



Town of Hilton Head Island TOWN MANAGER UPDATE

An Update from Town Manager Steve Riley 4/27/2020

Good afternoon Hilton Head Islanders,

Many of you want to know our next move as we continue dealing with the impact of the coronavirus on our lives and our economy. You've probably noticed an uptick in traffic as businesses have started to reopen. As we wait on direction from Governor Henry McMaster and our Town Council, please continue to support your and your family's health and the health of the overall community by staying home, wearing your masks, practicing social distancing and following other guidelines.

Meanwhile, Town Council will take up a number of matters at its special meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 28. The meeting will be hosted via teleconferencing and video, which will be live-streamed on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/TownofHiltonHeadIslandSC> and our website at <https://hiltonheadislandsc.gov>.

Among items on the agenda are:

- An update from Jeremy Clark, CEO of Hilton Head Regional Healthcare.
- An update from Bill Miles, President and CEO of the Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce.
- A staff update on recovery functions.
- A review and discussion of the latest COVID-19 data from the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC).
- Consideration of amendments to existing emergency closure of public beaches and park access.
- Amendments to existing emergency ordinance regulating parking and towing of vehicles.

You can review the full agenda at hiltonheadislandsc.gov and make comments through our [Open Town Hall](#) portal up to two hours before the meeting starts.

Business Licenses

The original deadline for business licenses renewals was April 30th. However, we extended the collections of business license fees, local tax, and local hospitality tax until June 20th.



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Community Development Block Grant

We invite the public to review the revised draft of the Town's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan required by HUD to receive CDBG Entitlement Program funding. Due to changes connected to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) and COVID-19, the original draft 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan was adjusted to include COVID-19 response and recovery. It is now available for review and comments on our website at hiltonheadislandsc.gov through Friday, May 1, 2020. Written comments are accepted via the website link, email (marcyb@hiltonheadislandsc.gov) or mail to Marcy Benson, Senior Grants Administrator, Town of Hilton Head Island Community Development Department, 1 Town Center Court, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928. Comments and responses will be posted on the Town of Hilton Head Island's website on Monday, May 4, 2020.

Community Heroes

Today, I'm giving a shout out to Island youth Ricky Klippel. He used money he raised from washing cars to buy breakfast for first responders and healthcare workers and to support community non-profit agencies like Deep Well. Ricky is among the many awesome Islanders who have helped our community weather this COVID-19 crisis. Check out their stories in the Community Heroes section of our COVID19 hub page at hiltonheadislandsc.gov/COVID19.

I also want to give a shout out to another group of workers – our delivery persons, from postal workers who make sure we continue to receive our mail to those bringing packages, food and newspapers to our offices and homes. I receive a lot of emails about the good things happening in our community and the people behind them. Today's email about the sacrifices our postal workers make really caught my attention. I agree with the sender who said "every day they are put in harm's way with this virus. With mail coming from all parts of the world they are probably at risk the most." Please remember to thank this special group of workers.

Community Blood Drives

The Island Rec Center will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, April 28th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 20 Wilborn Road. Call 1-800 RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) for an appointment. Town Hall will host One Blood on Friday, May 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 1 Town Center Court. To schedule an appointment, visit www.oneblood.org/donate-now and use sponsor code #34505.

Culture HHI Virtual Fun

Follow Culture HHI on Facebook to catch Crafty Hour. At 5 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday, local artists will lead you through live demonstrations in jewelry making, quilting, knitting, ceramics and more.



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Keeping Up With COVID-19

For the latest update on COVID-19 cases in South Carolina and in Beaufort County, visit [SCDHEC.gov](https://www.scdhec.gov).

Support A Charity

Support local charities so they can continue providing resources to those in need. They need our help.