outlets, receptacles, or other similar devices with similar products of similar size.

**PLUMBING FIXTURES** Replacing residential plumbing fixtures, except tubs and showers, with similar products.

**PAINT:** Interior and exterior painting.

**APPLIANCE REPAIR:** Repairing existing mechanical equipment or appliances

**STUCCO:** Stucco on masonry buildings.

**SCREENS:** Adding or replacing insect screening on an existing building or structure.

**CABINETRY:** Residential cabinetry and countertops.

**FLOORING:** Residential / Commercial floor coverings.

**TRIM:** Residential / Commercial decorative trim work & non-structural architectural details.

**DEMOLITION:** Demolition of detached residential accessory structures 1,000 sq. ft. or less.

**OTHER:** Ordinary repairs consistent with these requirements and minor in scope as approved by the Building Official. Ordinary Minor Repairs shall not include: addition to, alteration of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage, drain leader, gas, soil, waste, vent or similar piping; electrical wiring systems; mechanical equipment; cutting away of any wall, partition or portion thereof; the removal or cutting away of any structural beam or load-bearing support; or the removal or change of any required exit.

If you are not sure your project needs a permit, please ask. We prefer to have the conversation before you start work. The old saying that "it is better to ask for forgiveness than permission", does not work as well when it comes to building permits and it could end up costing you double.

*- In case of rain, we will relocate to City Hall's Commission Room -*



Eva Lyons Park  
**Saturday August 9, 2014**

At Dusk

**Rain or Shine!**

Bring your blankets and low back chairs and join us for a fun filled evening under the stars!

Hotdogs  
Popcorn

&  
Drinks  
Available!

Sponsored by



**MOVIES**  
*in the Park*

GET READY FOR THE ULTIMATE FOODFIGHT

**CLOUDY with a chance of MEATBALLS 2**

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