



Town Crier

Life's Just Better Here

Your Guide To What's Happening In The Island City

November/December 2019



Veterans Day Ceremony
Monday, November 11th 11 a.m.
Hagen Park Community Center

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So Many Not-To-Miss Events in November and December!

Taste of the Island—Monday, November 18th—6-9 p.m.-Richardson

Santa By Sea—Wednesday, December 11th—5:30 p.m.-Colohatchee Boat Ramp

Holiday Lighting Ceremony—Thursday, December 5th—6:30 p.m.-Jaycee Park



Breakfast With Santa—Saturday, December 7th—9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.—Hagen Park



CALENDAR Items

Wednesday, Nov 6 & Dec 4
 Congressman Deutch Staff
 Community Outreach-1st
 Wednesday of each Month
 10:30 a.m.—12 p.m.
 City Hall

City Hall Yard Sales
 Nov. 2019—March 2020
 8 a.m.—2 p.m.
 City Hall/Hagen Park

Find info in this issue for:
 Hawaii Festival (11/9)
 Veterans Day (11/11)
 Taste of the Island (11/18)
 Holiday Lighting (12/5)
 Breakfast with Santa (12/7)
 Santa By Sea (12/11)
 Santa Paws (12/14)
 Live @Mickel (12/20)

Saturdays, Nov 16 & Dec 21
 Wilton Manors Art Walk
 6-9 p.m.—Wilton Drive

City Offices Closed:
 Mon, Nov 11-Veterans Day
 Thurs, Nov 28-Thanksgiving
 Wed, Dec 25-Christmas Day

Wilton Manors City Officials

Mayor Justin S. Flippen • Vice Mayor Tom Green
 Commissioner Julie A. Carson • Commissioner Gary Resnick
 Commissioner Paul Rolli • City Manager Leigh Ann Henderson
 City Attorney Kerry Ezrol

City Commission and Board Meeting Dates

All City Commission and most board meetings are held in the Commission Chambers (2020 Wilton Drive). The public is always welcome to attend. Visit www.wiltonmanors.com for the most up to date meeting information.

CAAB 7pm	Charter 6:30pm	Historical Society 7pm	Pension 5:30pm	P&Z 7pm	Rec. Adv. 6:30pm	WDID 6:30pm
Wed Nov 6	Mon Nov 18	Thurs Nov 21	Tues Dec 3	Mon Nov 18	Thurs Dec 19	Wed Nov 13
Wed Dec 4	Mon Dec 16	Thurs Dec 19	Meets Quarterly	Mon Dec 9	Meets Every	Wed Dec 11
Wed Jan 8	Mon Jan 27	Thurs Jan 16		Mon Jan 13	2 Months	Wed Jan 8

The City Commission typically meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall.

Quick Tips for Parking on Wilton Drive:

- Parking Office hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.
- Citations can be deposited at the “payment drop box” across from the Commission Chambers entrance or paid online by visiting www.wiltonmanors.com and following the “online services” link.

Census 2020 is coming.....!

**Find more info on page 11 inside
 and on the 2020census website:**

<https://www.wiltonmanors.com/696/Census-2020>



Phone Numbers

City Hall..... (954) 390-2100
 City Clerk.....(954) 390-2123
 Mayor and City Commission.....(954) 390-2123
 City Manager.....(954) 390-2120
 Community Development.....(954) 390-2180
 Finance Department..... (954) 390-2141
 Utilities Billing.....(954) 390-2145
 Fire/EMS Administration..... (954) 390-2110
 Fire Rescue*..... (954) 390-2110
 (*Ft Lauderdale non-emergency)
 Human Resources..... (954) 390-2125

Risk Management..... (954) 390-2126
 Leisure Services
 Library..... (954) 390-2195
 Parks Division..... (954) 390-2115
 Recreation Division..... (954) 390-2130
 Police Department
 Administration..... (954) 390-2150
 Code Enforcement..... (954) 390-2151
 Non-Emergency Dispatch..... (954) 764-4357
 Police/Fire/EMS Emergency..... 911
 Utilities/Emergency Management.(954) 390-2190

Utilities/Emergency Management

SCHEDULE FOR BULK TRASH AND RECYCLING

If your regular garbage pickup days are **Monday & Thursday**, your bulk trash days are:

Thursday, Nov 21 Thursday, Dec 19 Recycling Day: Thursday

If your regular garbage pickup days are **Tuesday & Friday**, your bulk trash days are:

Tuesday, Nov 19 Tuesday, Dec 17 Recycling Day: Friday

If your regular garbage pickup days are **Wednesday & Saturday**, your bulk trash days are:

Wednesday, Nov 20 Wednesday, Dec 18 Recycling Day: Wednesday

Condominium bulk pickup (quarterly): Saturday, December 28



PLEASE NOTE: Bulk pickup is NOT scheduled for a particular week of the month (such as the third week of the month), but varies from month to month—so it's important to mark your calendar for the actual date each month.

Trash & Recycling Pickup During the Holidays

Garbage and recycling are collected year-round, *with the exception of Christmas Day*, so:

- On **Thanksgiving Day** (Thursday, November 28): There **WILL BE** regular trash & recycling collection
 - On **Christmas Day** (Wednesday, December 25): There **WILL NOT BE** any trash & recycling collection
 - On **New Year's Day** (Wednesday, January 1, 2020): There **WILL BE** regular trash & recycling collection
- Christmas trees will be picked up during bulk pick-up in the month of January and burned to create energy.*

AT YOUR DOOR-HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PICK-UP



Residents in single family homes can contact Waste Management AtYourDoorSM service by phone: 1-800-449-7587 or by e-mail: atyourdoor@wm.com) to schedule a pickup.

CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP



- The City of Wilton Manors will be offering free curb-side pickup of Christmas trees on your bulk pick-up day during the month of January (please refer to the 2020 schedule). Please remove all lights, ornaments and tree stands before placing trees at the curb. The trees will be taken to the Waste-to-Energy Plant and burned to create energy.

WATERING SCHEDULE

Residents and businesses are limited to a two-day-per-week landscape irrigation schedule with two "watering windows". NO lawn watering is allowed between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. any day of the week. Code Compliance is issuing citations for violations of the water usage schedule.

ODD street addresses:	Wednesdays & Saturdays	12:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. and/or 4:00 p.m.-11:59 p.m.
EVEN street addresses:	Thursdays & Sundays	12:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. and/or 4:00 p.m.-11:59 p.m.

For additional information on irrigation restrictions or water conservation, call the South Florida Water Management District's toll-free **Water Conservation Hotline** at 1-800-662-8876 or visit www.sfwmd.org.

Message from the Mayor-Keeping a Sound Budget (and an eye out for Santa!)



The City Commission has approved the 2019-2020 Wilton Manors budget of almost \$39 million. While small by most city comparisons, the budget is big to us, and encompasses new programming, capital improvements, and programmed costs for employee health care and collective bargaining agreements. It also maintains the recommended unassigned fund balance percentage of 17%. I'm proud your city commission voted unanimously to NOT increase the general tax rate, maintaining the previous year's millage rate of 5.9587, and establishing the lowest combined debt and operating millage rate in 11 years. This kind of fiscal responsibility sets an important precedence for us to consider for future budget years.

Most of the key elements of our budget relate to the goals and objectives of the city's strategic plan, which is our roadmap to the future. A few key highlights:

- ✓ Hiring an economic development manager to act as a liaison between the city and businesses, both new and existing. The manager will also help recruit developers for the property owners who wish to redevelop their aging infrastructure.
- ✓ Forward progress on the Andrews Avenue/Oakland Park Boulevard corridor land use amendment.
- ✓ Funding for due diligence should we wish to move forward with redevelopment of the land surrounding City Hall.
- ✓ Funding for the Wilton Drive beautification project and renovations of Jaycee Park.
- ✓ Setting aside funds to invest in the proposed train station platform when the timing is right.
- ✓ Reduced dog park fees for both residents and non-residents alike.
- ✓ Resources for a Fourth of July celebration event (something we haven't had in years which I was pleased to work with the city commission on including in the budget).

I believe one of the best ways forward to maintain funding for our city's level and quality of services and alleviate the burden on current property owners is to expand the tax roll through carefully increased density along our commercial and transit oriented corridors with redevelopments that conform to our city's scale and small town sensibility. The year to come should bring progress in this area by us all working together.

As we enter the holiday season, I trust you and your family find yourselves with many reasons to be thankful to be a part of the Wilton Manors family. I remain honored and thankful to conclude my first year serving as your mayor. You've entrusted me to do right by you, and as your public servant I strive to give you my very best and nothing less. I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving, Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, and wonderful closing to 2019. Don't forget to welcome Santa Claus as he makes his signature pre-Christmas annual visit to the Island City with Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 7th, and Santa by Sea on Wednesday, December 11th. If you're not familiar with Santa by Sea, be sure to bring the kids to one of our parks on the water or a neighbor's backyard (with their permission of course!) out along the waterways surrounding our Island City. You'll be sure to laugh in spite of yourself when you hear the holiday music and see Santa on his magic sleigh gliding over the water!

Please feel free to contact me on any matter you deem important either by email at jflippen@wiltonmanors.com or by phone at (954) 390-2123.

May the magic and mystery of the season fill your hearts and homes with the neighborhood goodness uniquely found in our city that makes life just better here!

In your service,

Justin S. Flippen, J.D.

"The People's Mayor"

(954) 390-2123

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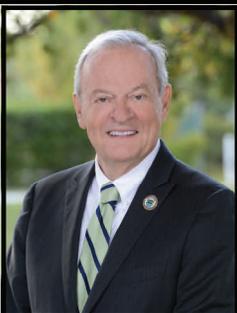
Looking to make a positive impact on your community?

Become an Advisory Board Member!

The City of Wilton Manors is always recruiting residents, local business owners and commercial property owners for volunteer positions on City Boards and Committees.

Please visit www.wiltonmanors.com or call the City Clerk's Office at (954) 390-2123 for more info!

Vice Mayor Tom Green—Greetings of the Season!



No matter what you celebrate, November and December bring many chances to be together with family and friends.

I hope you have been paying attention to the City's recent efforts to explore the redevelopment of the City Hall property. The Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC) has provided us with a site evaluation as well as a market analysis which provide good strong data on which we can rely as we have a community discussion on the possibilities.

Here are a few facts that came to light as a result of the TCRPC study: Our population has been almost static since the 2010 census. The fastest growing population cohort is 65 years old and older. Much of the City's commercial infrastructure is more than thirty years old. We have an overabundance of retail (mostly in the form of bars and restaurants) -- 3 times more than the national average! We also have an outdated development code with a very low density rate, and people want to move to Wilton Manors.

In my mind, the primary solution to all of these facts is an increase in residential units. We need to increase density, and provide incentives to developers to build beautiful and smart multifamily and mixed use developments that have minimal impacts on single family neighborhoods.

Stay tuned in and let me know your opinions as this conversation continues.

As you know, my favorite subject is making Wilton Manors "Greener", and I recently attended a roundtable of city and county leaders committed to doing the same. Broward County is truly out front in the effort to create a more resilient infrastructure for our region, and recent extreme weather events and increased temperatures have reinforced that need. We have all seen the results of the recent King Tides, especially if you live near the water. Keith Koenig, chair of the Broward Workshop, clarified the need by telling the group that banks will be changing their lending and credit rating profiles based on risk. This could make getting mortgages and insurance much more difficult.

Our City is making a range of investments and retrofits to our infrastructure for the coming onslaught, including updating our 100 year flood elevations, installing tidal valves and stormwater systems, improved building standards, evaluation of inclusion in the C-51 regional water storage system, and of course, reducing our carbon.

Finally, I want to wish everyone joy and peace during the holiday season. Cheers!

Always, please contact me with your comments and ideas at (954) 290-0561 or by email at tgreen@wiltonmanors.com.

Commissioner Julie Carson—Screen Your Mean©



As I enter the Jewish New Year and a new budget cycle, I am focused on ways that I can be a better person and a more considerate public servant. My friend, Dr. Adele Besner, has conceptualized a pathway that provides me with direction on these personal objectives. *Screen Your Mean*® is a daily reminder to stop and breathe before speaking and to consider the long-term impact our words can have. Being thoughtful in word and deed and remaining accountable for the impact of my unkind words or rogue acts are imperative in my conduct as your Commissioner.

Wow, we are accomplishing so much here in the Island City including taking steps to create a detailed map for a successful future! I regularly meet with business owners, residents and City stakeholders to *brainstorm* on ways to better position Wilton Manors for a more dynamic economic environment. Various development-focused workshops and town halls have shed light on leveraging public property as a possible key element in economic revitalization. A re-purposing/development conceptual proposal presented to the City includes an amphitheater, hotel, parking, performance stages, and new thoroughfares that traverse the interior of the City Hall property. The proposition is a great big menu of possibilities for Wilton Manors.

The City continues to incentivize new businesses by offering beautification grants; expanding the City Code to provide for additional uses; exploring opportunities to increase density and height; encouraging public art; relaxing Vacation Home Rental fees and requirements; and ensuring public safety so that everyone – tourist, resident, business owner, and visitor has a positive experience in our Community.

I am available to dialogue and share ideas about how to improve the quality of life in Wilton Manors. We must work together to reach our common goals. Remember that *Kindness is Contagious* and sharing your hopes and dreams are best received when your message is delivered thoughtfully. Don't forget to *Screen Your Mean*® too!

You can reach me at (954) 288-8174 or JCarson@wiltonmanors.com.

Commissioner Gary Resnick-City Finance Director Retires After Distinguished Service



One of the most important positions in any City is that of finance director. We have come to take for granted the services performed for Wilton Manors by our Finance Director, Bob Mays. Bob joined the City on February 11, 2008, as the Assistant Finance Director and was promoted on December 14, 2011, when Finance Director Lisa Rabon retired.

A City can get into horrible trouble if it does not have a finance director who pays attention to details with budgets and expenses, follows best practices and is above ethical reproach. I have had the privilege of working with Bob for 10 years as Mayor from 2008 to 2018, and know firsthand how fortunate we have been with Bob as our Finance Director.

Bob has decided to retire to spend more time with his children, grandchildren, his husband, Mago, and their pets and doing things he enjoys. We want to thank Bob for his tremendous service to the City of Wilton Manors for so many years and celebrate his well-earned retirement.

The City advertised and conducted a search for a new finance director. We will provide information in a subsequent Town Crier as to the candidate selected. Thank you for your continued input and support.

As always, please feel free to contact me at (954) 390-2123, or Gresnick@wiltonmanors.com.



Finance Director Bob Mays

Commissioner Paul Rolli—Report Card

This year has been exciting and challenging and provided many opportunities to explore improving our overall quality of life. I regularly meet with residents and businesses and listen to their concerns and issues. I also attend many city board meetings such as Planning and Zoning, Budget, Parks and Recreation and others.

During my first year as Commissioner, several community identified issues have been addressed by my recommendations that were adopted by the City Commission. These include:

- Keeping the city property tax millage rate the same as last year; the city's combined millage rate is the lowest it's been in 11 years,
- Centralizing all Economic Development in one position to focus all related policies, strategies and activities that were previously spread among several departments,
- Establishing a separate budget fund for future capital improvements,
- Establishing a Charter Review Committee; their report is expected to be complete within the next several months,
- Beginning an organizational review of city departments for efficiency purposes,
- Developing a policy for naming public property such as streets, parks and buildings,
- Identifying ways to increase the diversity of advisory board applicants, and
- Creating a transparent and consistent application process for use by tax exempt organizations when requesting city funds.



In addition to becoming a delegate to the Broward League of Cities, I also attended the first meeting of the 2019 Broward Leaders Water and Climate Academy. This academy was launched to engage local civic and business leaders on the water and climate issues that are vital to effective planning, policy and investment decisions. A major focus is what the county is doing and could do to address rising sea waters.

In the coming year, there will be an even greater opportunity to shape the future of the city to ensure we balance neighborhood preservation, economic development and delivery of city services in a fiscally sound manner to sustain our high quality of life.

I want to thank all the Veterans who served our country and acknowledge their invaluable contribution and also wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at prolli@wiltonmanors.com or (954) 595-8865. I am always available just to talk.



Message from Central Area Neighborhood Association (CANA)

The Heart of Wilton Manors Beats Here ...

As the holidays approach and the end of the year nears, now is your chance to save money! All Broward County property owners are entitled to a 4% discount on their Tax Bill if paid in full during the month of November, 3% during December, 2% in January and 1% in February. Taxes become delinquent on April 1.

CANA members are aware of Wilton Manors' commitment to keeping municipal taxes low. Our membership learned how increased density and a focus on developing more commercial growth is key to keeping the cost of living in the "Island City" more affordable. Presentations by our elected officials, top city leaders and department heads ensure that our members are informed and able to offer input.

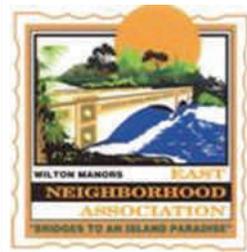
The next years will bring much progress and some change to Wilton Manors. Becoming involved with CANA allows you to be at the forefront of growth as it affects our neighborhoods.

CANA invites you to join our membership – CANA is a forum for residents of the Central Area of Wilton Manors to meet, discuss and solve issues that impact the well-being of the neighbors by serving as a communication channel for information between residents and the City Commission. You can contact any board member for information or to provide input. Your attendance at our meetings is invited and your input is desired. By joining CANA you strengthen our efforts to maintain and improve our quality of life. Yearly membership is \$25 per individual/household. You may join through our website or at our quarterly meetings.

CANA Meetings 2020 – January 29, April 22, July 15 & October 21, 2020. All meetings held at Hagen Park Community Center 7pm. Parking is free during our meetings!

Contact us: membership@canawm.org or visit us: www.canawm.org

Ray Carrier, President · Bill Desautels, Vice-President · Fred Caplan, Treasurer · Matthew Gill, Secretary · Brent White & Daniel Rahm, Directors



WILTON MANORS EAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

On December 12th we will be holding the ENA Annual Holiday Party—we will email details of this ever popular event soon. Wishing everyone a great Thanksgiving, a Joyous Holiday Season and a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Upcoming Events: November 7th, ENA General Members Meeting, 7pm Independence Hall
November 9-Adopt-a-Street Cleanup, Board of Realtors parking lot, NE 26th St.
December 12—ENA Annual Holiday Party!

Contact us: wiltonmanorsena@gmail.com or visit us: www.wiltonmanors-ena.org

The ENA Board of Directors consists of: Martin Nixon (President), John Fiore (Vice President), Laura Carter (Treasurer), Randy Comer & Michael Pierce.



WESTSIDE ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS—(WAWM)

BEST WISHES FOR A WONDERFUL AND JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON!

Our Westside community has much to be thankful for each and every year as we gather together with friends and family to enjoy our Thanksgiving feast in November. Stay tuned for information on the 4rd Annual WAWM Holiday Social coming in early December.



Looking to get more involved in the New Year? The Westside Association is looking for a few good volunteers to serve on our Board of Directors and as Area Representatives. Contact Vice President Jon O'Connor at wawm.org@gmail.com for additional information.

New to the Westside? Here are some of the benefits of joining WAWM and participating in your community:

- *Promote & support ideas and projects that will directly impact your neighborhood.**
- *Be informed about neighborhood activities including crime prevention and code enforcement and local government.**
- *Bring neighbors within the community together to support cultural, economic, educational, and recreational activities.**
- *Keep the community informed on the Association's position on relevant issues and on the City's plans and activities.**
- *Aid government officials in the diligent pursuit of their duties & obligation to all people and businesses of WAWM**

For information on joining WAWM, please contact us at wawm.org@gmail.com, or visit our website at wawm.org



From the Desk of Chief O'Connell-WMPD Needs Your Help



Strange happenings have been occurring of late in our Island City. After hundreds of hours of surveillance and undercover work WMPD has discovered what we believe to be *“community espionage.”*

Recently, one of our Officers noticed what appeared to be a prowler lurking behind a home in our community. The prowler was described as wearing a green hoodie with red trim, sporting a white beard, about 3’2” in height and approximately 90 pounds in weight. The Officer lost sight of this prowler almost as quickly as he spotted him. Other Officers had similar sightings, always during the early evening hours. This triggered our surveillance and undercover efforts throughout our City. Here was what we learned:

Indeed it was a gang of prowlers (approximately 10 members) operating in our neighborhoods. They were similar in size, appearance and clothing. It seemed that they were in the U.S. illegally and possessed no passports, work visas or normal identification papers. Strangely, these “gang members” were connected to *zero criminal activity!*

However, we were concerned that the focus of their attention was on children; yet they went to great lengths to avoid any contact with children. They took copious notes of the activities of the children. Those notes categorized the children as either “N L or N J”. This gang activity peaked in mid-December leading WMPD to believe that they were preparing for a major event shortly thereafter. As with any gang, there was a central leader referred to as “The Big Guy” or “The Man.”

So here is where you come to our assistance. If you have any information about this “gang” and the purpose of their activities, please contact WMPD! Special acknowledgment and thanks to Frank Lancaster, Estes Park, Co. Town Manager for the above material!!

Please enjoy the coming holidays! However, always remember this

The Holiday Season: it brings forward the best of us and the worst of us. As you travel to the malls for shopping, to our restaurants for dining or to family for celebration; please do so with a focus on personal safety and situational awareness. Always drive with care! Always maintain situational awareness. There are many folks out there who wish to do us harm so you must have your guard up as you travel during these holiday times. Be aware of your surroundings; better yet, travel with friends as there is strength and comfort in numbers! In the meantime, we, at WMPD, wish you a safe holiday season and prosperous 2020!

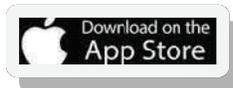
As always, the Wilton Manors Police Department is at your service day or night, 24/7. Feel free to visit our website at www.wmpd.org at any time or visit us in person at City Hall, 2020 Wilton Drive, Monday through Friday, 7am – 10pm and Saturday 9am – 5pm.



If You See Something, SEND Something with the SaferWatch App!



- Report Crimes, Threats, and Suspicious Activity
- Receive Real-Time Safety Alerts from the Wilton Manors Police



Download & Subscribe for Free

To learn more visit: wiltonmanors.com/saferwatch

Impaired Driving Has No Place In Our City This Holiday Season!

The 2019 holiday season is upon us as are the many special events and parties we will all be attending. The Wilton Manors Police Department wants to provide everyone with safe roadways to travel upon this winter season, and we hope you want the same. We encourage everyone who will be attending their holiday events and at the same time consuming alcohol to do so responsibly. These days there are many options to safely and legally travel to and from your events if you are going to be drinking, and we want each of you to seek these options out. There is no shortage of ride sharing options, cab companies, towing companies or other transportation services that will get you home safely. Our agency has teamed up with our towing service provider, Westway Towing, to offer free or reduced towing services to get you and your vehicle home safely if you have had too much to drink. It is incumbent upon each and every one of us to make our roadways safer, and we ask for your commitment to fulfilling this obligation.



The Wilton Manors Police Department wants to make it clear we have zero tolerance for impaired driving in our City, or for that matter anywhere. Our officers will be out this holiday season seeking out anyone who exhibits a lack of respect for other motorists, cyclists and pedestrian by driving impaired. Those found will be arrested.

Our agency wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday season. We look forward to seeing everyone at our many events, and we certainly look forward to meeting, greeting and booking into jail those who choose to drive impaired.

Drone Safety

Due to the increased number of commercial and recreational drone use in the U.S. the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced that November 4-10, 2019, will be the inaugural National Drone Safety Awareness Week. The City of Wilton Manors has seen an increase of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) or drone as they are commonly called, flying in the City limits. Flying a drone can be exciting and fun, but there are rules and regulations associated with flying safely and responsibly. Although drones can be easily purchased without restrictions, most people fail to educate themselves on the rules and regulations established by the FAA. The FAA first requires that all owners of a drone weighing between .55 pounds (250 grams) to 55 pounds (25kg) must register their unit with the agency or face fines of up to \$250,000. You can register at, <https://faadronezone.faa.gov/#/register>.

The following are some rules that you must abide by during any flight:

1. The maximum allowable altitude is 400 feet and the drone pilot is responsible for making sure that the drone stays within the safety limit at all times.
2. Maintain a visual line of sight, always make sure you can see your drone in plain sight and check weather conditions as fog and clouds can impede your vision.
3. Don't fly over crowds/people, stay away from stadiums, public events, and community events where large groups of people may congregate.
4. Fly in accordance with a set of community-based guidelines, although the FAA is the sole authority on airspace, remember your city might have its own regulations on where you can take off and land.
5. Do not fly after dark, dark is considered 30 minutes before official sunrise or 30 minutes after official sunset.
6. Lastly, be aware of controlled airspace.

The City of Wilton Manors is located within five miles of two airports; Fort Lauderdale International and Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (class C and class D airspace). Because of these airspace restrictions, there should be NO drone flying within the City of Wilton Manors unless you have received proper FAA authorization. To know whether you are authorized to fly and what airspace you are in, download the "B4UFLY" application, an easy-to-use smartphone app that helps unmanned aircraft operators determine whether there are any restrictions or requirements in effect at the location where they want to fly. If we all follow these rules for safe and worry-free flight, we can keep the skies safer for everyone. Recreational Drone users can also use the Low Altitude Authorization and Notification Capability (LAANC) system to gain airspace authorization. Visit www.faa.gov for more information on Drone Safety Awareness Week and the LAANC program.

Parking on Residential Properties

If not done correctly, the parking of vehicles within the City's residential properties can affect the aesthetics of homes, and create a negative impact on neighboring properties and the community as a whole. While the City's Code is very reasonable with what is allowed, it is important to be aware of what is not.

The following are examples of parking regulations within our City that help keep our residences neat and orderly:

- **Unlicensed / Inoperable Vehicles** – Any vehicle that does not display a current license tag or is not able to move due to a flat tire or other condition is considered an inoperative vehicle under the City Code. Inoperative vehicles are not allowed to be stored unless they are within a garage or carport.
- **Parking on Swales** – It is unlawful to store or park any vehicle on swales other than a private automobile for a period exceeding twelve (12) hours. Any private automobile parked on the swale can only do so as long as they have permission from the owner of the property that the swale borders.
- **Parking on Grass** – No vehicles, recreational vehicles, trailers, or boats are allowed to park in a front yard, unless they are upon an approved driveway. Parking on the grass is prohibited within a front yard setback.
- **Boats** – The parking of boats or boat trailers are limited to boats owned by the occupant or guest of the property where they are located. All boats and trailers must display a current license tag or registration decal. Inoperable, wrecked, or partially dismantled boats and trailers are prohibited, unless they are stored within a fully enclosed structure.
- **Commercial Vehicles** – Commercial vehicles stored on residential property are limited to one (1) per property, and must not exceed a total load capacity of one (1) ton. They also must be located in a garage, carport, paved driveway or parking space.
- **Recreational Vehicles** – All recreational vehicles which are stored on private property must have a current license plate displayed. Parking of recreational vehicles are limited to vehicles owned by the owner, occupant, or guest of the property where it is being parked. The length of recreational vehicles is limited to thirty-five (35) feet and they shall be unoccupied except while repairs or maintenance is being done.

If you have any questions, or would like to report any issues, please contact us at 954-390-2151. Thank for being one of the reasons why *life's just better here*.



The Wilton Manors Police Department is offering a 10-week Citizens Police Academy on Thursdays, January 30, 2020 through April 2, 2020, from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. This program is open to residents, civic and government organization members, and non-residents (on a space available basis). The Citizens Police Academy is designed to foster an active partnership with the community. Well informed citizens, who have an awareness of the mission, resources, policies and services of their Police Department are critical to the success of this partnership.

Many topics will be addressed in the academy and will include: Active Killer, Hands-only CPR, DUI Enforcement, Drug Trafficking, K9, Detective Bureau & Special Investigations, Road Patrol Operations, and much more. In addition to scheduled classes, field trips & a "ride-along" with our Patrol Officers will be made available to the attendees who are interested.

All applicants must be at least 18 years of age. Selection preferences will be given to Wilton Manors residents and those who work or own a business or property within the City. This is your opportunity to become involved in a dynamic, rewarding partnership with your Police Department.

We need your participation to ensure the success of the Citizens Police Academy. Don't hesitate! Complete your application today. Applications are available on the CPA website: www.wiltonmanors.com/cpa, and at the Wilton Manors Police Department lobby.

Please attach a valid and legible copy of your driver's license or passport along with your application. You may EMAIL, MAIL or FAX your completed application to:

Wilton Manors Police Department
ATTN: Citizens Police Academy
2020 Wilton Drive
Wilton Manors, FL 33305

Email: Info@wmpd.org

Phone: (954) 390-2162

Fax: (954) 390-2189

Web: www.wiltonmanors.com/cpa

****THIS PROGRAM DOES NOT LEAD TO NOR PROMISE ANY TYPE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT EMPLOYMENT****

Stay current on **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS** by signing up on the **CodeRED** notification system (<https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BFBC495B2FD0>) and by dialing your radio to AM1630 before, during and after a storm. Also **receive power outage alerts and updates directly from FPL** by setting your update alert preferences in your FPL account here: <https://www.fpl.com/landing/preferences.html>.

**What is the U.S. Census?**

The U.S. Census, also known by its official name, the Decennial Census of Population and Housing, takes place every ten years in the years ending in zero. Simply stated, the purpose of the Census is to determine the number of people living in the United States.

Why is the Census important?

There are two major reasons that the Census is important - funding and representation. The data collected via the Census is used to determine the distribution of almost \$700 million in funding to states, counties, and local communities. Congressional representation in the U.S. House of Representatives is also determined by results of the Census. Your participation helps ensure funding and representation for your community.

Who should be counted?

Anyone who is living in the United States as of April 1, 2020, regardless of their citizenship or residency status. When you complete the Census, you should count everyone who is living in your household on April 1, 2020.

How can I complete the Census?

For the first time ever, you will be able to complete the Census online. There are also options for you to complete and submit the Census via U.S. mail or telephone. In March of 2020, the Census Bureau will send invitations via U.S. Mail to approximately 95% of households in the U.S. with instructions and options for completing the Census. For 5% of households, the Census invitation will be delivered in person by a Census worker.

When will I be able to access and complete the Census online?

Instructions for completing the Census online will be included in the invitation that will be delivered to your residence sometime in March of 2020.

Who should complete the Census survey?

One member of each household should complete the Census survey. A household is defined by the Census as "all the people who occupy a housing unit." This means that all individuals, regardless of their relationship to one another, who are living in the same house or apartment on April 1, 2020, should be considered as part of that household.

Someone in my household already completed the Census. Do I still need to complete a separate Census survey?

No. Only one member of each household should respond to the Census.

Do I have to respond to Census? Is it mandatory?

The U.S. Constitution requires that the Census be conducted every 10 years. An individual who refuses to participate in the Census or anyone who knowingly provides false information on the Census survey may be subject to financial penalties.

What kind of questions will I answer on the Census survey?

The Census will ask basic demographic questions, such as age, sex, marital status, and income level, about you and the members of your household.

What kind of information will the Census NOT ask me to provide?

The Census survey will never ask you to supply social security numbers or banking account or credit card information. In addition, the Census will not solicit money or donations for any reason.

What happens to the information that I provide to the Census Bureau?

The information you provide can only be used for statistical purposes in order to determine such things as Congressional representation and federal funding for your community. There are very strict federal laws that protect the information that you provide. In fact, law enforcement agencies, including the FBI, CIA, and ICE, cannot access or use your personal information.

Is the information I provide secure?

The Census Bureau protects the information that you provide by using the most up-to-date security standards and data encryption methods.

How can I learn more about the 2020 Census?

More information about the 2020 Census is available at www.2020Census.gov.

The City of Wilton Manors is also looking for volunteers to help. Call (954) 390-2103 for more information.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (CDS)



Community Development Services Department would like to provide a reminder of when a building permit is required to be obtained. A building permit is required for work on your property involving physical changes to an existing structure, or the addition of a new structure. Some examples are: new construction, building alterations, room additions, sheds, driveways, pools, screen enclosures, fences, pavers, re-roofing work, garage conversions, air conditioning unit replacement, new electrical service, rewiring, replacement of exterior doors and windows, hot water heater replacement, tub/shower pan change out, replacement of fixtures, change of use or occupancy, structural repairs, any repair due to a fire, and the demolition or removal of structures including pools, screen enclosures and fences in accordance with the Florida Building Code. This listing is not meant to be complete; if you are unsure whether or not a permit is required for your project, please call the Community Development Services Department at (954) 390-2180. Forms can be found on the Community Development Services Departments webpage. Staff is available to assist and guide property owners and contractors through the building permit process.

A few things to remember when having construction work done in or around your home or business:

- Hire licensed, insured and reputable contractors.
- Get a minimum of three (3) quotes before signing a contract.
- Request references, licenses and insurance information for each contractor. Verify licenses with the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulations at www.myfloridalicense.com.

Please remember that a building permit, where required, must be applied for and acquired before any such work may commence.

Long-Term or Vacation Property Rental



Did you know that....? If you are renting property on either a long-term or vacation basis you must register your property with the City of Wilton Manors prior to having tenants? The City of Wilton Manors regulates both residential rentals and vacation rentals. Residential Rental applications and Vacation Rental applications can be found on the Community Development Services Department's webpage at:

(<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/133/Building-Permit-Applications>) or by visiting the Department on the second floor at City Hall. Prior to the issuance of a Residential Rental License or a Vacation Rental Certificate of Compliance, each residential property must be inspected and found in compliance with all City of Wilton Manors Code of Ordinances, and all applicable codes that provide for the safety, health and general welfare of the occupants of the property. Vacation Rentals are defined as "any unit or group of units in a condominium or cooperative or any individually or collectively owned residential property, house or dwelling unit that is rented to guests more than three times in a calendar year for periods of

less than thirty days or 1 calendar month, whichever is less, or which is advertised or held out to the public as a place regularly rented to guests, but that is not a timeshare project".

If you have a Bed & Breakfast that has been granted conditional use approval from the City, or if you reside on the property as your permanent residence, you are exempt from the Vacation Rental regulations.

Contact Community Development Services with any questions you have regarding the requirements for registering your property as a vacation rental at (954) 390-2180.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (CDS)



Please join the City of Wilton Manors
in welcoming new businesses
that opened in August & September 2019.

Address

1417 NE 26 ST
2408 N Dixie HWY
1732 NE 26 Street 202
2163 Wilton Drive
1201 NE 26 ST 101
1881 NE 26 ST 60
1401 NE 26 ST
2816 N Dixie HWY
70-80 E Oakland Park BLVD
800 W Oakland Park BLVD 213
50 E Oakland Park BLVD
2412 N Dixie HWY
1881 NE 26 ST 102

Business Name

Nikos Egg Island
Powerhouse 360 Inc.
Hourglass Healing Arts
Apt 9F
Herbs Prime
IMZ Fitness
Triva Inc
The Spoiled Bee LLC
Heartland Flooring Solutions LLC
Caring Hands Wellness Center Inc
Papillon De Couleur
Boyds Madison Avenue LLC
Mindful Connections LLC

“Walk-Through Tuesdays”-Same Day Permitting



The City of Wilton Manors Community Development Services Department staff devotes every Tuesday to assisting residents and contractors to “Walk-In” with complete building permit applications with the following types of building permits.

HOURS:

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

STRUCTURAL & ZONING

RE-ROOFS, FENCES, VINYL COATED FENCES, CONCRETE PATIOS,
SHUTTERS, WINDOW REPLACEMENTS, SCREEN ENCLOSURES, SHEDS

ELECTRICAL

SERVICE CHANGES, LOW VOLTAGE PERMITS, BURGLAR ALARMS (NO FIRE ALARMS)

PLUMBING

SEWER, WATER SERVICE, PLUMBING FIXTURE, WATER HEATER,
RESIDENTIAL IRRIGATION SYSTEMS, POOL HEATER REPLACEMENTS

MECHANICAL

AIR CONDITIONING UNIT REPLACEMENTS

Walk-through Tuesdays is subject to submission of all required properly completed paperwork. A building permit application may be dropped off in the morning between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and an approved permit picked up in the afternoon.

For more information please contact the Community Development Services Department at (954) 390-2180.

Please note that there is a maximum of five walk-through permits per day per customer.

Don't Forget to Pay the Meter



ParkMobile

- 1.** On-street parking meters are in effect from 9 a.m. until 3 a.m. every day with a maximum parking limit of 4-hours from 5:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
- 2.** Parking is \$1.50 per hour.
- 3.** Download the ParkMobile App for online parking payments.
- 4.** You can also pay ParkMobile by phone with a credit card by calling (877) 727-5714.
- 5.** Parking is free at all City lots every day until 6:00 p.m. Pay to park at City parking lots from 6 p.m. until 3 a.m. daily.



Life's Just Better Here

wiltonmanors.com/parking
(954)566-3704

Walkability and Sidewalks

One of the City's key strategic goals is to improve our walkability and connectivity to transit and key landmarks. That means sidewalks. However, we only have a small amount of funds annually to spend on new sidewalks and sidewalk repairs. That has changed, thanks to the Broward County transit surtax, and we are now eligible for funds to grow our sidewalk inventory.

As you may recall, the city owns the right of way in front of residential property, and as such, has the right and the responsibility to install sidewalks in all cases. We are in the process of prioritizing our installation schedule and would like to hear from residents.

Do you know of someone with physical challenges in your neighborhood? Please let us know. The City plans to prioritize those sidewalks first.

After that, our plan is to construct sidewalks in the neighborhoods where residents have demonstrated a desire for them. **To that end, please email plandi@wiltonmanors.com if you do not currently have sidewalks in your neighborhood and you want them.**

The City's objective is for anyone in Wilton Manors to get to their desired destination by walking on sidewalks, and definitely to ensure that all major thoroughfares and transit routes can be accessed by sidewalks. Only then can we truly call ourselves an urban village where a resident can choose to live without a car, and where most errands can be accomplished by foot.

Why do we want to be a more walkable community? Here are a few reasons why walkability offers substantial benefits to our community from **walkscore**:

- Walkability offers surprising benefits to our health, the environment, our finances, and our communities.
- Health: The average resident of a walkable neighborhood weighs 6-10 pounds less than someone who lives in a sprawling neighborhood.
- Cities with good public transit and access to amenities promote happiness.
- Environment: 87% of CO2 emissions are from burning fossil fuels. Your feet are zero-pollution transportation machines.
- Finances: Cars are the second largest household expense in the U.S.
- Communities: Walkability is associated with higher levels of arts organizations, creativity, and civic engagement.

We need your help to make our Island City more walkable.



The City of Wilton Manors Continues Ride Share Discounts for Uber and Lyft Customers And Wilton Drive Improvement District adds “Take Me To Lunch for Wilton Wednesdays!”



“Ditch your car and ride share!” The Wilton Drive Improvement District is encouraging daytime traffic on the Drive with Wilton Wednesdays! Get Uber & Lyft discounts codes to Wilton Drive every Wednesday from 10am - 4pm, with many businesses offering additional discounts.



With over 30 dining establishments, dozens of cuisines and hundreds of choices, Wilton Drive is a haven for food lovers - and all within a few blocks! For ride-sharing discounts and dining options go to <http://wiltondrive.org/wilton-wednesdays>. To learn more about the City of Wilton Manors ride

sharing program—including the continuing Friday/Saturday night Uber/Lyft discounts, visit: <http://bit.ly/WMRideShare> or follow the City's [Facebook page](#).

Leisure Services Department Presents...**(954) 390-2130****SCHOOL DAYS-OUT PROGRAM 2019**

The School Days-Out Program is open on teachers' workdays and closed on legal holidays. On non-school weekdays when the City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department is open, the program hours are 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. A field trip or special activity will be a part of the day. The cost of the program ranges from \$15.00 to \$30.00 per day/child, which includes the field trip or activity of the day. Children must bring a brown bag lunch unless otherwise instructed. This program will be held at Island City Park Preserve in Wilton Manors at 823 NE 28th Street. For more information please call the Leisure Services Department.

Upcoming dates are:

January 6th, February 17th, March 17th, and March 20th.

Register at Hagen Park Community Center or www.wiltonmanors.com, or call (954) 390-2130 for more info.

Wacky Winter Camp 2019-2020

When: December 23-24, 26-31st, 2019 and January 2-3, 2020 from 7:30a.m.—6 p.m.

Where: Island City Park Preserve 823 NE 28th Street, Wilton Manors

Winter Camp is a structured camp with the ultimate in fun planned for the holiday vacation.

The program is sponsored by the City of Wilton Manors and is planned and supervised by certified recreation and child care professionals from our after school program. Register now for a Winter Camp to remember! Deadline: Friday, December 6, 2019. After the registration deadline \$10.00 extra per child fee will be charged. Payment can be made at Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors between 8:00am-9:00pm Monday-Thursday and 8:00am-6:00pm Friday; or Saturday 8:00am-12:00pm. Payments can also be made online, www.wiltonmanors.com. Participants: Any child in school -Pre-Kindergarten through eighth grade may participate. Wilton Manors resident fee: \$165.00/\$141.00 second child Non-resident fee: \$205.00/\$165.00 second child. T-Shirts: Child -\$10.00/ Adult -\$12.00 (Child must wear T-Shirt) Fees include all trips, activities, daily lunch and afternoon snack.

**Santa PAWS—Saturday, December 14th @ Colohatchee Dog Park**

Make a memory with your pet and Santa Claus. This Santa Paws event is the perfect opportunity to include your dog in your Holiday photos. Every dog and dog owner visiting will be spoiled with treats!

When: Saturday, December 14th 2019

Where: Colohatchee Dog Park

1975 NE 15 Avenue

Time: 10:00AM – 12:00PM

MOVIES ON THE DRIVE!

The Leisure Services Department is bringing the big screen to Wilton Drive! Join us as we transform the park into our own local movie theater with an 18-foot inflatable movie screen and freshly popped popcorn. Bring your chairs, blankets, and pillows and get comfortable under the stars.

Friday, December 13th—Hagen Park—7p.m.

**Kayak, Canoe or Stand Up Paddleboard Storage**

Looking for a place to store your kayak, canoe or stand up paddleboard? The City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department is now renting outdoor storage space to City residents for non-motorized boats at Donn Eisele Park.

\$250/space per year. Limited to two spaces per City of Wilton Manors household.

Permit holders will be required to provide their own lock and cable to secure their watercraft.

To register, please come by Hagen Park Community Center at 2020 Wilton Drive Wilton Manors.

For more information please call (954)390-2130 or (954) 390-2115.

Leisure Services Department Presents...**(954) 390-2130****14th Annual Taste of the Island**

The 14th Annual Taste of the Island will take place on Monday, November 18th, from 6-9p.m. at the beautiful Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve (1937 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, Florida 33305). To learn more about the event or to purchase tickets visit the event website at: <http://www.tasteoftheisland.org> or call (954) 257-2317. Taste of the Island is an evening of food and libation featuring local elite food and beverage establishments and spotlighting their culinary and beverage specialties at Wilton Manors' acclaimed outdoor tasting event. Now in its 14th year, "Taste" welcomes everyone in our community and South Florida to join together to explore the wide range of culinary delicacies available in our area.

Tickets are currently on sale at <http://www.tasteoftheisland.org> or you can buy tickets locally at Wilton Manors City Hall, 2020 Wilton Drive or Wilton Manors Library, 500 NE 26th Street. Early Bird Tickets are \$30 until October 31st. After November 1st tickets will be \$35.

For more information, please call (954) 257-2317 or visit <http://www.tasteoftheisland.org>.

Jazzercise

Come check out our new and improved Jazzercise class. Jazzercise develops and markets fun and effective fitness programs and products that enhance the well-being of people of all ages. Come visit Jazzercise of Fort Lauderdale—Wilton Manors today! Jazzercise exercise programs are 60-minute fitness classes incorporating cardio, strength, and stretch moves for a total body workout. Jazzercise class combines moves from yoga, Pilates, jazz dance exercise, hip-hop, and kickboxing. All ages, levels, and sizes welcome to join our dance exercise programs so find a class! We offer classes 6 days per week. For more information, please go to www.jazzercise.com for general info, or

<http://jcls.jazzercise.com/facility/jazzercise-of-fort-lauderdale-wilton-manors> for specific Wilton Manors class info.

When: Saturday-Thursday—varying times

Where: Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street

Cost: Monthly & Single Visit Rates Available.

For more information please call (954) 390-2115.

Yoga

Yoga is for anyone and everyone! There are many health benefits to practicing yoga like increases to flexibility, increases to muscle strength and muscle tone. Come and learn techniques of mindfulness, meditation tips and balance. This is an all levels class. Please bring your own yoga mat. Feel free to arrive 5-10 minutes early and stretch.

When: Saturdays 10 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Where: Hagen Park Community Center, 2020 Wilton Drive

Cost: \$10.00 per class

55+ Fitness & Exercise Class

Join us for a go at your own pace senior fitness class! With the guidance of a fitness trainer, seniors will move through a variety of exercises designed to increase muscular strength, range of movement, and skills required during activities for daily living.

When: Every Tuesday at 10:00 AM

Where: Hagen Park Fitness Center
2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors FL 33305

Cost: \$5.00 per class

For More Information please call us @ 954-390-2130 or email us @ Leisureservices@wiltonmanors.com

Fifth Annual Free Tree Giveaway

The fifth annual Free Tree Giveaway will be held on Saturday, February 8, 2020 at Mickel Park. The event will start at 9 a.m. Supplies are limited and will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Residents will be able to choose from several different tree species and several different kinds of shrubs. Each household will be allocated at least two trees and one shrub (more if possible) and proof of residency is required. Prior to receiving plant material, residents will be required to visit educational stations such as National Wildlife Federation, proper planting and pruning, tree selection, and “right plant – right place”. This year’s program is being almost entirely funded by Waste Management and a Waste Management “Think Green” Grant.

Nature-In-Art Photography Contest

We are accepting photographs for the City’s fourth Nature-In-Art Contest. The photos must be taken within the city limits of Wilton Manors. Suggested subjects include birds, butterflies, water, plants, or animals. With your submission include the photo date, location, a description, and your name and contact information. Please note that photos may be edited and used in social media and/or displayed at Art Gallery 21 (Woman’s Club) in the future. Up to 5 photos per person may be submitted. The deadline for submittals is March 15. Please email (jpeg) photo files to: naturephotos@wiltonmanors.com or mail them to Todd DeJesus, 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305.

There will be an exhibit showcasing the entries at Art Gallery 21 (Woman’s Club) from April 18 – May 9, 2020.

For more detailed information, please contact: Todd DeJesus, Capital Projects and Grants Manager by telephone at (954) 390-2105 or email at:

tdejesus@wiltonmanors.com.



Update from the Charter Review Board

By: Michael Rajner, Chair

Since the Charter Review Board’s organizational meeting on May 20, 2019, the Board has continued to meet monthly on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30pm in the Commission Chambers. The Board’s recommendations must be submitted to the City Commission by March 1, 2020.

The Board has completed its review of the Charter and is now in the process to finalizing its draft recommendations for the Commission’s consideration. The Charter Review Board’s recommendations are advisory, and the City Commission may accept, reject, or modify our proposals. For some of our proposals, such as using gender neutral language, the Commission can be acted on them by adoption of an ordinance. Action for other proposals such as the implementation of term limits and designation of commission seats for our city’s elected officials, would be required to be approved by voters, providing the Commission supports these recommendations to move forward.

Below is a listing of some of the drafted proposals the Charter Review Board is in the process to finalize:

- **Term Limits:** Mayor and commissioners would be limited to serve up to 12-consecutive years, regardless of office. After a 2 year recess from the Commission, an individual may run again for office.
- **Designation of Seat:** The mayor and commissioners would continue to be elected at-large (citywide), however, commissioners would be elected by seat numbers one to four. Election of commissioners would continue to be staggered every other election.
- **Appointments and Term Limits for Advisory:** A recommendation the City Commission amend its ordinance on advisory boards to limit individuals to serving on no more than 2 advisory boards, limiting an individual to be an officer of only 1 board at time, and establishing term limits for advisory boards to a maximum of 3 consecutive terms per advisory board. After 3 consecutive terms of service, an individual would be required to step off that specific advisory board to be eligible for appointment to that board.
- **General Municipal Powers and Enumeration of Powers:** Updating these provisions to remove obsolete language and for the Article to be consistent with Constitution and Laws of the State of Florida.
- **Housekeeping:** A recommendation to repeal obsolete language in the City Charter.

Public comment is welcome at every meeting, and you can also share your comments with the Board via email to:

CharterReview@WiltonManors.com. The City Commission also requires the Charter Review Board hold two public hearings on our recommendations prior to the March 1, 2020 deadline. At this time, we have not identified the dates of those public hearings, but you can monitor our webpage for meeting dates, agenda materials, meeting minutes and achieved videos of our meetings at <http://www.wiltonmanors.com/683/Charter-Review-Board>.



THE LIBRARY CORNER

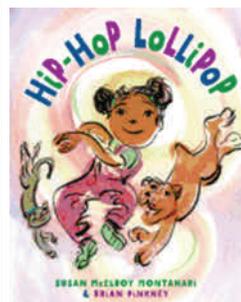
Ongoing Children's Programs

Visit our Lego Club or Read with Nalu on alternate Wednesdays. Lego Club meets at 5:30 PM and Read with Nalu starts at 5 p.m. Call the Library at (954) 390-2195 or check the City calendar at wiltonmanors.com for schedules.

Toddler Story Time – Monday mornings @ 10:30. The programs are suitable for kids aged 4 and under. Caregivers must remain with the children and are encouraged to have fun too! Relevant age-appropriate books will be offered for check-out.

Some Children's book suggestions:

Hello Animals, How Do You Sleep? by Loes Botman is the latest in the highly-praised "Hello Animals" series. Discover how different animals sleep in this warmly illustrated bedtime board book.



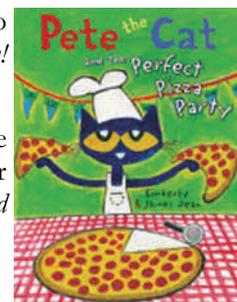
In *Hip-Hop Lollipop* by Susan Montanari, a lyrical read-aloud filled with rhythm and rhyme and illustrated by Caldecott Honoree Brian Pinkney, a little girl named Lollipop grooves her way through her bedtime routine, brushing her teeth to the beat and shimmying into PJ's.

Kitty wants to write a letter. Actually, she wants to write a letter to Santa. But has Kitty been good this year? Hmmm . . . Kitty's not so sure. She writes the letter anyway and is soon on her way to meet Santa in real life at the mall! Will she make it in time? Will Santa give Kitty what she's asking for? Find out in *Bad Kitty: Searching for Santa* by Nick Bruel.

Beloved picture book creator David Shannon introduces a new character in *Mr. Nogginbody Gets a Hammer*, a satisfyingly silly and subversive take on a familiar parable.

When Fly Guy snacks from a radioactive trash can he grows until he is fifty feet tall -- and Buzz has to find out a way to counteract the effect before the army attacks his pet in *Attack of the 50-Foot Fly Guy!* by Tedd Arnold.

Pete the Cat wants to throw the perfect pizza party. Pete invites the gang over to share his awesome pepperoni pizza. But when no one else agrees with Pete's choice of toppings, they try adding their own. Will Pete's perfect pizza party be ruined? There's only one way to find out! Read *Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party* by Kimberly and James Dean.



If you have any questions or suggestions, please call 954-390-2195 and ask for Jill.

BE A FRIEND!

Want to help the Library? Join the Friends! The Friends of the Library is a private volunteer group that exists to enrich the cultural and educational opportunities within our community. The Friends provide funding for our extensive audio book and video collections, as well as for large print books, ebooks, and electronic magazines. They also sponsor Library programs throughout the year for children and adults. Membership applications are available at the Library and on the Friends' web site, FriendsoftheWiltonManorsLibrary.org.



The Friends of the Library will once again erect their Book Tent at the City Yard Sale on Saturday, November 9th, on Saturday, December 14th, from 8 am to 2 pm at Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Dr. You will find used books, CDs, audio books, DVDs, and videos in exchange for a small donation. Top sellers range from books on tape to children's DVDs, from cookbooks to gardening manuals. All donations benefit the Library. The Friends will also take your donations of books and audio and video materials at the Book Tent, or you may drop them off at the Library, at 500 NE 26th Street.

Book Discussion Group

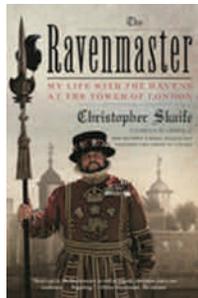
You can find book discussion groups almost everywhere these days -- in bookstores, community centers, private homes, online -- and at the Richard C. Sullivan Public Library of Wilton Manors. While for some, reading is a solitary activity, many find their appreciation and pleasure of a book broadened and deepened through discussion.

If you have a love for reading, and want to interact on an intellectual level and engage in interesting conversation, call (954) 390-2195 and ask about our Book Discussion Group.



New Books @ Your Library

In her deeply candid and reflective memoir, *Inside Out*, Demi Moore pulls back the curtain and opens up about her career and personal life -- laying bare her tumultuous relationship with her mother, her marriages, her struggles balancing stardom with raising a family, and her journey toward open heartedness.



The ravens at the Tower of London are of mighty importance: rumor has it that if a raven from the Tower should ever leave, the city will fall. The title of *Ravenmaster*, therefore, is a serious title indeed, and after decades of serving the Queen, Yeoman Warder Christopher Skaife took on the added responsibility of caring for the infamous ravens. In *The Ravenmaster*, he lets us in on his life as he feeds his birds raw meat and biscuits soaked in blood, buys their food at Smithfield Market, and ensures that these unusual, misunderstood, and utterly brilliant corvids are healthy, happy, and ready to captivate the four million tourists who flock to the Tower every year.

In *New York Times* bestselling author Nevada Barr's gripping standalone, *What Rose Forgot*, a grandmother in her 60s emerges from a mental fog to find she's trapped in an Alzheimer's unit in a nursing home. How does she convince anyone that she's not actually demented? Her relatives were the ones to commit her, all the legal papers were drawn up, the authorities are on the side of the nursing home, and even she isn't sure she sounds completely sane.

From Rene Denfeld, the highly praised author of *The Child Finder* and *The Enchanted*, comes *The Butterfly Girl*, a riveting novel that explores the depths of love and sacrifice in the face of a past that cannot be left dead and buried.

How to Cocktail shares all the kitchen secrets, techniques, recipes, and inspiration necessary to craft transcendent cocktails, from essential, canonical classics to imaginative, all-new creations from America's Test Kitchen.

In *Quantum*, international bestselling author Patricia Cornwell delivers pulse-pounding thrills in a new series featuring a brilliant and unusual new heroine, cutting-edge cybertechnology, and stakes that are astronomically high.

Secret lives and new loves emerge in the bright Caribbean sunlight, in *What Happens in Paradise*, the follow-up to national bestseller *Winter in Paradise*. Lush with tropical details, romance, and drama, this is another immensely satisfying page-turner from Elin Hilderbrand, one of America's most engaging storytellers.



In her riveting new novel *Child's Play*, Danielle Steel explores how families can evolve and grow in unexpected ways.

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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Wilton Drive Beautification Report

by Wilton Drive Improvement District (WDID) Chair Anthony LoGrande

As we near year's end, I thought you might like an update on what's happening with the beautification of our main street, Wilton Drive. Our widened sidewalks, dedicated bike lanes, new crosswalks and medians have made The Drive a safer and friendlier pedestrian experience.

As of this writing, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) contractor is still completing punch list items but the contract should be complete soon. So what's next?

We are waiting for FDOT to approve the required permit for the irrigation system and landscaping, which should happen soon. Once permitted, the city can issue a request for quotes to install the irrigation system and then the landscape. The city, county and Improvement District have committed approximately \$200,000 toward the project this year.

There are plans for more than over 50 trees and extensive landscaping that will be planted along The Drive. This will transform our street into a lush, shady and comfortable boulevard. We would love for this landscaping to be installed before Earth Day 2020 and as importantly, before Pride of the America's 2020, which is expected to bring tens of thousands of visitors to our Island City.

To achieve our vision of a lush, landscaped Wilton Drive, we are looking to you. Wilton Drive - Getting Shady with Your Help is the donation campaign to help us see this project through. Businesses and individuals can donate and support the beautification of The Drive while promoting a positive environmental impact in our city's center. Did you know a shade tree can significantly cool down a sidewalk while providing thousands of pounds of oxygen a year? I hope you consider making a donation to the Wilton Drive Beautification Project!

For landscape and donation information visit wiltondrive.org and/or wiltonmanors.com.

Once the landscaping is installed, trash bins and benches will be added and we will then turn our attention to the installation of public art, additional street furniture elements, wayfinding, integrated lighting and cameras. Also taking place simultaneously will be the reconfiguration of Jaycee Park and Wilton Drive's Central Plaza at NE 6 Avenue.

While the city and the Improvement District are funding a substantial portion of the project, we need your help to complete the funding .

These are exciting times on The Drive! Our goal is to help transform Wilton Drive into an even more vibrant international destination.

Wilton Drive

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Edward J. “Ned” Willingham – Creator of Wilton Manors

Ned Willingham literally created Wilton Manors in 1925. It was to be an upscale suburb of Fort Lauderdale. He created Five Points (site of the magnificent entrance towers) and Wilton Boulevard (renamed Wilton Drive by his son). “Wilton” is a concatenation of his name and his wife’s maiden name, Felton. There were, standard for the time, covenants about what the houses to be built should look like, sewage disposal, and to whom you could sell. Wilton Manors was not a legal entity until we were declared an official Village in Broward County in 1947. Willingham created a park, which has been there since 1925. It was later named Jaycee Park. In 1925, he was appointed to the first Planning and Zoning Board in Fort Lauderdale.

It has been suggested that this little park should be named for Willingham, to honor and recognize his contribution to our City.

Willingham was a very successful farmer and factory owner in Georgia, a college graduate, and Baptist minister, and he arrived in South Florida in the early 1920’s during the land boom.

He was a formidable force in his hometown of Macon, Georgia. In 1882, at age twenty-one, he started a furniture manufacturing business. Willingham was one the founders of the Mumford Home, a very successful orphanage and the Bibb National Bank. He was a deacon in the Baptist Church. Both of his parents were college educated, as were all thirteen of their children.

Willingham’s wife, the former Eula Felton, was an honors graduate of Wesleyan College. She supported the Woman’s Missionary Society and its mission in China. She was one of a group of women who organized Heimath Hall, a home for working girls, later taken over by the YWCA.



Gateway Towers at Five Points

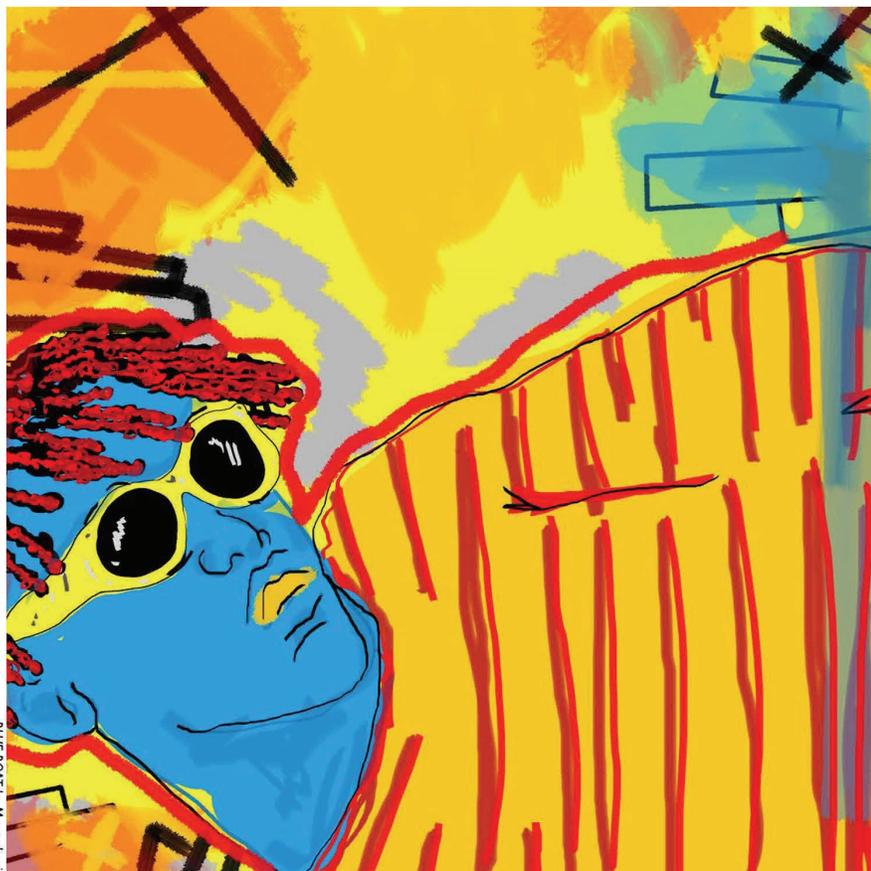
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