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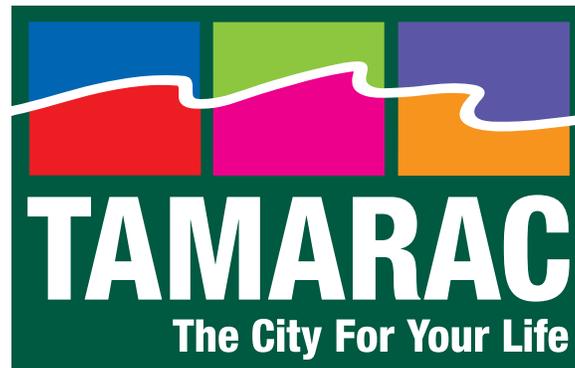
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The Choice is Yours

Voters will be faced with a lot of big decisions when they go to the polls in November. In many ways, the choices made will determine not only the future of the nation, but some key next steps for the City. Tamarac residents will be asked to weigh in on amendments to the City charter, decide the fate of a countywide one cent sales tax and, in some districts, vote for the office of City Commissioner.

Details on the amendments are elsewhere in Tam-A-Gram, but the bottom line is that they serve to eliminate discrepancies in the City charter.

Passage of the one cent sales tax increase would have the potential of leading to lower property taxes in Tamarac. Half of the tax is slated to fund municipal infrastructure projects: the buildings, roads and services needed to operate the City. For Tamarac that means funds to repave streets, replace sidewalks, purchase emergency equipment, build new fire stations and develop new parks. The other half of the tax would go to Broward County to be used only to fund countywide transportation improvements.

Tamarac's share of the revenue generated by the proposed

one cent surtax would amount to over \$5 million in the first year. With this additional revenue, the City would be able to consider lowering its tax rate and still be able to fund the much needed infrastructure.

A detailed explanation of each aspect of the proposed surtax is included in this magazine to help you make an informed decision. One critical point to remember: **both** the infrastructure and transportation portions of the sales tax must pass in order for Tamarac to receive this funding.

Also in this issue, you'll see the results of the City's community survey which showed high levels of satisfaction with both the quality of services and level of customer service provided. However, new areas of importance also emerged: most notably public education options and traffic concerns. So, while we work to maintain service levels, the City will also need to adjust to the needs of our changing demographics as we strategically plan for the years ahead.

Many aspects of the future will be in your hands on Election Day. Think carefully about the choices you make at the ballot box and whether they can help move Tamarac forward.

The Measure of Success

As a public entity, the City doesn't measure success by revenues, profits or the number of widgets we make. We measure success by how much the community enjoys the quality of life and services offered in Tamarac. Earlier this year, a leading research firm conducted resident and business surveys to measure community satisfaction as well as to identify your priorities for the future.

The survey found resident satisfaction with the quality of City services remains significantly higher than national and state averages, with 77% of residents surveyed rating their satisfaction a four or five on a five-point scale. The business survey found 91% of Tamarac businesses are satisfied with the quality of City services. Other important findings include:

- Resident satisfaction was higher than national averages for all communication areas measured
- Residents are more satisfied with the quality of customer service received from City employees as compared to national and state averages
- 83% of local businesses surveyed consider Tamarac a "business friendly" community

In addition to providing a snapshot of satisfaction with current services, these surveys provide insight into areas that the community wants the City to focus on moving forward. This year the following areas were identified:

Public Safety

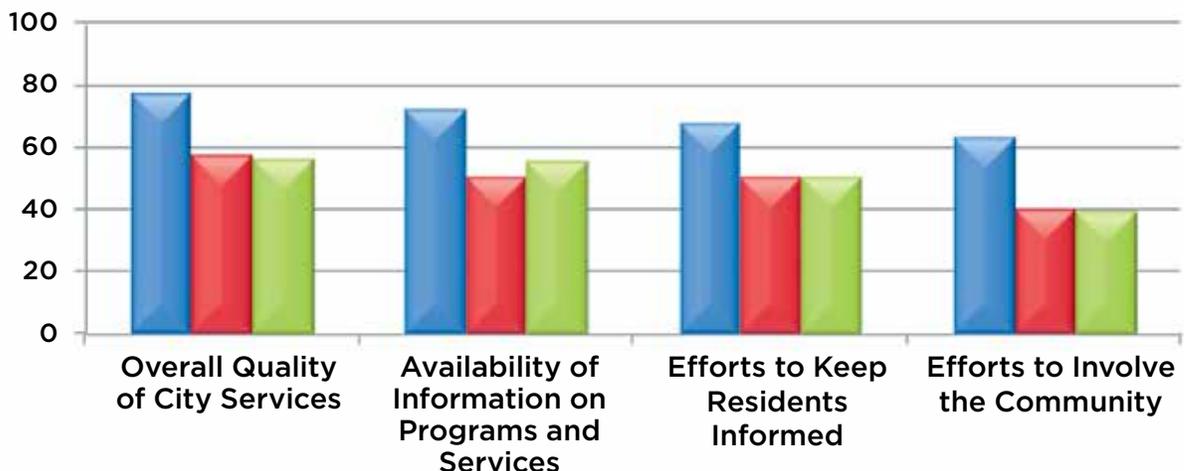
Identified as a priority in the last

How Tamarac Stacks Up with Residents

Percent of Residents Satisfied with Key Measures*

**Rated 4 or 5 on a 5-Point scale*

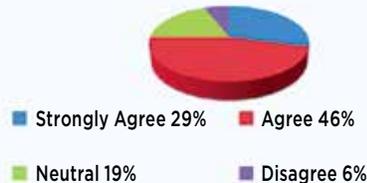
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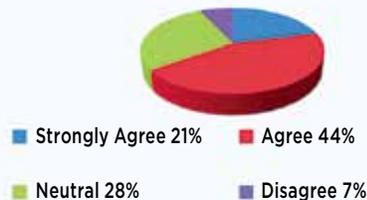
Ages & Stages

Residents believe Tamarac is a good place to live throughout life.

Tamarac is a good place to retire*



Tamarac is a good place to raise children*



*Excludes people who responded "Don't Know"

Businesses Give Tamarac Services High Marks

Percent Satisfied

Emergency Medical	96%
Fire	95%
Police	90%
Water and Sewer	91%

80

The percent of businesses surveyed who Agreed or Strongly Agreed that they would recommend Tamarac to others as a good place to locate a business.

Business satisfaction with development in Tamarac has increased in 3 key areas:

- Quality of New Development +20%
- City Planning for Growth +8%
- Quality of Housing Options +8%

community survey, public safety made the list again. Since the last survey, there were significant improvements in satisfaction with police visibility and residents feeling safe in their neighborhood. Residents want the City to continue focusing on this important service area.

Overall Traffic Flow

Although satisfaction with the flow of traffic in Tamarac ranked higher than state and national averages, it decreased since the last survey.

Public Education

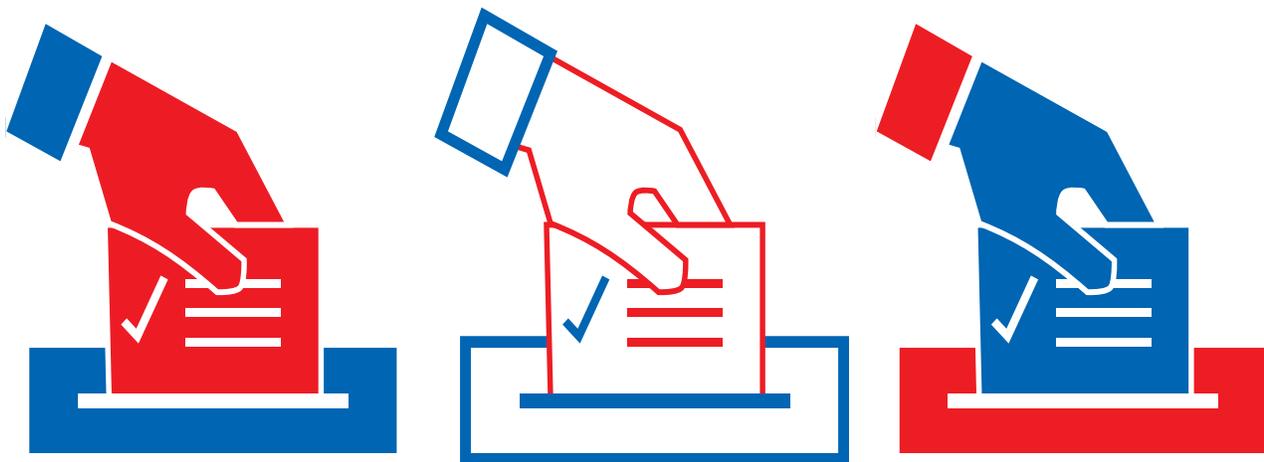
As the City's population gets younger, public education options are becoming more important to Tamarac residents. There was a significant decrease in satisfaction in this area, and almost half of respondents

selected educational opportunities as one of the top two priorities for City leaders to address over the next decade.

The results provide important insights into the changing needs of the community. They will be used in the City's strategic planning initiatives, along with feedback received through letters, emails, transactional surveys, the Open City Hall online forum, and community meetings.

This article highlights just a few of the survey results. If you'd like to delve deeper and learn more, visit www.tamarac.org and click the "Publications" button to access a summary of the findings and the methodology used to conduct the survey.

On the Ballot



In the November election, Tamarac residents will vote on four proposed amendments to the City's charter. Recommended by a charter review board and approved by the City Commission for placement on the ballot, the following proposals are designed to simplify policies and streamline operations:

- The **Residential Growth Control Redundancy** amendment would eliminate the portion of the charter which outlines the Commission's role in residential growth control. This section is redundant to information in the City's comprehensive plan, which is where growth control information is more typically found.
- The **Timeframe for Redistricting the City of Tamarac** amendment seeks to change how and when redistricting analysis is performed. The amendment would require an analysis by a four-year college or university every ten years – starting in 2020 – or sooner if the City Commission deems it necessary. Redistricting analysis is currently required after each municipal election.

- The last two proposed amendments are titled **City Clerk Position Consistent with Other Department Heads** and **Building Official Position Consistent with Other Department Heads**. As their names imply, both seek to bring consistency to how City department heads are managed.

While the City Manager hires and supervises all department heads, the current charter gives the Commission separate decision-making authority for the City Clerk's compensation, suspension and/or removal, and for the Building Official's suspension or removal. The amendments would place these decisions with the City Manager, who is hired by the Commission.

By becoming more familiar with these proposals you can make informed decisions. For more details, you can view the City Commission discussions on these amendments online. Visit www.tamarac.org and click on the "Commission Meetings" button on the right side of the screen to access the On Demand webcast of the April 25th workshop.

A Penny at Work



Two proposals will appear on the ballot in the General Election that would provide needed funds for the county's transportation system and local infrastructure improvements by raising Broward County's sales tax by one penny. While listed on the ballot as two half-cent surtax proposals, these items are linked. **Both** must pass for either to be implemented.

According to the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, approximately one-third of the proceeds from the surtax will be paid for by tourists.

Tamarac and Broward's other 30 cities would each receive a portion of the infrastructure surtax, based on their populations, while the county would receive all of the transportation surtax funds.

It's estimated that Tamarac could receive more than \$25 million in funds from the infrastructure surtax over the first five years, which would be used to support projects such as building new fire stations, traffic calming initiatives and road improvements. With these

additional funds, the City may be able to consider rolling back the millage rate.

Broward County would be able to use proceeds from the transportation surtax for countywide transportation improvements to reduce traffic congestion, develop rail and enhanced bus services, improve roads and signalization, and develop safe sidewalks and bicycle pathways.

If both referenda items are approved, the surtax will go into effect countywide on January 1, 2017 and last for 30 years. It will apply to the first \$5,000 of all single-item purchases and commercial leases. Independent oversight boards would be established to approve expenditures and ensure the appropriate use of funds.

To learn more about the proposed surtax, Tamarac's elected officials invite you to join them at one of the neighborhood meetings listed below. You can also visit www.apennyatwork.com to view an interactive map of proposed projects that includes descriptions, costs and contact information.



NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

Attend any of these neighborhood meetings. All meetings begin at 6:30 pm

September 29th: Cabaret Room in Kings Point Clubhouse, 7620 Nob Hill Road

October 6th: Mainlands 1 and 2 Clubhouse, 4301 Mainland Drive

October 10th: Tamarac Community Center, 8601 W. Commercial Blvd.

October 13th: City Hall Commission Chambers, 7525 NW 88 Ave.

Get Out and Vote

The critical items on the ballot in November make this an even more important election year. Fortunately, you've got plenty of options of how and when to vote.

If you plan to vote on Election Day (November 8th), polls will be open 7 am – 7 pm. The rule is, if you're in line by 7 pm you can vote. Your polling place is listed on your voter registration card, or you can find it on the the County Supervisor of Elections website, www.browardsoe.org, by clicking on the "Where do I vote?" tab.

If you want to beat the crowds and know your choices in advance, early voting is a great option. Early voting takes place October 24th – November 6th. There will be 20 early voting places in the county, including the Broward County Library's Tamarac Branch.

Mail-in ballots are another option for qualified registered voters. You can request

a mail-in ballot from the Supervisor of Elections office in person, online, by mail or telephone. Requests can be made by the voter, a designated member of his or her immediate family, or a legal guardian. The last day to request a ballot be mailed to you is November 2nd. After that, mail-in ballots are available for pick up at the Voting Equipment Center, 1501 NW 40th Ave., Lauderhill.

The Supervisor of Elections must receive all mail-in-ballots by 7 pm on Election Day. If you don't have time to mail yours back to meet the deadline, there will be designated locations where you can drop it off. This is typically **not** at your regular polling place.

For more details on all your voting options, visit the Broward County Supervisor of Elections website at www.browardsoe.org, or call (954) 357-7050.

However you do it, don't miss your chance to vote.



2016 Hall of Famers

Congratulations to the Tamarac Historical Society's 2016 Hall of Famers, who were inducted at the 3rd Annual Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony.



The Historical Society's Vice President Joel Davidson and President Barbara Tarnove, with Hall of Fame recipients. Top row, left to right: Tamarac Vice Mayor Diane Glasser; and Seena Kuby. Second row, left to right: Patricia Randall; and Lawrence J. Torn. Third row, left to right: Tamarac's Citizen Observer Patrol, represented by BSO Tamarac District Captain Neal Glassman; and Tamarac's CERT Outreach Team, represented by Sandy Ehrlich.

In addition, right: Barbara Tarnove was surprised with a Hall of Fame award from Commissioners Debra Placko and Pamela Bushnell.



Know the Code

To prevent abuses that can negatively affect a community, the City updated its residential code; specifically regarding the parking of commercial and recreational vehicles. Here's what you need to know:

COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

Several types of vehicles were added to the City code's definition of commercial vehicles (see accompanying chart).

Between 9 pm and 6 am, these vehicles must be parked in a covered garage, carport, or enclosed area on the side of residential properties, concealed from view from side streets abutting the property. All other setback requirements, ordinances, codes and regulations must be followed.

Commercial vehicles with only lettering or markings can follow normal parking, if approved coverings are used.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

The revised code now sets the maximum number of recreational vehicles that can be parked or stored at a residential property as one recreational vehicle, one boat or maritime vessel of any size and motor capacity, and one boat trailer. Each must be less than 10 feet in height.

From 9 pm – 6 am, they must be parked behind setback requirements in a garage, carport or fenced area. The fenced area must be at least 25 feet from any public right of way, and concealed from view by landscaping or fencing.

Additional code changes prohibit parking commercial or recreational vehicles where they obstruct sidewalks; ban people from

living, eating or entertaining in recreational vehicles parked in residential areas; and confirm the City's ability to tow vehicles from City-owned properties.

The code includes exceptions for certain temporary situations, such as parking commercial vehicles for loading or unloading purposes. If you have any questions, it's best to check with Code Enforcement at (954) 597-3425.

WHAT'S CONSIDERED A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE?

- Truck cabs
- Trailers
- Semi-trailers
- Tractor cranes
- Power shovels
- Well drillers
- Buses, taxis, limousines and other vehicles for hire
- Ambulances
- Wreckers (tow trucks)
- Hearses
- Vehicles with more than two axles
- Vehicles exceeding 20' in length and 8' in height
- Vehicles with visible outside commercial lettering or markings.
- Vehicles with equipment for the purpose of performing any work of a commercial nature, or carrying goods other than for personal effects of passengers.

Exploring DC

To show appreciation for their many hours of community service, BSO Tamarac District recently took a group of Law Enforcement Explorers to Washington, D.C.

While there, they learned more about U.S. history, the principles of government, and the sacrifices so many have made for our nation. The trip was paid for by multiple BSO fundraising activities.

The Law Enforcement Explorers program is for young people, aged 14 to 20, who are interested in learning about law enforcement. For more information call (954) 720-2231.



BSO Deputy Steps Up

A Tamarac BSO deputy stepped up in a big way to help when a Millennium Middle School student's bicycle was stolen.

Unfortunately, the bike wasn't recovered after the theft. School resource officer Deputy Neil Dodge knew the student used it to get to school, and that the loss was a hardship.

That's when BSO Deputy Joshua Stambaugh reached into his own pocket to buy her a replacement bike, giving this story a happy ending and showing just how invested our BSO officers are in the community.



Building a Stronger Tamarac

Just a few years past the half century mark, Tamarac is a mix of young, old and in-between...both people and infrastructure. While expanding programs and services help ensure we sustain an outstanding quality of life for our residents, the majority of the City's budget is devoted to maintaining and upgrading infrastructure.

Perhaps not the most exciting topic to many, but maintaining things like sewers and water mains and providing facilities for first responders are critical components in making certain we're prepared for the next 50 years. Following are some of the major projects funded in the City's newly adopted budget:

Water's Edge Park - \$2,775,000

This 5.9 acre neighborhood park (on N.W. 61st Street, just east of University Drive) will have a multi-purpose path with exercise stations, playground, sprayground, basketball court and picnic shelters.

Sewer Main Rehabilitation - \$3,000,000

Upgrades and/or replacement of the wastewater collection system. This helps prevent sewer backups, flooding or contamination of nearby water resources.

Corridor Walls - \$3,875,000

Continued funding of buffer walls throughout the City.

Tamarac Lakes South Water Main Replacement - \$1,850,000

This project entails moving the original water mains (which were run through the backyards

of homes in the 1960's) to front easements to ensure stability of the system and ease of access, should it be needed.

Shaker Village Paving Project - \$1,000,000

Following the successful pipe bursting project which replaced 50-year-old pipes, the affected roadways will be repaved.

Colony West Clubhouse - \$5,000,000

This new facility will not only support the golf course, but also provide meeting and dining space for a proposed 120-room hotel adjacent to the clubhouse.

Fire Station 36 (University Drive) - \$700,000

Additional funding to construct a two-bay fire station across the street from University Hospital, in order to improve response time in the area.

Caporella Aquatic Complex - \$758,000

Projects include the replacement of the large slide, resurfacing of the main pool and sprayground and renovations to the supporting mechanics.



Tamarac Scores with H.S. Bowling Event

Top high school bowlers from across the country converged on Tamarac this summer for the first ever U.S. High School Bowling National Championship. It attracted 246 participants who bowled 1,500 games – including three perfect games (300), and four games with scores of 299.

Mayor Harry Dressler formally opened the two-day event at Sawgrass Lanes and welcomed these talented teens and their families to our City.

According to U.S. High School Bowling Foundation President Michael Nyitray, Sawgrass Lanes was selected as the venue because “it’s the best bowling center in South Florida”.



Kudos to Teen Volunteers

A big “thanks” goes to the participants in this year’s Summer Teen Program. They each volunteered fifteen or more hours per week over two months, working with different City departments, gaining valuable experience, earning service hours and receiving rave reviews for their efforts.



Clockwise from top left: Flora Bourdeau, Jordan Wong, Denae Livingston, David Hernandez, Nicole Plass and De’onte Gaines.

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Events

To help residents dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW) and old electronics (e-waste) the right way, Tamarac partners with neighboring cities to host drop-off events throughout the year. The group’s hosting three more drop-off events this year. Proof of residency in a participating city is required. For details visit www.tamarac.org.

**Saturday,
October 1st
9 am – 2 pm
Coral Springs
4181 NW 121st Ave**

**Saturday,
November 5th
9 am – 2 pm
Pompano Beach
1660 NE 10th St
(Community Park)**

**Saturday,
December 3rd
9 am – 2 pm
Tamarac
6011 Nob Hill Rd
(Public Works Building)**

Opportunity's Knocking

More and more companies are calling Tamarac home and they're looking for quality employees. To match local employers with residents looking for jobs, Tamarac is hosting its first Career Fair. Come check it out – you might just find your next great career opportunity.

CAREER FAIR

October 19th
Tamarac Community Center
8601 W. Commercial Blvd.
9 am - 3 pm
FREE!



Learn How Local Government Works

If you've ever wondered what it takes to run a City, Tamarac University (TU) might be perfect for you. This eight week interactive program offers a unique, behind-the-scenes look at how local government works.

The City will accept applications for the Class of 2017 from November 1, 2016 through January 27, 2017. Classes will begin in March. For more information, or to apply, visit www.tamarac.org.



Got Game?

Join Tamarac Mayor Harry Dressler and other elected officials from Broward County on Saturday, November 5th at the Mayors' Chess Challenge. This free event is held in support of scholastic chess and open to players of all ages and skill levels. It will be at the Tamarac Community Center, 8601 West Commercial Boulevard, from 10 am – noon.



Taste of Tamarac

Enjoy food samples, entertainment and more at the 13th Annual Taste of Tamarac Business Expo. Hosted by the Tamarac Chamber of Commerce, it will feature tastings from more than 25 food establishments, cooking demos, chef participation, giveaways and a Kids' Corner.

This year, the Chamber is raising money for Feeding South Florida with a "Dunk a Cop" booth manned by volunteers from BSO. In addition, a portion of the proceeds from tickets sold at the door will go to this non-profit, dedicated to ending hunger in our area.

**Saturday,
October 22nd**

**11:30 am – 3 pm
Tamarac Community Center
8601 W. Commercial Boulevard**

Cost: \$10 per adult;
\$5 per child
(Child 6 – 12 years old)
Under 6 FREE

*Early Bird Special
through October 14th:*
\$8 per adult (only 200 available);
\$4 per child (6 – 12 years)

For more details, or to
purchase tickets, visit
www.tasteoftamarac.org or
call the Tamarac Chamber of
Commerce at (954) 722-1250.

Volunteer of the Quarter

For approximately 16 years, Harriet Goldblatt has volunteered in various areas of the City of Tamarac's Parks and Recreation department. She currently serves at the Caporella Fitness Center, where she has a great rapport with the staff and residents.

With her pleasant demeanor and dependability, Harriet can be counted on to ensure the fitness center runs smoothly and that our guests have a great experience. We thank Harriet for her loyalty and dedication to the City.



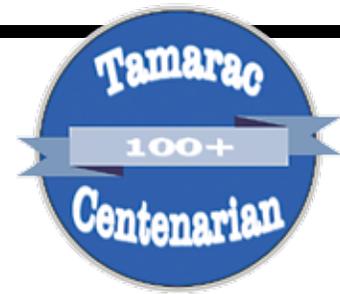
SAVE THE DATE

TAMARAC
arts & crafts festival

April 1 – 2, 2017

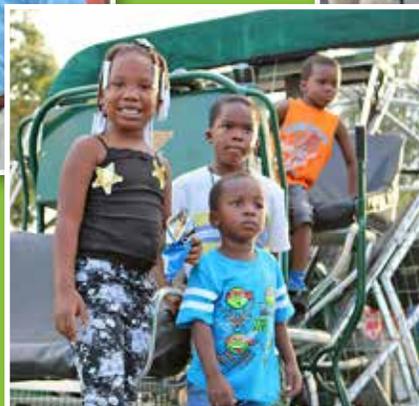
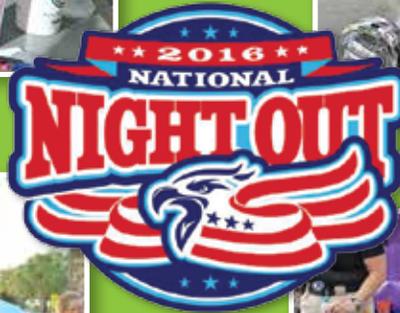
Celebrating Our Centenarians

At a special brunch in January, the Tamarac Historical Society will honor residents who have reached 100+ years of age by the end of 2016. Each centenarian will receive free tickets for themselves and one guest. Others can purchase tickets for \$20. RSVP required by January 10th. For additional information, or to order tickets, contact the Historical Society at (954) 597-3629 or history@tamarac.org.



**January 27th • 11 am
Colony West Golf Club
6800 NW 88th Avenue**

BSO Tamarac's National Night Out



A PENNY AT WORK

**Half Penny
(.5%)**

To fund the
countywide
transportation
system



**Half Penny
(.5%)**

To fund
your local
improvement
projects

VOTE ON NOVEMBER 8

Both must pass or both will fail.

Get the facts on the proposed
Penny Sales Tax

www.APennyAtWork.com

Education materials for the November 8 election provided by your local governments.

LIFE IN TAMARAC

An estimated 5,000 people joined in the All-American celebration on July 4th!



DISCOVERY

Discover the Benefits of Tamarac Parks and Recreation



Playability

The extent to which a city makes it easy for all kids to get balanced and active play

#playability

Tamarac Parks and Recreation e-Newsletter

The Parks and Recreation department's monthly e-newsletter, called P&R e-News, highlights department happenings including events, trips, classes and services.

To subscribe, sign up online at:

www.tamarac.org

click the "Notify Me" tab in the left column and click the "Online Newsletter" box.

Wanna Play?

Tamarac's leading the way for play, and proud to be named a Playful City by Playful City USA for the 7th consecutive year.

Playtime is good for us all, and helps children grow into healthy and productive adults. On the following pages you'll find information about the many opportunities to play at our parks, facilities, programs and special events.



CAPORELLA AQUATIC COMPLEX

Visit the Caporella Aquatic Complex and enjoy its many amenities including a 25-meter heated swimming pool with zero-depth entry, a slide and children's water sprayground. The complex also offers a 3,000- square-foot fitness center, locker rooms and outdoor picnic tables. Please call (954) 597-3660 for Aquatic Complex admission fees and rental information, or for additional information on the classes and lessons listed below.



POOL HOURS

Weekdays: 10 am – 6 pm
 Slide and Sprayground: 2:30 pm – 6 pm

Saturdays: 10 am – 4 pm
 Slide and Sprayground: 10 am – 6 pm

Sundays: 10 am – 4 pm
 Slide and Sprayground: 10 am – 4 pm

Pool is closed for open swim during December, January and February.

SWIM LESSONS

Tot: Ages 3 – 5

Levels 1 and 2: Ages 5 & over

Adult Level 1: Ages 13 & over

When: Call for days and times

Fee: Residents: \$45; Non-residents: \$55

PROACTIVE ARTHRITIS WATER EXERCISE CLASS

When: Monday and Wednesday
 9 – 10 am

Fee: Senior Program Members: Free
 Others: \$4/Class

WATER AEROBICS

When: Monday and Wednesday
 6 – 6:45 pm

Fee: Residents: \$45; Non-residents: \$55
 (Four week session)

TAMARAC SWIM TEAM

TS Aquatics offers a competitive swim team program for children aged 5 – 18, and a masters program for adults aged 18 – 90. The programs are held at the Caporella Aquatic Complex. Free tryouts are held Monday through Thursday, any time between 5 – 7 pm. TS Aquatics is offering a second month FREE when you try out and sign up for a month. Rates start as low as \$50/month. For additional information please email tamaracswimming@gmail.com or visit <http://tsaquatics.com>.

FITNESS CENTER

We invite you to visit the Caporella Fitness Center, which offers a friendly, non-competitive workout environment with a variety of free weights, Life Fitness machines, treadmills, elliptical cross trainers, recumbent lifecycles, stationary bikes and more. On your first visit, our qualified staff will show you around and help you get familiar with the equipment. We also have personal training sessions available by appointment. For more information, visit the fitness center today, contact us at (954) 597-3661, or visit our website at www.tamarac.org/parks.

Annual Fitness Membership Fees:

Adult Membership:	\$150
Senior/Military/Vets Membership:	\$135
Teen Membership (16-17 years old):	\$95
Teen Membership (13-15 years old):	\$65

Three month and six month membership options are also available.

FACILITY LOCATIONS

Caporella Aquatic Complex and Fitness Center

9300 NW 58th Street

Caporella Park

5200 Prospect Road

Colony West Golf Club

6800 NW 88th Avenue

Gary B. Jones Park for People and Pups

8101 Southgate Boulevard

Mainlands Park

4500 Monterey Drive

Sunset Point Park

11000 West McNab Road

Tamarac Community Center

8601 West Commercial Boulevard

Tamarac Multi-Purpose Center

7531 North University Drive

Tamarac Park Recreation Center

7501 North University Drive

Tamarac Sports Complex

9901 NW 77th Street

Tephford Park

10003 Southgate Boulevard

Veterans' Memorial Park

7825 Southgate Boulevard

For more information on any of the programs or activities listed in the Discovery section of Tam-A-Gram, please contact Tamarac Parks and Recreation at (954) 597-3620. Times and locations may be subject to change without notice.

ATHLETIC LEAGUES

The following sports leagues are offered in the City of Tamarac. Registration is available at the Tamarac Community Center.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

Registration for Youth Basketball begins November 7th. The league is for boys and girls ages 6 - 17. Practices will begin in February with games starting in March. The season concludes in May. Space is limited. Volunteer coaches are needed.

Fee: Residents: \$85; Non-residents: \$95

ADULT SOFTBALL

Registration begins December 14th for our Coed Softball league and Men's Softball league for ages 18 and older. Coed League games are played on Friday evenings. Men's League games are played on Wednesday evenings. Space is limited.

Fee: \$425 per team

FOR MEN'S SOCCER CALL (786) 367-0972

FOR THE FOLLOWING ATHLETIC LEAGUE INFORMATION PLEASE

CALL (954) 597-3620:

Youth Baseball, Youth Flag Football, Youth Soccer, Youth Basketball, Men's Basketball, Adult Softball, Adult Kickball and Adult Flag Football.

FOR TACKLE FOOTBALL/CHEERLEADING CALL (954) 721-5131

FIELD RENTAL: Athletic fields are available to rent at a nominal fee. Call (954) 597-3620 for more information.

For information on field closures due to rain or maintenance, call (954) 597-3667.





YOUTH RECREATION ACTIVITIES

Activity	Day	Time	Ages	Resident/ Non-Resident Fee	Session	Location
Art & You	Mon.	6 - 7:30 pm	7 - 12 yrs.	\$60/\$70	4-week	Recreation Center
Basketball Fundamentals	Wed.	6 - 6:45 pm	10 - 14 yrs.	\$30/\$40	4-week	Multi-Purpose Center
Fashionista	Sat.	12:30 - 1:15 pm	6 - 14 yrs.	\$40/\$50	4-week	Community Center
Gymnastics	Thurs.	6 - 6:45 pm	5 - 12 yrs.	\$45/\$55	4-week	Recreation Center
Hip Hop/Cheerleading /Tumbling	Sat.	11 am - 12 pm	5 - 12 yrs.	\$45/\$55	4-week	Recreation Center
Imagination Mornings	Wed.	10 - 10:45 am	2 - 4 yrs.	\$25/\$35	4-week	Recreation Center
I-Imagine Art	Sat.	11:45 am - 12:30 pm	5 - 14 yrs.	\$40/\$50	4-week	Community Center
Kempo Karate	Mon. & Wed.	5:30 - 6:30 pm	7 - 18 yrs.	\$70/\$80	4-week	Recreation Center
Kids Cooking	Tues. (1st & 3rd)	6 - 8 pm	7 - 12 yrs.	\$40/\$50	2-week	Recreation Center
Krafty Kids	Mon.	10 - 10:45 am	2 - 4 yrs.	\$25/\$35	4-week	Recreation Center
Level 1 & 2 Ballet, Tap & Jazz	Sat.	10 - 11 am	3 - 12 yrs.	\$45/\$55	4-week	Recreation Center
Lil Sprouts Cooking	Tues.	10 - 10:45 am	2 - 4 yrs.	\$25/\$35	4-week	Recreation Center
Start Smart Sports	Thurs.	6 - 6:45 pm	4 - 6 yrs.	\$30/\$40	4-week	Multi-Purpose Center
Taekwondo (Advanced)	Tues. & Thurs.	5:30 - 8:30 pm	7 - 12 yrs.	\$80/\$90	4-week	Recreation Center
Teen Club	Thurs.	7 - 8 pm	12 - 17 yrs.	\$25/\$35	Annually	Multi-Purpose Center
Tennis Lessons	Tues.	5:30 - 6:30 pm	6 - 12 yrs.	\$40/\$50	4-week	Sports Complex
Zumbatomic	Wed.	5 - 6 pm	4 - 12 yrs.	\$20/\$30	4-week	Multi-Purpose Center

For more activity information, please call the Tamarac Community Center at (954) 597-3620 or the Recreation Center at (954) 597-3674. Registration is also available online for some programs at <https://webtrac.tamarac.org>.

ADULT RECREATION ACTIVITIES

Activity	Day	Time	Ages	Resident/ Non-Resident Fee	Session	Location
Aerobic Cycling	Mon. Thurs. Sat.	7:15 - 8:15 pm 6 - 7 pm 8:30 - 9:30 am	16 & over	\$7/\$8 \$85/\$100 \$140/\$160	Per Class 6 months Annual	Community Center
Badminton	Mon. & Wed. Sat.	6 - 9 pm 5 - 9 pm	13 & over	\$3/\$5	Per Class	Community Center
Mixed Art	Wed.	9:30 - 11:30 am	18 & over	\$35/\$45	4-week	Recreation Center
Hand Building Ceramics	Thurs.	6 - 8:30 pm	16 & over	\$45/\$55	4-week	Recreation Center
Table Tennis	Sat.	2 - 9 pm	18 & over	\$1/\$2	Per Class	Community Center
Tennis Lessons	Sat.	9 - 10 am	13 & over	\$40/\$50	4-week	Sports Complex
Wing Chun	Tues. & Thurs.	6:30 - 8:00 pm	13 & over	\$80/\$90	4-week	Recreation Center
Volleyball	Mon. Thurs. Sat.	6:30 - 8:30 pm 7:15 - 8:30 pm 1:30 - 4 pm	16 & over	\$5/\$6	Per Class	Multi-Purpose Center

RECREATION CENTER FITNESS SCHEDULE

Salsa Fitness	Mon.	6 - 7 pm
Pilates	Sat.	9:30 - 10:30 am
Total Fitness Training	Tues. & Thurs.	6 - 7 pm
Zumba Fitness	Mon. & Wed. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Sat.	7 - 8 pm 9:30 - 10:30 am 11 am - 12 pm

COMMUNITY CENTER FITNESS SCHEDULE

Body Sculpting	Thurs. & Fri.	6 - 7 pm
Kickboxing	Mon.	6 - 7 pm
Strength Training Aerobics	Wed.	6 - 7 pm
Tone and Sculpt	Tues.	6 - 7 pm
Yoga	Mon. Wed. & Thurs. Sat.	5:30 - 6:30 pm 7 - 8 pm 9:30 - 10:30 am
Zumba	Wed. & Fri.	7 - 8 pm

Participants can enjoy fitness classes at both facilities with a 10 class punch card, or with a 6 month or annual membership.

Fees: Per Class: Residents: \$7; Non-residents: \$8
 10 Classes: Residents: \$55; Non-residents: \$65
 6 Months: Residents: \$85; Non-residents: \$100
 Annual Membership: Residents: \$140; Non-residents \$160
 Annual Membership/Seniors: Residents: \$110; Non-residents \$130

For more activity information, please call the Tamarac Community Center at (954) 597-3620 or the Recreation Center at (954) 597-3674. Registration is also available online for some programs at <https://webtrac.tamarac.org>.

SOCIAL SERVICES

All services are provided at the Tamarac Community Center (TCC) unless noted otherwise. Call the information and referral line at (954) 597-3642 for more information on these and other social service programs that may be available in Broward County.



BLESSED AND STRESSED - CARING FOR YOURSELF: A CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Are you a caregiver for a loved one? Do you feel stressed out and overwhelmed? Meet others who share similar experiences caring for a loved one. This free group is facilitated by a licensed clinician in partnership with Goodman Jewish Family Services. Please call (954) 370-2140 for more information.

When: First and third Tuesday of each month at 10:30 am

INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING

Free limited sessions for Tamarac residents only. Please call counselors Lakshmi at (954) 655-7040 or Jessica at (954) 317-3460 to make an appointment. Please leave your name and phone number and your call will be returned within 24 hours.

LOWER YOUR PRESCRIPTION COSTS

Start saving today with the City of Tamarac Prescription Discount Card program for those without insurance. Benefits include an average savings of 20%, free enrollment and coverage for all family members. No income requirements.

Pick up at Tamarac Community Center.

TEEN PARENTING GROUP BY MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

The City of Tamarac, in partnership with Memorial Healthcare System, cordially invites you to participate in FREE parenting sessions that provide different perspectives on adolescent development, parenting styles, communication, and working together as a family to improve relationships and strengthen family bonds.

When: Wednesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 pm

POSITIVE ADJUSTMENT GROUP

Learn coping skills and how to adjust to life changes including losing a loved one, health, daily living activities, moving, etc. A licensed mental health therapist will facilitate this important group for all seniors.

When: Mondays, 10:30 – 11:30 am

CENTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS - FREE AMPLIFIED PHONE

Provides amplified phones and TDDs free of charge to Florida residents who are deaf or hard of hearing.

When: October 6th and December 1st



FREE 911 CELL PHONES FOR SENIORS

Call (954) 597-3642 to set up an appointment. Donations of cell phones are accepted.

When: Second Monday of each month at 9 am

SENIOR SOCIAL

Join us for light refreshments and an educational lecture.

When: Third Tuesday of each month at 11 am

SHINE COUNSELOR

Serving Health Insurance Needs for the Elderly. Have questions regarding your Medicare/Medicaid insurance? Call the Area Agency on Aging and Disability Resource Center to speak to a SHINE counselor: (954) 745-9779.



MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT

Representatives from the Aging and Disability Resource SHINE program will be on hand to assist seniors who receive Medicare to choose a supplement during open enrollment. First come, first served. Please call for dates.

VETERANS ADVISOR

When: Last Friday of each month
8 – 11 am



TRANSPORTATION AND EXPRESS SHUTTLE SERVICES

Door-to-door paratransit service is available to the disabled and to people over age 60 with no other transportation. For additional information, please call (954) 597-3649.

Tamarac also offers two community bus routes – the Red and Red Extension Transit Routes – to locations across the City. Schedules and fees are available at www.tamarac.org and at City facilities.

Additionally, the City runs an Express Shuttle once a month. The shuttle starts at 10 am at the Tamarac Community Center and visits the following stops: Coral Square Mall, BJ's, Home Depot, Whole Foods, Sam's Club, Doris Italian Market & Bakery, Michaels, and Panera Bread. The shuttle costs \$1 roundtrip, and no sign up is required. Please call (954) 597-3649 for dates.

ADULT TRIPS

Register for all trips at the Tamarac Community Center from 8 am – 8 pm. All bus trips will leave from this location. For information, call (954) 597-3620. Trips are subject to cancellation. No refunds one month prior to trip date (no exceptions).

MYSTERY TRIP

Thursday, October 6th, 4 – 11 pm
Residents: \$15; Non-residents: \$20



DOWNTOWN DELRAY

Thursday, October 20th, 4 – 10 pm
Residents: \$15; Non-residents: \$20

CLEMATIS AT NIGHT

Thursday, November 3rd, 4 – 10 pm
Residents: \$15; Non-residents: \$20



KRAVIS CENTER: THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME

Thursday, November 17th, 4 – 11 pm
Residents: \$75; Non-residents: \$85

KRAVIS CENTER: AN AMERICAN IN PARIS

Thursday, December 8th, 4 – 11 pm
Residents: \$85; Non-residents: \$95

BROWARD CENTER: ROGERS AND HAMMERSTEIN'S CINDERELLA

Thursday, December 15th, 4 – 11 pm
Residents: \$80; Non-residents: \$90

SPECIAL EVENTS

COMMUNITY FARMERS MARKET

The market is a great place to shop for fresh produce, honey, sauces, baked goods, pickles, and other artisanal goodies. Come meet the producers and sample their locally prepared, all natural products.

Where: Veterans' Memorial Park
When: Every Sunday, 9 am – 2 pm

FOOD TRUCK HUMP DAYS

Where: Tamarac Park
When: Every Wednesday
5:30 – 9:30 pm



COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Where: Tamarac Park
When: Saturday, October 8th
7:30 am – Noon

MOVIE IN THE PARK

Free big screen movie featuring ParaNorman. Pre-movie activities include face painting, bounce house, food trucks, games, music and much more.

Where: Tamarac Sports Complex
When: Friday, October 7th
Activities start at 6 pm;
Movie starts at 7:30 pm

HALLOWEEN HOOPLA

Enjoy this free event for all ages which will include music, arts and crafts, bounce houses, face painting, carnival games, prizes, candy, and much more.

Where: Tamarac Park
When: Friday, October 21st, 6 – 8 pm

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Please join us as we honor all of our veterans for their patriotism and service to our country. Free event.

Where: Veterans' Memorial Park
When: Friday, November 11th, 10:30 am



36TH ANNUAL TURKEY TROT 5K RACE

Where: Tamarac City Hall
When: Thursday, November 24th: 7:30 am
Fee: Before November 13th: \$25
November 14th – 23rd: \$30
November 24th (Race day): \$50

Register: www.active.com

HOLIDAY LIGHTING FESTIVAL

This free event includes the lighting of the Christmas tree and Menorah, a holiday concert featuring Tamarac's best school choirs, holiday craft boutique, appearance by Santa Claus, and children's entertainment.

Where: Tamarac Community Center
When: Wednesday, December 7th, 6 pm



RUDOLPH'S WINTER WONDERLAND

Join us for a free night of reindeer games. Enjoy bounce houses, face painting, carnival games, pictures with Santa, and a special appearance by Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.

Where: Tamarac Park
When: Friday, December 9th, 6 – 8 pm

PAWS WITH CLAUS HOLIDAY PAWTY

Dress your pet up for the best dressed holiday hound contest and bring your camera to have your dog's photo taken with Santa. Free event.

Where: Gary B. Jones Park for People and Pups
When: Saturday, December 17th, 9 – 11 am

SENIOR PROGRAM

Want to have fun, try new activities, make friends and get in shape? Tamarac's Senior Program offers more than 40 different activities every week, Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 4 pm. This program is for seniors aged 55 and up. For additional information, including full descriptions of the classes and programs listed below, please call (954) 597-3620.

▣ Indicates degree of physical challenge

CREATIVE CLASSES

- Card Making:** Thurs. 1 pm
- Clay Class:** Fri. 10 am
- Happy Hookers Knitting Group:** Mon. 1 pm
- Painting Club:** Tues. 1 pm
- Writing Group:** Tues. 10 am

EXERCISE & MOVEMENT

- Carol's Cardio ▣▣▣▣:** Fri. 11 am
- Carol's Cardio Kickboxing Plus Muscle Training ▣▣▣▣:** Tues. 9:15 am
- Chair Yoga ▣:** Tues. and Thurs. 11:30 am
- Core Yoga ▣▣:** Wed. 11:30 am
- Gentle Yoga ▣:** Fri. 12:15 pm
- Jazzercise ▣▣:** Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 10 am
- Line Dancing ▣▣:** Mon. and Thurs. 11 am
- Movement Mix ▣▣:** Wed. 10 am; Fri. 11:15 am
- Proactive Arthritis Water Exercise Class ▣▣:** Mon. and Wed. 10 am (Aquatic Complex)
- Senior Dance - Ballroom:** Thurs. 1 pm
- Sit & Fit Aerobics ▣:** Tues. and Thurs. 10:30 am
- Small Group Strength Training ▣▣▣▣:** Wed. 10:15 am (Advance sign up required, RSVP Monday mornings)

- Tai Chi / Qigong ▣:** Mon. 9 am; Fri. 9:30 am
- Yoga ▣▣:** Mon. 10:30 am
- Zumba Sentao ▣▣▣:** Fri. 10 am
- Zumba Gold ▣▣:** Mon. 12 pm; Wed. 11:15 am

GAMES & RECREATION

- Badminton:** Thurs. 12:30 pm
- Bingo:** Mon. 12:30 pm
- Pickleball ▣▣:** (Beg) Mon. 12:30 pm; (Int & Adv) Tues. 11:30 am; (All levels) Wed. and Fri. 12:30 pm
- Pickleball Fundamentals:** Wed. 9 am
- Ping Pong:** Thurs. 12:30 pm; Fri. 10 am
- Trivia:** Fri. 2 pm
- Volleyball ▣▣:** Mon. 11:15 am; Wed. 10:30 am; Thurs. 11:30 am



BECOME A SPONSOR!

Sponsoring a special event is a great way to reach your target audience. Partnering with the City of Tamarac provides an opportunity to promote your business and increase visibility in the community. Contact the Tamarac Parks and Recreation department at (954) 597-3632 for more information.



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36TH ANNUAL TAMARAC TURKEY TROT 5K RUN

*Start your Thanksgiving on the right foot
at one of Tamarac's most popular events.*

Thursday, November 24th

Race starts 7:30 am

Tamarac City Hall

7525 NW 88th Ave.

Entry Fees:

- **Early Registration (before Nov 13th): \$25**
- **Late Registration (Nov 14th - Nov 23rd): \$30**
- **Race Day Registration (Nov 24th): \$50**



Register online at www.active.com, or visit the Tamarac Community Center to pick up an application.

T-shirts will be provided to the first 1,500 registrants.

For more information, please call (954) 597-3620.