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100 YEARS
YOUNG.**

The Fort Pierce Police Department
salutes Clarence McDuffie



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SPECIAL BACK INSERT

2020 Quarterly Update - 3rd (July - September)
for the Fort Pierce Infrastructure Surtax
Citizen Oversight Committee

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POLICE SALUTE A FORT PIERCE CENTENARIAN



MIKE JACHLES, PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER

The Fort Pierce Police Department organized a patrol car parade for Clarence McDuffie, who turned 100 October 20. He has lived in Fort Pierce since October 8, 1950. Born in Georgia, he served in the Army in World War II and was in the Battle of Saipan. Mr. McDuffie has seven children, 17 grandchildren and somewhere around 35 great-grandchildren, some of whom were in the parade and stopped to wish him a Happy 100th. Not only did the event make the local news, it made the national news as well.





MORNING OF PRAYER STOPS AT FPPD

The Treasure Coast Ministerial Prayer Group took their weekly Tuesday morning hour of prayer on the road, with a stop at the Fort Pierce Police Department October 22. Over 13 clergy, representing ministries throughout St. Lucie County, participated in the hour-long service, led by Chaplain David Thompson from the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office. FPPD Chaplain Eldrew Baldwin was joined by fellow police chaplains from Port St. Lucie Police Department and auxiliary chaplains from the sheriff's office. The group also went to the sheriff's office, Port St. Lucie Police Department and Florida Highway Patrol for prayer services that morning.



POLICE MAKE RECORD HAULS IN OVER 150 KILOS... OF CANDY

The Fort Pierce Police Department is reporting a record haul of over 150 kilos - of candy - for the agency's Trunk-or-Treat Halloween event, scheduled for October 31. The 10,000-plus pieces of candy were (not really) confiscated during an investigation that led to a mystery donor. Police have identified the mystery donor as Howard Dunn, Jr. Dunn is no stranger to the Fort Pierce Police Department. Back in August, detectives identified Dunn as the culprit who legally parked a behemoth blue wrecker in front of police headquarters with signs that read, "We Back the Blue." Dunn, who owns Dunn's Tractor Service, recently created Dunn's Kids Foundation as a vehicle to benefit children in the community. "Not only does Howard Dunn continually support the men and women of the Fort Pierce Police Department, but now, through this gesture, he helped us make Halloween special for the children of our city," Police Chief Diane Hobley-Burney said.

PROPOSED PROJECTS

At the October 13, 2020 Planning Board meeting, the Board recommended for approval an annexation and two (2) Conditional Use Approvals.

PLANNING BOARD OCTOBER 13, 2020 MEETING

Annexation | Vacant Parcel located at 706 Midway Road

Conditional Use Approval | Single Family Home located at Parcel ID: 2412-501-0123-000-7

Conditional Use and Site Plan Approval | Savannah Ridge located at 3030 South US Highway



APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION | 706 MIDWAY ROAD | AERIAL MAP

The annexation request is for property located at 706 Midway Road that has a St. Lucie County Future Land Use designation of Residential High, 15 du/ac (RH) and a zoning designation of Commercial Neighborhood (CN). To ensure consistency with Policy 1.11.5 of the City’s Comprehensive Plan, the proposed Future Land Use designation is recommended at High Density Residential (RH) with a zoning classification of High Density Residential (R-5). The current taxable value of the property is \$775,100. Should the Application for Annexation be approved by the City Commission, it could create a new source of ad-valorem tax revenue annually to the City of Fort Pierce. Currently the property is vacant, and the applicants wish to fully develop the property for a mixed-use development in the future. In addition, the Planning Board recommended approval for a Conditional Use with New Construction and Design Review for a single-family home seaward of the Coastal

Construction Control Line (CCCL) and an increase in the height of the subject structure to 32.82 feet from FEMA Based Flood Elevation in accordance with City Code 125-157 (1)(c)(2). The subject property has a Future Land Use designation of Low Density Residential (RL) with a compatible zoning district designation of Single-Family Low Density Residential (R-1).

The home will have a total square footage of 3,221 square feet between the first floor and second floor. The proposed height of the structure is 32.82 feet above the FEMA Based Flood Elevation and 37.22 feet from existing grade. In the South Beach Overlay District, the height of a structure is not determined by measurement from existing grade, but rather from the FEMA Base Flood Elevation. Structures in the R-1 zoning district can be built up to 28 feet from the FEMA Based Flood Elevation without any special approvals.



Proposed Single Family Home

The architectural style of the home reflects an island design that blends with and complements the surrounding scenery. The proposed height of the structure will be under 35 feet to comply with City Code section 125-157 (1)(c)(2) that regulates height for single family homes zoned R-1 within the South Beach Overlay District. There are no architectural embellishments that project beyond the maximum allowable height of 35 feet. Lastly, the Planning Board recommended approval for a Conditional Use and Site Plan Approval for Savannah Ridge, a manufactured home park with 202 home sites designed by Brian Nolan, AICP, ASLA, of Lucido & Associates. The subject site was previously a manufactured/mobile home community known as Pleasure Cove and due to severe hurricane damage in the mid-2000's the site closed. The owners at that time chose not to rebuild. The Pleasure Cove development supported 209 home sites. The current request is a reduction of seven (7) home sites. The proposed project will consist of 202

home sites consisting of a mix of rental and owner-occupied units. The residents will have the option of locating their own home within the community or renting a home provided by the applicant, Yes Communities. The applicant will also be providing lease to own options for residents who are not ready to own. The existing clubhouse will undergo an extensive renovation, which will bring a pool, patio, outdoor kitchen, active play area, and a half-court basketball court as onsite amenities for the residences. Additionally, coordination between St. Lucie County and the applicant has been initiated to provide residents with direct pedestrian access to the nature trails within the Savannah Preserve. As such, an access easement has been provided on the site plan on the eastern side of the property. Also proposed is a continuous four (4)-foot sidewalk and a pond with a deck central to the community surrounded by a walking trail with a potential for a kayak launch.



Savannah Ridge Clubhouse Renovation Rendering

PAINT OUR TOWN PROGRAM

KAITLYN BALLARD, COMMUNITY RESOURCE SPECIALIST

The City of Fort Pierce's Paint Our Town Program is a collaborative effort with local businesses and area nonprofits to assist low-income Fort Pierce homeowners with minor exterior improvements of their homes. Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant funding provides the paint, materials, and supplies. Volunteers donate their time and talents. Households must be owner-occupied to qualify and must meet income guidelines. Elderly and special needs citizens are encouraged to apply. Businesses wishing to contribute to the Paint Our Town program can donate, or sell at reduced cost, paint, paint supplies, various building and landscaping materials and supplies.



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"We believe the Paint Our Town program will boost the City of Fort Pierce's efforts to increase civic pride by stopping the deterioration of properties and improving the overall appearance of our historic neighborhoods", explained Fort Pierce Mayor Linda Hudson.

Contact Kaitlyn Ballard,
Community Resource Specialist at 772.467.3161 or
email kballard@cityoffortpierce.com for more information.

CONSTRUCTION SPOTLIGHT

Citrus Avenue Bridge Repairs:

Revitalization efforts recently commenced on the Citrus Overpass Bridge. The 63-year-old bridge, constructed in 1957, was long overdue for repair and maintenance work and is one of the proposed projects funded from the Half-Cent Surtax.

Prior inspections of the bridge identified concrete spalling and degradation of miscellaneous structural components. Repairs were warranted to preserve the structural integrity of the bridge and prevent further deterioration which could result in more costly repairs. Commuters can expect bridge accessibility to be restricted to two-lanes, one westbound, and one eastbound during construction activities.

The total construction cost is \$1,062,928 and the project is funded with \$662,928 from the Half-Cent Surtax proceeds and \$400,000 from the City's General Fund. Anticipated construction completion is April 2021.



North 17th Street (Orange Ave to Ave D) Roadway Improvements:

The new drainage installation began on Monday, August 31st. Phase II (Canal Terrace to Avenue D) sewer installation began on Tuesday, September 15th and estimated complete on Tuesday, September 29th. The gas contractor has completed the new gas main installation from Orange Ave to Avenue D. Mastec began conduit installations on September 8th.

South 5th Street Roadway Improvements (Boston to Delaware):

Roadway improvements are proposed along S. 5th Street between Boston Avenue and Delaware Avenue. Improvements will include drainage conduit upsizing, resurfacing of the roadway, new curb and gutter, sidewalks, brick paver crosswalks, decorative street lighting, landscaping, and irrigation. FPUA will also be upgrading the potable water lines in this area. Design contract was awarded to Engineering Design & Construction Inc. and they have completed the 60% plans. 100% design plans are scheduled for completion October 2020 and an anticipated construction commencement in February 2021.



WHAT'S NEW?



RYAN HOMES:

Ryan Homes located at Neill Farms, 2700 Jenkins Road has started sitework in preparation of the construction of a new single-family housing community between McNeil Road and Jenkins Road just south of Okeechobee Road. The developer has also submitted the first permit applications for the homes to be used as models. Shown in the picture is a model of the future build.



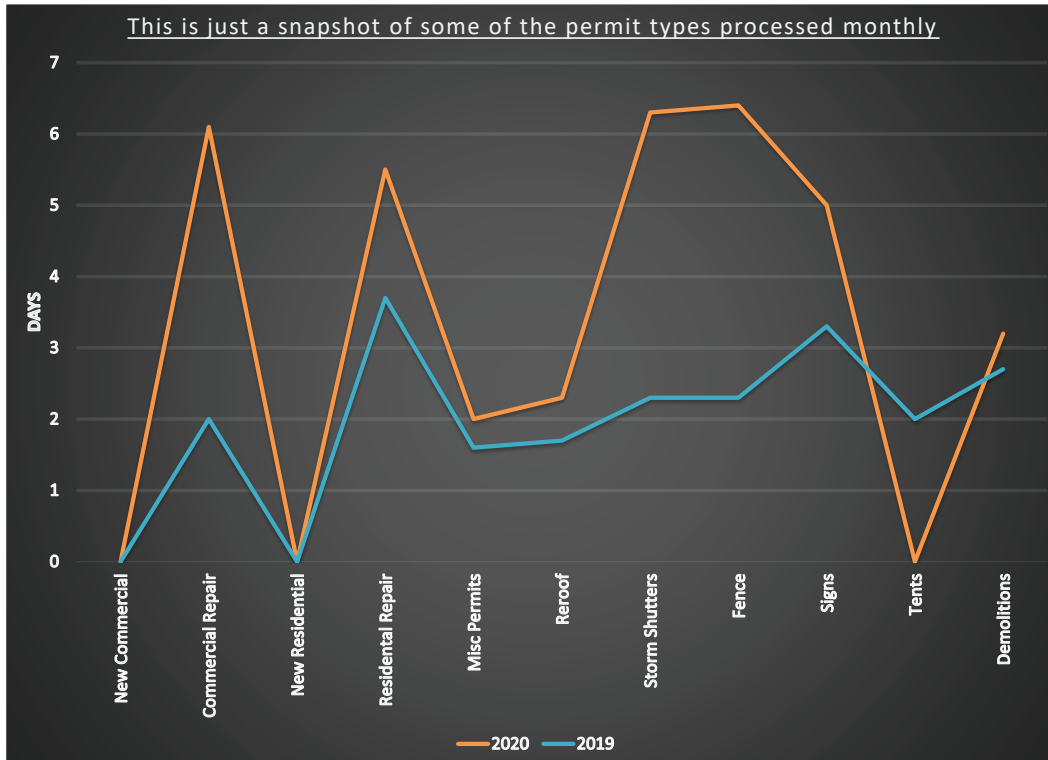
FLOOD FOR THOUGHT:

Raising the roof of a residential structure can be done for a variety of reasons. Whether the owner wants to change the exterior elevation, prefers higher ceiling heights, or if the structure is within a flood zone and the elevation of the finished floor must be raised to comply with flood requirements. For floodplain requirements, once the roof is raised the electrical outlets and other utilities can be raised and additional concrete may be poured to raise the finished floor elevation for code compliance.

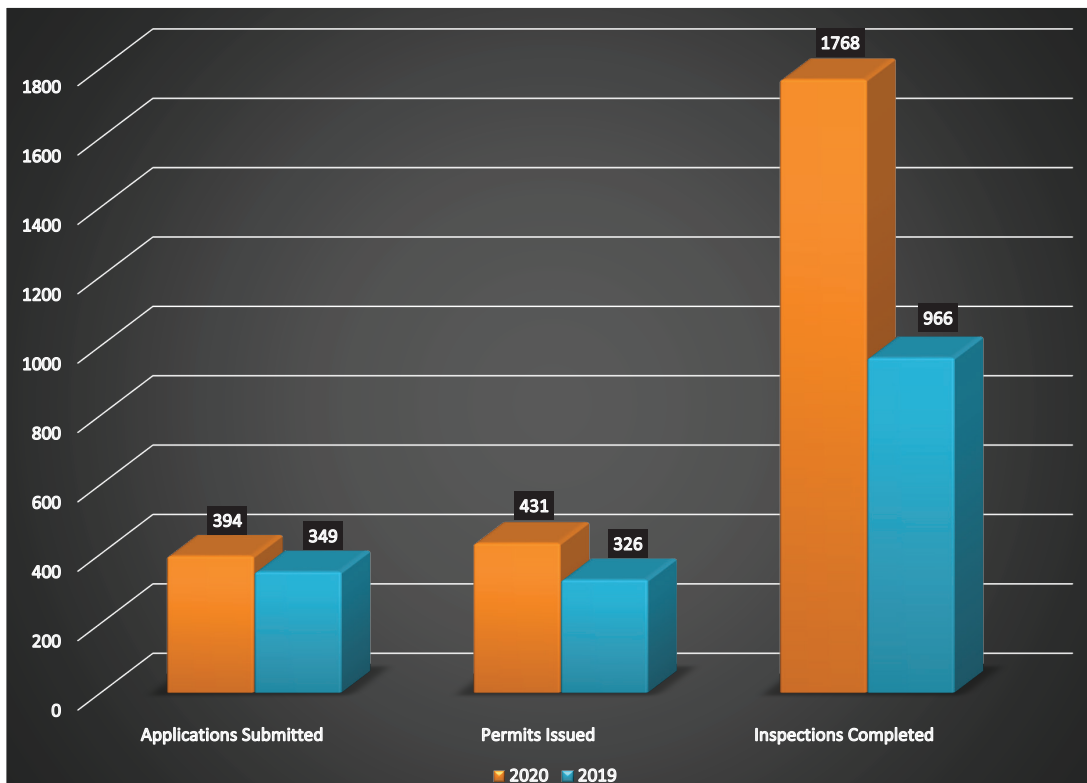
BUILDING CHARTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

PLAN REVIEW PROCESSING TIME

For permits with 0 days, either the review was not completed within the month, or there were no reviews for the entire month.



ACTIVITY REPORT



BUILDING DEPARTMENT FY 2020 SUMMARY

BUILDING PERMITS

CATEGORY	APPLICATION TYPE	FY 2020	
		NO.	VALUATION
ELECTRICAL	ELECTRIC MISCELLANEOUS	453	\$2,396,972
ELECTRICAL	GENERATOR INSTALLATION	30	\$481,293
ELECTRICAL	SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC	17	\$560,696
FIRE	FIRE ALARM	26	\$280,019
FIRE	FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM	10	\$278,513
FIRE	FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM	10	\$300,009
MECHANICAL	EXHAUST HOOD	9	\$101,760
MECHANICAL	MISCELLANEOUS GAS	62	\$143,740
MECHANICAL	REFRIGERATION-COOLERS	4	\$127,300
PLUMBING	FUEL PUMP & TANK SYSTEM	7	\$810,000
PLUMBING	IRRIGATION	55	\$163,740
PLUMBING	MISCELLANEOUS PLUMBING	390	\$891,150
PLUMBING	SOLAR WATER HEATER SWIMMING POOL	211	\$6,798
PLUMBING	SEWER	0	\$0
STRUCTURAL	ACCESSORY BUILDINGS	8	\$165,280
STRUCTURAL	AC	788	\$4,591,598
STRUCTURAL	AWNING	9	\$82,435
STRUCTURAL	BULKHEAD	4	\$127,800
STRUCTURAL	COMMERCIAL, ADDITION	1	\$1,700,000
STRUCTURAL	CARPORT ENCLOSURE	2	\$14,500
STRUCTURAL	COMMERCIAL	12	\$14,304,680
STRUCTURAL	CONCRETE PAD	22	\$510,480
STRUCTURAL	COMMERCIAL, REPAIRS & ALT NO CO	307	\$13,706,798
STRUCTURAL	CARPORT	7	\$41,969
STRUCTURAL	CANOPY	3	\$139,116
STRUCTURAL	STRUCTURES OTHER THAN BUILDINGS	27	\$739,595
STRUCTURAL	DOCK	10	\$264,866
STRUCTURAL	DEMOLITIONS	50	\$209,129
STRUCTURAL	DEMOLITIONS, INTERIOR	0	\$0
STRUCTURAL	RESIDENTIAL, DUPLEX	4	\$1,295,702
STRUCTURAL	DRIVEWAY	54	\$181,250

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STRUCTURAL	DRIVEWAY	54	\$181,250
STRUCTURAL	DEVELOPMENT PERMIT	6	\$38,200
STRUCTURAL	FOUNDATION ONLY	1	\$90,000
STRUCTURAL	FENCE	160	\$1,157,612
STRUCTURAL	FLOOD ZONE DEVELOPMENT	3	\$59,750
STRUCTURAL	DETACHED GARAGE	4	\$120,446
STRUCTURAL	INTERIOR COMPLETION	7	\$3,201,453
STRUCTURAL	CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY	0	\$0
STRUCTURAL	PAVING PARKING LOTS	23	\$802,781
STRUCTURAL	RESIDENTIAL, ADDITIONS	12	\$436,700
STRUCTURAL	REROOF	525	\$6,814,543
STRUCTURAL	REPLACE MOBILE HOME	39	\$2,515,000
STRUCTURAL	RESIDENTIAL, REPAIRS & ALT (NO CO)	345	\$2,981,628
STRUCTURAL	RESIDENTIAL, TOWNHOUSE	0	\$0
STRUCTURAL	SCREEN ENCLOSURE	38	\$292,378
STRUCTURAL	RESIDENTIAL, SINGLE FAMILY (DWELLING)	218	\$53,419,968
STRUCTURAL	SIGNS	183	\$653,315
STRUCTURAL	STORAGE SHED	59	\$180,440
STRUCTURAL	SITE WORK	19	\$8,440,887
STRUCTURAL	STORM SHUTTERS	160	\$630,935
STRUCTURAL	TENT	10	\$8,000
STRUCTURAL	TEMP. TRAILER	0	\$0
STRUCTURAL	VINYL SIDING SOFFIT	0	\$0
STRUCTURAL	WOOD DECK	2	\$3,500
TOTALS:		4210	\$126,940,009

*Renewed permits appear on this report and may inflate the value of the permit.

ANDY AVERY, PUBLIC WORKS INSPECTOR

Recently, the Public Works Department installed an outdoor fitness station at the corner of Indian River Drive and Seaway Drive. This location, and more specifically the bridge, has been used for years by exercise enthusiasts and people that just want to enjoy the beautiful scenery. With beautiful views and fresh air, exercising is fun and potentially more effective. In addition, the fitness station promotes friendships, improves health, is available to everyone in the community, and it is free of charge. Placed on a 35'X35' concrete slab, guests will find nine apparatuses, including double pull-up bars, twist/step machine, pushup/dip station, row machine, sit-up bench, chest press/lat pull down, cross skier, a combo station, and a fitness bike to boost their physical fitness.



Another exciting project that has been completed with the partnership of the Fort Pierce Utilities Authority, is the installation of four new electric vehicle charging stations. Situated on the third floor of the parking garage, guests have a dedicated bank of parking spaces to charge their eco-friendly vehicles. The popularity of EV vehicles is on the rise. The original charging station on the first floor of the garage went virtually unused for the first year, to the City receiving complaints for vehicles staying on the charger for most of the day almost overnight. EV owners were racing to be the first one in the garage to secure the spot. The FPUA made it possible to reduce the competition for the loan charger by purchasing the four new units. The original charger is scheduled to be relocated to the Manatee Center.



Every Wednesday | Green Market | Marina Square | 12pm - 6:30pm

Every Saturday | Jazz Market | Marina Square | 8am – 1pm

Every Saturday | Downtown Farmers Market | Marina Square | 8am – 12pm

12 / 20 | Tree of Life | Indian River Drive Gazebo | Treasure Coast Hospice | All Month of December

12/4 | Friday Fest | Marina Square 5pm – 9pm

12/5 | Saturday | Ave D & N. 8th | Lincoln Park Main Street | Flaming Knight Motorcycle Toy Drive 12pm – 8pm

12/12 | Saturday | Ave D & N. 8th & N. 9th Streets | Lincoln Park Main Street | Christmas on Moore’s Creek 10am – 1pm

RIVER WALK CENTER SALES REPORT SEPTEMBER 2020

CLASSES	\$359.03
PARK PERMITS	\$950.00
SPECIAL EVENTS	\$225.00
FACILITY	\$6598.10
TOTAL	\$8,132.13



DANIEL VISCONTI, IHGC MANAGER

Following a busy summer where we averaged almost 115 players per day between May1st and September 30th, we are excited for peak season as we are already having a great start to our fiscal year. With revenues up almost \$15,000 through the first three weeks of October versus last year, we hope that Mother Nature helps to provide a productive and prosperous 2020-2021!!

We will be soon advertising our annual “Turkey Shootout” held on Thanksgiving morning which is always extremely well attended and a LOT of fun! Please keep your eyes out for the registration for on our Facebook page, Instagram and at the club.

From a community standpoint, we are proud to have just hosted the High School Girls District Tournament a few weeks ago. With 30 players in attendance and teams coming from as far away as Fort Lauderdale and Dade, the golf course was in excellent condition in spite of all the recent rains of October.

We thank all of our members and guests for their support and we ask that you please “Like” and “Follow Us” on Facebook or Instagram to see almost daily updates on the golf course and our ongoing summer maintenance projects.

**INDIAN HILLS
SALES REPORT**

	8/2020	9/2020
GOLF ROUNDS	2444	3201
GOLF FEES	\$36,293.26	\$61,424.46
RANGE TOKENS	\$1,094.74	\$1,529.39
MEMBERSHIP PASS	\$1,223.69	\$2,243.69
FOOD & BEVERAGES	\$5,493.37	\$6,999.60
MERCHANDISE	\$3,815.36	\$4,853.85
TOTAL	\$47,920.42	\$77,050.99



CITY MARINA FINANCIAL REPORT

	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
Dockage Reservations	88	62	62
Monthly Dockage	\$126,371.48	\$127,941.97	\$132,770.55
Transient Dockage	\$33,080.41	\$29,181.04	\$21,139.18
Electricity	\$2,801.06	\$3,167.88	\$2,071.16
Retail	\$14,305.33	\$10,858.08	\$9,559.39
Gas Sales	\$42,988.03	\$31,949.07	\$26,423.88
Diesel Sales	\$36,314.09	\$23,153.45	\$18,095.04
TOTALS	\$255,860.40	\$226,251.49	\$210,059.20



Project Care COVID-19 Relief Fund

On October 22nd, the FPUA Board delayed disconnects until further review at their November 17th meeting. Late fees and penalty charges will be waived through December 31, 2020.

Funds are still available in the FPUA COVID-19 Relief Fund for residential customers. Please contact any of the following organizations if you have questions about financial assistance:

FPUA CUSTOMER SERVICE - 772-466-1600 ext. 3900
MUSTARD SEED - 772-465-6021
ALPI - 844-356-8138

Good Faith Payment program provides residential customers the option to make a payment equal to 25% of their bill (up to a maximum of \$100) and receive a modified payment plan. Commercial customers that make a payment equal to 25% of their bill will also receive a modified payment plan. Please contact Customer Service at 772-466-1600 ext. 3900 to discuss available opportunities

WELCOMING NEW BUSINESSES!

MAGUIRE, DIANE
MANCHEZ INC
MASSAGE BY MIKI LLC
ONANA'S DINER LLC
PERFORMANCE GRADING INC
PLANET FITNESS
PSYCHIC BOUTIQUE
SHEARWATER BOAT YARD
SIERRAS CONCRETE CURBING
STERLING AUCTION AND
REALTY

TACO DRIVE LLC
TEE'S BEAUTY TRAP
THE FLOWER SHOPPE LLC
THE LEONARD INSURANCE AGENCY
THE PINK DOOR SALON
TREASURE COAST CAR DOCTORS LLC
UNICO AIR CONDITIONING COMPANY
UNIQUE CARTEL EXTENSIONS LLC
VALDES, JULIO EDUARDO JR.
WCF NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY
WILLY'S AUTO SERVICE & TIRES
WOOD, TIFFANY



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