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Your Guide To What's Happening In The Island City

SUMMER 2025



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Phone Numbers

City Hall.....	954-390-2100	Risk Management.....	954-390-2126
City Clerk.....	954-390-2123	Leisure Services	
Mayor and City Commission.....	954-390-2123	Library.....	954-390-2195
City Manager.....	954-390-2120	Parks Division.....	954-390-2115
Community Development.....	954-390-2180	Recreation Division.....	954-390-2130
Finance Department.....	954-390-2141	Police Department	
Utilities Billing.....	954-390-2145	Administration.....	954-390-2150
Fire/EMS Administration.....	954-390-2110	Code Enforcement.....	954-390-2151
Fire Rescue*.....	954-764-4357	Non-Emergency Dispatch.....	954-764-4357
(*Ft Lauderdale non-emergency)		Police/Fire/EMS Emergency.....	911
Human Resources.....	954-390-2125	Utilities/Emergency Management.....	954-390-2190



CALENDAR

Highlights

**Regular Commission Meetings:
City Commission Chambers, 7pm:**

Tuesday, June 10 & 24

Tuesday, July 8 & 22

Tuesday, August 26

(There is no meeting Tuesday, August 12—Summer Recess)

City Offices will be closed:

Thursday, June 19, Juneteenth

The fiscal year 2025/2026 Budget cycle is underway! Budget meetings continue June, July, August, & September. Find the latest meeting info at www.wiltonmanors.com and the latest budget data at:

www.wiltonmanors.com/144/Budget

Wilton Manors City Officials

Mayor Scott Newton

Vice Mayor Chris Caputo

Commissioner Mike Bracchi

Commissioner Don D’Arminio

Commissioner Paul Rolli

City Manager Leigh Ann Henderson

City Attorney Kerry Ezrol

City Commission and Board Meeting Dates

City Commission and City Board/Committee meetings are being held in-person. Please visit www.wiltonmanors.com for the most up-to-date meeting information.

CAAB 7p.m.	Fire/Reg Pension 4:30/5:30p.m.	P&Z 7p.m.	Rec. Adv. 6p.m.	Library Advisory 6p.m.	WDID 5p.m.	Finance Advisory 6:30p.m.
Wed 4-June	Tues 3-June	Mon 9-June	Wed 18-June	Mon 21-July	Wed 9-July	Budget Review
July Recess	Meets Quarterly	Mon 7-July	Wed 20-Aug	Meets Quarterly	Meets Quarterly	Wed 16-July
Wed 6-Aug		Mon 11-Aug	Every 2 Months			Thurs 17-July

The City Commission typically meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Check the city’s website for details on all city meetings.

SCHEDULE FOR BULK TRASH AND RECYCLING

NORTH/WEST regular garbage pickup days are **Monday & Thursday**, and your bulk trash days are: **Monday, June 16, July 21, and August 18**

SOUTH/EAST regular garbage pickup days are **Tuesday & Friday**, your bulk trash days are: **Tuesday, June 17, July 22, and August 19**

ALL recycling will be collected on your regular pickup day Monday or Tuesday of each week.

Condominium bulk pickup (quarterly): June 21.

There is no pick-up on Christmas Day (Thursday, December 25, 2025).

Next Shredding Event: Saturday, August 23 9-11a.m.—City Hall Parking Lot

Call 954-947-4445 10 days in advance to schedule household hazardous waste pickup.



PLEASE NOTE: Bulk pick-up is THE WEEK OF THE THIRD MONDAY each month.

Garbage & recycling are collected year-round, with the exception of Christmas Day.

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 866-433-6312** or visit www.sfwmd.gov.

Message from Mayor Scott Newton—Summer 2025



As we move into the summer season, I want to take a moment to reflect on a few important recent events and share some updates from your City Hall.

Last month, Wilton Manors had the distinct honor of participating in Broward Navy Days, a time when our community joins others across South Florida in welcoming members of the U.S. Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. As part of this celebration, our city proudly hosted a local dinner for visiting sailors—right here in the Island City. The event was thoughtfully organized by Cathy Cerniglia, owner of the Over Easy Café, a beloved local business that continues to show unwavering support for our service members. I had the privilege of attending the dinner, welcoming our guests, and even serving them a meal. It was an evening filled with gratitude, camaraderie, and community spirit.

In another solemn and meaningful moment, I was honored to serve as the guest speaker at this year's Police Officers Memorial hosted at the Institute for Public Safety. This annual event remembers and pays tribute to the brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. This year, Wilton Manors was proud to serve as the host city. As the father of two Broward Sheriff's Deputies, the opportunity to speak at this memorial held deep personal significance for me. I remain committed to supporting our law enforcement professionals and recognizing their invaluable contributions to our safety and well-being.

Looking ahead, the City of Wilton Manors is beginning its annual budget preparation process. Crafting the city's budget is one of the most important responsibilities we have, as it guides how we allocate resources to best serve our residents and businesses. I encourage all members of our community to get involved, ask questions, and share your ideas. Information about public meetings scheduled throughout the summer can be found on the city's website or by signing up for our weekly e-newsletter.

Finally, with hurricane season beginning June 1, now is the time to make sure you and your household are prepared. Please take a few minutes to review your emergency plans, check your hurricane supply kits, and sign up for Wilton Manors CodeRED alerts so you can receive real-time updates during emergencies. The city's website has valuable information and preparedness resources to help keep you, your family, and your property safe.

As always, thank you for your continued engagement and support of our vibrant, inclusive city. It's a privilege to serve as your Mayor. Please reach out any time at 954-390-2123 or snewton@wiltonmanors.com.

Vice Mayor Chris Caputo—Summer in Wilton Manors Is In Full Swing!



Wilton Manors is buzzing with energy this season, and there's no shortage of things to do. Whether you're into parades, sports, theater, art, or playground adventures, you're living in the right place at the right time!

ICYMI, the *POW in the Park* series brought its second free theater production—*The Sound of Music*—to Richardson Park. This immersive performance had attendees spinning in swivel chairs as the set moved around them. Just like the last show in Mickel Park, it was a hit! POW is working to bring even more free theater to our parks, so check out POWinthePark.com for upcoming shows.

Over at Hagen Park, we celebrated the grand opening of the brand-new children's playground on May 31st. It's great to once again have a space for kids to play right off Wilton Drive.

And that's just the beginning...

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, June 14, 2025**, and join us for the **25th Annual Stonewall Pride Parade and Street Festival**. The fun starts at 3 p.m. with live music, local vendors, and all the community spirit you can handle—culminating in the dazzling **Glow Night Parade** at 8 p.m. Visit stonewallpride.lgbt for all the details.

Feeling sporty? The **Rainbow Sports League** has you covered. Their summer leagues are kicking off soon, including **Monday Night Kickball** at Mickel Park starting July 7. They welcome players of all skill levels—seriously. If you've ever seen me try to play kickball, you'll know they *really* mean that. Prefer something else? They also offer basketball, soccer, and volleyball.

Prefer to stay indoors? Keep an eye out for the **Gray Box Theater** opening this summer on NE 26th Street. This new 200+ seat venue already has national acts lined up, with announcements coming soon at graybox.theater. It's a fantastic addition to our growing arts and culture scene.

Art lovers—don't miss WMAD's interactive art map, where you can explore local galleries all summer long: viewer.mapme.com/wilton_manors_art_district.

Whether you're parading down Wilton Drive, trying to hit a home run, soaking in live theater, or watching your kids conquer the new playground—there's something for everyone. Let's get out there and make the most of everything our amazing city has to offer!

Commissioner Mike Bracchi— Summer in Wilton Manors—Budget Season



As we head into the summer months of June, July, and August, Wilton Manors enters one of the most important times of the year: budget season. This is when your City Commission works with staff and residents to determine how your tax dollars will be allocated for the upcoming fiscal year, setting the direction for our city's priorities.

Understanding Budget Season — and the Millage Rate

Each year, we adopt a new city budget that outlines how we'll fund everything from police and fire services to parks, infrastructure, and community programs. A key part of that process is setting the millage rate — the rate used to calculate your property taxes.

Let me be clear: I am steadfast in my commitment to lowering the millage rate wherever fiscally responsible. A lower millage rate means a lower percentage of your property value is taxed. This is especially important now, as rising property values are causing tax bills to increase, even if the city's rate stays the same. Lowering the rate can help keep housing affordable and protect residents—especially longtime homeowners—against sharp tax hikes.

While we continue facing financial headwinds due to rising costs and limited revenue sources, I believe we must balance the city's needs without overburdening our residents.

Public Participation in Budget Meetings

There will be multiple public budget meetings and workshops throughout the summer, where the City Commission will review, discuss, and refine the proposed budget. These meetings are open to everyone, and I strongly encourage all residents to get involved. Whether you attend in person or watch online, your feedback helps shape the priorities of our city. This is your opportunity to ask questions, share concerns, and help ensure our budget reflects the values and needs of the people who live here.

Looking Forward

Even amid fiscal pressures, Wilton Manors remains a resilient, vibrant, and inclusive community. I'm proud to represent you, and I remain committed to fiscal responsibility, community engagement, and preserving the unique character of our Island City.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to making Wilton Manors a place where "*Life's Just Better Here.*" I am honored and humbled to serve and represent you, and together, we can make Wilton Manors an even better place to call home. Please contact me anytime with ideas, questions, suggestions, or concerns at mbracchi@wiltonmanors.com. I want to hear from **YOU!** I appreciate everyone's feedback and I am listening intently to all of your comments. Our residents are why "*Life's Just Better Here.*" Please know that I am listening and care about our community just as much as you!

Secure Shredding Event

- When:** Saturday, August 23, 2025
9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Where:** City Hall/Hagen Park Parking Lot
2020 Wilton Drive
Wilton Manors, FL 33305



The City's solid waste, recycling, and household hazardous waste contractor, Coastal Waste & Recycling, has contracted with The Red Shredder to provide this **FREE, secure, and confidential shredding service**. The Red Shredder uses cross-cut shredding technology, and all resulting paper shreds are removed from the waste stream and recycled into new products. Hard-drive punching will also be available at this event.

Wilton Manors residents: You will need to bring proof of residency (such as a driver's license or utility bill showing your Wilton Manors address).

Wilton Manors business owners: You will need to bring a copy of your current Wilton Manors Business Tax Receipt.

For more information, contact the Emergency Management/Utilities Department at (954) 390-2190.

Commissioner Don D’Arminio—Beautification in Wilton Manors



Exciting things are happening all around Wilton Manors, and I’m thrilled to give you a quick update on two major projects that are going to make our city not only easier to navigate, but a lot more beautiful, too.

Let’s start with wayfinding—a new system of signs that will help everyone find their way around town. Whether you’re looking for a park, a public building, or a waterway, you’ll soon notice stylish new signs popping up to point you in the right direction. These signs aren’t just about giving directions, they’re also designed to give Wilton Manors a fresh, unified look that reflects our unique personality and helps brand the city as the one-of-a-kind destination it truly is. We’re incredibly thankful for all the input residents like you shared through the design selection survey. Your ideas played a big role in shaping the final design.

At our March 25th City Commission meeting, we officially gave the green light to Forge Signworks to take on the project. The total cost is just under \$928,000, but there’s some good news. Thanks to the Broward County Surtax program, roughly \$650,000 of that will be covered by grants, significantly reducing the cost to our city. We know this project took longer than expected to come to fruition, but the extra time allowed us to tap into valuable county funding, saving local dollars and making the most of available resources. Installation will happen over the next several months, and most of the signs will go up in City-owned spaces and along public rights-of-way.

Wayfinding isn’t the only project we are working on to continue beautifying our Island City. Our new Wilton Manors Public Art Master Plan is almost ready to launch. This project has been in the works for a while, and it’s been built on a solid foundation of community feedback. Through surveys, workshops, and meetings, we asked you what kind of art you wanted to see, where it should go, and how to fund it—and you definitely showed up with ideas.

Thanks to support from the Broward County Cultural Division, this plan puts us on track to join 15 other cities in Broward that have public art programs. That means more murals, sculptures, creative installations, and maybe even interactive art popping up in parks and public spaces throughout the city. It’s another way we’re making Wilton Manors not just livable, but lovable. Be sure to check out the draft plan we presented to the community at the April 22nd City Commission meeting and stay tuned for updates. (<https://wiltonmanorsfl.portal.civicclerk.com/event/1466/files/attachment/16739>)

Both of these projects, wayfinding and public art, are about more than just looks. They’re about building a stronger and more beautiful identity for our city. It’s about showing off the personality and pride that makes Wilton Manors unique.

Thanks for being a part of this journey. Keep the ideas coming, and let’s continue making our city an even better place to live, work, and play.

Your feedback is important to me, and I welcome your comments, concerns and suggestions. Feel free to reach out to me directly on my cell at 201-921-4806, or via email at ddarminio@wiltonmanors.com. As your City Commissioner, I stand WITH you, FOR you!



The Supervisor of Elections Office will be present at City Hall in the lobby to provide voter registration information on the first Tuesday of (typically) every other month beginning April 1, 2025, until March 3, 2026, from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm.

- Future Dates:
- June 3, 2025
 - August 5, 2025
 - October 7, 2025
 - December 2, 2025
 - February 3, 2026
 - March 3, 2026

Commissioner Paul Rolli—Building the Future, Together: A Vision in Motion



When I was elected to the Wilton Manors City Commission in 2018, our city stood at a crossroads. We were proud of who we were—but it was time to ask: *where do we go from here?*

After decades of limited growth and little change, it was clear we needed a forward-thinking, inclusive plan—one that honored our city’s unique character while preparing us for the future. I ran for office to help craft that plan, and today, I’m proud of the progress we’ve made. But the work is far from over.

A key milestone has been modernizing our outdated development code. I’ve always believed Wilton Manors can grow responsibly—attracting investment while preserving the charm and diversity that make us special. Through collaboration with residents, business owners, city staff, and fellow commissioners, we created a bold new vision: vibrant, walkable, mixed-use corridors, known as Transit Oriented Corridors or TOC’s, that enhance both daily life and economic opportunity.

This vision is already coming to life. Our new code has paved the way for several exciting development projects, with more on the horizon. A standout achievement: the recent approval of a boutique hotel in our Arts and Entertainment District—a major milestone in positioning Wilton Manors as a destination for visitors from around the world.

But updating the code isn’t a one-time fix; it’s an ongoing process. That’s why the City Commission and I continue to review and refine our regulations, especially those governing our TOC’s —key areas where increased height and density can drive thoughtful growth. With input from residents and developers alike, we’re exploring how to make our code even more effective and inclusive.

I remain deeply committed to fostering economic development and smart growth, ensuring our city prospers and maintains the quality of life we’ve come to expect. I’ve proposed that the city sponsor an outreach session with developers to gain insight into evolving market conditions—so we can adapt, stay competitive, and keep moving forward.

One thing is clear: real progress happens when we listen, adapt, and work together. This is just the beginning of a new chapter for Wilton Manors. In future articles, I’ll share more about our plans, priorities, and how you can stay involved.

Let’s keep building the future—together. As always, I welcome your thoughts and questions. Please feel free to reach out anytime at prolli@wiltonmanors.com or 954-595-8865. I’m always happy to connect.

Help Us Find Our Honorees for Hispanic Heritage and LGBTQ+ History Months



The Community Affairs Advisory Board (CAAB) is seeking nominees for honorees of both Hispanic Heritage (September 15—October 15) and LGBTQ+ History (October) Months.

The deadline for nominations is August 15, 2025. Nominations will be reviewed in the CAAB meeting on Wednesday, September 3, 2025. The Hispanic Heritage Month honoree will be presented in the Commission

Meeting of Tuesday, September 23, while the LGBTQ+ History Month (October) honoree will be presented in the Commission Meeting of Tuesday, October 14.

Nominees need not reside in Wilton Manors—only that they benefit the Wilton Manors community.

Qualifications to consider:

- For Hispanic Heritage Month: the nominee exhibits leadership and creativity in promoting Hispanic Heritage and increasing the understanding of and appreciation for the culture of the Hispanic community.
- For LGBTQ+ History Month: role models who paved the way for LGBTQ+ rights, as well as today’s trailblazers who are forging new paths for equality.

Nominations may be made using the forms available at City Hall or on the City’s website from the CAAB webpage here: <https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/482/Community-Affairs-Advisory-Board>. You may also simply send a nomination email in 250 words or less to: community@wiltonmanors.com, explaining why this individual or business should be recognized. **NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BY AUGUST 15, 2025.** Paper nomination forms are also available at City Hall. Nominations should describe the contributions, benefits to the community, neighborhood, group, individual, or non-profit organization made by the individual, and should focus on their advocacy, being a role model, leadership, and philanthropy.



Emergency Management/Utilities 954-390-2190

HURRICANE SEASON IS JUNE 1 TO NOV 30

It's time to start preparing for hurricane season, as well as other emergencies! Every household should be prepared to be self-sufficient for the **first five to seven days** after a major storm so recovery efforts can focus on those who can't help themselves. For information and ideas, check out the Wilton Manors Emergency Management page on www.wiltonmanors.com and visit Broward County at www.broward.org/emergency. You can also contact the Broward County Call Center at 311 or 954-831-4000 (TTY 954-831-3940).

BE INFORMED

NOTIFICATIONS OF EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

The City of Wilton Manors encourages residents to sign up to receive emergency notifications through our **CodeRED** notification system, and the City's E-mail News Service. To register, go to www.wiltonmanors.com and click on "Connect" at the top of the page, and "Sign Up For Emergency Alerts". Don't forget to tune in your radio to **AM1630** before, during and after a storm for updates from the City of Wilton Manors and the National Weather Service. Also subscribe to Broward County's free Emergency Update E-mail System, visit www.broward.org/hurricane and click on "AlertBroward Emergency Notifications" under Resources to sign up. The system provides residents with important information from the Broward County Emergency Operations Center before, during and after a hurricane.

BE PREPARED

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST

It is **YOUR** responsibility to be sure you are prepared. Make sure you have the following items BEFORE a storm hits:

- FOOD:** Non-perishable packaged or canned food supplies for 5-7 days, and a manual can opener. Don't forget a 5-7 day supply of special needs items for babies such as formula, food, wipes, diapers; special foods for the elderly; toiletries and extra toilet paper
- WATER:** Minimum of 3 gallons of drinking water per person; preferably one gallon per person per day for two weeks. Extra water is needed for food preparation and personal hygiene. To store drinking water, use food-grade containers such as clean, airtight two-liter soda jugs. If you re-use disposable plastic bottles, do not keep them for more than a month
- First aid supplies and **prescription medications** for 2 weeks*
- Waterproof tarps and/or plastic sheeting
- Plastic trash bags and ties; extra re-sealable plastic storage bags, heavy-duty aluminum foil and disposable aluminum pans
- Paper goods such as plates, bowls, napkins, towels, and plastic eating utensils
- Protective clothing, rainwear, bedding or sleeping bags
- Mosquito repellent with DEET, and sunscreen
- Tool kit including cord, rope, hammer, wood nails, saw, hatchet or axe, crowbar, chainsaw blades, tarp, duct tape, and heavy work gloves
- Batteries
- Battery-powered radio, flashlight, clock
- Unscented bleach (and a medicine dropper), soap, detergent
- Hand sanitizer
- Extra charcoal or propane gas for outdoor cooking
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Fire extinguisher (ABC type)
- Full gas tank
- Cash (ATMs won't work during a power outage)
- A simple corded telephone
- Fully charged cell phone with a car charger accessory
- Pet supplies
- A designated out-of-town contact for family and friends
- A list of important phone numbers (doctors, insurance agents, etc.)
- Protected, waterproof storage area for important documents (insurance, property deed, etc.)
- Waterproof tarps and plastic sheeting
- Learn how to turn off electricity, gas and water, if advised to do so

If you will be using a portable generator at home, search "Generator Safety" on the City's website for guidelines about the proper preparation and use of portable generators.

Protect your property and neighborhood. Prior to the hurricane season, take advantage of monthly bulk pick-up services and remove loose belongings and debris outside your home, and properly trim over grown landscape. Waiting until after an event may hinder clean-up efforts by overloading facilities and resources!

Quick Tip: * Prepare ahead for your medical needs such as dialysis, insulin, oxygen, and any prescription drugs. The emergency refill law now allows you to obtain a 30-day supply of medications when an emergency is declared. Contact your pharmacy for details on your prescriptions.

Emergency Management/Utilities Division 954-390-2190

HURRICANE SEASON INFORMATION CONTINUED

BE SAFE

HAVE A PLAN

Know where you will be during a hurricane event. Discuss action plans with family and friends, plan for special needs family members, plan for your pets, gather your supplies and protect your assets. Whether you plan to stay at home or will be evacuating to a safe location...make sure you can properly secure your home. Pay attention to evacuation notices. If you think you may need a shelter or have special needs, visit www.broward.org/hurricane and click on the "Registrations", "Residents At Risk" and "Shelters" links. Verify whether or not these facilities can accommodate your needs. Special Needs Shelters require pre-registration, register at: <https://www.broward.org/AtRisk/Pages/SpecialNeeds.aspx>.

BROWARD COUNTY'S VULNERABLE POPULATION REGISTRY

Broward County has a Vulnerable Population Registry for residents who are at risk due to disability, frailty or health issues, regardless of age, who elect to stay at home in the event of a hurricane or other emergency. The Registry is a partnership between Broward County and municipalities to help emergency responders better plan for recoveries from hurricanes and other emergencies. It **is not** a guarantee of assistance.

After a hurricane or other emergency, residents may experience prolonged power and phone outages. Residents may not be able to leave their apartments to get assistance because the elevators are not functioning, or to let others know that they are in need. Municipalities use the Registry to help evaluate resident needs and to assist in planning their response in an emergency. While registering in the database **is not** a guarantee that you will be provided services or placed on a priority list for responders, it will help responders be better prepared to meet resident needs in a recovery.

Don't wait for an emergency, register early! You can register online at www.broward.org/AtRisk and select "Vulnerable Population" or by calling the Broward County Call Center at 311 or 954-831-4000 (TTY 954-831-3940). All the information provided will be held in strictest confidence as required by State law.

Access the Hurricane Preparedness Checklist For Businesses on the City's website here:

[https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/DocumentCenter/View/3124/Hurricane-Preparedness-For-Businesses?bidId=.](https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/DocumentCenter/View/3124/Hurricane-Preparedness-For-Businesses?bidId=)

View other important information from the Emergency Preparedness page (<https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/140/Emergency-Preparedness>) including:

- Create a Personalized Disaster Plan
- Special Needs Shelter Accommodations
- Tips to protect your pets
- Construction and Contractor Info
- General Hurricane Information
- Flood Dangers
- Plant the Right Tree in the Right Place
- Generator Safety



Should a hurricane or severe storm affect our area, being prepared for the clean-up is just as important as preparing for any weather event. For proper debris management and disposal, do not co-mingle items. Please separate and locate debris as shown in the illustration on the right. For additional information, please contact the Emergency Management/Utilities Department at 954-390-2190.

Debris Removal Guidelines
In efforts to expedite the debris removal process, please follow these rules

Debris should be placed curbside – Do Not Block Roadway

← 10 feet

Normal Household Garbage

Yard / Vegetative Debris

Storm Related Construction Debris

Large Appliances – SECURE ALL DOORS

Do not place debris near or on trees, poles or other structures (including fire hydrants and water meters) as this makes removal difficult

TREE TRIMMING

With the 2025 hurricane season underway, don't wait until a storm is on its way to prepare your trees and other landscape to minimize damage to structures, roadways and other property. It's not too late to address potential issues now by following some simple guidelines:

It's your responsibility to trim the trees growing on your property, including in the swale area adjacent to the street, as well as overhanging canopies.

Trees should be trimmed to remove dead branches and thin the canopy to allow air flow to pass through the growth, and to provide proper clearance above the street to allow passage of emergency and debris removal vehicles.

Remember, landscape will grow back. It's okay to trim a little extra so the new growth will not undermine trimming efforts. However, care should always be taken with tree trimming, and there are important DOs and DON'Ts for proper tree health.

Visit Broward County's website to view proper tree trimming guidelines:

<http://www.broward.org/Environment/TreePreservation/Pages/ProperTreePruning.aspx>

Make sure to address all types of landscape, including palm trees, hedges and decorative landscape features.

If you hire someone to do the work for you, make sure they are licensed and insured. Broward County requires licensure for hired individuals and businesses. Visit Broward County's website for tree trimming licensure: <https://www.broward.org/Building/TreeTrimmers/Pages/Default.aspx>

Plan trimming to take advantage of the bulk trash collection schedule for proper disposal: <https://www.wiltonmanors.com/184/bulk-trash-collection>





Kiwanis

ATTENTION PARENTS and COLLEGE & VO-TECH STUDENTS!!
*The Kiwanis Club of Wilton Manors has scholarship **MONEY** for YOU*

If you are going to **Broward College**, we have established 5 scholarships, awarded every year in the following categories: * Safety Officers/Police * Nursing * Paramedics/EMS * Any major * GSA (Gay Straight Alliance) Club Participant – Any major

Click on: <https://www.broward.edu/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships/> Awards are at least \$1,000/year.

***** Wilton Manors residents have priority in the selection process***.**

Deadline is October 1 for the Spring classes.



ATTENTION TEACHERS Teachers at **Wilton Manors Elementary** and **Somerset Academy** – we have endowed annual grants for you too, through the Broward Educational Foundation, approximately \$6,000/year. For teacher grant questions, call Coco Burns at 754-321-2032 or go here:

<https://browardedfoundation.org/what-we-do/educators/teacher-innovation-grants/>.

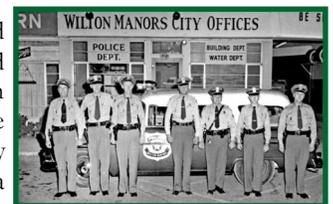
For follow up questions, call Adrienne Foland cell: 954-205-6594.

A brief chronology of Wilton Manors early “seat of government” buildings

It began in **1946** when a group of homeowners met at the real estate office of Alvar “Al” Hagen to form the *Wilton Manors Civic Association*. The *Civic Association* became the unofficial quasi-government of the growing community. Through committees it facilitated water and electrical service, garbage pickup, street maintenance and even public safety services for its members. By the following year members voted to incorporate as the *Village of Wilton Manors*. Hagen’s office became the legal address of the Village as well as the first polling place. It’s now Tropics Grille on Wilton Drive.



By the end of **1949** the Village had grown enough to need a dedicated meeting place. The *Village Hall* was built on N.E. 26th Street, on land donated by Dave Turner; using volunteer labor and funded through donations—including the famous Village barbecues. (It’s now the site of the Sullivan Library.) In **1953**, after incorporation, this became *City Hall*. City offices were soon opened in a storefront at 2197 Wilton Drive—between a tavern and a gas station.



But it was clear (even as early as 1950) that these tiny facilities could not support the long-term growth of the city. (The City’s Accountant kept its financial records in her bedroom and the City Clerk operated from her kitchen!) Planning immediately began for a new, full-service municipal building. But that was not easy in the 1950s. Location was open to question, and funding was an issue. What followed was a seven year battle of small-town politics. It pitted Dave Turner, James Dean and John U. Lloyd, who were newly developing land east of the railroad, against Al Hagen and the original business/property owners on Wilton Drive. The underlying political question ... where would “downtown” Wilton Manors ultimately evolve? The backstory is far too complex to even summarize here—but see the link below.

After the years of wrangling, in **July 1957**, the city took possession of its new “imposing municipal center” at 524 NE 21st Court (now the Hagen Park parking lot). City administrative offices were in the center of the one-story building, flanked by a two-bay Fire Station at the east end and the Police Station at the west end. It served until the current City Hall opened in **2010**. For the full story, including never-before-published vintage photos, go to <https://wmhistory.org>, then click the **RECENT ADDITIONS** dropdown menu to download the archive.



Wilton Manors Historical Society

Questions or comments? Email us at wmhs@WMHistory.org

Community Development Services (CDS) Department 954-390-2180

Building Permits

Building permits and inspections are made to protect the present and future owners of the structure. Building permits reduce potential hazards of unsafe construction for public safety, health and welfare. Work done improperly could result in fires or other property damage. Doors and windows that do not meet code or are installed incorrectly, could fail in hurricane force winds, exposing your home to physical damage.

Building permits are required when:

- Constructing buildings and other structures, remodeling (kitchens, baths, etc.), and reroofing.
- Installing, replacing, and/or altering doors, windows, fences, pools, garage doors, screen enclosures, and driveways.
- Relocating plumbing fixtures; replacing water heaters, sewer, water lines (within the building), gas supply systems; changing water lines from the meter to the home and installation of lawn sprinkler systems.
- Installing new electrical boxes, electrical service upgrades, extending/adding wiring for new receptacles and lighting.
- Installing, altering, replacing or any other major repair of any air conditioning, refrigeration, boiler, pressure vessel, and other mechanical systems.

The above list is not all inclusive, please contact the Community Development Department at 954-390-2180 if you have specific questions relating to a project you are planning or are working on.

Please verify contractor licenses at 1-866-532-1440 or www.MyFloridaLicense.com.



Access to online building permitting can be found on the [Online Services page](#) of the City's website by clicking on the "Building Permits" link. Access the City's website here: www.wiltonmanors.com, then "Online Services" (<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/248/Online-Services>). If you have any questions or need assistance with online building permitting, please call 954-390-2180 or email at CDSinfo@wiltonmanors.com.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Development Applications

Current development projects that the city is processing can be found on the city's website via the Community Development Services page at: www.wiltonmanors.gov/131/Community-Development-Services, or you can also go there directly at: www.wiltonmanors.gov/836/Development-Applications. The Development Projects homepage provides a list of major projects in progress, while the linked spreadsheet (updated weekly) provides site addresses, a brief description of each project, and current project status.

If you have any questions regarding current construction projects in the city, please contact Community Development Services at 954-390-2180.

Residential Irrigation Rebate Program

Get Paid to Save!



The City has partnered with Broward County to offer our residents rebates for improvements to their irrigation systems. As part of this program, the County sends someone out to evaluate your system and makes recommendations for water conservation improvements (like digital irrigation controllers and solenoid valves). Eligible residents can earn up to \$500 rebates if they make the improvements using a licensed contractor. This is another tool in our suite of incentives to help you conserve our limited resources and ensure *Life's Just Greener Here!* Find out if you are eligible on the city's website here:

<https://wiltonmanors.gov/943/Residential-Irrigation-Rebate-Program> and link to the county's rebate program webpage to apply (or go direct to it here: <https://www.broward.org/irrigationrebate/Pages/default.aspx>). Limited funding is available on a first come, first served basis.

Early Learning Coalition—ELCBroward.org/Childcare 954-377-2188



The Early Learning Coalition of Broward County helps families access affordable, high-quality childcare through the School Readiness Program. Families can also contact ELC’s Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) for free help finding care that fits their needs. All assistance is provided at no cost to parents.

Learn more at www.elcbroward.org or call 954-377-2188, or see the ELC flyer here:

<https://wiltonmanors.gov/DocumentCenter/View/9093/ELCBroward1pager>.



PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE & INJURY

Lock it Up!

65% of gun deaths are suicides.

Access to a firearm TRIPLES one's risk of death by suicide.

Guns are the leading cause of death for children & teens.

The median age of children unintentionally shooting someone is 4.

LOCK UP YOUR GUN!

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WILTON MANORS POLICE DEPARTMENT



Life's Just Better Here

2020 WILTON DRIVE WILTON MANORS • NON-EMERGENCY DISPATCH 954-764-4357 (HELP) • INFORMATION 954-390-2150

Chief Gary Blocker: *Staffing Update & License Plate Readers Providing Tangible Returns*



In April 2024, I reported about the critical staffing shortage we were encountering that was consistent with national trends, and we committed to you we would rise to this challenge. Reports since then have shown positive progress, and as of May 1st, we have one sworn police officer vacancy in addition to two officer positions frozen for this fiscal year. Five officers remain in training with one in the police academy, and this Fall should see four of these officers having successfully completed field training and being assigned out in our community serving in their full capacity.

You may recall our commitment to increasing public safety technologies to better protect you. Our license plate reader (LPR) project we previously spoke about has us installing 24 LPR's to capture license plates on vehicles entering and exiting our City's main corridors. LPR's provide officers real time information on stolen vehicles, felony vehicles, amber alerts, and more. As of May 1st, 15 LPR's have been installed, and this project is 63% complete. Early results show our LPR's and officers have capitalized on this technology having detected and recovered five stolen vehicles resulting in \$140,400 in stolen property returned to victims. Additionally, nine LPR alerts have led to arrests, one firearm has been recovered, and four investigative leads have been generated. As an example, one case allowed detectives to identify a suspect vehicle within 30 minutes of a vehicle burglary being reported, and the culprit was identified the same day. An April 15th early morning robbery of the World of Smoke and Vape was solved using LPR's allowing both culprits to be arrested, and the firearm used recovered and removed from the streets. LPR's have allowed your police department to speak for our victims, and hold criminals accountable. This vital public safety technology will continue to deter, detect, and apprehend criminal activity, allowing us to protect you better than we did the day before.

Let's remember, it takes all of us to make our City safer than it was the day before. We are not immune from crime, and we all need to stay focused, and report suspicious incidents and people when detected. Remember, for emergencies and in-progress incidents, call 9-1-1. For non-emergencies or delayed incidents, call our dispatch center at 954-764-4357 (HELP). Our officers are standing ready to respond to protect and serve you 24-7-365.

Help Us Keep Our City Beautiful

The Wilton Manors Code Compliance Unit is launching a renewed initiative to address long-standing property maintenance issues in our neighborhoods — and we need your help! We're asking residents to partner with us by reporting properties that consistently fall short of community standards. You know the ones — bulk trash set out too early, garbage cans left out all week, uncut grass, junk vehicles, dirty pools, or general property neglect. Some of these violations are visible from the street, but others—like backyard issues—may not be unless neighbors like you speak up.

While our team actively patrols the city and enforces code violations, some properties revert back after initial compliance. That's why no one is better positioned to help identify problem spots than the people who live nearby.

We do not accept anonymous complaints. However, if a violation is visible from the public right-of-way, our officers can initiate a case themselves. If you wish to file a report, you can do so in one of the following ways:

📍 In Person/Mail: 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

📞 By Phone: 954-390-2151

✉ Email: codecompliance@wmpd.org

🌐 Online: www.wiltonmanors.com/349/Code-Compliance-Unit

Please include your name, address, and phone number when submitting a report. You can also check the status of a property by entering its address on our website. Let's work together to uphold the high standards that make Wilton Manors a great place to live. Your voice and vigilance make all the difference!

The Island City Outreach Plan: Addressing Homelessness with Compassion and Community Focus

The City of Wilton Manors continues to take a proactive and balanced approach in addressing the presence of homeless individuals within our community. Through the recently implemented **Island City Outreach Plan**, WMPD is actively working to ensure public safety while also offering appropriate guidance and resources to those in need.

As part of this focused effort, the initiative has achieved the following measurable outcomes:

- **112 documented patrols** in identified areas of concern
- **9 arrests** related to criminal activity
- **7 field interviews** to better understand individuals' circumstances
- **8 citations** issued for City ordinance violations
- **16 trespass warnings or enforcement actions** for the misuse of public spaces



This outreach plan reflects WMPD's commitment not only to enforcement, but understanding and guiding those experiencing homelessness. The City recognizes that while sleeping in public spaces such as park benches or right-of-ways may violate City codes, individuals are still permitted to utilize park facilities in a manner intended by the community.

The WMPD remains focused on maintaining a safe and welcoming environment for all. In response to recent community feedback, officers have increased patrols in Flippen Park and will continue monitoring City parks and public areas to ensure proper use and public safety.

Residents are encouraged to report any concerns by calling the **Non-Emergency Communications Center at 954-764-4357**. In the event of an emergency, always dial **911**.

The City of Wilton Manors thanks our residents for their continued support as we work together to ensure that the Island City remains a safe, respectful, and inclusive place for everyone. For further questions or concerns, please contact the Wilton Manors Police Department directly.

LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

Recreation & Library Services Survey

Share Your Thoughts! What programs do you love? What's missing? How can we enhance our recreation and library services further?

We're asking all Wilton Manors residents to take a few minutes to complete our **Recreation & Library Services Survey**, available from **June 1 through August 31**. Your feedback will help shape future programs, events, and improvements for parks, recreation, and the library.

It's quick and easy — **just scan the QR code below, click the link, or pick up a paper copy** at Hagen Park Community Center. However you choose to participate, your voice matters!

🔗 **Take the survey here:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WMRecLib>

📱 **Or scan the QR code below:**



LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

Adult & Senior Programs

SELF-DEFENSE & GUN SAFETY SERIES FOR WOMEN & TRANS FOLKS

What: Twice-monthly empowerment sessions that blend real-world safety skills with community connection. Enjoy light bites and beverages while you learn in a supportive, affirming space.

What to Expect: Hands-on self-defense skills you can use right away. Straight-talk gun-safety essentials for everyday life. Complimentary snacks & drinks, courtesy of AHF (AIDS Healthcare Foundation) Spark. A welcoming space created by and for women and trans folks. Powered by AHF Spark, SunServe, and the City of Wilton Manors Police Department. Seats are limited—secure yours now!

Cost: Free **When:** June 5 & 19; July 3 & 17 6pm

Where: [Island City Cultural Center - 600 NE 21st Ct, Wilton Manors, FL 33305](#)

Online Registration: [👉 SPARK PRESENTS: VIBRANT LIVES!](#) (www.givebutter.com/vibrant)

Contact: SunServe – 954-764-5150

Self-Defense & Gun Safety Series for Women & Trans Folks
Powered by: AHF, Spark, SunServe, and the City of Wilton Manors Police Department

Twice-monthly empowerment sessions for women and trans folks—learn practical safety skills, share community, and enjoy snacks & beverages.

✔ **Series Schedule**
Thursdays
6 to 7:30 PM

June 5th & 19th
July 3rd & 17th

- ✔ Hands-on self-defense skills
- ✔ Straight-talk gun-safety basics
- ✔ Complimentary snacks & drinks
- ✔ Welcoming space for women and trans folks

✔ Tickets: SunServe.org/Vibrant

BRAINS & BALANCE PAST 60

Our "Brains and Balance Past 60" program is designed for the unique needs of active older adults who know the importance of staying mentally sharp and physically stable. This innovative program is a clever combination of specific activities designed to improve your memory, reasoning, conceptualization, language, and problem-solving skills, along with age appropriate exercise to improve stability. Discover how much fun "Brains & Balance" training can be while you exercise your mind and body with our specially designed curriculum.

When: Wednesdays 10—11am **Cost:** Wilton Manors Residents (Must show proof of residency) Free/ Non-Residents \$3

Where: [Hagen Park Community Center - 2020 Wilton Dr, Wilton Manors, FL 33305](#)

Contact: Guy Andrews, Guy@exerciseetc.com

SENIOR TRIPS

Marlins VS. Colorado Rockies Baseball Game

Come out and enjoy a Marlins game. The Miami Marlins are playing the Colorado Rockies. First pitch is at 12:10pm. Transportation leaves from Hagen Park at 10:30am. Space is limited so sign up today!

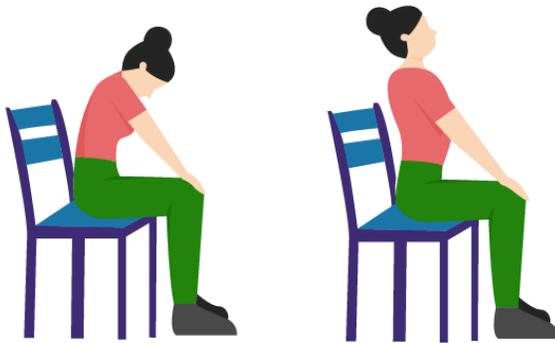
When: Wednesday, June 4 **Cost:** \$25

Where: Bus departs from and returns to [Hagen Park Community Center - 2020 Wilton Dr, Wilton Manors, FL 33305](#)

LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

Adult & Senior Programs-Continued

CHAIR YOGA EMPOWER HOUR & SOUND THERAPY



Empower Hour is designed to increase balance and flexibility, improve muscle toning and strength, help manage chronic conditions and reduce pain. Chair Yoga can also boost your mood and well-being. Sound therapy helps heal the mind and body through music, tones, frequencies, and vibrations.

When: Thursdays 10:30—11:30am **Cost:** \$4 Per Class/Wilton Manors Residents; \$5 Per Class/Non-Residents

Where: [Island City Cultural Center - 600 NE 21st Ct, Wilton Manors, FL 33305](#)

Contact: Victoria Carleton-Rogers, Call 954-303-5635

PING PONG @ HAGEN PARK



Go back and forth with us in some exciting games of Ping Pong where you can have fun while burning calories and improving your coordination.

When: Tuesdays 9—11am **Cost:** Free

Where: [Hagen Park Community Center - 2020 Wilton Dr, Wilton Manors, FL 33305](#)

Contact: Wilvens Eliodor, Program & Facility Supervisor 954-390-2175 or Weliodor@wiltonmanors.com

CAPOEIRA ANGOLA

Capoeira Angola is an Afro-Brazilian cultural expression. It is an art, dance, fight, and a game of corporal expression involving physical movements, combined with music, instruments, and song.

When: Mondays and Wednesdays 6:30-8:30p.m.

Where: Island City Cultural Center, 600 NE 21st Court, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

Contact: Fabricio, Capoeiraanglaalagbedfl@gmail.com

Introducing the QR Fit Board at Hagen Park



Located under the shade of the Hagen Park Pavilion (near the Pickleball Courts), the QR FitBoard system is a free, interactive method to explore new exercise movements. When users scan the QR code on the sign, they will have instant access to a vast library of functional, bodyweight exercises including those focused on upper body, lower body, core, and flexibility. • Free to use for everyone

- Located outdoors in a shady location
- Various intensity levels to choose from
- No prior experience or equipment required
- Hundreds of fitness videos that are rotated weekly

On The Waves Kayak Kiosk at Colohatchee Boat Ramp

Explore the waterways of Wilton Manors with **OTWAVES**, your go-to kayak rental kiosk for an unforgettable paddling adventure. Conveniently located for easy access, we offer high-quality kayaks for all experience levels, perfect for cruising through scenic routes and spotting local wildlife. Whether you're a beginner or an avid paddler, OTWAVES makes it easy to get on the water. Rent a kayak today and ride the waves at www.otwaves.com.

No reservations, no hassle—just **scan, unlock, and paddle**.

Our Kayak Kiosks are designed for ultimate convenience. Simply scan the QR code, unlock a double-seater kayak, and get out on the water. You're only charged for the time you use—just \$20 per hour.



LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

YOUTH and FAMILY PROGRAMS

HAGEN PARK PLAYGROUND OPEN FOR FUN!

After its Grand Opening Event on Saturday, May 31st, the all-new Hagen Park neighborhood playground is open! Built for laughter, play, and community, the playground is designed for children ages 5-12, and adult supervision is recommended.



Kids' Night Out

No Parents Allowed!!! Parents, allow your little ones to enjoy a night of excitement filled with games, snacks music, and more, while you enjoy a night of adult fun.

- **Date:** August 22 ● **Time:** 6-9p.m.
- **Location:** Stafford Park & Nature Preserve (formerly Island City Park Preserve) 823 NE 28th Street
- **Cost:** \$25 per child ● **Registration:** Register at Hagen Park Community Center or Stafford Park
- Online Registration:** <https://flwiltonmanorsweb.myvscloud.com/webtrac/web/>

Island City Summer Camp

Adventure awaits at Island City Summer Camp! Join us for 9 weeks of non-stop fun at Stafford Park and Nature Preserve (*formally Island City Park Preserve*). Your child will dive into arts & crafts, exciting outdoor play, hands-on science experiments, special weekly events, and thrilling field trips. Plus, lunch and afternoon snacks are included every day! Don't miss out on the ultimate summer experience!

- **Location:** Stafford Park & Nature Preserve (823 NE 28th Street, Wilton Manors, 33334)
- **In Person Registration Locations:** Hagen Community Center or Stafford Park Nature Center
- **Online Registration:** <https://flwiltonmanorsweb.myvscloud.com/webtrac/web/>

Days: Monday – Friday, June 9—August 8 ● **Hours:** 8a.m.—6p.m., ● **Grades:** K – (entering) 5th Grade

For more information call 954-390-2130 or 954-390-2115 or visit <https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/407/Summer-Camp>

	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
Weekly Rate (1st Child)	\$160 Per Week	\$180 Per Week
Weekly Rate (2nd Child)	\$140 Per Week	\$160 Per Week
Shirts (Summer 2025)	Youth (YS-YL) \$10	Adult (AS-AL) \$12

Kids Fitness

This class is designed to incorporate fun ways for your children to stay active. Let's get up and get moving! Class includes circuit training, physical fitness and outdoor fitness games.

- **Days/Times:** Mondays & Wednesdays: **Time:** 6:30—7:30p.m.; Last Saturday of the month 9—10am
- **Location:** Stafford Park & Nature Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street ● **Cost:** \$10 per class
- **Registration:** Register at Hagen Park Community Center or call 954-390-2130



THE LIBRARY CORNER

500 NE 26th Street

954-390-2195

Youth Programs:

2025 Summer Reading Program: Music, Magic and More!

Join us for fun learning experiences and halt the summer slide with our summer reading program!

Summer Reading Contest

Read books of your choice all summer. Submit a list of all the books you've read by August 1st and you might win a prize!

6/4/25, 4p.m.: World Music Drumming

An interactive music presentation featuring Tubanos, Congas, Djembes, Shekeres, Gonkangui (the Double bell) and other percussion instruments from Africa and the Caribbean.



6/18/25, 4p.m.: Magic Explorers

A hands-on Magic Teach-In for ages 5-9. Attendees will enjoy a magic show, fun games, and a magic pack with a puzzle, jokes, and instructions for a magic trick that they can learn to perform themselves.

(Must pre-register, call 954-390-2195)



7/9/25, 4p.m.: Wild Animal World Wildlife Show

Learn about and meet exotic animals including a scorpion, toad, alligator, owl, fox, anteater, porcupine, honey bear, lemur, otter, and serval.

7/30/25, 4p.m.: The Notorious Jumping Frog of Calaveras County

The history of the California Gold Rush is brought to life through music, folk-art puppetry, and the comic characters from Mark Twain's short story.

8/6/25, 4p.m.: Safari Pals Build-Bear Workshop

Enjoy a Story Time, then hand-stuff your plush safari animal and create your own voice-recorded message to place inside your animal. Suitable for ages 4-8. (Must pre-register, call 954-390-2195)



Adult Programs:

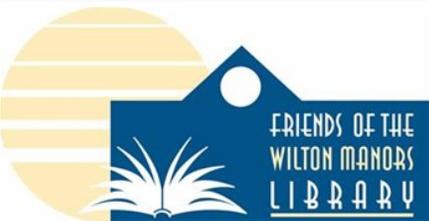
Our ever enthusiastic and welcoming **Island City Book Club** continues meeting throughout the summer on the second Wednesday of each month at **6:30p.m.** Contact library staff early for information on each book and let us know if you need a copy.



June 11th: *Lula Dean's Little Library of Banned Books*, by Kirsten Miller

Kirsten Miller brings us a bracing, wildly entertaining satire about a small Southern town, a pitched battle over banned books, and a little lending library that changes everything. When Lula Dean, trying to rid public libraries of "questionable" books, starts her own lending library in front of her home, Lindsay, the daughter of Lula's arch nemesis, sneaks in nightly, secretly filling it with banned books wrapped in "wholesome" dust jackets, changing the lives of those who borrow them in unexpected ways.

Check with library staff for upcoming titles to be discussed at our **July 9th** and **August 13th** meetings.



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY—UPCOMING EVENTS

The Friends of the Wilton Manors Library will hold its Summer Book Fair on Saturday, July 19, 2025 inside the Hagen Park Community Center at 2020 Wilton Drive. Doors will be open from 8a.m. to 2p.m. A wide array of hardcover and softcover fiction and nonfiction books, children's books, DVDs, CDS, and puzzles will be available for a donation. All proceeds are used to support our city library.

If you have not renewed your membership for this year, please consider becoming a Friend and Supporter of our Library by picking up a Friends Brochure at the Library, Hagen Park, or City Hall and completing the membership form. You can also visit our website for more information about our organization and how to join or donate:

www.friendsofthewiltonmanorslibrary.org

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. WE WANT YOU to help maintain a membership that is reflective of our diverse community! Please access this link for Board applications (each board has its own application):

<https://www.wiltonmanors.com/221/Boards-Committees>. If you need to hand deliver your application or need more information, please contact City Clerk Elizabeth Garcia-Beckford at: ebeckford@wiltonmanors.com or Assistant City Clerk Patricia Staples at pstaples@wiltonmanors.com or call 954-390-2128. Your application can also be emailed to the City Clerk's Office at CityClerk@wiltonmanors.com or via U.S. Mail or in-person to: Wilton Manors City Hall—City Clerk's Office—2020 Wilton Dr, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

The **Community Affairs Advisory Board** has 4 seat-terms expiring 9/1/25, with commission appointments scheduled 8/26/25. The **Library Advisory Board** has 3 seat-terms expiring 10/1/25, with appointments scheduled 9/9/25. The **Finance Advisory Board** has no vacancies, but applications are always accepted. The **Planning & Zoning Board** has no vacancies but applications are always accepted. The **Recreation Advisory Board** will have 4 seat-terms expire 7/1/25, with appointments scheduled 6/24/25. The **Pension Board** will have 1 seat-term expire 10/1/25, with appointment scheduled 9/9/25.

Neighborhood Associations

You can visit all four of the City's Neighborhood Associations' websites from links on the City website's Neighborhood Associations webpage here:

<https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/327/Neighborhood-Associations>.

The Westside Neighborhood Association (WAWM) covers the city-area west of Andrews Avenue; the Central Neighborhood Association (CANA) is the area between Andrews Avenue and the railroad tracks; and the city-area east of the railroad tracks has the option of two neighborhood associations, the East Neighborhood Association (ENA) and/or the 3-Bridges Neighborhood Association (you are welcome to join BOTH of these associations if you choose to do so).



Westside Neighborhood Association



WESTSIDE
ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS

- The Westside Association held its Annual Membership Meeting on April 23. Thank you to everyone who attended, including guest speaker Mayor Scott Newton, who addressed the Association membership and provided an opportunity for residents to learn more about the state of the City and upcoming projects benefiting the Westside. President Shawn Walsh also presented the annual President's Report. For more information, please visit www.wawm.org.
- Our Spring Social took place on April 15 at Mickel Park. Over 60 attendees mixed and mingled, enjoying the beautiful weather and a delicious Italian dinner. Special thanks to Dom Caruso's Cucina for their generous discount! We're already looking forward to planning our next social—be sure to keep an eye on your email and our Facebook page (facebook.com/WestsideWilton) for details.
- Operating the Concession Stand at Mickel Park for the Live @ Mickel concert series and "Plays of Wilton's (POW!) in the Park" was a huge success. We look forward to future opportunities to continue activating the park. Thank you to all our neighbors who stopped by and supported the Association by purchasing pizza, snacks, and drinks. A special thank you to Dolce Salato Pizza & Gelato for their generous donations and discounts, to Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department for all their assistance, as well as to all the volunteers who helped out!
- Our 3rd Quarter Membership Meeting is scheduled for 7p.m. on Wednesday, July 23rd at the Hagen Park Community Center. Doors open at 6:30p.m. for light refreshments and socializing.

Our membership is the core of WAWM's strength and our purpose for being. We would love to have you join us, learn more about the benefits of being a member at <https://www.wawm.org/join-us>.

Also, please let your friends & neighbors know about us and encourage them to join.

Neighborhood Associations—Continued

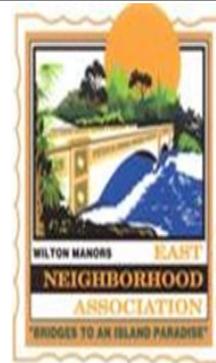


Central Area Neighborhood Association

CANA focuses on following all issues affecting you, as well as upcoming infrastructural and redevelopment projects, engaging our community, and communicating updates via our Facebook page, website, quarterly meetings, and additional direct communications. Our goal is to communicate to our community about issues that concern you and to communicate your concerns to the city staff and elected officials.

We appreciate your questions and concerns about Wilton Manors' issues that impact you. How can we be a better community for everyone? Are there opportunities and concerns to address that could improve our community to be the best community?

Our next quarterly meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 9th, at Hagan Park. Our social will start at 6:30, and the meeting begins at 7p.m. Visit us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/809346362998126>, on the internet at: <https://www.canawm.org>, or email us at: membership@canawm.org



Wilton Manors East Neighborhood Association

The East Neighborhood Association of Wilton Manors, Inc. (ENA) will have its next meeting June 5th at 7pm in Independence Hall on NE 26th Street. We will have a presentation from Mayor Scott Newton about our neighborhood, as well as updates from the police and code enforcement about issues important to our community.

Our next ENA quarterly NE 26th Street Clean-up will be Saturday, July 26th. We meet at 10am in the parking lot of the Board of Realtors on NE 26th Street. Please come and help us keep our neighborhood clean. It usually takes less than one hour and is a great way to get some exercise, meet your neighbors and make our neighborhood look better!

Our annual ENA Neighborhood-Wide Yard Sale this past April was a great success with many neighbors participating. Our next one will be April 2026.

As always, if you have any questions about our neighborhood or the meeting, please contact me.

John R. Fiore, President East Neighborhood Association of Wilton Manors, Inc. 954-564-3821 jrfiorefla@gmail.com



Three Bridges Neighborhood Association of East Wilton Manors

Three Bridges is committed to providing our neighbors with timely news and pertinent information about our neighborhood. We look forward to providing you with updates on projects in our neighborhood such as the Lennar Homes development on the old Church property and the recently announced news of the opening of Gray Box Theater in the plaza on NE 26th St. We will keep you posted as we hear more updates on these transformative projects.

Please join us for the upcoming Three Bridges General Membership Meeting: July 30, 2025, 7p.m. at the Hagen Park Community Center. Networking begins at 6:30p.m.

If you have any suggestions for future programming that you would like to see, please let us know by emailing us at info@3bridgesassociation.com.

For more information about Three Bridges, please visit our website at 3bridgesassociation.com, or connect with us on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100070593710645>), or Facebook Group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/3064694530525474>).



Stonewall Pride Parade & Street Festival—June 14, from 3 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Stonewall Pride Festival celebrates 25 years on June 14. The street festival will kick off at 3 p.m. with live music and vendors, followed by the Glow Night Parade at 8 p.m.

Businesses, community groups, and individuals are invited to sponsor, participate as vendors in this year's street festival, advertise in the official Stonewall guide, and of course walk in the parade. Spaces are limited and based on a first-come first-served basis, so early registration is encouraged at stonewallpride.lgbt (other event information is available on this site as well) or by calling 754-333-0185.



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