

South Palm Bulletin

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New Town Hall Building Updates

Joe Barry of CPZ Architects presented an update at the September 8, 2025 Town Council meeting. Design work is progressing, with technical drawings underway to prepare for the upcoming construction bidding process. Cost/benefit analyses of construction methods are ongoing, with SIPS still the preferred option pending further review. Environmental site testing by Terracon has also been completed, with results expected before the next Town Council Meeting on Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

Celebrate Fall with Food Trucks, Fun & Community: Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 5 PM-8 PM

Join your neighbors for an evening of food, music, and fall fun at the Town Hall parking lot. Enjoy delicious bites from Dominick's Pizza, Twisted Smoke BBQ, and Kocoa's Chocolate and Fondue, plus live music and a family-friendly atmosphere.

Veterans Day Ceremony: November 10, 2025 at 1 PM at Town Hall (Before Council Meeting)

Join us for a special ceremony honoring veterans. All veterans are encouraged to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

Condo Managers and Board Presidents Connect at Town Hall



On August 21 2025, Town Hall hosted a Coffee Hour for Condo Managers and Board Presidents within the Town of South Palm Beach, covering hurricane preparation, sea turtle season, A1A lighting, and the new Town Hall. These quarterly meetings encourage open dialogue among building representatives. The next Coffee Hour will be held on November 13, 2025 at 10:00 AM.

Auditor Selection Process Underway



The Auditor Selection Committee met on September 4, 2025 to finalize the Request for Proposals (RFP) for Professional Auditing Services, with submissions due by October 17, 2025. Present were Council Member Elvadianne Culbertson (Chair), Town of Lantana Town Manager Brian

Raducci, and Town of Manalapan Town Manager Eric Marmer. Key updates include revised scoring criteria, ADA compliance requirements, and electronic submission standards.

Financial Update: August 2025

Town Accountant Bennett reported that \$12,914.65 in overdue Building Permit Surcharge fees from 2020-2022 have been paid in full. Sewer Fund receivables have decreased to \$3,479, with all condominium accounts paid. The financials were approved unanimously, 5-0.

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office **Update: August 2025**

No crimes or arrests were reported. Deputies handled 1 crash, 5 traffic stops, 989 condo checks, and 23 hours of ATV/beach patrol. A speed survey of 153,704 vehicles showed an average of 28.8 mph; only 1.5% exceeded 40 mph. From August 23-September 6, deputies promoted rip current and heat safety on the beach.

Dune Restoration Project

Dune Restoration Project may begin soon after November 1, 2025 in partnership with the Town of Palm Beach. The project will utilize a new access route and is fully funded through grants.

Fiscal Year 2025–2026 Budget Adopted

At the Final Budget Hearing on September 15, 2025, the Town Council unanimously approved the FY 2025 -2026 Budget and adopted the Final Operating Millage Rate of 3.4000, a 0.21% decrease from rolled-back the Town Manager Jamie Titcomb noted that South Palm Beach is one of only two towns in Palm Beach County to lower its tax rate, reflecting a decrease in property valuation. Key highlights include \$4 million in reserves allocated for the new Town Hall project and continued investment in sewer upgrades and capital

The new fiscal year budget goes into effect on October 1, 2025.