Town of Hilton Head Island
TOWN MANAGER UPDATE

An Update from Town Manager Steve Riley
11/2/2020

Good afternoon Hilton Head Islanders and Guests,

Here's an update on what's happening around Town:

Where to Find Zip Code Data on Local COVID-19 Cases
Due to changes in the way the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) shares data, we are unable to provide local zip code data and other information related to the number of coronavirus cases in our community on the COVID-19 Hub page on our website. DHEC, which has made changes to its data sharing platform, provides this information to our website. This has temporarily affected our ability to share the information you may be searching for. We are actively working to restore the information to our COVID-19 Hub page. Until then, if you are seeking local COVID-19 data by zip code, please visit www.scdhec.gov. We apologize for any inconvenience and will notify you once the issue has been resolved.

November 3 General Election Day
Tomorrow, Tuesday, November 3, 2020 is General Election Day. Many of you have already cast absentee ballots. For those of us who waiting to vote on Tuesday, we caution you to be prepared for your voting adventure. People have experienced long lines during early voting so there may be long lines tomorrow as well. Make sure you well prepared to follow the guidelines in this COVID-19 environment. On Election Day, you will need to show up at your designated polling place in order to cast your vote. Polls open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- Make sure you know your polling place.
- Make sure you take your ID.
- Wear your mask.
- Expect to stand six feet away from the persons you are in line with.
- Bring a chair in case the line is long and you need something to sit on.

Beach Parking Passes
Our 2021-2022 beach parking passes are on sale. They are available only to Town of Hilton Head Island property owners and residents. Passes are $30 per vehicle and are valid until December 31, 2022. Passes bring perks such as use of designated parking spaces at Islanders Beach Park and Driessen Beach Park and meter free parking at the Town's public access beach parking lots. For more information on how to obtain a beach parking pass and an application form, call 843-342-4580 or visit the Town's website at www.hiltonheadislandsc.gov; in the "How Do I" section of the home page, click on "Obtain" and choose "beach parking pass." Applications for beach parking passes will not be accepted at Town Hall and beach parking passes will not be available at Town Hall.

Join Us This Thursday for Open Park Day
What better way to connect with our staff and share your thoughts on our Parks + Recreation
Master Plan than to be outdoors with them at some of our parks. Come out to Jarvis Park
this Thursday, November 5, from 1 to 5 p.m., to check out our park maps and have a chat
with our staff about the recommendations and action items included in the master plan. Next
week, on Thursday, November 12, our staff will be at Shelter Cove Community Park from
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.   Because your safety is important to us, we'll adhere to social distancing
and other guidelines to limit the spread of COVID-19 while we gather public input.

Town Accepting Special Events Applications
We're now accepting applications for special events. We had put special event
applications on hold during the last several months due to COVID-19. We appreciate
everyone's patience while we reviewed guidelines to ensure public safety. In addition to
the requirements set forth in the special event application, applicants must submit the CDC
Readiness and Planning Tool with accompanying documentation for approval to address
public health concerns occurring before, during, and after the event. The tool can be found
at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/community/COVID19-events-
gatherings-readiness-and-planning-tool.pdf or on the Town's website under Special Events
and COVID-19: https://hiltonheadislandsc.gov/publicsafety/coronavirus/specialevents.cfm

Parade in Place and Let Your Light Shine
Are you ready for our 2020 Lantern Parade? This three-day spectacle of lights kicks-off
this Thursday, November 5 and continues through Saturday, November 7. Islanders
participating in this parade-in-place event will light up their driveways, yards, balconies or
doorsteps with their homemade lanterns. We'd love all of our neighbors to enjoy our
community in volumes of light. Additionally, lantern parade creator Chantelle Rytter and
her Krewe of the Grateful Gluttons will be out from 7 to 8 p.m. each night at a different
location displaying large glowing puppets. Drive by one of our stops to see these amazing
puppets (ranging from five to 14 feet large) and celebrate from your cars.

- Thursday, November 5 at the Coastal Discovery Museum, 70 Honey Horn Drive,
  Hilton Head Island.
- Friday, November 6 at Hilton Head Island Fire Station 3, 534 William Hilton
  Parkway, Hilton Head Island (next to the First Presbyterian Church).
- Saturday, November 7 at the Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park, 226 Beach City
  Road, Hilton Head Island.

For more details on where to see the Lantern Parade-in-Place, visit
https://culturehhi.org/portfolio/register-your-lantern/ and stroll down to our parade map.
Also, it's not too late to register your lantern and join the fun.