

# CITY OF DELRAY BEACH

# OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

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# **City Commission Information Letter**

July 21, 2023

# <u>Preparation Considerations to Support City Adaptability Index</u> Survey Administration

In response to interests offered by City Commission to participate in the City Adaptability Index survey as sponsored and supported by Columbia University, the Office of the City Manager recently hosted a meeting involving leadership from the Office of Sustainability and Resiliency, Development Services, and Public Works to discuss associated details, including an inventory overview of related efforts yielded by the City of Delray Beach to date.

As referenced in the attached electronic mail message from Sustainability and Resiliency Officer Kent Edwards, guidance to this effect involves a definition of scope, scale, and specific topics for inclusion in the survey instrument. Considerations to this effect include matters related to all eight focus areas, including economic growth, safety and security, diversity and inclusion, and efficiency and resilience involving municipal operations.

With resources from multifaceted consulting firm WGI being made available to support survey administration activities at no cost to the City of Delray Beach, arrangements are being made to provide a presentation to City Commission to suggest an approach to administer a resulting survey exercise accordingly. Such is being planned for the September 18th regular meeting.

# Service Analysis Concerning Freebee Operations

After several years of contractual engagement with the Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency, the current fiscal year now involves the City of Delray Beach financing and supporting Freebee downtown vicinity transportation service operations. Reviews relative to both ridership and compliant experiences are a function of applicable staff roles and responsibilities.

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As referenced in the attached electronic mail message from Director of Public Works Missie Barletto, Freebee has completed 44,330 rides during the previous twelve months, transporting 87,865 passengers to their destinations. The average driver rating for this service is 4.91 out of a maximum of 5 points, representing a very favorable sense of appreciation and support for this service.

Interestingly, nearly 50% of riders are between the ages of 21 and 34 years of age. The average time between requests for passenger pickup and respective arrival is 15.52 minutes. However, less than 10% of rides resulted in wait times of more than 30 minutes.

As far as complaints, the City of Delray Beach has experienced a total of five during the past few months, notably, unexpected ride cancellations. The City of Delray Beach maintains a record of all complaints reported, including individual summaries of resolutions accordingly.

# **Expiration of Town of Gulf Stream Water Service Agreement**

With the expiration of the most recent water service agreement with the Town of Gulf Stream having become effective last month, please be advised that the Department of Utilities is now being asked to outline a timeframe that will involve the City of Delray Beach no longer delivering potable water to Gulf Stream in the coming months.

As referenced in the attached letter and electronic mail message communications delivered to leadership of the Town of Gulf Stream, the City of Delray Beach has worked amicably to secure a sense of commitment and direction regarding Gulf Stream's interests in utility services accordingly. However, a brief discussion with Gulf Stream officials shortly prior to the agreement expiration revealed their plans to ultimately secure a water service agreement with another municipality.

Although the City of Delray Beach continues to remain uninformed relative to any new water service agreements that the Town of Gulf Stream may enjoy, the City of Delray Beach will soon need to make adjustments to infrastructure and water distribution functions in light of the precarious position that our organization is currently experiencing.

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Applicable updates for City Commission involvement will likewise be forthcoming as well.

# Collaboration Involving Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services for Delray Beach Public Schools

While Education and Workforce Coordinator Janai Bowens has been engaging with leadership of the School District of Palm Beach County relative to the continuation of needs for public school students in our community, she was able to connect with representatives of the Boca Raton and Delray Beach based organization Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services to help facilitate additional support.

As referenced in the attached electronic mail message from Ms. Bowens, outcomes to this effect will involve access to financial, family, and mental health services for students and families that may require assistance accordingly.

This update is pertinent for the City of Delray Beach because respective service operations and administration will be at both Atlantic High School and Carver Community Middle School.

# Calendar of Meetings, Activities, and Functions

Earlier this week, both Director of Utilities Hassan Hadjimiry and I met with recently appointed Palm Beach County Director of Public Health Jyothi Gunta to provide her with both an update and orientation relative to current progress being made by the City of Delray Beach to implement requirements of a consent order that was approved by both entities in November 2021.

This dialogue likewise yielded a very productive experience for each of us, involving details concerning backflow presentation installation and functioning activities, as well as other infrastructure improvements that will ultimately ensure

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long-term guidance for sustainably healthy water quality distribution functions and operations in our community and respective service area.

# Enclosures:

Electronic Mail Message from Kent Edwards – Follow-Up Concerning City Adaptability Index
Electronic Mail Message and Related Background Reports from Missie Barletto – FreeBee Delray Beach
June 16, 2023 Letter to Gulf Stream Town Manager Gregory L. Dunham – Water Service Agreement
July 5, 2023 Electronic Mail Message to Gulf Stream Town Manager Gregory L. Dunham – Water Service Agreement
Electronic Mail Message from Janai Bowens – Ruth and Norman Rales Jewish Family Services Collaboration
Calendar for Business Week of July 17, 2023

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# Terrence R. Moore

From: Edwards, Kent

**Sent:** Thursday, July 20, 2023 2:23 PM

To: Terrence R. Moore

Subject: City Adaptability Index Follow Up

Good afternoon Terrence, I am writing to give an update and next steps for the City Adaptability Index project.

I thought that the meeting on July 7 which you attended was a good kick off with WGI. Their explanation of the Index was consistent with the information we found online, and it's clear that a wide array of City programs and activities could provide input to the survey. The effort should incur no cost to the City, other than staff time, as WGI is developing the Index and it is a benefit to have municipalities participate in a pilot project. Though it is still in development, the format of the survey is straightforward, and it is organized around principles that are appropriate for assessing adaptability.

In the meeting I was assigned to be the liaison between WGI and City Departments, as such I reached out to some Departments, and WGI. I have a meeting set for July 25 with WGI where we will begin discussing the scope and scale of the initiative, along with potential programs or topical areas that could be assessed by the survey. In preparation for the meeting, I considered each of the 8 "Pillars" and listed some Departments whose responsibilities seem to match the Pillar. This is a work in progress, and represents some initial thoughts. It highlights though how broad the scale of the project could be.

Sustainability & Environment- OSAR, Public Works
Economic Growth- Assistant City Manager
Diversity & Inclusion- PIO, Human Resources, Others
Quality of Life- DDA, CRA, Neighborhood and Community Services
Health & Wellness- Neighborhood and Community Services, Parks & Recreation
Safety & Security- Police, Fire & Rescue, IT
Efficiency & Resilience- City Manager, All Departments
Mobility- Development Services

There are obvious benefits that could result from this project. I am also very mindful of the workload that City staff manage on a daily basis. It may be helpful to narrow the focus at least initially, to develop a clear understanding of how the survey should be completed, and the benefits to the City.

Sincerely, Kent



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EdwardsJ@MyDelrayBeach.com

# Terrence R. Moore

From: Barletto, Missie

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 19, 2023 4:51 PM

To: Terrence R. Moore

Subject: FreeBee

Attachments: FreebeeDelray.pdf; Complaint Log - 2023.docx

# Good evening, Terrence,

Please find attached a copy of the ridership report for FreeBee Delray for the first year of service with the City and a copy of the complaint log for the past three months.

Thanks!

Missie

# Missie Barletto | Public Works Director

≅ 561-243-7000 ext. 4104 | ≊ 239-707-2371 | ⊠ <u>barlettom@mydelraybeach.com</u> | 434 South Swinton Avenue, Delray Beach, Florida 33444



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# Delray Beach

# Zone Summary



 AVERAGE TIME
 Ride request to selected
 0.56m
 Ride request to pickup
 15.52m

 RIDES BY WAITING TIMES
 0-10
 10-15
 15-20
 20-30
 30+

 Min
 18478
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39,610

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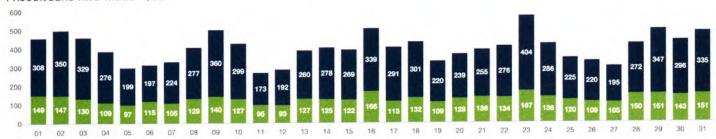
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#### PASSENGERS AND RIDES BY WEEK (YTD)



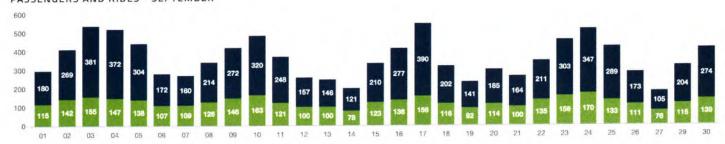
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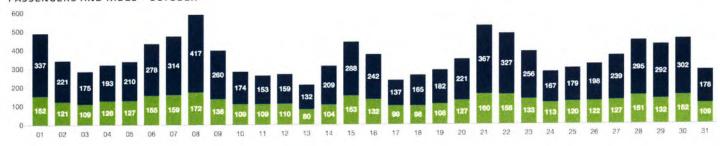
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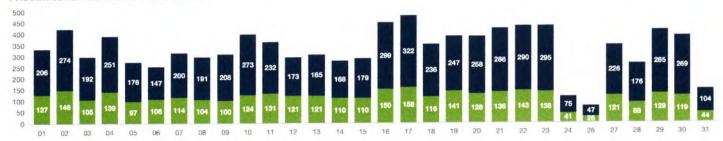
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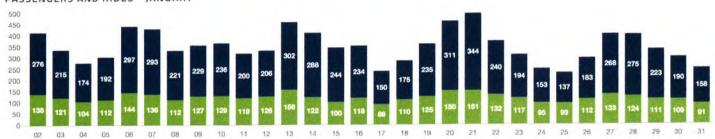
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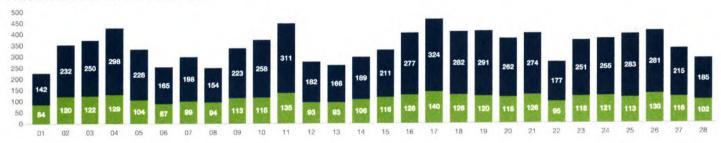
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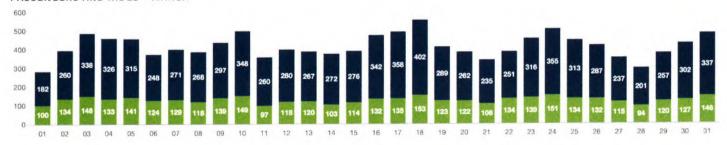
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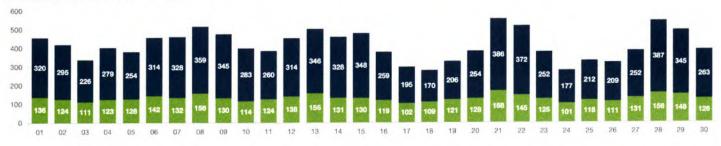
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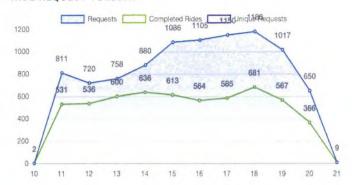
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## RIDE REQUEST MONDAY



#### RIDE REQUEST TUESDAY



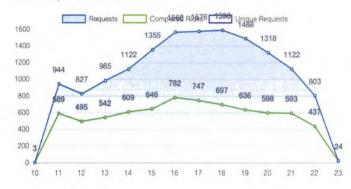
#### RIDE REQUEST WEDNESDAY



#### RIDE REQUEST THURSDAY



## RIDE REQUEST FRIDAY



RIDE REQUEST SATURDAY



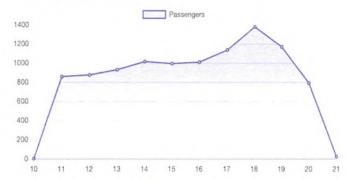
# RIDE REQUEST SUNDAY



## TOTAL PASSENGERS MONDAY



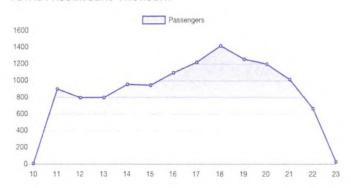
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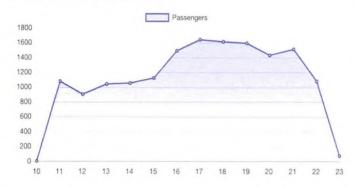
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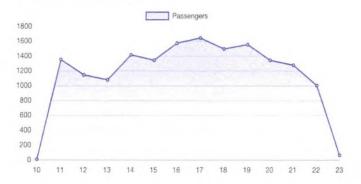
## TOTAL PASSENGERS THURSDAY



# TOTAL PASSENGERS FRIDAY



TOTAL PASSENGERS SATURDAY



#### TOTAL PASSENGERS SUNDAY



# Freebee Complaint Log - 2023

DATE	MANNER OF RECEIPT	COMPLAINANT	COMPLAINT	FREEBEE NOTIFIED	OUTCOME
4/7/2023	Email	Arrington Davis, 561-706-3989, arringtondavis4@gmail.com	From email: "Good afternoon My Name is Arrington Davis I am a resident of Delray Beach and a Tax payer my Family owns our home. I am contacting you because I felt discriminated against while about to get into a Freebee ride in Delray Beach outside my house on Nw 10th ave. While I was standing outside my house the driver approached my yard and I was about to cancel the ride before he pulls up and I politely tell him sir I'm going to cancel the ride. And then he's says I hate when you people call for a ride and cancel you know we block you if you do that and then Drives off abruptly I cancel the ride. Furthermore I then I found out my street was no longer a route to pick up which was insane. I felt like that was discrimination and unfair, because my intent was not to disrespect or disturb the Ride System an emergency happened and I was no longer needing the service. The Drivers Name was Paul. He was very rude and nasty to me while I gave nothing but respect to him. Please contact me as soon as possible I	Y	The complainant was notified that the matter was being addressed by Freebee.  Freebee Managing Partner, Jason Spiegel, advised via email: "although he (the driver) was definitely frustrated with the cancellation, he stated that he never said anything of the sort regarding blocking the passenger from requesting again. This driver has been spoken to regarding the alleged incident and was provided coaching on how to handle the situation better in the future without being frustrated." Additionally, it was confirmed that the rider (Mr Davis) was not blocked from the app.

			don't want this to happen to anyone else."		
5/25/23	Email	Reynol Garcia, 561-702-3501, garciareynol29@icloud.com	From email: "Hi my name is reynol Garcia I get on Freebee all the time to work but it's starting to be income for the us who have to work cause the drivers complain a lot about picking us up I just got picked up today and was told that it's to much getting us and that it's a problem this has happen to me to many times I am fed up"  Upon callback, complainant further advised that the drivers seem frustrated about taking the caller to/from work because they would rather take riders who give tips.	Y	The complainant was notified that the matter was being addressed by Freebee.  Freebee Managing Partner was notified and advised that they spoke with the driver. The driver advised that he did not mention to the complainant that there was an issue with picking him up.  Freebee advised that the complainant has app history for canceling rides however if there are issues with operations or riders, staff should report it to management and not the rider directly.
5/28/2023	Voicemail	561-789-9285	Summary: complaint that the service was not working well because after the ride had not been confirmed after 15-minutes, the rider called the 800-number for an update and was advised wait times were currently 1-1.5 hours.	Y	Freebee Managing Partner confirmed that because of the holiday (Memorial Day was the following day), it was not unusual for wait times to be so high.
7/15/2023	Voicemail	Reynol Garcia, 561-702-3501	Summary: complainant claims he and his coworker requested rides at the same time. When the driver arrived, the complainant's ride was cancelled because there was only one seat available and this seat was given to the complainant's coworker. The complainant claims the driver	Y	The complainant was notified that the matter was being addressed by Freebee.  Freebee Managing Partner advised that since this is a repeat complaint, the Customer Service Coordinator will reach out to the

			mentioned preference for riders who give tips.	complainant directly then investigate the incident with the driver before reporting back.
7/17/2023	Email	Victor Malvarez, vicmal60@gmail.com	From email that was sent to DDA then forwarded: "You really need to find drivers who don't drop rides. For the past week I've had drivers over and over again either drop the ride or not show up AT. ALL.  This does not look good for a city that has so much to offer the community."	The complaint was emailed and asked to contact me for more information.



# CITY OF DELRAY BEACH

# OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER





June 16, 2023

Mr. Gregory L. Dunham, Manager Town of Gulf Stream 100 Sea Road Gulf Stream, FL 33483

Re: Water Service Agreement Between City of Delray Beach and Town of Gulf Stream

Dear Mr. Dunham:

I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. I am writing to bring to your attention an important matter concerning the Water Service Agreement between the City of Delray Beach ("City") and Town of Gulf Stream ("Town").

During our meeting June 8, 2023, we reminded both you and Mr. Nazzaro that the current Water Service Agreement between the City and the Town is set to expire on June 17, 2023. Furthermore, you informed us that the Town is currently considering a new Water Service Agreement with the City of Boynton Beach.

Recognizing the urgency and complexity involved in negotiating a new agreement, I would offer a three (3) month temporary extension of the current Water Service Agreement. This temporary extension would allow for a continuation of water service to the Town's residents while the necessary discussions and negotiations take place between the Town and the City of Boynton Beach.

I am requesting that you review this matter with utmost urgency and initiate the necessary steps to secure a temporary extension of the current Water Service Agreement by July 1, 2023. Arrangements to this effect will therefore enable my office and that of Director of Utilities Hassan Hadjimiry, the ability to formally offer a recommendation as outlined to the Delray Beach City Commission via its July 11, 2023 regular meeting. This extension would likewise provide the Town and its residents and stakeholders with reassurance that their basic water needs will be met until a new long-term agreement is achieved via external partnerships your office deems appropriate.

Water Service Agreement Between City of Delray Beach and Town of Gulf Stream June 16, 2023
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Thank you for your attention regarding this matter. I trust in your leadership and commitment to serving the residents and stakeholders of Gulf Stream. Should you require any further information or assistance regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to a positive resolution accordingly.

Sincerely,

Terrence R. Moore, ICMA-CM

City Manager

cc: Lynn Gelin, City Attorney

Hassan Hadjimiry, P.E., Utilities Director

Trey Nazzaro, Gulf Stream Assistant Town Attorney

Honorable Delray Beach Mayor and City Commission

# Catalano, Marie

From: Catalano, Marie on behalf of Terrence R. Moore

Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 10:47 AM

To: gdunham@gulf-stream.org

Cc: Trey Nazzaro; Gelin, Lynn; Hadjimiry, Hassan; Catalano, Marie

Subject: Water Service Agreement between the City of Delray Beach and the Town of Gulf

Stream

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

## Good Morning Mr. Dunham:

I am writing to express our deep concern and disappointment regarding the lack of response to our previous letter dated June 16, 2023. In that letter, we duly recorded the expiration of the water agreement (June 17, 2023), which, as of the current date, remains unresolved.

The expired water agreement poses serious implications to the Town of Gulf Stream community, impacting your ability to access a vital resource for your residents and stakeholders. As responsible stewards of the public interest, we expect the Town of Gulf Stream to fulfill its obligations and address this matter with urgency.

We kindly request your immediate response to provide clarity on the status of the water agreement and the Town of Gulf Stream's plans moving forward.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this pressing issue. We trust that you will take the necessary steps to rectify the situation and ensure the continued provision of water services to your community.

Terrence R. Moore, ICMA-CM City Manager Delray Beach, Florida

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# Terrence R. Moore

From: Bowens, Janai

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 19, 2023 3:07 PM

To: Terrence R. Moore Catalano, Marie

Subject: City Commission Information Letter

To: Mr. Terrence Moore, ICMA-CM, City Manager

From: Janai Bowens, MBA M.Ed, Education and Workforce Coordinator

Date: Wednesday, July 19th, 2023

Subject: Ruth and Norman Rales Jewish Family Services Collaboration

We are excited to collaborate with the Ruth and Norman Rales Jewish Family Services (JFS) to provide the Delray Beach community with access to wrap-around services that support healthy and productive families of all ages and beliefs. School leaders, families and students in Delray Beach have expressed the need for accessible mental health and family-centered services. Ruth and Norman Rales Jewish Family Services (JFS) has committed to establishing a presence at Atlantic High School and Carver Community Middle School to provide opportunities for families in Delray Beach to receive a range of services based on needs and eligibility. Students and families will have access to resources that help with food and financial assistance, counseling and mental health services, career and employment services and family services.

Currently, JFS has an established presence in Delay Beach through the Shirley and Barton Weisman Delray Community Center and mental health clinicians at the Milagros Center. They are excited about expanding their presence to Delray Beach families through a collaboration with the City of Delray Beach and Delray Beach Public Schools. We look forward to sustaining this collaborative partnership to meet the needs of the students and families that we serve.

Janai Bowens, MBA M.Ed Education and Workforce Coordinator City of Delray Beach 100 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Delray Beach, Florida 33444 561-243-7231 – office bowensj@mydelraybeach.com



# July 17, 2023 -July 23, 2023

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Monday, July 17	Tuesday, July 18		
☐ ← Chief Tomey/Conference in Naples →	☐ ← Chief Tomey/Conference in Naples →		
12:00am D. D'Andrea - Out	☐ ← D. D'Andrea - Out →		
7:30am - 8:30am Begin CIL (CM Office ) ↔	9:00am - 10:00am Compile Information Letter Report - Town of		
8:30am - 8:40am New employee orientation (First Floor Conference Room) - Bast, Dot ↔	Gulf Stream Water Service Agreement (CM Office) - Terrence R. Moore		
9:00am - 9:30am Direction Concerning Annual Report from the Office of the City Manager (CM Office) - Terrence R. Moore	■ 10:00am - 10:30am Biweekly Meeting Gina Carter (CM Office) - Terrence R. Moore ↔		
□ 10:00am - 11:00am Mayor mtg w/CM Moore Re: Agenda & Updates (City Manager's Office) - Rangel, Delores ↔	11:00am - 11:30am DJAHA Conference Call (CM Office) 1:30pm - 2:30pm Compile Information Letter Report - Preparation		
11:30am - 12:00pm State of Florida Building Permits And Implementation Utilizing Reporting Requirements (CM Conference)	Considerations to Support City Adaptability Index Survey  3:00pm - 8:00pm July 18th Commission Meetings - Viewing of		
2:30pm - 2:00pm Various (Various)	Presentations (Microsoft Teams Meeting) - Harris, Patrice		
3:00pm - 4:00pm Cross Connection Control Program (800 Clematis St. Suite 1151, WPB) - Terrence R. Moore	3:00pm - 4:00pm Workshop Meeting - Terrence R. Moore 4:00pm - 7:00pm Regular Commission Meeting (Commission Chambers)		
Wednesday, July 19	Thursday, July 20		
☐ ← 12:00am Chief Tomey/Conference in Naples	☐ ← D. D'Andrea - Out		
☐ ← D. D'Andrea - Out	10:00am - 12:00pm SAVE THE DATE- QUARTERLY SERVICE		
H. Dunkley - Out	AWARDS-July 20, 2023 -10:00AMwa (Commission Chambers) - King,		
7:30am - 8:30am Kiwanis Club of Delray (Delray Beach Golf Club (2200 Highland Ave, Delray Beach, FL 33445)) ↔	10:00am - 10:30am Sammie Walthour - Bi-weekly Meeting with ACM Jeff Oris (City Manager's Offce) - Walthour, Sammie ○		
7:45am - 8:15am Biometric Screening (Community Center 50 NW 1st Avenue)	11:30am - 12:00pm JANAI BOWENS - BI-WEEKLY MEETING (CM OFFICE) - Oris, Jeff ↔		
8:30am - 9:00am Sam Metott Bi-Weekly Meeting (Office of the City 9:30am - 10:30am Compile Information Letter Report	12:30pm - 1:30pm ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MGR. INTERVIEW (CMO CONFERENCE ROOM)		
10:30am - 11:30am Meeting w/ Procurement Consultant (First 12:15pm - 12:45pm Guidepoint Local Governments/County	2:00pm - 2:30pm Katerri Johnson Bi-Weekly Meeting (Office of the City Manager) - Vega, Brenda ↔		
2:00pm - 2:30pm Jay Stacy Bi-Weekly Meeting (City Manager	3:00pm - 4:30pm Various (Various ) ↔		
3:00pm - 4:00pm Compile Information Letter Report - Operational	3:30pm - 4:30pm Monthly Meeting with Renee Jadusingh (CM		
4:00pm - 4:30pm Cancel: Chief Tomey Bi-Weekly Meeting (City	4:00pm - 5:00pm Follow-Up Direction Concerning Yvonne Odom 5:30pm - 6:30pm Compile and Deliver (CM Office ) - Terrence R.		
Friday, July 21	Saturday, July 22		
12:00am D. D'Andrea - Out	■10:00am - 11:00am Delray Beach Tennis Center (Hard Court #1) ↔		
7:30am - 9:00am Finalize CIL (CM Office ) ↔	11:00am - 1:00pm Various, CIL Notes, etc. (CM Office ) ↔		
9:00am - 10:00am Comm. Boylston mtg w/CM Moore Re: Bi-Weekly Updates (City Manager's Office) - Rangel, Delores ↔			
10:00am - 11:00am Retirement Ceremony - Battalion Chief (Ols School Square Fieldhouse - 50 N. Swinton Ave)			
11:00am - 12:00pm Follow-Up Regarding Palm Trail Neighborhood Plan (CM Office) - Terrence R. Moore	Sunday July 22		
12:00pm - 2:00pm Various (Various)	Sunday, July 23		
3:00pm - 4:00pm Guidance and Support to Augment Citywide Weed and Vegetation Maintenance (CM Office) - Terrence R. Moore			