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IRB SeeClickFix



The partnership between the City of Indian Rocks Beach and SeeClickFix allows citizens to report quality-of-life issues and request City services.

With the free SeeClickFix mobile app and web tools, Indian Rocks Beach citizens are able to provide City staff with pictures, videos, specific descriptions, and more — valuable information needed to get the job done efficiently. In addition, the SeeClickFix platform provides the City with a centralized issue management system to manage issues from creation to resolution — engaging IRB citizens throughout the process.

This partnership not only allows Indian Rocks Beach citizens to report problems, but also to view and comment on problems.

The “SeeClickFix” mobile app is available for download on Android and iPhone.

In addition to the mobile apps, citizens can send reports to the City’s website, www.indian-rocks-beach.com and seeclickfix.com.

About SeeClickFix

SeeClickFix was founded in 2008 to empower citizens with tools to publicly document quality of life concerns in their neighborhoods.

This exchange helped to build one of the largest neighborhood networks in the world — upon which public agencies and public citizens engage to improve communities. Today, SeeClickFix has official partnerships with hundreds of cities, engaging hundreds of thousands of citizens in the resolution of millions of issues.

REGULAR IRB CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS NOW ONLINE

You can now view video recordings of the regular Indian Rocks Beach City Commission Meetings on the City’s website at www.indian-rocks-beach.com or You Tube.

GRANTS

Since 2013, the City of Indian Rocks Beach Administration has secured \$1,059,580 in grants. These grants have been used for drainage, paving and landscaping projects. We continue to proactively pursue additional grant funding.



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COMMUNITY RATING SYSTEM

DID YOU KNOW that the City of Indian Rocks Beach participates in FEMA's Community Rating System? The system rewards those communities that participate in flood mitigation related activities that exceed the minimum federal National Flood Insurance (NFIP) standards.

A flood insurance premium rate reduction of 20% is available to all residents and business owners in the City located in the Special Flood Hazard Area. That's any flood zone that begins with the letters "A" or "V". ***Voluntary participation in the Community Rating System (CRS) saves flood insurance policy holders in the City more than \$597,000 in premium discounts annually.***

It is important to note that a reduction in flood insurance rates is only one of the rewards communities like ours receive from undertaking the activities credited under the Community Rating System. Others include:

- √ *increased public safety*
- √ *reduction of damages to property and public infrastructure*
- √ *avoidance of economic disruption and losses*
- √ *reduction of human suffering*
- √ *protection of the environment*

If you don't already have flood insurance to protect your building and its contents, please consider purchasing a policy today! Call your insurance agent, or (888) 379-9531 to find an agent, and be sure your premium includes the 20% discount. You can find more information about flood insurance at www.FloodSmart.gov or the City of Indian Rocks Beach website at www.indian-rocks-beach.com and click on *Flood Information*.

CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT UPDATES

Street Rehab: South Harbor Drive, from Maxwell Street to the cul-de-sac, and 13th Avenue, from Gulf Blvd to 1st Street, will be reconstructed beginning in early January 2018.

Poured in Place material and new play items will be added to the 10th Avenue Park in the Spring 2018.

Renovation of Restrooms at Kolb Park and the Nature Preserve has begun.

Phase II of the decorative **Street Sign Project** has begun and will be completed by August 2018.



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CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH LIBRARY

We are celebrating the New Year with a couple of new **FREE** programs for residents!



Sahaja Meditation will be offered at the Library, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 9th and January 23rd. Please sign up at the Library; space is limited to 12 participants. These sessions explain the benefits of meditation and how to start your own practice. We will continue to offer meditation twice a month.

The “**On the Rocks**” **Book Club** is excited to announce the first book selection and meeting. “*If the Creek Don’t Rise*”, by Leah Weiss, has been selected for the first book club discussion led by Miss Lee, the City Librarian. The Club will meet at the Library at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday January 30th. Copies are limited to the number of signed up members. A copy of the book club titles will be available on Overdrive for downloading to your devices.



Story Time for kids, ages 1 through 5, continues with Miss Lee on Tuesday mornings at 11:00 a.m. Join us for songs, finger plays and a story.

For more information about the IRB Library, membership and programs, please contact:

LEE MILLER

Librarian

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or 727/596-1822

You can also find information on the City of Indian Rocks Beach web page www.indian-rocks-beach.com.

2018 QUARTERLY *MEETING* CALENDAR

Tue	01/09	7:00p	City Commission Meeting
Tue	01/16	7:00p	Board of Adjustments & Appeals
Tue	02/13	7:00p	City Commission Meeting
Thu	02/15	6:00p	LPA/Planning & Zoning Board
Tue	02/20	7:00p	Board of Adjustments & Appeals
Tue	03/13	7:00a - 7:00p	Municipal Election
Tue	03/15	7:00p	Board of Adjustments & Appeals
Thu	03/20	6:00p	LPA/Planning & Zoning
Tue	03/27	6:30p	City Commission Organizational Mtg
Tue	03/27	7:00p	City Commission Meeting

2018 QUARTERLY *EVENTS* CALENDAR

Wed	01/24	7:00p	Meet the Candidates	IRB HOA/Auditorium
Mon-Wed	02/05 - 02/07		Community Clean Up	City of IRB
Sat	02/10	7:00p - 10:00p	Heart for Art Gala	Beach Art Center
Tue	03/13	7:00a - 7:00p	Municipal General Election	City of IRB/Auditorium
Sat	03/17	9:00a - 12:00 Noon	Great American Clean Up	City of IRB
Sat	03/17	11:00a - 4:00p	BAC Fund Raiser	Beach Art Center
Sat	03/24	11:00a - 5:00p	Greenfest	Church of the Isles
Sat	03/24	12:00 Noon	Historic Museum Lunch	IRB Historic Mus Board
Sat	03/31	10:00a - 12:00 Noon	Easter Egg Hunt	IRB HOA/Nature Pres.