

# JUNO BEACH NEWS

## NEW YEAR 2023 E-EDITION



# → U.S. HWY 1 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ←

Towns of Juno Beach and Jupiter met on December 7, 2022 to discuss proposed improvements from the Palm Beach Transportation Agency (TPA) for the U.S. Highway 1 Corridor.

## Towns of Jupiter and Juno Beach

US 1 from Ocean Dr. to Indiantown Rd.  
Proposed Improvements

- Greater separation between bicycles and cars
- Sidewalk improvements
- Potential Design Funding in Fiscal Year 2029

## Costs

Funding for design and construction is eligible to be covered entirely by State or Federal funds.

## No Loss of Lanes

All vehicle lanes, including through, turn, and deceleration lanes would be maintained.



Buffered bicycle lane with green paint in conflict zones

10' - 12' shared-use path

## Health & Safety

A safer option for people walking and bicycling and connecting jobs, residents and natural areas.



PALM BEACH  
Transportation  
Planning Agency

# FROM THE

## DESK OF THE MAYOR DD HALPERN



Happy New Year and Welcome to 2023! I hope your holidays were happy and filled with the joy of the holiday season.

Our greatest goal as members of the Juno Beach Town Council is to enhance the quality of life for all Juno Beach residents. This year will be filled with new opportunities for us to make decisions together that promote our town's future while respecting our past. Our citizens are a vital part of the decision-making process and I welcome you to join us in making Juno Beach the best little beach town in Florida.

While there are many initiatives and events in the coming weeks and months, here are a few highlights. Please view the Town's [calendar](#) for more information.

On January 25, Town Council and Staff will host a public workshop on the proposed "Community Events Area," which is being re-branded as the "Town Center Patio." The name change better reflects the proposed project scope. The changes to our back patio would enhance our ability to comfortably serve attendees at town events. (See page 4 for details and drawings)

In January and February Town Council will be in the process of selecting a new Town Manager. At the January 25 Council Meeting we will select the finalists, on February 7 the finalists will attend a public meet and greet, and on February 8 each finalist will have a one-on-one interview with each Councilmember, followed by an interview with the entire Council.

On March 14, we will hold a Municipal Election to fill Council Seat 1, being vacated by Councilmember and former Mayor Jason Haselkorn who has served on our Council for nine years. Three candidates are running for this seat. In alphabetical order they are: Marianne Hosta, Michael Moll, and Aldo Rovere. You'll likely start receiving information from them and maybe even a knock on your door. Please take the time to get to know each candidate.

Also on the March ballot will be a question asking voters, "Shall the office of Mayor be a two-year term elected by the town voters?" Currently, the Council elects the Mayor from among its members each year. (See page 3 or [CLICK HERE](#))

It's going to be an exciting year, and on behalf of the entire Town Council I thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve you and our town.

Warm regards,  
DD Halpern  
Mayor, Town of Juno Beach



## Mayor's Hour



At Juno Beach Town Center  
340 Ocean Drive

***YOU'RE INVITED!***

*Take this opportunity to talk one-on-one about current issues going on in Town, ask questions, and get to know Mayor Halpern.*

**1st Friday of Every Month**

*Light refreshments will be served.*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Volunteers are needed for the Juno Beach Friends of the Arts organization. Help reach out to artists and organize art shows for the community!

If interested, please contact  
Yasmin Hamel, Admin. Secretary,  
at [yhamel@juno-beach.fl.us](mailto:yhamel@juno-beach.fl.us) or (561)626-1122.



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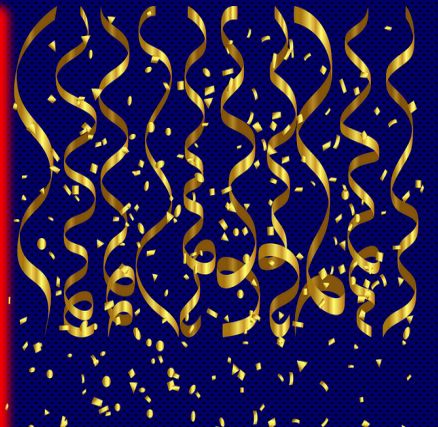
# Juno Beach Municipal Election Tuesday, March 14, 2023

ELECTION FOR TOWN COUNCIL SEAT #1

CANDIDATES  
MARIANNE HOSTA  
MICHAEL MOLL  
ALDO ROVERE

PRECINCT(S) AND POLLING LOCATION  
Precincts 3501, 3502, 3503, 3504, 3505, & 3506  
Town Center (340 Ocean Drive)

*For more information on the upcoming election, please contact the  
Town Clerk at (561)656-0316.*



**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**PEGGY WHEELER**



**SEAT #3**

Peggy Wheeler filed during the Qualifying Period (Nov. 1—Nov. 15, 2022) for her current seat (Seat #3) and was unopposed.

## NOTICE OF REFERENDUM ELECTION TOWN OF JUNO BEACH

Pursuant to section 100.342, Florida Statutes, the Town of Juno Beach hereby gives notice of a referendum election to be conducted on **Tuesday, March 14, 2023**. The referendum election addresses a proposed amendment to the Town Charter initiated by the Juno Beach Citizens Group upon approval of 578 petition signatures.

The ballot title and explanatory statement shall be as follows:

**TOWN OF JUNO BEACH  
CITIZEN-INITIATED CHARTER AMENDMENT  
SHALL THE OFFICE OF MAYOR BE A TWO-YEAR TERM  
ELECTED BY THE TOWN VOTERS?**

The current Town Charter requires the Town Council to appoint one Councilmember to serve as Mayor annually. The proposed Charter Amendment asks whether the Town Charter should be amended to provide that the voters of the Town shall elect the Mayor directly, and whether the elected term of office for the Mayor should be set at two years, beginning with the March 2024 municipal election. Non-substantive edits for internal consistency are included.

Shall the above described Amendment be adopted?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

# Town Council Meeting Dates

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 @ 5:30PM

Wednesday, February 22, 2023 @ 5:30PM

Wednesday, March 22, 2023 @ 5:30PM

# Planning & Zoning Board Meeting Dates

Monday, January 9, 2023 @ 5:30PM

Monday, February 6, 2023 @ 5:30PM

Monday, March 6, 2023 @ 5:30PM

# SAVE THE DATES!

**Pelican Lake Workshop**  
Thursday, January 5, 2023 @ 4PM

**Lecture Series**  
**Guest Speaker Tim Hullihan**  
Monday, January 9, 2023 @ 4PM

**Juno Beach Forum Club**  
**Speaker Event**  
Wednesday, January 18, 2023 @ 9AM

**Juno Beach Historical Society Event**  
*"All Aboard the Celestial Railroad"*  
Thursday, January 19, 2023 @ 6:30PM

**Juno Beach Police Department's**  
**Night Out Against Crime Event**  
Tuesday, January 24, 2023 @ 4PM

**Town Center Patio Workshop**  
Wednesday, January 25, 2023 @ 3:30PM

**Food Truck Night!**  
Thursday, February 16, 2023 @ 4PM

**Friends of the Arts**  
**Art Show**  
Friday, February 17, 2023 @ 5:30PM

# Town Center Patio Workshop



**Wednesday, January 25, 2023**  
**at 3:30PM**

## Town Center

## 340 Ocean Drive

*For more information, please contact  
Project Coordinator/Risk Manager Andrea Dobbins  
at (561)656-0326.*

## The Bookmobile is Available!

Obtain a Library Card with Proof of Local Address and Check Out Library Materials



**JUNO BEACH — TOWN HALL**

**340 OCEAN DRIVE**

**WEDNESDAYS, 1:15 PM – 1:45 PM**



## JUNO BEACH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

340 Ocean Drive, Juno Beach, FL 33408

Time Travel  
In Juno Beach!



The Jupiter and Lake Worth Railroad, c. 1890

Courtesy: Library of Congress

# *All Aboard the Celestial Railroad!*

## *A trip back 150 years to old Juno*

- Why was this part of Florida unsettled for so long?
- What struggles did the pioneers face?
- Why did Juno become the county seat?
- How did this little railroad open all South Florida?
- How did the snowbird boom begin?

Thursday, January 19 at 6:30 pm, Town Center  
Light refreshments will be served.

# FOOD TRUCK NIGHT AT JUNO BEACH!



**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2023**  
**4PM—7PM**  
**JUNO BEACH TOWN CENTER**  
**340 OCEAN DRIVE**  
**JUNO BEACH, FL 33408**

**"FACE PAINTING"**

**"LIVE MUSIC"**

**"FAMILY FUN"**

**"BEER & WINE"**

**"VARIETY OF FOOD OPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE"**

*For more information, please contact the Town Center at (561)626-1122.*

# Town of Juno Beach Flood Hazard Information

## [Revised September 2022]

The Town of Juno Beach has applied through the Federal Emergency Management Association and received a 25% discount for Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA) and 10% discount for non-SFHA on **Flood Insurance for Juno Beach property owners**. During extended periods of heavy rainfall, some neighborhoods within the town are subject to flooding. Since you are in a flood hazard area, this information will address issues designed to protect you and reduce loss of value to your property as a result of floods. [Notice to Floodplain Residents]

### Flood Hazard

A flood hazard can occur when tropical storms, hurricanes or other heavy rainstorms occur. Although the Town has not experienced any major floods, the areas prone to flooding are: areas along US Hwy 1, Pelican Lake; coastal areas/shoreline; and Inland bodies of water. If your property floods and you file two or more claims worth \$1,000 or more within any 10-yr period you are considered a "repetitive loss" property. Please contact the Town to discuss options to flood proof your property and ways to mitigate flood damage.

### Protect Yourself

Recognize the flood warning signals; when flood warnings are issued, it will be done by sirens and loudspeakers from police vehicles who will give evacuation routes. The main evacuation route will be US Hwy1. Stay tuned to local TV or radio stations for information. Designate a meeting place with family/friends if an evacuation does occur. To prevent drowning, do not drive or otherwise go into any flood waters. Sign up for instant messaging through Palm Beach County's Emergency Notification System [www.alertpbc.com](http://www.alertpbc.com)

### Preparedness

The Town staff is here to assist you with Hurricane, Flood and Disaster Preparation. FEMA brochures are available to learn how to prepare and protect yourself and your property. Visit the town center for more information.

### Flood Insurance

The Town of Juno Beach is a barrier island and certain areas may be prone to flooding. Flooding is *not* covered by homeowners' insurance; a separate flood policy is necessary. Flood insurance is available through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). This insurance is backed by the Federal Government and FEMA. *All property owners* should contact their Insurance agent to receive a quote and it is recommended that renters also have a policy to cover personal contents. Ask your insurance agent about a low-cost Preferred Risk Policy. Once flood insurance is obtained, there is a *30-day* delay before the policy is in full force and effect.

You can insure your residential property with flood insurance:

**\$250,000 for the building & \$100,000 for your contents.**

For non-residential buildings you can insure for up to:

**\$500,000 for the building & \$500,000 for your contents.**

### Property Protection

You can minimize damage to a structure with a few simple acts:

- Store materials like sandbags, plywood, and plastic sheeting to protect your house from flood waters and to make quick repairs after a severe storm.
- Secure your home before leaving. Bring outdoor belongings such as garbage cans and patio furniture inside the house or tie them down securely. Move essential items and furniture to the upper floors; lock doors and windows.
- Protect windows with storm shutters.
- Elevate the building and all electrical equipment above the flood level.
- Dry or wet flood-proofing the building to limit water damage and intrusion.
- Redirect drainage away from the building.
- Maintain storm drains and keep swales clear of debris.
- Correct sewer back-up problems.
- For information on retrofitting or flood proofing your structure to reduce the impact of flooding, call the Town's Planning & Zoning Department at (561) 656-0306.

### Build Responsibly

A permit is mandatory before you build or make structural improvements. Contact the Planning & Zoning Department at (561) 656-0306 prior to any construction activities or to report illegal floodplain development.

### Protect the Drainage System

It is illegal for any solid, liquid or gaseous matter to enter the drainage system. Proper drainage will help reduce the risk of flooding. Town staff inspects the drainage system and removes blockages that are found or reported. If you live near Pelican Lake or other areas where waters flow, you can help in this process by keeping areas clear of debris. Reports of any violations should be made to the Code Compliance Dept. at (561) 627-0818.

### Protect Natural Floodplain Functions

Juno Hills Scrub site, 148 acres northwest of Donald Ross Road and U.S. Hwy 1 and 42 acres east of U.S. Hwy 1 and 341 acres southeast of Donald Ross and Ellison Wilson Road have been designated as Environmentally Sensitive Lands. These undisturbed natural areas of Juno Beach, act as a natural storage area for flood waters which reduce the possibility of flooding nearby residences and help to recharge our groundwater aquifer. Please help keep this area natural and beautiful by reporting any illegal dumping and littering violations to the Town at (561) 626-1122.

The Town provides map determinations to let you know what flood zone you are in. For other pertinent information on flooding call (561) 656-0318 or visit our website at [www.juno-beach.fl.us](http://www.juno-beach.fl.us).

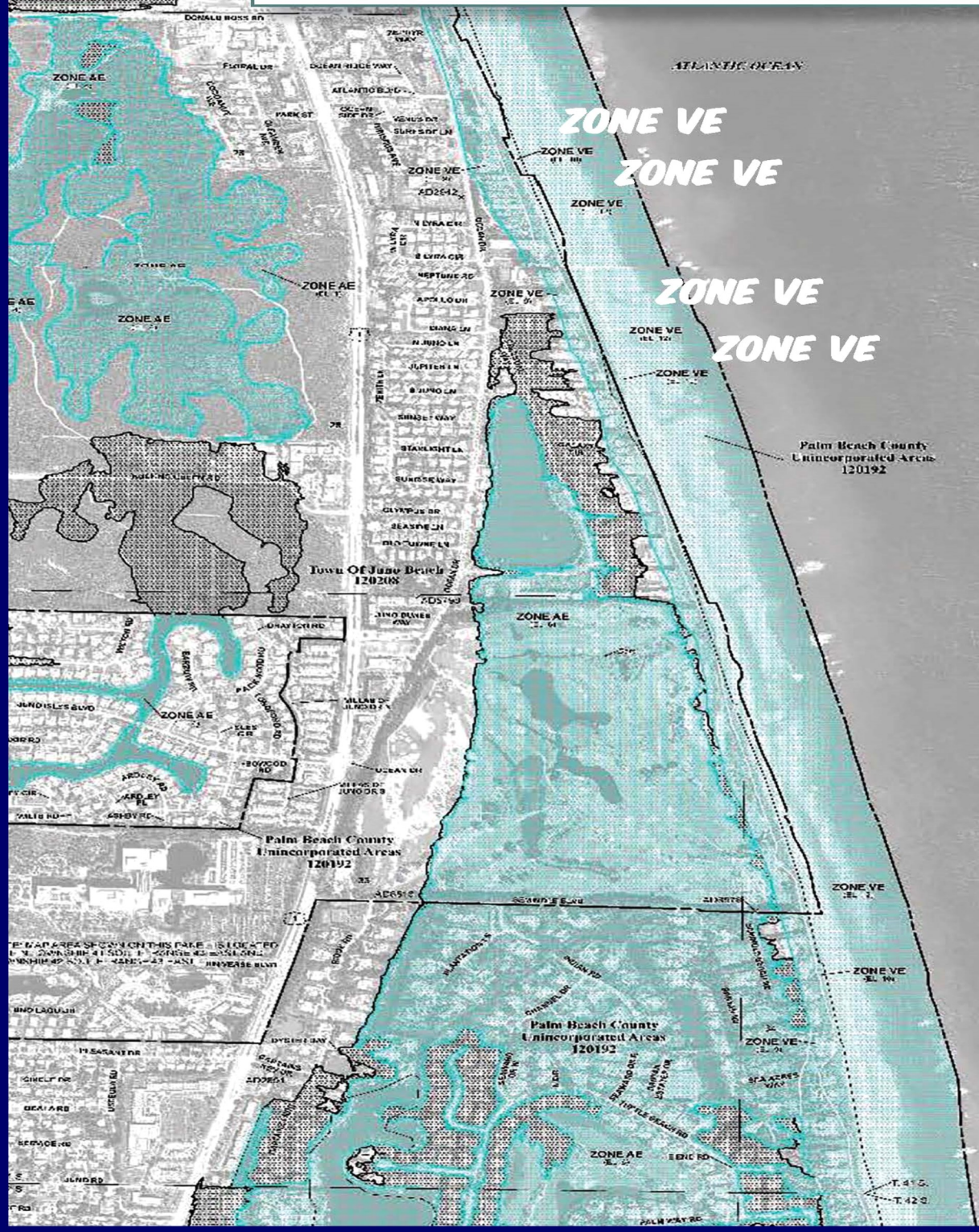


TOWN OF JUNO BEACH



# FLOOD MAPS FOR JUNO BEACH

The FEMA flood maps were effective October 5, 2017. We encourage all property owners in the "VE" Flood Zone to contact their insurance agent about proper flood coverage. Please visit the Town of Juno Beach's website for additional information on flood preparedness at [www.juno-beach.fl.us](http://www.juno-beach.fl.us) or call Planning Technician Isabella Hickey at (561) 656-0318.







# JUNO BEACH



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

*We Would Like to Welcome the Juno Beach Police Department's Newest Police Officers....*

**Officer Santiago Palacio** comes to Juno Beach with five years experience as a full time Police Officer with the Manalapan Police Department.

**Officer John Friscia** comes to Juno Beach with two years of service with the New York City Police Department.

*We value the experience both Officers bring to our Agency and our community and look forward to having them on our Team for many years to come.*

### ***PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE WITH A COP!***

**1ST Wednesday of every month at 9:30AM**

Join your neighbors and our Police Officers at Town Center for coffee, donuts, and conversation. Chief of Police Brian Smith will give a community update and a chance for citizens to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the Officers in your neighborhood!

#### **See Something, Say Something!**

We can all help keep our community safe by paying attention to our surroundings and reporting suspicious activity to our local law enforcement.

With the **SaferWatch App**, you can report a tip in non-emergency situations, and the Police Department can send you important real-time alerts.



The Juno Beach Police Department would like to thank the **Juno Beach Police Foundation** for their continued support; the **Juno Beach Police Volunteers** for their hours of dedicated service to our community; and the **Community of Juno Beach** for their continued support and partnership with our agency!

## Thank You!

### **THE JUNO BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS ASSESSED FOR STATE ACCREDITATION!**

On December 6th, 7th and 8th, the Juno Beach Police Department was assessed by a Team from the Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission. After three days of extensive review, over 137 National Best Practices standards were evaluated. The Team left Juno Beach PD advising that they would be recommending full accreditation. Though this standing is not official until the full Accreditation Commission votes to confirm in February 2023, it is nonetheless an historic achievement for the Juno Beach Police Department and exemplifies our agency's commitment of superior public service to our community.

#### ***A Message About Beach Fires***



The 2022/2023 Beach Fire Season is upon us! We are currently accepting Beach Fire Permit Applications. Please contact Police Services Specialist Jen Cote at [Jcote@junobeachpd.com](mailto:Jcote@junobeachpd.com) or (561)626-2100 for more information.

# JUNO BEACH POLICE



## DEPARTMENT



# NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

4:00-7:00pm



## JUNO BEACH TOWN CENTER

- ◆ Crime Prevention Exhibits
- ◆ Child ID Kits; Kids' Displays
- ◆ Police Drone Display
- ◆ Police K-9 Demonstration
- ◆ Emergency Vehicles
- ◆ Food and Desserts

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Mayor  
Halpern

Councilmember  
Haselkorn

Councilmember  
Cooke

Vice Mayor  
Pro Tem  
Wheeler

Vice Mayor  
Cotronakis

Town Manager  
Lo Bello

# SUBSCRIBE TO THE TOWN'S EMAIL BLAST LIST!

We all hate “**Junk**” email! Our emails are informational, timely and let you in on the happenings around Town. Get updates on meetings, community events, emergency incidents and other important and interesting information. Please sign up through our website at [www.juno-beach.fl.us/community/page/subscribe-towns-email-blast-list](http://www.juno-beach.fl.us/community/page/subscribe-towns-email-blast-list), or contact the Town Center at (561)626-1122, or email Yasmin Hamel, Administrative Secretary, at [yhamel@juno-beach.fl.us](mailto:yhamel@juno-beach.fl.us). Can you tell we want to connect!? We just want you to be the first to know!

*Please Note: E-mail addresses are public records under Florida Law and must be disclosed by the Town upon request.*

# Happy New Year!!