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A Quarterly Newsletter of the City of Indian Rocks Beach

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Gregg Mims, City Manager

FELLOW RESIDENTS and NEIGHBORS OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH —

In accordance with Section 5.3(6) of the City Charter, I have forwarded to the City Commission the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Annual Budget for the City of Indian Rocks Beach. The Commission held one workshop and two public hearings. The budget is balanced in all funds and presents a comprehensive plan for providing city services during the coming fiscal year. The appropriation levels reflect the requirement to balance the budget while maintaining conservative budget principles.



The General Fund recommended expenses total \$3,697,710.00. According to the Pinellas County Property Appraiser's Office, our property assessed values are expected to increase by approximately 7.56%. Last year's increase was 11.91%.

With the reduction in the mill rate, **from 1.93% to 1.8326%**, and proactive actions that are reflected in this budget, the net increase in city operating expenses is seven thousand dollars. Our revenue sources remain stable and reserve funds are significantly higher than the national average. **The City of Indian Rocks Beach continues to operate without any debt. All of this is accomplished without the benefit of a storm water fee or a utility tax.**

Some of the highlights of the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget include:

- ▶ *Up to 3% performance-based raises for all full time employees (Raises are not included for the City Clerk or City Manager. The City Commission determines if these two Charter Positions will receive an increase in benefits.)*
- ▶ *6% increase in Health Benefit cost;*
- ▶ *\$1,500.00 increase in the allocation to the Beach Art Center;*
- ▶ *Contracting of the maintenance of all beach accesses, landscape islands and the Walsingham gateway area; associated with this contract is the reduction of one (1) Full Time position;*
- ▶ *3.1% increase in our Pinellas County Sheriff's Law Enforcement Service Contract;*

This year the Administration sent a post card to every registered voter's home address asking for input on the FY 2018-19 Budget. The feedback received was appreciated and factored into this budget. Once again, the City Commission provided valuable input and comments.

Finally, I would like to thank the employees of the City of Indian Rocks Beach for their dedication to our city. Without our IRB Team, the quality of life in Indian Rocks Beach would not be the same.

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**CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FUND
ADOPTED FIVE YEAR PLAN 2019-2023**

	<u>2019 Budget</u>	<u>2020 Budget</u>	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>Total Funding 2019-2023</u>
Carry Forward Fund Balance	1,876,566	1,348,566	838,566	787,566	805,566	
LOST (Penny Funding) Fund Revenue Earned	432,000	440,000	449,000	458,000	467,000	2,246,000
Gas Tax Fund Transfer (Road Resurfacing)	60,000			60,000		120,000
Grants - PC Dune Walkovers	-		50,000			50,000
Grants - East Gulf Blvd Nature Park						-
Grants - SWFWMD	-	150,000				150,000
Intergovernmental Funding - Utility Undergrounding	3,294,650					3,294,650
Total Revenues	3,786,650	590,000	499,000	518,000	467,000	5,860,650
<u>Projects</u>	<u>2019 Budget</u>	<u>2020 Budget</u>	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>	<u>Total Cost 2019-2023</u>
Road Milling, Resurfacing & Curbing	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	2,250,000
Stormwater Reconconstruction	-	300,000				300,000
Dune Walkovers & Upgrades	-		50,000			50,000
Gulf Blvd Utility Undergrounding	3,644,650					3,644,650
East Gulf Blvd Nature Park		200,000				200,000
Museum Renovation/Parking	70,000					70,000
Beach Access Improvements	70,000					70,000
Solar Projects		100,000				100,000
City Park Upgrades	80,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	280,000
Total Expenditures	4,314,650	1,100,000	550,000	500,000	500,000	6,964,650
Ending Fund Balance	1,348,566	838,566	787,566	805,566	772,566	

FEMA — 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 National Flood Insurance Program (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 beginning with the letters "A" or "V". Voluntary participation in the Community Rating System (CRS) saves flood insurance policyholders 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, and*
- √ *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*.

SOLID WASTE HOLIDAY SCHEDULES

Veteran's Day, Monday, November 12, 2018 – **CLOSED**

Monday, November 12, 2018 – limited *commercial* collection

Monday's route will be collected on Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Tuesday's route will be collected on Wednesday, November 14, 2018

No yard waste pick up during the week of November 12-16, 2018

Recycling schedule remains the same.

Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 22, 2018 – **CLOSED**

Thursday's route will be collected on Wednesday, November 21, 2018

Thanksgiving, Friday, November 23, 2018 – Normal Operations

No yard waste pick up during the week of November 19-23, 2018

Recycling schedule remains the same.

Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24, 2018 – Normal Operations

Christmas, Tuesday, December 25, 2018 – **CLOSED**

Tuesday's route will be collected on Wednesday, December 26, 2018

No yard waste during the week of December 24-28, 2018

Recycling schedule remains the same.

New Years Eve, Monday, December 31, 2018 – Normal Operations

New Years, Tuesday, January 1, 2019 – **CLOSED**

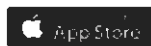
Tuesday's route will be collected on Wednesday, January 2, 2019

No yard waste during the week of December 31, 2018 - January 4, 2019

Recycling schedule remains the same.

You can view each recorded IRB City Commission meeting by following the link on the City's website at: www.indian-rocks-beach.com

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CITY COMMISSION

Joanne "Cookie" Kennedy, Mayor-Commissioner
 Edward G. Hoofnagle, Vice Mayor-Commissioner
 Phillip J. Hanna, Commissioner
 Nick Palomba, Commissioner
 Philip M. Wrobel, Commissioner

CITY MANAGER

Brently Gregg Mims

2018 QUARTERLY *EVENTS* CALENDAR

Sat	10/06	4:00p - 10:00p	Invasion Rocks the Beach	Pub Crawl	IRB Homeowners' Assoc.
Tue	10/09	7:30a - 9:00a	Coffee with A Cop	Crabby Bill's	City of IRB
Sat	10/13	11:00a - 7:00p	Oktoberfest	Kolb Park	IRB Action 2000, Inc
Sat	10/13	8:00a	ICWW Clean Up	15th Ave Boat Ramp	IRB Boat Club
Sat	10/20	8:00a - Noon	Florida Coastal Clean Up	County Beach Access	Keep Pinellas Beautiful
Sat	10/20	10:00a - 1:00p	Hallowfest	Kolb Park	City of IRB
Sat	11/03	12:00 Noon	Historical Museum Lunch	IRB Historical Museum	IRB Hist. Museum Board
M-W	11/05 - 11/07		Community Clean Up	Citywide	City of IRB
Sat	11/10	4:00p - 9:00p	Taste of IRB	Chic A Si Park	IRB Homeowners' Assoc.
Sa-Su	11/24 - 11/25		Citywide Garage Sale	Citywide	City of IRB
Fri	11/30	7:00p	Christmas Tree Lighting	12th Avenue Park	City of IRB
Sat	12/01	10:00a - 2:00p	Christmas Festival	Church of the Isles	Church of the Isles
Sun	12/02	1:00p - 4:00p	Holiday Street Parade	Citywide	City of IRB
Sat	12/08	2:00p - 6:00p	Holiday Home Tour	Select homes	IRB Homeowners' Assoc.
Wed	12/12		Toy Drive		Century 21 Beggins
Sat	12/15	6:30p	Holiday Lighted Boat Parade	Intracoastal Waterway	City of IRB