

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PORT ROYAL

AND THE CITY OF NAPLES | NOVEMBER 2019

WELCOME BACK! We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our residents who have returned to Naples for the upcoming season! The temperature has finally cooled, and we're enjoying some of the best weather Naples has to offer. We look forward to having our residents back in town, while reconnecting with old friends, and eagerly awaiting the holiday season!

2020 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our Membership Drive for the 2020 season is now underway! The Association is dedicated to protecting your interests, maximizing the value of your property, and ensuring that our wonderful community remains pristine, safe, and beautiful. We, with the help of our voluntary Board of Directors and established Committees, oversee the architect and builder approval process, review architectural plans for new construction, remodels, and landscape improvements, and review docks and shorelines. We are also responsible for beautification of our entrances, holiday décor and lighting, as well as City partnership to tend to infrastructure maintenance and improvements. We are currently attempting to reinforce our longstanding definitions as to what constitutes a lot in Port Royal and are working closely with City staff to achieve this. In order for us to accomplish our many important tasks, we strongly encourage you to support your Association by becoming a member. Thank you to those who have already renewed their membership for the upcoming season! [LEARN MORE ABOUT ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP HERE.](#)



Join the Association by JANUARY 15, 2020 and receive an RCC Card to be used for the 2020 season. The RCC Card is a discount card that provides access to savings and deals when used to shop or dine at participating local retailers. Discounts vary per establishment and are typically anywhere from 10% - 20% off restaurants, stores, spas, cleaning services, and much more. Some of our favorite participating restaurants include Sea Salt, Bha Bha Persian Bistro, Jane's Café, Tacos & Tequila and more! For participating retailers and service providers, click [HERE](#).

RIGHT-OF-WAY DEVICES

At a recent meeting with the City's Streets & Stormwater Department, we learned that the City has started inspecting the rights-of-way (ROW) and will begin contacting homeowners who have unauthorized ROW encroachments early next year. Since our parking ordinance has now been in effect for nearly a year, we are hopeful conditions are improved, as landscape and other vehicles are no longer permitted to park in the road or ROW. Currently various ROW devices line our streets, including vegetation, different color and sized PVC posts, wooden posts, rocks, pebbles, and more. Removing the unauthorized protective devices would not only create uniformity, it will beautify our streets tremendously. If you are concerned about an underlying issue with your property, the City indicated that they would be more than willing to work with you on a solution specific to your property. The Association wanted to alert you to this city-wide effort to give ample time for changes to be made prior to the City's outreach. If there is anything we can assist with, please call our office to discuss. The section of the code pertinent to ROW delineation and protective devices can be found [HERE](#).



BEACH RENOURISHMENT UPDATE



As previously reported, the Collier County Commissioners unanimously approved a \$5.5M beach renourishment project for Park Shore, North Park Shore and Clam Pass beaches. The project began in early October and is more than a third complete and on pace to finish by the end of the year. Drivers are hauling the sand in from Immokalee seven days a week from sunrise to sunset in an effort to finish the project by Christmas. “Protecting upland properties from beach erosion is one reason for the renourishment, as well as protecting from storm surge,” reports Naples Daily News. “The County monitors the beaches for erosion each year, and about 65% to 85% of the sand remains on the beach. The rest drifts down South.” [LEARN MORE HERE.](#)

2020 COUNCIL ELECTION

The City of Naples General Election will be held on March 17, 2020. The Port Royal Association will be hosting a Candidate Forum to give our members an opportunity to hear the Mayoral and City Council candidates discuss issues that are most important to them. Mayor Bill is up for re-election, and there will be three vacancies on the City Council. In keeping with our usual format, we will source questions from our membership prior to the forum, which will be moderated, to provide a smooth and efficient program. The tentative date for the Forum is Wednesday, February 12th at 9:30AM at the Port Royal Club. Learn more about the candidates [HERE.](#)



**SAVE
THE
DATE** **CITY COUNCIL
FORUM**

LARGE VEHICLES + DELIVERIES



Much of Port Royal's charm lies in the unique design of our roadways. Our streets are long and winding and adorned with some of the most beautiful landscaping in Naples, if not the country. We have heard from several residents on Spyglass and Galleon that large trucks (i.e. construction, delivery, service trucks) cannot successfully navigate the cul-de-sacs and are therefore constantly driving over front yards, ruining landscaping, hitting mailboxes and significantly damaging the center medians. We are currently working with the City of Naples on a plan to remedy some of these problem areas but in the meantime, we could use your help. When scheduling a large delivery, if you could please inform the company or driver that large trucks cannot fit around the Spyglass and Galleon cul-de-sacs and if at all possible, ask them to make other arrangements, such as backing out (under the guidance of a flagman or City-arranged escort). We hope these slight, temporary modifications will help these problem areas and your neighbors while the City develops a long term plan.

ENTRANCE LIGHTING

In response to a member's inquiry, the Association is working with a landscape architect to better illuminate the main entrances into Port Royal by installing additional lampposts and uplighting. We appreciate member comments and feedback - we are here to help facilitate these improvement projects! Please call the Association office with any questions or concerns that we can help address.



NAPLES BEACH HOTEL PROJECT



On November 20th, the Naples City Council unanimously approved the new 5-star resort development to replace the historic Naples Beach Hotel. The site plan was presented with deviations – or exceptions – from city code, relative to allowable building heights. However, according to the developer, the plans are designed to continue the traditions that have made the storied hotel an important and integral part of the community for nearly 70 years. While there have been mixed feelings on the project, The Athens Group assured the Council and community that the hotel would be smaller than the existing hotel, with “best-in-class” condos along both sides of Gulf Shore Boulevard. Council will once again vote on December 4th during a second hearing. [READ MORE HERE.](#)

BAKER PARK

Baker Park officially opened on October 29, 2019. The park is beautiful and offers a variety of amenities for the public to enjoy! Visit Baker Park at 100 Riverside Circle (at Central Avenue), open from 6AM to 10PM daily.



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