

# City of Indian Rocks Beach

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# **2024 QUARTERLY EVENTS CALENDAR**

### **OCTOBER**

Children's Hallowfest

NOVEMBER

Give Thanks for a Clean Beach

Sponsored by Greentown Kids

Oktoberfest

Saturday, October 12th 12 P.M.~ 6 P.M. at Kolb Park Sponsored by Action 2000 & the City of IRB

Saturday, October 26th 10 A.M.~1 P.M. at Kolb Park



### DECEMBER

Christmas Tree Lighting Friday, December 6th at 7 P.M., 12th Ave Park

### IRB Tour of Homes

Saturday, December 7th, 9 A.M.~6 P.M., Kolb Park Sponsored by Plumlee Gulf Beach Realty & IRB Home

Christmas Street Parade Sunday, December 8th at 1 P.M., See Map for Parade Route

### Christmas Lighted Boat Parade

Saturday, December 21 at 7 P.M., begins at Holiday Inn Harborside

Holiday Boat



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## **CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH CITY COMMISSION** ADOPTS 2024-2025 BUDGETS

Highlights of the proposed General Fund Budget include:

- 5% cost of living increase for all team members
- Continued allocation of \$50,000 for proactive drainage maintenance
- Continued funding for a magistrate and associated legal counsel
- 7.2% increase in the Pinellas County Sheriff's Law Enforcement Service Contract
- minimum of 60% of the annual operating budget.

Highlights of the Solid Waste Budget include:

- 5% cost of living increase for all team members
- 5% rate increase for both residential and commercial customers
- 7.0% increase in Pinellas County Tipping Fee
- 3% Recycling rate increase

Highlights of the 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan:

- Annual funding for road milling, resurfacing, curbing & drainage
- Allocation of \$1,308,170 from Pinellas County Penny to Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding Phase II. Scheduled to be complete by 2025.
- Stormwater reconstruction projects (half of the total is funded by SWFWMD Grants)
- Annual funding for park maintenance and upgrades in 2025 the plan provides for:
- Completion of the rehab of the IRB Nature Park Boardwalk (a multivear effort). Wood decking and railing will be replaced with recycled composite material. In addition, support repair will be completed.
- Brown Park Swing Shade.
- Kolb Park Irrigation & Sod.

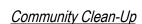
The Adopted 2024-25 Budget can be found on the the city website, www.indian-rocks-beach.com

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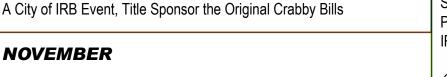


Citywide Garage Sale

November 4th. 5th. & 6th Place your household debris out on garbage day and yard debris on 6th

Saturday & Sunday, November 2nd~3rd, Citywide

Sunday, November 3rd 12 P.M.~2 P.M. at the County Park



Gregg Mims, City Manager

• Transfer of \$500,000 from General Fund Reserves to the Capital Improvement Budget, while still maintaining approximately 111 % of the General Fund Operating Expense. The adopted General Reserve Fund Policy is a

Public Works/Solid Waste 727/595-6889

### THE CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH PARTICIPATES IN THE NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

The N.P.D.E.S. (National Pollution Discharge Elimination System) regulations require municipalities to demonstrate adequate legal authority to prohibit illicit discharges to our storm sewer systems, provide maps of our storm sewers and outfalls, provide monitoring data showing the quality of runoff from local areas of various land use types, propose a management program that includes control measures to reduce pollutants in runoff, provide a program to detect and remove illicit discharges to our system, provide a program for monitoring compliance and the success of our programs, and provide an accounting of our fiscal resources available for carrying out this program.

In April 1994, the City of Indian Rocks Beach participated, along with other cities in Pinellas County, in jointly applying for our N.P.D.E.S. permit through Pinellas County. The cities, FDOT and Pinellas County work to protect and promote the public health, safety and general welfare through the management of storm water runoff. This is where you, as a resident, can help.

### WHY ARE WE INSPECTING FOR ILLICIT DISCHARGES?

The City of Indian Rocks Beach is basically responsible to ensure that our storm water discharges do not pollute the waters of the United States. The regulations require that we adopt an ordinance to prohibit illicit discharges. In May 1994, the City enacted Ordinance No. 545 specifically dealing with storm water sewers.

### WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I FIND A SUSPECTED DISCHARGE?

You should report it to the City of Indian Rocks Beach Public Works Department, at 727/595-6889, or the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, at 727/582-6200. They will then decide whether to report it further and to whom. They will also decide, based on your observation, if it is an emergency that needs to be stopped right away.

### LEGAL DISCHARGES

Some discharges are not considered illegal under the City's Ordinance include:

- Flows from firefighting, Irrigation water, Diverted stream flows, Rising ground waters
- Water line flushing and other contributions from potable water sources
- Uncontaminated pumped groundwater, Foundation and footing drains
- Water from crawl space pumps, Uncontaminated air conditioning condensation
- Individual residential car washings, Springs, Flows from riparian habitats and wetland
- Swimming pools direct infiltration of ground water to the separate storm sewer system

#### **SOLID WASTE SERVICES - HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 28, 2024 – No Service

- Thursday's route will be collected on Wednesday, November 27, 2024
- No yard waste collection during the week of November 25 29,2024

Christmas: Wednesday, December 25, 2024 – No Service

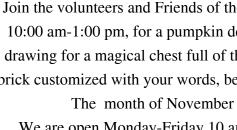
• No yard waste collection during the week of December 23 - 27, 2024

New Year's Day: Wednesday, January 1, 2025 – No Service

• No yard waste collection during the week of December 30-January 3, 2025



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Join the volunteers and Friends of the Library at Hallowfest on Saturday, October 26, 2024, 10:00 am-1:00 pm, for a pumpkin decorating contest with prizes for the winners. Enter the drawing for a magical chest full of the complete set of Harry Potter books. Buy a memorial brick customized with your words, between \$100-\$200, to support the Friends of the Library. The month of November 2024 has been designated as Library month! We are open Monday-Friday 10 am-4 pm. The library phone number is 727-596-1822