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Fabulous February

Dear Neighbors,

Happy February! I hope everyone is enjoying these crisp, cool days we are having lately.

Our long-awaited Stormwater project has finally begun in Edgewood! On Friday, January 14, the City of Fort Lauderdale held a groundbreaking ceremony on the property of St. Jerome's



Church. In attendance were Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner Ben Sorensen, City Manager Chris Lagerbloom, Crews from David Mancini & Sons, Inc. (DMSI), Channel 10 news, and the eighth-grade school council from St. Jerome's School. Many of our Edgewood Civic Board members were in attendance for this long-awaited day. This project will take approximately two and half years to complete at a cost of \$14.5 million to help reduce flooding in Edgewood, enhance reliability, promote neighborhood sustainability and improve services.

Please join us this Wednesday via Zoom for our monthly Edgewood Civic Association meeting. You will find the link for the meeting here in our newsletter.

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at president@edgewoodcivic.org.

Wendy Ballantine Wills

The next ECA meeting is Wednesday, February 2nd at 6:45 pm.

Click HERE to join or visit Zoom and enter Meeting Details.

https://zoom.us/join Meeting ID: 999 6766 5921 Passcode: 943594

Yoga, Mermaids & **Mimosas!**

B Ocean Resort

You can also join via audio by calling

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Black History Month



The City of Fort Lauderdale invites you to celebrate February as Black History Month with several exciting community events!

More information will be announced HERE.

<u>Riverland Park</u> will host Remembering Our Roots followed by Kijiji Moja at <u>Lincoln</u> <u>Park</u>.

Saturday, February 26 The historic Sistrunk Parade & Festival.



2nd Saturday of every month

Check out this farmers and artisan market where you will find stands ranging from local fresh produce, local artists, artisans, food trucks, local music, and much more!

Location

844 NE 4th Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304 *the market will be along NE 9th St & NE 4th Ave.

Free Parking & ENTRANCE

Parking Lot entrance will be alongside NE 9th St & NE 5th Ave



Every Sunday 11:00 am - \$20

Join us at the beach for our Yin Yoga Class with Whitney Fair.

What better way to start your Sunday Funday than a relaxing and restorative one-hour yin yoga class by the Atlantic Ocean!

Yin yoga is great for all levels (including beginners and kids).

\$20 yoga class (mats & towels are provided).

Afterward, join us for our signature Mermaids & Mimosas Sunday Brunch!

Super Bowl Watch Party Marina 84



Neighbor Support Night

Thursday, February 10

5:30 - 8 PM 100 N. Andrews Ave

Neighbor Support Night is a night dedicated to Fort Lauderdale's neighbors. The event provides an opportunity for neighbors to join together with their City to strengthen community ties, elevate public spirit, and build civic awareness in a fun, casual, exciting block party type of atmosphere.



GET TO KNOW YOUR CITY! February 10, 2022 | 5:30 PM - 8 PM | City Hall

Storm Water Ground Breaking

On Friday, January 14th members of the Edgewood Board attended the Storm Water Ground Breaking ceremony held at St. Jeromes in Edgewood.

The City of Fort Lauderdale is investing \$14.5 million in the Edgewood neighborhood to dramatically reduce flooding, enhance reliability, promote neighborhood sustainability and improve services.

Work has already begun on the western side of Edgewood as the project will move from west to east and is expected to be completed by fall 2024.



The Mayor gives an overview of the Storm Water project.



Ground has been officially broken in Edgewood!



Our President Wendy getting in on the action!

The ECA has asked for quarterly updates on this project at our meetings.

Click HERE to view the DMSI presentation from the December meeting. Click HERE to view the City Project page that will be updated regularly. Click HERE for the Construction Notice. Click HERE for the Traffic Advisory.

If you should have any questions or concerns, please see the contact names and phone numbers below.

• *Thomas Lawrence*, PE, City of Fort Lauderdale 954-828-6126 or tlawrence@fortlauderdale.gov

• *Krishan Kandial*, PE., David Mancini & Sons, Inc. 954-668-7770 or kkandial@dmsi.co

 City of Fort Lauderdale, 24-Hour Neighbor Service Center 954-828-8000 or lauderserv@fortlauderdale.gov

Support the ECA!



The ECA's mission is to protect the interests of our community and its residents and to ensure that our neighborhood thrives and is a great place to live, work, and play.

Become a member today and Enroll Here. You can also contribute directly via PayPal or send a completed Membership Form and check to:

Edgewood Civic Association PO Box 21413 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33335



We love our local businesses in Edgewood! Interested in Advertising with us? Become a **VIP Advertiser** and connect with our friendly neighbors and more. **Get More Info**

Want something simpler? Be featured on our "Buy Local" webpage.

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Lets Green Your Routine



The City of Fort Lauderdale has joined global efforts to raise awareness about the impact of plastic on the environment. More Flavor, Less Plastic is a community-wide initiative to eliminate plastic straws and reduce other single-use plastics, such as utensils, beverages, and take-out containers.

Why is Plastic Pollution Harmful?

Plastics are the most common type of debris found in our beaches, oceans, and waterways. The volume of plastic in our oceans is projected to out-weigh marine life by 2050. Often mistaken as food by fish and birds, plastic threatens the health of marine habitats and wildlife. Plastic has already been detected in the stomachs of 30% of our sea turtles and 90% of our sea birds. Since it can take plastic more than 100 years to decompose, preventing it from entering the environment is crucial. Did you know?

- Americans use over 170 million plastic straws per day.
- Plastic straws are a top ten contributor to marine debris pollution.
- 1 to 5 trillion plastic bags are consumed worldwide every year.
- One million plastic bottles are bought every minute around the world.

Plastic Straw Ban

The City of Fort Lauderdale has passed an ordinance to ban the sale and distribution of single-use plastic straws (Code of Ordinances Section 16-140). Starting in July 2019, businesses may provide plastic straws only upon request; and, as of January 2020, businesses may no longer provide plastic straws.

Polystyrene Ban

On November 17, 2020, the City of Fort Lauderdale passed an ordinance banning the use and distribution of polystyrene on City property and in City facilities. (Code of Ordinance Section 16-151).

How YOU Can Help!

Businesses and residents are encouraged to commit to eliminating and/or reducing the following single-use plastic items:



Edgewood participates in Fort Lauderdale's **Green Your Routine** Program. Interested in becoming a volunteer and helping us earn money for our neighborhood? Send us an email!

Click HERE to learn more!

FTL Happenings

- Calendar of Events
- City Commission Meetings
- Stormwater Updates



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