Paper (not plastic) bags required for curbside yard waste pickup



Do not put yard waste in plastic bags or pelicans. All leaves, grass clippings. weeds and other loose vard waste must be placed in paper bags.

Leaves, clippings and other loose yard waste must be placed in paper bags for curbside pickup in the City of Myrtle Beach.

Horry County's Solid Waste Authority only accepts yard waste in paper bags so that it can be composted, which saves valuable space in the landfill.

Home stores carry paper bags just for this purpose. You can still put limbs by the curb, but leaves, clippings and other yard waste must be in paper bags.

Hang tags like these may appear on your rollout containers as a visual reminder of Myrtle Beach's rules and requirements for our residential solid waste and recycling service. Note also that all trash must fit inside the rollout cart, and the cart lid must close completely.



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The Jake Abraham **Transfer Station is** ready

Myrtle Beach has a new solid waste transfer station, and it's named for one of the city's longestserving staff members.

The Jake Abraham Transfer Station on Mr.

Joe White Avenue was completed in December at a cost of \$5 million. Dedication ceremonies will be held in early 2022.

Abraham served residents of Myrtle Beach as a solid waste collection operator from 1947 to 1986 and was well-known in the community. "Mr. Jake," as he was called, died in 2011 at age 91.

A transfer station allows solid waste and recycling to be transferred to larger trucks for transport to the Horry County Landfill and Materials Recycling Facility on SC 90.

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REPORT



New co-work space debuts in **Arts & Innovation District**

Ninth Avenue North in downtown Myrtle Beach has a new look as the Arts & Innovation District comes to life. The city renovated six storefronts that reflect the street's original character and preserve the history of the business district for new tenants.

One of those "new" buildings is the former A&P Grocery. It's been transformed into a co-work space where entrepreneurs and artists can share desks, conference rooms and synergy.

The HTC Aspire Hub is a partnership among HTC, the City of Myrtle Beach and eMYRge, a local nonprofit group. HTC Inc. provided \$250,000 in technology to outfit the center.

The goal is to create a co-working environment where technology companies, start-up businesses, artists and others can share office space, engaging and encouraging each other.

Le Manna Bakery, another new Arts & Innovation business, will occupy the former Myrtle Beach Bakery site at 507 Ninth Avenue North. Look for a soft opening of the bakery in March.

Pedestrian railings and **Boardwalk renovation** top list of 2022 projects

Myrtle Beach's Boardwalk is getting a facelift a dozen years after it was built, and sidewalks on Ocean Boulevard soon will have decorative pedestrian railings for safety. Those two projects are scheduled for 2022.

Boardwalk renovation will begin mid-winter and continue for several months, a section at a time. The original Southern yellow pine decking will be replaced with a recycled wood-look product for longer life and durability. The cost is \$3 million.

decorative hand rails for pedestrians will be installed from Seventh to12th Avenues North on Ocean Boulevard



Pedestrian railings like those shown above will be installed on both sides of Ocean Boulevard between Seventh and 12th Avenues North at a cost of roughly \$1 million. Fabrication of the rails begins in February, with on-site work expected to start in April and continue through June.

Ice rink and light show make Myrtle Beach a Winter Wonderland

Unseasonably warm weather in December may not have felt much like winter, but it's hard to argue

the point when you're ice skating on Ocean Boulevard at Ninth Avenue North. Couple an ice rink with a holiday light show, and you have Winter Wonderland at The Beach, a first-time experience designed to brighten the season.

The 50-by-70-foot skating rink featured real ice, kept cold by a 200-ton chiller. That was a neat trick just a block off the beach. The novelty of ice skating in Myrtle Beach was welcomed by many, especially transplants from colder climes who grew up skating outdoors in winter.

Winter Wonderland at The Beach was a team effort among the City of Myrtle Beach, the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, the Convention and Visitors Bureau and business sponsors. ...see Wonderland, page 2

















Digital speed limit signs give instant driver feedback on 79th



Attention, Myrtle Beach drivers! Digital speed limit signs on 79th Avenue North remind you how fast you're going – and if it's over the limit. The Public Works staff installed the signs in October at the neighborhood's request.

The signs provide instant driver feedback and help keep you at or below the posted speed limit. Solar panels provide the power.

Similar electronic speed limit signs are in use on Farrow Parkway, Coventry Boulevard and Pampas Drive in the Market Common area.

Wonderland brings winter cheer to Ocean Boulevard

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The new holiday-themed event featured both an ice skating rink and an extensive, walk-through light show. The activities occupied the Burroughs & Chapin Pavilion Place on Ocean Boulevard, between Eighth and Ninth Avenues North.

Myrtle Beach's Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism staff produced the event. In addition to the city and chamber, local businesses actively supported Winter Wonderland at The Beach.

Marketing and presenting sponsors included: the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce; Visit Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; Southwest Airlines; and Myrtle Beach International Airport.

Platinum sponsors included SkyWheel Myrtle Beach, Gay Dolphin Gift Cove, HARIBO, and Santee Cooper. HTC was a gold sponsor; silver sponsors included Ripley's Aquarium of Myrtle Beach and Ripley's Believe It or Not Museum.

Bronze event sponsors included Coastal Carolina National Bank, 44 & King Southern Pub, Sea Dip Ocean Front Resort and Magnolia Row.





City receives 25th Tree City USA award

During 2021 Arbor Day celebrations in December, the City of Myrtle Beach received its 25th consecutive Tree City USA award from the SC Forestry Commission and the Arbor Day Foundation.

The event was marked with the planting of a 15-foot-tall maple tree at Thunderbolt Park along Farrow Parkway. Eight Community Appearance Awards were presented for local landscaping and stormwater work.



2022 Myrtle Beach calendars available

Pick up a City of Myrtle Beach calendar for 2022 at one of several locations. As shown above, the new calendars feature city-related images of people, places and events.

The free, 12-by-18-inch city calendars are available at City Hall, City Services and Chapin Memorial Library, while supplies last.



Midway Park renovations wrapping up this winter

Myrtle Beach's Midway Memorial Park on Kings Highway at 19th Avenue South is coming back to life. The basketball, tennis and pickleball courts all have been resurfaced and relined, with new nets and netting.

Pickleball fans are happy now that they have 10 courts in one pod. Three tennis courts remain in the other pod, along with a new tennis backboard wall for practicing your ground strokes.

The old green fence which once surrounded the park has been replaced with a decorative black fence, pictured above.

The landscaping and sidewalks also have been improved and replaced.

New LED lights and poles have been added for better nighttime visibility. The basketball court is busy year-round with community play. In all, the Midway Memorial Park project cost \$427,000.



State law regulates use of golf carts on public streets

South Carolina regulates how golf carts may be used on public streets. A golf cart must be permitted and insured. A driver's license is required, and the cart cannot be driven at night or on primary streets, such as Kings Highway.

Golf carts only may be driven during daylight hours, up to four miles from the registered address and on secondary streets where the speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less.

Picking up after your pet is required by law

The City of Myrtle Beach requires pet owners to pick up after their pets and properly dispose of the waste whenever the pets are off of the owner's property.

Convenient dog waste bags are provided at most

city parks and public spaces. Waste pickup bags also are available at the two off-leash dog parks provided by the city.

Here are a few additional petrelated rules. From May 1 through Labor Day each year, dogs are allowed on the



beach only before 10:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m. At all times, they must be on a leash of seven feet or shorter, and you must pick up after them and properly dispose of the waste in a trash receptacle.

Violations of these rules are misdemeanors, subject to a fine of up to \$500 and/or 30 days in jail, upon conviction. Please be a responsible pet owner!

Quick ways to pay your monthly city utility bill

Need to make a utility payment in a hurry? See the Online Services page on the city's web site for the IVR Customer Portal. It allows for one-time payments without creating a user account.

Already have a user account or want to create one? Then use the Utility E-Services method. Or, call 844-571-2888 and use the free pay-by-phone feature, 24-hours a day.



We also offer drop-off boxes and a drive-through window at the City Services Building, 921 North Oak Street.

For convenience, you may choose paperless and automatic draft payment options. Visit the website, www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com, for information.

Would you like to serve?

To be considered for City Council appointment to one of Myrtle Beach's many volunteer boards, commissions and committees, just send a letter of interest and résumé to the City Clerk, PO Box 2468, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578; email it to jadkins@cityofmyrtlebeach.com; or bring it to City Hall, 937 Broadway Street.