MAYOR’S MESSAGE

Happy fall to everyone! With the fall season, comes the annual government budget process and I would like to thank the El Portal Village Manager, Chief Financial Officer, and Village Clerk for helping us prepare our 2016-2017 proposed budget. On September 27, 2016 the El Portal Council passed the 2016-2017 budget, which seeks to optimize funding for Public Safety, Public Works, sustaining Village Events without raising taxes! A copy of the approved budget can be found on the Village of El Portal’s website at: elportalvillage.com.

On October 14th, I had the pleasure of hosting a panel at the Miami-Dade County League of Cities Best Practices Conference on ”Disaster Preparedness & Response: Here, There & Everywhere! More information about the conference can be found at: http://www.mdclc.org

Our Permit and Construction Departments are going through an exciting transitional period. The Manager kindly requests that until further notice any inquiry for the aforementioned departments is directed to him at drosemond@villageofelportal.org Or just “For inquiries, please contact our Village Manager David A. Rosemond at: drosemond@villageofelportal.org.

Here are some 2016 highlights

• El Portal participated and won Tri-Village Kickball Tournament against Biscayne Park and Miami Shores
• Indian Mound was re-dedicated by the Biscayne Chapter-Daughter of the American Revolution
• Detective David Adlet received 2 separate awards; “2015 Officer of the Year Award” from Financial Institution Security Association and Discovery Bank
• Promote Civic Engagement – to achieve our current “Sense of Community”
• Tot Lot Water Fountain replaced
• Citizen’s Crime Watch reinvigorated
• Tree Board City Application Completed (will be announced November 15th)
• Appointed El Portal’s First Tree Board
• El Portal Hosted our first Arbor Day Celebration

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- Hosted our first Mother’s Day Brunch
- Mayor’s Task Force brought you: Annual Art Fair and Monthly Food Truck Night
- Assessed Property Values up again – this year 13%
- Voted to start Sewer Design for NE 2nd Avenue
- Using 2013 Charette to upgrade El Portal’s Code and Comprehensive Plan
- El Portal Hosted our Annual Three Village Social – “Bridging our Villages”
- Mayor’s Back Pack Giveaway on National Night Out – promoting Public Safety
- Delivered 2016 State of the Village Address with over 95 residents in attendance
- Honored to have been re-elected to the Board for the Florida League of Cities
- Elected to represent El Portal on the Executive Board for the Miami Dade County League of Cities
- El Portal received Home Rule Award
- Collectively worked with Administration and Council to successfully pass the 2016-2017 Village Budget
- Peacock Express on its 2nd year – El Portal’s quarterly newsletter delivered home to home to promote transparency, communication and community engagement.
- Founder, of the 2016 El Portal Women’s Club

Friends, neighbors – put on your seatbelt; the ideas, initiatives we have in store for 2017 and beyond are going to WOW you all! Sneak Peak:

- El Portal, Gateway to Florida – Museum? Historical Center?
- EP Conservatory Sub-Committee
- Redevelopment to the Sanctuary Property
- Nature trail
- PlayCty USA
- Reinvigorating Senior Program
- Public space improvement
- Village Wide Speed limit Reduction
- Libby Bowen Foundation

Just to name a few…

Lastly, if you haven’t yet, sign up for the Next Door APP on nextdoor.com or in the APP Store—it’s free! There are some great topics, community information, and service referrals

A shout out to our amazing residents, new Village Administration, Police Officers and elected officials for their participation this past 2014-2016 term!!

As always I can be reached at ccubillos@villageofelportal.org or 305 778-4199, you can also, follow me on Instagram @mayorcubillos and/or like my page on Facebook @mayorcubillos.

And remember: together we can and will make El Portal a beautiful Village – where everyone matters!

Mayor Cubillos
“Building a safer, stronger and more beautiful Village – one block at a time!”

Resident Spotlight

Each quarter a resident is highlighted and recognized - for the work they do for El Portal; one who volunteers and selflessly gives back to our beautiful community! This quarter it goes to, Barbara Fuechsl! Barbara is El Portal’s Tree Board Chair, a member of the 2016 Mayor’s Task Force, participant of the 2013 Charette and member of the former ALE. She is a consistent advocate and diligently works to sustain and preserve our quaint Village. Thank you Barbara, for your passion, for your commitment and for your love of El Portal!
Village of El Portal Crime Watch
TOWN HALL MEETING
WHEN: Wednesday, November 23 - 7 PM
WHERE: Village Hall - 500 NE 87th St
HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

We invite El Portal Residents to attend this Town Hall Meeting to hear how the Village, the County, and other organizations are working to help reduce crime. You will have the opportunity to:

- Hear an update of the El Portal Crime Statistics & Public Safety Efforts
- Ask any questions about crime & safety
- Learn more about how you can protect your family & help prevent crime
- Recommend actions & priorities for our Village Leaders

If you are unable to attend or prefer to submit a question / comment in advance, please email Sargent Hufnagel at rhufnagel@villageofelportal.org.

Village of El Portal:
City Manager - David Rosemond, Mayor - Claudia Cubillos
Police Chief - Eugene Morales, Sergeant Ronnie Hufnagel, El Portal Police Officers
Miami-Dade Citizen Crime Watch: Carmen Gonzalez Caldwell
Office of the State Attorney - Katherine Fernandez Rundle: Mariangelli Fernandez
Consumer Advocate - FL Dept. of Agriculture & Consumer Service (Office of Commissioner Adam Putnam): Ivonne Perez-Suarez
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BISCAYNE POINT! 1301 S Biscayne Point Rd. 3/2 min 6 month lease, $3500/month. RENTED!

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2016 State of the Village

El Portal’s State of the Village (text version) is still located on our Village Website: elportalvillage.com. If you haven’t yet, take a moment to read it; it lays the vision for your great Village as we move into 2017 and beyond! Thank you Chante Sweet, for being our Mistress of Ceremony again! And thank you to all members of our administration, police officers and our great residents of El Portal for being present and for your continued support!

Annual Summer Tri-Village Social

Strengthening our relationships with our neighboring Villages: Miami Shores, Biscayne Park and North Bay Village, at our Annual Tri-Village Summer Networking Mixer.
Last Bulk Waste Schedule pick up of 2016

• Service will be provided once each quarter, usually in the first week of the last quarter of each month. See schedule below for exact service days for your area this year.
• The Village will be divided into three zones, with each zone scheduled for a specific day of each quarter. Residents MUST have the bulk waste set out no later than 7:00 a.m. on their scheduled service day. It is strongly recommended that residents put the bulk waste out the evening before their scheduled service date.
• Zone 1 includes all homes west of North Miami Avenue. Zone 1 will be serviced on Tuesday of each quarterly service week.
• Zone 2 includes all homes east of North Miami Avenue from NE 88th St. to NE 90th St. Zone 2 will be serviced on Wednesday of each quarterly service week.
• Zone 3 includes all homes east of North Miami Avenue from NE 87th St. south to the southern end of Village limits (Little River). Zone 3 will be serviced on Thursday of each quarterly service week.

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The regular bulk collection schedule above is for approved bulky wastes that cannot fit within the carts. Acceptable bulky items include yard trash with pieces no larger than 6 feet, vegetative and wood matter that is part of normal yard maintenance, household furniture, and household trash. Please place appropriate bulk waste items away from trees, cars, and other objects in order to provide access by the crane trucks. Waste generated by contractors or subcontractors is NOT considered household trash, and should NOT be placed out for collection. Residents requiring special bulk waste collections (at times other than the regular schedule) should contact Village Hall BEFORE placing bulk waste out. Additional fees will apply for special bulk collections. Please visit www.elportalvillage.com

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MAYOR’S TASK FORCE
“Keeping up with El Portal!”

Looking forward to putting our boots on the ground as the Mayor’s Task Force (MTF) will hit the Village streets each Wednesday, one block at a time to identify minor projects/areas we can improve from a public safety and beautification perspective as “Keeping up with El Portal” will be MTF’s 2017 mantra!! Looking forward to working with: Daiana Rodriguez, Calixto Navarro, David Ward, Sgt Hufnagel, and David Rosemond on this task.

New event by Mayors Task Force: Saturday, December 10th from 10am-2pm “The Village’s Fresh Farmers Market” at the Antique and Design Mall on 8650 Biscayne Boulevard.
Welcome to Code Corner
This session of CC will focus on Permits and Roofing requirements. Driving throughout the Village I have noticed new residents and a number of renovations in progress. When doing any construction or any type of home renovations… permits and/or specific materials may be required.

- Sec. 5-22. - Permits; fee, exemption.
  (a) Permits shall be required and must be obtained for all construction, alterations or repairs in the village, the value of which exceeds $500.00.
  (b) Fees shall be paid for all permits in accordance with the fee schedule on file in the clerk’s office and made a part hereof as an Appendix to Chapter 5.
  (c) The village clerk shall at all times keep not less than one copy of the fee schedule in the office for public inspection.
  (d) Homeowners performing their own house- or roof-painting shall be exempt from the payment of any fee. Such exemption shall apply only to single-family homes. (Ord. No. 121, § 1, 5-9-67; Ord. No. 163, § 1, 9-9-80; Ord. No. 182, 10-30-86; Ord. No. 188, § 1, 2-10-87; Ord. No. 214, 7-13-93; Ord. No. 215, 8-10-93; Ord. No. 00-413, § 1, 5-1-2000; Ord. No. 03-418, § 3, 3-26-2003)

- Sec. 5-23. - Cement or clay roof tiles required; exception.
  (a) Roofs covering residences shall be construction of, added to and replaced by:
    (1) Clay tile, either flat or barrel-shaped.
    (2) White concrete tile.
    (3) Solid colored cement tile which is impregnated with the same color intensity throughout.
    (4) Flat metal roofs, of a single color, limited to copper, patented copper or a neutral color and to be maintained in good order, without rust or other deterioration.
  (b) Where there exists a roof construction of other materials that were permitted at the time of the original construction, additions to or replacements of the affected roof may be accomplished using such other materials. (Code 1965, § 5-7; Ord. No. 183, 10-30-86; Ord. No. 200, § 1, 5-8-90; Ord. No. 206, § 1, 5-14-91; Ord. No. 99-412, §§ 1, 2, 11-2-99; Ord. No. 2008-001, § 1, 3-25-2008)

How do Code Enforcement Officers enforce Municipal Code?
The Code Enforcement Officers either self-observe or receive complaints from the public or other. Upon observing a violation, the officer documents by visual observation, written report and/or photographic evidence. All observations must be conducted from the public right-of-way unless the officer is given consent by the property owner/tenant to enter the property or by an order from the court granting access to the property in question.

The property owner is notified of the violation via personal service, posting or mail and advised of the following:
- The nature of the violation
- How to correct the violation
- Timeframe to correct the violation
- The enforcement avenue which will be taken if the violation is not corrected

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