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CITY OFFICES CLOSED

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2021 in observance of Labor Day.

Garbage Schedule

Garbage, yard trash, and recycling collection services will not be provided and will resume on the next regularly scheduled collection day.

Inspections Schedule

No inspections will be performed during the holiday. For next-day inspections, submit your request the business day before the holiday by 4 p.m.



STORMWATER POLLUTION

Some helpful tips to protect our environment one step at at a time!

- 1. **NEVER** dump anything in a storm drain or into a drainage ditch.
- 2. Clean up after your pet. Pet waste is a significant source of pathogens.
- 3. Throw litter in its proper place. If you see garbage near a storm drain, pick it up.
- 4. Never pour household hazardous wastes into storm drains, down the sink, or on the ground. Household Hazardous Waste is accepted FREE OF CHARGE at the Seminole County Central Transfer Station.
- 5. Do not put greasy food items down the drain or garbage disposal. Wipe dishes, pots, and pans with a paper towel to remove excess grease before washing.
- 6. Maintain septic systems regularly.
- 7. Regularly check your vehicles for leaks (and repair them).
- 8. Compost yard wastes. Use Compost Grass, Leaves, and Shrub Clippings as mulch to supplement fertilizers. Do not blow or rake these materials into roadways or swales.
- 9. Motor oil is banned from landfill disposal and **cannot** be placed with your garbage. Recycle used motor oil and other automotive fluids at the oil recycling "igloos" at most Seminole County Central Transfer Station.
- 10. Use fertilizers and pesticides only when other methods fail, and always follow the label instructions. Do not apply them when rain is in the forecast.
- 11. Wash vehicles in the yard and not on the pavement. Better yet, take your car to a carwash, where all wastewater flows into the sanitary sewer system for treatment.
- 12. Report illegal dumping immediately.

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WSPD BLOG UPDATE

School days can bring challenging times for children and teens. Pressure to be someone they are not, not meeting the standards of their classmates, or just being different. Learn more about some tips on what to do if being bullied or bystanders to a bully in this month's WSPD Blog update!

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June 1 to Nov 30 marks our annual hurricane season. The best time to prepare for a hurricane is before hurricane season even begins. It is vital to understand your home's vulnerability and take steps to safeguard your family and property. Have a plan and be ready to implement such a plan. Learn more from Seminole County. Click the link below for additional Disaster Preparedness so we can be #ReadyWinterSprings!

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Rules and Information

- Must be available to perform on November 6, 2021.
- Open to Seminole County Residents of all ages.
- Cannot be a grand prize winner from past competition.
- Must be able to submit a video if unable to audition in person.

Prizes

- All Contestants receive a gift after auditions.
- (1) 1st prize winner will receive \$500
 & opportunity to perform at a later city event.
- (2) Runner ups will receive cash prize.

Auditions

Auditions will be held on September 25, 2021 from 9 am - 11 am at RE/MAX Town & Country Realty OR submit video (youtube link or mp4) by September 18, 2021. Video auditions are preferred due to covid concerns.

Submissions

The deadline to submit an application and video is September 18, 2021 by 5 pm.

Email:

WinterSpringsGotTalent@gmail.com
Mail or Drop-off:
RE/MAX Town & Country Realty
1315 Tuskawilla Road
Winter Springs, FL 32708

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WINTER SPRINGS GOT TALENT

Do you have an incredible talent and want to be involved in Winter Springs Got Talent? We would love for you to audition to perform at our Fall Festival, Hometown Harvest, on Saturday, November 6, 2021.

A few rules...

- There is no age limit and open to Seminole County Residents.
- You must not be a grand prize winner from past competitions.
- You must be able to attend auditions or submit a video to participate.
- Must be able to perform at Hometown Harvest on November 6, 2021.

If you can sing, dance, perform magic, comedian, etc. come out to auditions and make sure to submit an application before auditions.

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SMALL BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT

Are you a small business in Winter Springs? Do you want to be featured in the Winter Springs insider? Email us some information about your business at **communications@winterspringsfl.org** for a chance to be featured!

UTILITY NEWS

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Save the paper bill cutter and sign up for e-billing! Call or e-mail customer care to get started.

<u>Customer Care Team Contact Information</u>

- 407-327-5996
- cityhallinfo@winterspringsfl.org

BILL PAY OPTIONS

Eliminate the need to write checks and never miss a payment date again, enroll in one of our automatic payment options.

- Bank draft We will draft your bank account on the last Tuesday that your bill is due.
- Recurring credit card We will process your credit card payment on the last Tuesday that your bill is due.

You can pay your bill at the convenience of your home by using your bank's online bill payer option (please be sure to use your correct Utility Account number)

You can pay your bill by credit card here (login or create a user profile to begin today)

You can also pay 24/7 at our kiosk located in the City Hall parking lot between City Hall and the Rize Apartments. The kiosk takes cash, check, and charge. There is also a dropbox

available.



Tuskawilla Rd. near Magnolia Fountain







CAR CHARGING STATIONS

With a grant from the Duke Energy, Florida, Park & Plug Program, and Nova Charge, you can charge your electric vehicle while enjoying the trail or a bite to eat at one of our town center restaurants!

Charging stations are available at:

- 1100 Hicks Avenue, near the new Central Winds Park Trailhead (across from Choices in Learning)
- Tuskawilla Road near the Magnolia Fountain

You can download the GreenLots App to get charging!



FOOD TRUCK ARTISAN FAIR

Come to Trotwood Park for Food Trucks, Local Vendors, and Fun! Visit the park to pick up a delicious dinner, do some shopping, and listen to live entertainment!

Thursday, September 23, 2021

Time: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Location: Trotwood Park - Pam Carroll Pavilion

Food Trucks:

- Fully Loaded Food Mexican Fries
- Simple Soup N' Sammich Soup and Sandwiches
- A No Roots Kitchen Tacos
- Nonnis Minis Mini Donuts
- Peru Power Food Truck Peruvian Street food
- Notorious P.I.G BBQ, sandwiches, and more
- Bao Houz Fluffy Tacos

Interested in becoming a vendor? Please email mmcneil@winterspringsfl.org for more information on how to apply. *Please note - no non-profit organizations or fundraisers for this event*



WINTER SPRINGS UNITED

At our June 9th City of Winter Springs Diversity Workshop held at City Hall your Mayor, City Commission, City Manager, and City Staff held our annual Diversity Workshop. Your City and Community Leaders launched the Winter Springs United Initiative (#winterspringsunited) which reinforces the directives of Resolution 2020-19 and focuses on improving and implementing policies and practices to continuously afford all persons due process and equal protection under the law, free of racism and unjust and arbitrary discrimination, and to foster human dignity, equality, diversity, inclusivity and equal justice within the organization. The Winter Springs Police Department has had zero substantiated complaints accusing our officers of racial discrimination.

Winter Springs United further demonstrates that as a community we stand together against bullying and discrimination. If you would like to hear what was said at the Diversity Workshop in further detail, you can listen to the full workshop here.

Do you want to be highlighted in the Winter Springs United Section of our monthly newsletter? Email us some information at **communications@winterspringsfl.org** for a chance to be featured!





Saturday & Sunday - October 16th & 17th 10:00am - 5:00pm Winter Springs Town Center









Food



WINTER SPRINGS FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

The Oviedo-Winter Springs Regional Chamber of Commerce and the City of Winter Springs proudly produce and host the Winter Springs Festival of the Arts.

The 14th Annual WSFOTA is presented by AdventHealth and will take place Saturday, October 16th, and Sunday, October 17th, from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm on Blumberg Blvd. At this

event, you can enjoy award-winning art, meet the artists, savor delicious food and craft beers, enjoy rockin' entertainment, and let your kids explore their artistic talents in the kid's crafts area!

Are you interested in participating? The Oviedo-Winter Springs Chamber is looking for artists, vendors, sponsors, and volunteers! Contact events@oviedowintersprings.org for more information about becoming a vendor.

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STAY UP TO DATE LOCALLY ON CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

407-665-0000 PREPARESEMINOLE.ORG

PREPARE SEMINOLE

Seminole County Office of Emergency Management, along with state and local partner agencies, are monitoring COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Visit the Seminole County Office of Emergency Management's Prepare Seminole website for county-wide updates at www.prepareseminole.org.



- September 1 Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Special Meeting
- September 2 Planning and Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency
- September 6 City Offices Closed in observance of Labor Day
- September 8 Veteran and Veteran Family Advisory Committee Regular Meeting
- September 13 City Commission Regular Meeting
- September 20 City Commission Special Meeting

September 23 - Food Truck Artisan Fair

September 25 - Winter Springs Got Talent Competition Auditions

September 27 - City Commission Regular Meeting

September 28 - Code Enforcement Board Regular Meeting

CITY CALENDAR

MEET YOUR MAYOR & COMMISSION



Mayor Kevin McCann



Deputy Mayor Ted Johnson



Commissioner Matt Benton



Commissioner TiAnna Hale



Commissioner Kevin Cannon



Commissioner Rob Elliott



Check out the latest proposed and current City projects coming soon to the City of Winter Springs!

CITY PROJECTS



City of Winter Springs

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