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To: Town Council

From: Stephen Steese, Town Manager

Date: June 30, 2025

Town Operations / Community Meetings

- The Public Hearing and Final Reading of the FY 25-26 Budget was adopted at the June 10th Council Meeting. We are working to close out the FY 24-25 Budget as we approach the transition dates.
- The Town completed the Resident Resource Guide, and they have been sent to every resident in the town. We will also share with groups that would like copies.
- Staff continued to meet with the engineer that is reviewing the entire Bluffton Parkway as part of the LATS study. They are finalizing options, along with their impact and costs, that will be presented to LATS in August.
- Town offices were closed June 19th in observance of Juneteenth and held our Annual Juneteenth Luncheon on June 17th.
- We have been planning and preparing for the Town's Independence Day celebration. We will have the Mayor's Cup 5K on July 2nd at 7:00 pm with a concert following and ending at 9:00 pm. We will have a celebration in Old Town on July 3rd starting at 5:00 pm followed by Fireworks around 9:00 pm.

Town Council/Town Attorney Related Meetings

- Weekly Mayor / Mayor Pro Tempore / Manager meetings.
- Mayor, Councilmembers, and staff attended the SOLOCO meeting in Bluffton on June 24th. There
 was a presentation and discussion around Emergency Preparation and Response.
- Mayor and staff attended the Green Penny Committee Meeting on June 13th. The Committee unanimously voted to move the Town's application forward to County Council.
- Mayor presented at the Bluffton Men's Club held at The Crescent Clubhouse.
- Councilman Wood presented at Sun City at their request. Heather and Kevin attended to support and help with any questions.
- Mayor, Council, and staff attended several ribbon-cutting events throughout the month.

Updates and Miscellaneous Information

- The Town put up banners for Juneteenth that included the new ones that were designed by local artists. We will transition to our patriotic banners when they come down for July 4th.
- Continued Our Movie Night on June 6th from 5:00 8:00 at Buckwalter Park and had our summer water event June 21st at Field of Dreams.
- We also held our first Brunch and Ballet in the Park at the Buckwalter Amphitheatre on June 28th from 9:00 12:00.
- Chris and I attended the Annual GFOA Conference June 28th July 2nd.