



Neighborhood Notes

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Planning Services Web Update Kristie Greenhut

A new online information database has been launched to provide up to date information about newly permitted developments in the City as well as information about pending land development cases. The types of cases available online include: Architectural Review Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment cases, subdivisions, re-zonings, vacations, license to use the right of way applications, annexation requests, and new and proposed developments. To access the system, visit the City's main page (www.ci.pensacola.fl.us) and click on the "New Developments" link under the "City Information" heading. Visitors will be able to track an application from the moment it is received, follow it through various stages, and learn the final outcome of individual development-related cases. This is a "live" database, so information is continually

updated as new applications are received. Information about new developments will be posted to the web site upon receipt of a permit application. The status of the application and construction can be tracked as the construction progresses from plan review through completion. Information provided includes the project name, location, council district, zoning, permit number and project status. Information about land development related cases is also available and will be posted to the web site upon receipt of an application. The status of the application can be tracked from submittal through final action of the appropriate review board or City Council. Information provided includes, the type of request, location, council district, zoning, public meeting dates, project description and application status. All agenda materials for the

various land development review boards (Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Gateway Review Board, and Architectural Review Board) are also available online prior to the scheduled meeting dates. To view the agendas, click on the "Council & Board Agendas" link under the "City Council" portion of the homepage. A graphic at the top of the page is linked to a full PDF version of the monthly meeting agenda. On-line information is provided in addition to established notification practices in an ongoing effort to enhance public notification about pending developments and development related applications in the City. If you have trouble viewing the information or if you have any questions, please contact the Community Development Department at (850) 435-1670.

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News and Information for neighborhoods... The building blocks of a successful City of Pensacola.



This newsletter is a service of the City of Pensacola. Please share this information with your neighbors!

Neighborhood Resource Guides Now Available!

The 2007 Neighborhood Resource Guides are in! Call Ashley Matteson at 436-5653 for your very own copy or view it on the web at www.ci.pensacola.fl.us. The Neighborhood Resource Guide is filled with helpful information on Pensacola, Neighborhood Associations, Council Districts and more!

A few spots are still available for the Neighborhood Leadership Academy! Call today to reserves yours! 436-5655

Florida Yards and Neighborhoods

Beth Bolles

Trees are a valuable resource. They add beauty to our community, serve as food and shelter for animals, filter the air, and cool urban environments. But trees can also be a liability when poorly maintained, damaged, or diseased. There are often times when an arborist is needed to help determine the best course of action for the tree.

There are many individuals who are involved in the tree care and removal business. Not all of these people are certified in the care of trees. Arborists are people who receive training in the planting, care, and maintenance of trees. Certified arborists go through a voluntary certification process with the International Society of Arboriculture which means that they have at least three years experience and have passed a comprehensive examination developed by tree experts. A certified arborist maintains certification

by attending regular training courses.

An arborist may also be a member of another organization which helps professionals stay up-to-date on tree care techniques and information.

These include the National Arborist Association and the American Society of Consulting Arborist.

Hiring an arborist to work on your trees is important for several reasons. An arborist can evaluate the tree and determine the steps necessary to create a healthy specimen. In regards to pruning, the professional will determine what type of pruning is necessary and remove branches properly.

Professionals will also perform tree care practices that are recommended by University research. A few practices that the arborist would not perform include topping trees, using climbing spikes on trees which are not being removed, and making flush

cuts against the trunk.

Finally, arborists have the skills and equipment to safely and efficiently prune or remove trees. This includes personal and property damage insurance and workers' compensation insurance. Next time you need tree work or advice, hire a professional for the job. It will definitely be worth the investment.

Beth R. Bolles, Horticulture Agent

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<http://escambia.ifas.ufl.edu/hort.htm>





Frequently Used Numbers

Other City Departments

Housing (HUD) 453-7500
 Inspections 436-5600
 Treasury 435-1800

Airport 436-5000
 City Attorney's Office 435-1615
 City Clerk's Office 435-1606
 City Manager's Office 435-1626
 Civil Service 435-1660
 Code Enforcement 436-5500
 Community Development 436-5655
 Community Redevelopment 435-1695
 Emergencies 911
 Employee Services 435-1720
 Engineering 435-1645

ESP Natural Gas 474-5300
 Bill Payment- Gas/Sanitation 435-1800
 Library-West Florida Regional 436-5060
 Parks and Recreation
 Trees, blocked streets 436-5511
 Park services, sports programs and community centers 436-5670
 Pensacola Police Department 435-1900
 Dispatch 435-1845
 Port of Pensacola 436-5070
 Public Works 435-1755
 Sanitation 435-1890

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Calendar of Events

City Council - Committees will meet Monday, March 5 & March 19, 2007 at 3:15 p.m. in the Hagler/Mason Conference Room, 2nd floor of City Hall. City Council will meet Thursday, March 8 & March 22, 2007 at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 1st floor of City Hall.

Architectural Review Board - will meet on Thursday, March 15, 2007 at 2 p.m. in the Hagler/Mason Conference Room, 2nd floor of City Hall.

Environmental Advisory Board - will meet on Thursday, March 22, 2007 from 3 p.m.—5 p.m. in the Hagler/Mason Conference Room, 2nd floor of City Hall.

Gateway Review Board -will meet on Tuesday, March 13, 2007 at 10 a.m. in the Hagler/Mason Conference Room, 2nd floor of City Hall.

Planning Board - will meet Tuesday March 13, 2007 at 3:30 p.m. in the Hagler/Mason Conference Room, 2nd floor of City Hall.

Zoning Board of Adjustment - will meet on Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 3 p.m. in the Hagler/Mason Conference Room, 2nd floor of City Hall.

City of Pensacola

If you have any questions or comments about this newsletter please contact Ashley Matteson.

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Department**

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Is your Neighborhood Association registered and up-to-date with the City of Pensacola? Your up-to-date contact information will make sure that your Association is kept informed of all upcoming activities and issues affecting your neighborhood. Call Ashley Matteson (436-5653) to register or provide an update. It's a quick and easy way to keep your neighborhood connected.

