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## CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

COUNCIL CHAMBERS 104 N. RIVERSIDE DRIVE 6:00 P.M.

> January 10 CRA Meeting followed by City Council Meeting

> > February 7

March 7



EDGEWATER RADIO Tune in to WSBB on the

first Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. to learn more about Edgewater.

#### THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR THE CITY OF EDGEWATER



Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Phone: (386) 957-3994

\*Proof of Rabies Vaccination is Required\*



## EDGEWATER WELCOMES NEW BUSINESS OWNERS & STOREFRONTS

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ALBERTO CLEANING SERVICES 328 N. Ridgewood Ave. <sup>#</sup>6

> **BADCOCK & MORE** 311 S. Ridgewood Ave.

ELITE WELLNESS EDGEWATER 1826 S. Ridgewood Ave.

ELLIOTT'S STEAK & SEAFOOD 4170 S. Ridgewood Ave.

MR. MATTRESS & MORE 105 S. Ridgewood Ave.

NSB COASTAL TESTING 328 N. Ridgewood Ave. #3

WILKIE'S PEST CONTROL 107 N. Ridgewood Ave.

ADVANCED MARINE FINISHES 318 Base Leg Drive

BLUE WAVE CONSTRUCTION 435 Air Park Road, D

> BURGER KING 2988 S. Ridgewood Ave.

**EDGEWATER FITNESS CENTER** 3042 S. Ridgewood Ave.

> G&W ROOFING 129 W. Marion Ave.

**LADEDABOTIQUE** 2220 Hibiscus Drive, #3

ONSITE MOBILE OIL CHANGE 708 W. Park Ave.

## NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

Property losses due to flooding are not covered under most standard homeowner insurance policies but you can protect your home and its contents with flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The official website of NFIP is www.floodsmart.gov.

NFIP is a federal program established by Congress in 1968, which enables property owners to buy flood insurance at reasonable rates in participating communities. In return, those communities carry out flood management measures to protect life and property from future flooding.

The NFIP is administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency through its Federal Insurance Administration. To find out more about flood insurance for your property and its contents, contact your insurance agent. There is usually a waiting period before flood insurance policies take effect, so don't wait until a storm threatens before securing the flood insurance you need.

Over time, Edgewater has improved and maintained a stormwater management system, which significantly reduces flooding that used to be commonplace during the summer rainy season. Every year, the City budgets funds to inspect and maintain the drainage ditches, catch basins and culverts that comprise the stormwater drainage system. All facets of the system are inspected and maintained on a continuous basis to ensure the system will function when heavy rains occur.

To further protect the integrity of Edgewater's vital drainage system, the City has adopted regulations which make it illegal to dump garbage, refuse or vegetative debris in any stream, canal or body of water.

If you experience any localized drainage problems, please notify the Environmental Services Department by calling (386) 424-2400 ext. 4007. If you wish to report a violation of the City's stream dumping regulations, contact the Police Department at (386) 424-2425. The Development Services Department is the City's primary source of information regarding Flood Insurance Rate Maps. If you have questions regarding Flood Insurance Rate Maps, you may write, stop by or call the Building Department at: 104 N. Riverside Drive, Edgewater, FL 32132; 386-424-2400 ext. 1511. Online, go to <u>www.FEMA.gov</u>, Navigation / Flood Hazard Mapping.

The City's Building Official is available to answer public inquiries regarding flood elevations of existing properties, flood retrofitting techniques, advice on how to select a qualified contractor, review of retrofitting plans and on-site visits to advise owners of appropriate protection measures. The Building Department maintains copies of elevation certificates for many structures within the flood hazard areas and **FREE** copies of elevation certificates are available to the public.

The Environmental Services Department is also available to answer questions regarding historical flooding problems and the potential flood threat in any given neighborhood.

Edgewater's Public Library provides flood protection reference material to the general public. Reference material includes Flood Insurance Rate Maps, state and federal publications and a list of agencies and individuals to contact for more information.

With Edgewater's participation in the NFIP, the City administers flood management regulations and measures designed to minimize the potential of flood losses. All development in Edgewater requires a permit from the Development Services Department.

Through this process, the City ensures development is taking place according to flood regulations, including required elevations of living floor areas, floodproofing of certain construction, limitation on placement of fill and restriction of certain substantial improvements, additions or reconstruction.

In accordance with NFIP standards, the City requires that if the cost of



any reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition or other improvement to a building equals or exceeds 50% of the building's fair market value, such work is considered a substantial improvement. The existing building is then required to meet the same standards as a new building. For residential structures, these requirements typically mean elevating the living area of the building above the base flood elevation.

The City's substantial improvement requirements are enforced through the development and building permitting process. Applicants for remodeling or repair of "nonconforming" structures (i.e. buildings not elevated to or above the base flood elevation), are required to submit a cost estimate of the improvement, and if necessary, an appraised value of the existing structures, to determine if the work constitutes a substantial improvement. With these requirements, the City ensures that older non-conforming structures will be elevated to the base flood elevation and protected from potential flood damage.

The City of Edgewater's permitting review process is necessary for the entire City to participate in the NFIP, making flood insurance available and affordable. Development that occurs without City permits threaten the City's continued participation in the NFIP and the ability for residents to obtain flood insurance. If you see development occurring without a permit, protect your rights and contact the City immediately.

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## **RECLAIMED WATER FACTS**

Reclaimed or reuse water is highly treated wastewater effluent, disinfected to a high degree, making it useable to safely irrigate medians, ball fields and residential lawns. It must meet strict water quality requirements, established by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). Reclaimed water is safe, meeting most drinking water standards. It is safe for human contact, though it is NOT intended for use as drinking water!



#### APPROVED RECLAIMED WATER USES

Reclaimed water may be used safely for irrigation of lawn, flower gardens, trees and shrubs or to wash a vehicle or boat.

## UNAPPROVED RECLAIMED WATER USES

Reclaimed water should NOT be used inside the home or garage, for drinking, human or pet consumption, food preparation, clothes washing, bathing, showering, pet washing, toilet flushing, filling swimming pools or spas. Children should not play in reclaimed water and no pipes should be connected to your reclaimed water pipes.

### USE RECLAIMED WATER RESPONSIBLY

- Educate household and guests about appropriate use of reclaimed water.
- Protect reclaimed water from being used by others for unapproved uses and from being transported off your property by any means.
- Prevent any connections of reclaimed water to potable (drinking) water lines.
- NEVER connect above ground spigots or water cooled air conditioners to reclaimed water.

- Disconnect existing irrigation systems on potable water before connecting to reclaimed.
- Make sure existing irrigation wells that are interconnected with reclaimed water system are disconnected or fitted with a reduced pressure zone (RPZ) backflow prevention device.
- Avoid spraying reclaimed water on streets, sidewalks, neighboring property and forming puddles of it on the ground.

## rand acts of indres February 17 Under 21? The law prohibits the sale of tobacco, including e-cigarettes, refills and cartridges, to people under 21. **Big Tobacco spends BILLIONS** marketing to OUR COMMUNITIES at the point of sale \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ **GET INVOLVED** Tobacco Free Florida

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## **REFUSE & RECYCLING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Observed December 24, 2021

| If Your Normal                          | Your Holiday Week                       |
|---|---|
| Trash / Recycling<br>Collection Day Is: | Trash / Recycling<br>Collection Day Is: |
|   | ·····Monday 12/20                       |
| Tuesday 12/21····                       | ····· Tuesday 12/21                     |
| Thursday 12/23…                         | ·Wednesday 12/22                        |
| Friday 12/24                            | ···· Thursday 12/23                     |

#### NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY DECEMBER 31, 2021

| If Your Normal     | Your Holiday Week  |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Trash / Recycling  | Trash / Recycling  |
| Collection Day Is: | Collection Day Is: |
| Monday 12/27······ | ·····Monday 12/27  |
| Tuesday 12/28····· | ···· Tuesday 12/28 |
| Thursday 12/30···· | Wednesday 12/29    |
| Friday 12/31       | ··· Thursday 12/30 |

## MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY JANUARY 17, 2022

| If Your Normal       | Your Holiday Week   |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| Trash                | Trash               |
| Collection Day Is:   | Collection Day Is:  |
| Monday 1/17 ······   | ······ Tuesday 1/18 |
| Tuesday 1/18 ······  | ·· Wednesday 1/19   |
| Thursday 1/20 ······ | ····· Thursday 1/20 |
| Friday 1/21 ······   | ······Friday 1/21   |

## PRESIDENT'S DAY FEBRUARY 21, 2022

| If Your Normal     | Your Holiday Week    |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Recycling          | Recycling            |
| Collection Day Is: | Collection Day Is:   |
| Monday 2/21 ·····  | ······ Tuesday 2/22  |
| Tuesday 2/22 ····· | ···· Wednesday 2/23  |
| Thursday 2/24 ···· | ······ Thursday 2/24 |
| Friday 2/25        | ·····Friday 2/25     |

Please Note: Contained Yard Waste Will Not Be Picked Up Holiday Weeks. Bag or Contain All Household Refuse and

Have Trash & Recycling Curbside by 7:00 a.m. If You Have Questions About the Schedule, Contact Environmental Services at (386) 424-2400 ext. 4007.

## EDGEWATER SHORELINES

## 2022 Community Beautification Award

## DO YOU KNOW A PROPERTY WITH LOTS OF CURB APPEAL?

Edgewater's Community Beautification Award program recognizes residents and business owners who make Edgewater an even nicer place to live by creating and maintaining attractive landscaping with harmonious design or by beautifying and improving buildings.

Home or Business owners may nominate themselves or another property they consider beautiful. Each Spring, the City of Edgewater's Recreation & Cultural Services Board reviews Beautification Award Nominations and selects winners.

MAY 1, 2022 is the deadline to submit a Nomination. Winners will be announced by May 30<sup>th</sup> and Beautification Award signs displayed at winning properties.

MORE INFO? Contact the Parks & Recreation Department by Email at: Parks@cityofedgewater.org or Phone: (386) 424-2400 ext. 7205. Additional details and the Beautification Nomination Form are also available at: www.cityofedgewater.org/ parksrec/page/community-beautificationaward.



2021 RESIDENTIAL AWARD WINNER 200 N. Riverside Drive - Leslie & Jean Haughwout with RCS Board Members, Tiffany Evers & Glenn Powers



2021 BUSINESS AWARD WINNER 103 E. Park Ave. - Law Office of Sheila Ennis, P.A.

# FIGHT F.O.G.

"F.O.G." is fat, oil and grease found in common foods such as meat, fish, butter, cooking oil, mayonnaise, milk, gravy, and sauces. If washed down the drain or into your garbage disposal, F.O.G. sticks to the inside of pipes.



Over time, F.O.G. can build up and block an entire pipe, leading to sewage overflows in homes, expensive and unpleasant cleanup that often must be paid for by the property

owner, possible contact with disease causing organisms and higher operation and maintenance costs that increase sewer bills for everyone.

Keep F.O.G. out of your drain and dispose of it properly! By following a few simple steps, you can help prevent sewer backups and spills.

- Pour cooled F.O.G. into a disposable container and throw it into your garbage. Never pour F.O.G. down sink drains or toilets.
- Soak up remaining oil and grease with paper towels.
- Before washing dishes, scrape food scraps, fat, oil and grease into a disposable container, such as an empty metal can, or right into the trash.
- Avoid putting fats, oils and grease into your garbage disposal. Use sink strainers to catch remaining food waste while washing dishes.

Help the City of Edgewater keep utility costs low. Remember, F.O.G. clogs.

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