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Citizens Wanted for Coastal Community Resiliency Monthly Engagements

City of New Smyrna Beach, FL (January 5, 2018) – On January 16, 2018 the City of New Smyrna Beach kicks-off a citizen-led engagement of Coastal Community Resiliency (CCR) monthly workshops. Issues specific to New Smyrna Beach’s unique position as a coastal community are scheduled for monthly discussions to foster a holistic and resilient community.

The City of New Smyrna Beach is the first municipality in Volusia County to establish a community-based year-long program through citizen involvement, workshops, and policy recommendations. The year-long endeavor will include:

- Public engagement in the development of priorities, policies, strategies and action steps for the City to improve planning and define new policies needed.
- Awareness and support of a resilient citizenry
- Assurance of public services in the future
- Support of a competitive, resilient and well-planned city
- Conversation about climate science
- Identification of adaptation strategies and grant opportunities

“We are striving for more than listening sessions with the community, these engagements will be timely, topical and citizen-driven,” said Pam Brangaccio, City Manager at the City of New Smyrna Beach. “The city is inviting all residents to participate in the future of their city, we want to hear from all points of view.”

The City Commission is very supportive of this unique forum of monthly engagements. Each session will have subject matter speakers followed by breakout working groups. Suggestions and priorities of each group will be documented for a CCR Action Plan.

January 16, 2018 is the kick-off session to introduce the Coastal Community Resiliency (CCR) program. The entire schedule and specific subjects are available here [Flyer](#).

The City of New Smyrna Beach is an eclectic Atlantic coastal community with seven miles of shoreline, artists' havens', thriving business and community development. The local population of 25,000 enjoy living where the Boston Herald stated, "It's a spot where history meets the arts, where amazing food choices meet breathtaking scenery, and where all kinds of fun can be found." The City employs over 200 people and is governed by the commissioner-manager form of government. For more information www.cityofnsb.com or call City Hall (386) 410-2600.



COASTAL COMMUNITY RESILIENCY



EACH SESSION WILL BE HOSTED AT THE
BRANNON CIVIC CENTER
105 S. RIVERSIDE DRIVE
NEW SMYRNA BEACH

SESSION TIME: 6PM - 8PM