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July 14th City Commission Agenda

Recognition of Herman Irvin – 20 Years of Service, Crescent City Natural Gas

Release of Lien for Case No. Case#12-09-11-0968
(Vacant Property At Corner of Cherry Street and CR 308)

Release of Lien for Parcel for Case No. Case#07-03-07
(Vacant Property at Corner of Citron Ave and Summit Street)

Release of Lien of Case No. Case# 12-01-12-0043 (105 Central Avenue)

Recommendation for Architectural Services for City Hall Re-Roof

Recommendation for Demolition Services for 301 Central Avenue

Schedule and Priorities for Upcoming Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Cycle

Reappoint Citizen Advisory Task Force for Next CDBG Cycle

Resolution 16-04: Announcing 2016 Election.

Qualification Time and Other Election Schedule Items for 2016 Election

Because the newsletter is coming out well before the Commission meeting, please note that agenda is subject to change up to 5 days prior to meeting. Check with City Hall for final agenda.

Interested In Running For Office? Know Someone Who Is?

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF CRESCENT CITY

THE CITY OF CRESCENT CITY 2016 GENERAL ELECTION FOR TWO (2) COMMISSION SEATS DESIGNATED GROUP 3 AND GROUP 4 AND THE SEAT OF MAYOR-COMMISSIONER WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016, AT THE GOVERNMENTAL COMPLEX, 115 N. SUMMIT STREET, CRESCENT CITY, FLORIDA.

QUALIFYING FOR ALL CANDIDATES BEGINS AT 12:00 NOON, ON MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2016, AND ENDS AT 12:00 NOON, FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2016.

MEMBERS OF THE CITY COMMISSION SHALL BE REGISTERED ELECTORS RESIDING IN THE MUNICIPALITY AT LEAST SIX (6) MONTHS PRIOR TO FILING FOR ELECTION. A PERSON MEETING THESE QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFICE THAT IS SEEKING TO BECOME A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR-COMMISSIONER OR COMMISSIONER MAY DO SO BY PRESENTING A NOMINATING PETITION SIGNED BY AT LEAST TWENTY-FIVE (25) QUALIFIED ELECTORS OR BY PAYMENT OF FIVE PERCENT (5%) OF THE SALARY OF THE OFFICE SOUGHT AS A QUALIFYING FEE. EACH CANDIDATE SHALL ALSO FILE A SWORN QUALIFICATION STATEMENT WITH CITY HALL WHICH SHALL STATE THE NAME AND OCCUPATION OF THE CANDIDATE QUALIFYING FOR A PLACE ON THE ELECTION BALLOT; AND THE ADDRESS OF HIS/HER PLACE OF RESIDENCE IN THE CITY; AND THAT HE/SHE IS A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR-COMMISSIONER OR COMMISSIONER, SPECIFYING THE GROUP NUMBER OF THE COMMISSION OFFICE BEING SOUGHT; AND THAT HE/SHE SHALL BE WILLING TO SERVE IF ELECTED.

SUCH NOMINATING PETITIONS, QUALIFICATION STATEMENT AND ALL OTHER REQUIRED INFORMATION SHALL BE FILED WITH THE CITY AND THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OF PUTNAM COUNTY ONLY DURING THE QUALIFICATION TIME PERIOD STATED ABOVE.

THE DEADLINE FOR NEW VOTER REGISTRATIONS IS 5:00 P.M., MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2016. VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE GOVERNMENTAL COMPLEX, 115 N. SUMMIT STREET, CRESCENT CITY, FLORIDA OR THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTION OFFICE, 2509 CRILL AVENUE, SUITE 900, PALATKA, FLORIDA.

LOGIC & ACCURACY TESTS WILL BE AT 9:00 AM ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016, AT THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTION OFFICE, 2509 CRILL AVENUE, SUITE 900, PALATKA, FLORIDA.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PERSONS NEEDING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS SHOULD CONTACT CITY HALL AT 386-698-2525 AT LEAST 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE TO REQUEST SUCH ACCOMODATIONS.

PATRICK KENNEDY
CITY MANAGER, CITY OF CRESCENT CITY

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

City Commission Regular Meeting — July 14th @ 7pm
City Hall Meeting Room

Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting — July 12th @ 6:00 pm
City Hall Meeting Room

Code Enforcement Board — July 26th @ 5:30pm
City Hall Meeting Room

To Get Your Crescent City Community Event Posted Here, send it via email with the information as presented above to:
newsletter@creascentcity-fl.com

ATTENTION RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS

You will be receiving a short survey insert with your utility bill this month.

YOUR CITY COMMISSION NEEDS YOUR INPUT!

It asks 5 simple questions that your city commission wants you to answer concerning the priorities for the city in the next 1 year, 3 year and even 10 year time frame.

Your input will be considered and included in the strategic planning process to set goals and objectives for the city for the next 3 to 10 years.

Be on the look out for notice of a public workshop that will follow!

City Hall Closed on Monday
July 4th
Happy 240th Birthday USA!!



Vandalism in Our Parks—It Costs Us All

While we normally attempt to stay upbeat in the Chronicle, we wanted to do a short article about vandalism in our parks. Recently, someone or a group of someone's pulled down and trampled on Independence Day decorations at Eva Lyon Park. The bunting, the lights and even the small American flags posted in the park.

Aside from the desecration of the flags, what makes this vandalism even more egregious is that these decorations were provided and installed by volunteers.

The Eva Lyon Park bathrooms have also suffered vandalism that I do not want to describe in

detail here. Suffice it to say, it left the scene in an unsanitary condition.

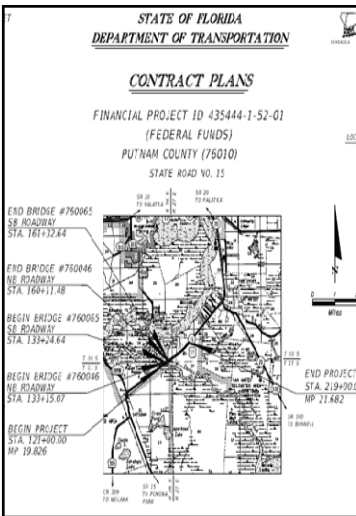
Each of our park bathrooms have suffered similar desecrations, which results in the closing of the bathrooms. There are also those that have decided doing "donuts" with their vehicle in the Sunrise Park and Harry Banks Park.

The good folks who want to use the parks as they are intended to be used end up being punished and discouraged from using the park.

As we enter into the \$160,000 effort to rehabilitate and improve Eva Lyon Park, I want to

ask our readers to help keep an eye on our parks and spread the word to those that do not receive this newsletter to do the same.

If you have a favorite park that you like to use for fishing, swimming, picnicking or just walking your dog, perhaps you can start an "Adopt a Park" group that takes a personal involvement in park. Our police and our public works staff do attempt to keep up with the security and maintenance, but help from the community might make the difference we need.



Crescent City Natural Gas Prepares for Dunns Creek Phase of US17 Widening

The City of Crescent City just received 100% engineering plans for the widening of US17 across Dunns Creek. FDOT has requested that the city relocate its natural gas main in the section of the project ahead of FDOT's work in this section.

For those of you that don't know, Crescent City Natural Gas serves most of South Putnam from the old FPL plant in East Palatka, south to Crescent City and west to Welaka. About 98% of our gas main along US17

is inside FDOT's right-of-way. The 4-lane expansion taking place from San Mateo south to CR 309 requires us to relocate our gas main.

Lucky for us, FDOT has agreed to pay the cost of the relocation, so we have very little direct costs associated with the effort. However, it does require us to have a dedicated person on site to babysit our gas system to prevent any damage while they are digging and grading. This leaves our gas department per-

sonnel fairly stretched out, but they have been able to handle it. Be sure to thank them when you see them out there.

We are wrapping up our relocation efforts in the section currently under construction in San Mateo between Currie Rd and Horselanding Road. Not sure if this means the new bridge is coming any time soon, but it sure seems like progress in that direction.



Candidate's Booklet Now Available at City Hall

As indicated in the notice on page one of this edition, we have a local election this year. Because of the charter change made in 2012, we are going to 4 year terms for the commissioner and the mayor-commissioner seats. In order to get on the right cycle, the mayor's seat and the group 3 and group 4 seats we open for election last year and then again this year. Once elected in November, the suc-

cessful candidates will be in office for a 4 year term.

Even local elections are little more complicated than the "good old days". If interested, you need to pick up a notebook with all the pertinent information and forms. You will need to sit down with Deb Wazowicz at City Hall to go over the packet and make certain it is complete.

As indicated in the notice on page one, the time frame for

submitting the necessary information, documentations and fees necessary to qualify falls between 12:00 Noon, Monday August 1, 2016, and 12:00 NOON, Friday August 5, 2016.

The last day to register to vote in order to be eligible to vote in this election is 5:00 P.M., Monday October 11, 2016.