

Insider Newsletter for Thursday, April 18, 2024

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Insider eNewsletter

From the office of Mayor Keith A. James

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What's Happening in Your City?



City Joins Bloomberg Philanthropies' Youth Action Fund Call for Youth Climate Solutions

With 84 percent of youth around the world reporting that they are worried climate change threatens people and the planet, Mayor Keith A. James announced that West Palm Beach has joined Bloomberg Philanthropies' new Youth Climate Action Fund, which will provide technical assistance and funding for 100 mayors to activate tens of thousands of young people ages of 15 – 24 years to design, produce, and govern urgent climate solutions in cities across the globe. West Palm Beach joins the Fund alongside other cities from around the world, which together spans 38 countries across six continents, representing over 62 million residents.

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CATCH US BEFORE WE'RE GONE!

LAST MARKET OF THE 2023-24 SEASON!



April 20, 2024
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

West Palm Beach
Waterfront



Empowering Education: Introducing the WPB Mayor Education Partnership Grant

The City of West Palm Beach announces the launch of an innovative partnership grant called the WPB Mayor Education Partnership Grant. The WPB Mayor Education Partnership Grant aims to enhance educational outcomes for its students through local nonprofits.

Mayor Keith A. James and the WPB Education Advisory Committee have provided up to \$4,000 in funding to interested elementary schools located within the City, enabling students to engage in enriching learning experiences in the fields of reading, math, science, and/or history in a practical, collaborative context with our local nonprofits. All West Palm Beach elementary schools have the opportunity to apply.

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West Palm Beach Named a 2023 Tree City USA® by Arbor Day Foundation

The City of West Palm Beach proudly announces its recognition as a 2023 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation, in honor of its dedication to effective urban forest management.

The prestigious Tree City USA designation is awarded to communities that demonstrate exemplary commitment to maintaining and enhancing their urban tree canopy. West Palm Beach achieved this recognition by meeting the program's rigorous requirements, including maintaining a tree board or department, implementing a tree care ordinance, allocating an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita, and hosting an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

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WPB City Commissioners Sworn In for New Terms

During a Special City Commission meeting in West Palm Beach City Hall, Commissioners Cathleen Ward, Christy Fox, and Christina Lambert were sworn in for their latest terms in office.



The problems and challenges faced by those who are homeless are complex. In this, the second part of our series on homelessness, we will look at what can be done to truly help, give effective relief to those on the street, and consider actions residents can take to truly help those in need.

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FREE

for City of West Palm Beach
Residents and Businesses

Native Tree Giveaway

WEST PALM BEACH GREENMARKET
APRIL 20, 2024, 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.



Bahama Strongbark

- Small/Medium Tree (10-30ft tall)
- Evergreen
- Blooms summer-fall
- Fruits ripen fall-winter
- Attracts hummingbirds
- Recommended use: specimen tree, hedge, or screen

Marlberry

- Small Tree (12-15ft tall)
- Evergreen
- Grows in sunny/shady landscapes
- Blooms and fruits throughout the year (peak Summer-Fall)
- Recommended use: specimen tree or hedge

Mastic

- Large Tree (30-70ft tall)
- Evergreen
- Hurricane wind resistant
- Flowers early summer
- Fruits ripen late winter-early spring
- Attracts pollinators and birds
- Recommended use: shade tree used in front/back yard, away from walkways

Additional trees offered: Paradise Tree, Simpson Stopper, Soldierwood, White Indigo Berry, Myrsine, Mahogany, Spanish Stopper, Crabwood, Slash Pine, Satinleaf, Live Oak, Redberry Stopper, East Palatka Holly, Gumbo Limbo, Wild Tamarind, and Dahoon Holly

Pre-Registration is Encouraged.

Available to City of West Palm Beach Residents and Businesses.

Register today!
wpb.org/10ktrees



Questions? NPollio@wpb.org



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Prepare for Hurricane Season During Vegetation Amnesty Days

West Palm Beach residents can cut down excess vegetation in preparation for hurricane season, and have it hauled away for free during Vegetation Amnesty Days, May 6-17.

For more information, visit wpb.org/publicworks, call (561) 822-2075, or email publicworks@wpb.org.

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Housing Leadership Council of Palm Beach County Announces Second Housing Heroes Luncheon

The Housing Leadership Council of Palm Beach County announced that its 2nd Annual Housing Heroes Luncheon will take place on May 8, 2024, at the Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion at 701 Okeechobee Blvd. in West Palm Beach. The inaugural event drew more than 350 attendees.

This year, West Palm Beach Mayor Keith A. James will receive the organization's distinguished Housing Heroes Award. Since being elected Mayor in 2019, Mayor James has been working with city commissioners to create incentives for developers to build workforce/affordable housing for government employees like teachers and first responders. These efforts have led to the completion of the first new affordable downtown apartments in more than 30 years as well as securing several other projects currently under construction.

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RAIN BARREL GIVEAWAY

Free for City of West Palm Beach Water Customers (1 per household)

APRIL 27, 2024, 10 A.M.

GRASSY WATERS PRESERVE

8264 NORTHLAKE BLVD, WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33412

Registration is required.

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Or scan the QR code.



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Community Events



COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR



*Great Lawn,
100 N. Clematis Street*

Thursday, April 18, 6-9 p.m.
Spider Cherry | Soul, Funk, Rock

Thursday, April 25, 6-9 p.m.
The Goodnicks | Top 40

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*Great Lawn,
100 N. Clematis Street*

**FINAL ONE OF THE SEASON
Saturday, April 20, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.**

Be sure to check out:
The MOST vendors in our history with 125 in total, 30 of which are NEW!

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*Great Lawn,
100 N. Clematis Street*

**Friday, May 10, 6:30-9 p.m.
Wonka (PG)**

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*Meyer Amphitheatre,
104 Datura Street*

Sunday, April 21, 4-7 p.m.
Sir Jac | Prince Tribute

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Recent Policy Actions

Next City Commission Meeting

The next City Commission meeting will be held on Monday, April 29 at 5 p.m. in City Hall, 401 Clematis Street. Commission meetings are held every other Monday, except for holidays, and the public is encouraged to attend.



City Commission Meeting | April 15, 2024

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MEETINGS & AGENDAS

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RECENT COMMISSION APPROVALS AND DECISIONS

Join Our Team, Apply Today!



The City is seeking candidates for several positions, including:

- Police Officer - Certified
- Utilities Maintenance Worker
- Sailing Summer Camp Counselor
- Fountain Guard - Recreation Specialist
- Mechanical Inspector
- Laboratory Technician I
- Digital Marketing Strategist
- Sanitation Operator
- Code Enforcement Officer
- Solid Waste Compliance Officer
- And, more!

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Your Hand



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-  **MAKE AN IMPACT**

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