



# Bay Harbor Islands

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## A Message from the Mayor

### New Budget Approved, Busy Year Ahead

The 2014-15 Fiscal Year is underway and the Bay Harbor Islands Council has approved a new budget and is looking forward to a year full of activity and the completion of long-awaited projects. Below is just a sample of the recent and on-going progress within your Town:

- In this year's Town Budget, the millage rate has declined from last year's 5.25 to 4.9. Water and sewer rates will increase 2% due to increases in the rates charged by Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer. Of particular note in this year's general fund budget is \$1.5 million earmarked for construction of the Community Center.

- The Broad Causeway toll system is now totally automated and drivers should be converted to the state-wide SunPass. In the coming months, the previously used toll booths, building and parking lots will be removed.

- Construction is moving forward on the East Island's 98th Street Park. With the engineering and preparation work complete, the walls for the bathrooms and picnic structures are going up. We anticipate that the Town's newest park will be completed in November 2014.

- In partnership with Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center and the Police Athletic League, the Town has successfully launched an after school program that includes a wide variety of sports and other activities to serve the youth of our community. The after-school program comes on the heels of a successful eight-week summer program.

- In the coming year we will also begin work on our Community Center, to be located in the ground floor of our municipal parking garage and across the street from the school. You will hear more details as we move forward with this exciting project.

- October is traditionally when we kick-off seasonal events such as our outdoor movie, Story Time at the Park and Seniors on the Go. This year, we are also hosting a special October 31 Halloween event along with the Kane Concourse business district. Watch for costumed children and adults trick or treating and businesses promoting their services and products.

Take care and enjoy the fall!



*-Bob*

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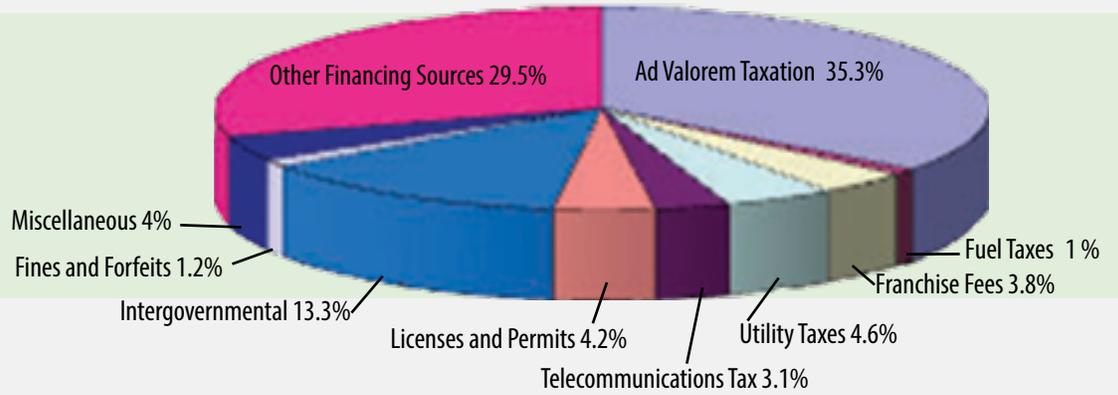
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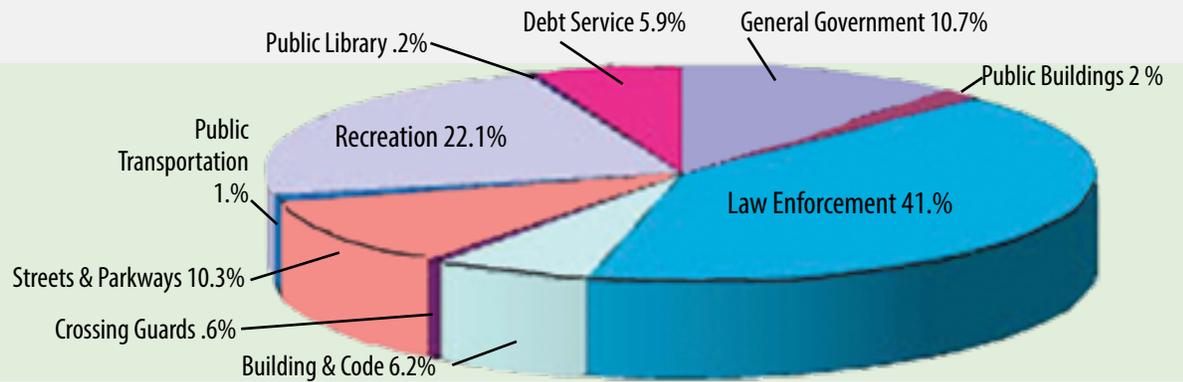
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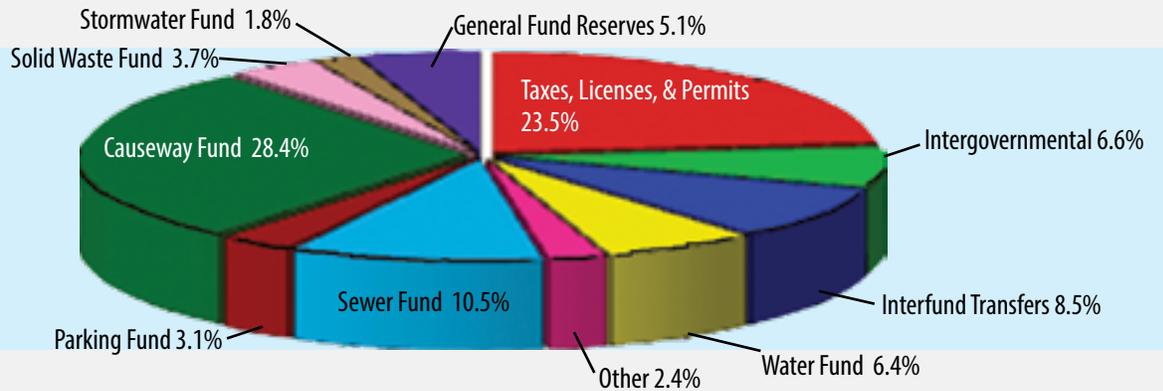
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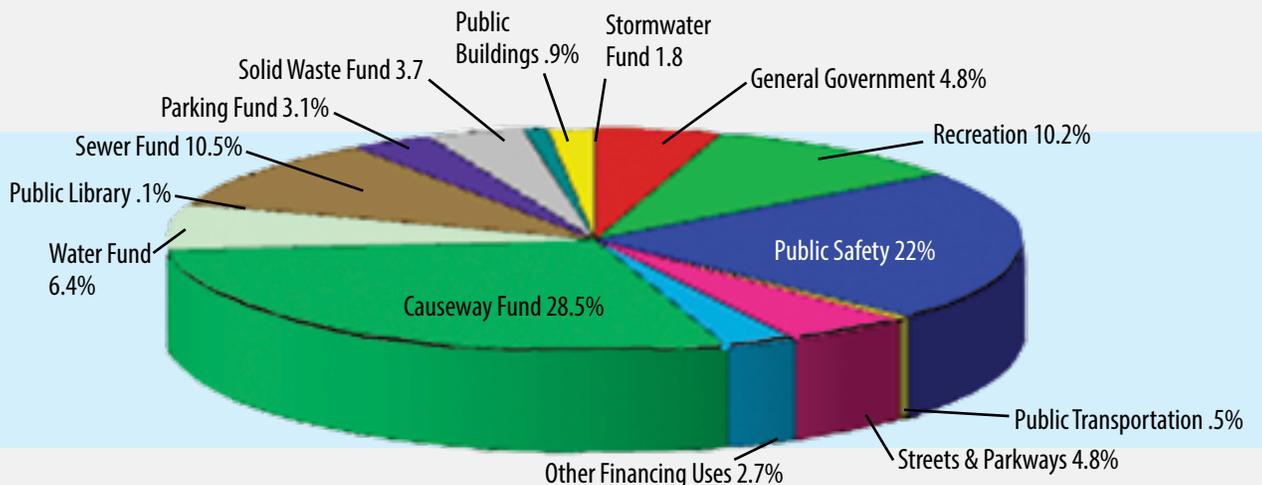
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## First Annual BHI Halloween Parade & Trick or Treat Event

The Town and the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce, along with the BHI Business District, will be hosting the 1st Halloween Parade and Trick or Treat Event on Friday, October 31. The parade will start at the school at 3:45 and go down Kane Concourse, ending at the west end of Town where the Miami Beach Chamber will provide rides and candy. There will be awards for the best children's costumes. Students will also be decorating the store fronts. At 5:30, trick or treaters are encouraged to visit the Kane Concourse business. Children who wish to march in the parade must be accompanied by a parent. All are welcome. For more information, call (305) 866-6241.



## Joining Ice Bucket Challenge



With buckets in hand, Bay Harbor Islands elected officials joined Miami-Dade County Commissioner Sally Heyman and dozens of other officials and representatives to

participate in the "ALS Ice Bucket Challenge" to raise funds and awareness for Lou Gehrig's disease. The event was held at the Miami-Dade Police Intracoastal Station. (L-R) Vice Mayor Jordan W. Leonard, Mayor Robert Yaffe, Council member Josh Fuller, Sally Heyman and Council member Kelly Reid.

## OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

"Nightmare Before Christmas" on Oct. 18



Join your neighbors and friends at the first outdoor film of the season on Saturday, Oct. 18 at the vacant lot at 1177 Kane Concourse. The movie will be Tim Burton's animated *The Nightmare Before Christmas*. Remember to bring your blanket or chair for a fun evening under the stars.

Admission and parking is free and children must be accompanied by an adult. *Plan now to attend!* For more information, contact Town Hall at (305) 866-6241 or visit the Town website: [www.bayharborislands.org](http://www.bayharborislands.org).

## Storytime at the Park

Returns on Friday, Oct. 3rd at 4 p.m. at the Bay Harbor Islands Tot Lot, featuring *Stories and Magic with Miss Linda and Merlina*

## Free Basketball Clinic/Try-Out

A free basketball clinic and try-out will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 15 at 3:30 p.m. at Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 basketball courts. The try-out is for for next year's PAL Basketball Program. For more information, please contact 305-866-6241



## BHI Celebrates \$1 Million State Grant for Bridge Work



Florida Senator Rene Garcia and representatives from the Office of State Representative Jeanette Nunez were on hand at the October Council meeting to present a \$1 million state grant to Bay Harbor Islands for repairs and refurbishment of the Broad Causeway draw bridge. Above (L-R) are BHI Lobbyist David Caserta, Assistant Town Manager JC Jimenez, Town Manager Ron Wasson, Council member Solange Rousselot, Florida Sen. Rene Garcia, Council member Kelly Reid, Mayor Robert Yaffe, Council Member Stephanie Bruder, Vice Mayor Jordan W. Leonard, Council member Isaac Salver, Council member Josh Fuller and Alex Alamo from Rep. Nunez's office.

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## Upcoming Meetings

The Town Council welcomes your attendance at meetings. Regular Council meetings are scheduled for the second Monday of the month at 7 pm and the regular scheduled Planning & Zoning Board meetings are scheduled for the first and third Tuesday at 6 pm. To confirm all dates and times, contact the Town Clerk's Office at 305-866-6241. All meetings, unless regarding topics specifically exempt by state law, are open to the public.

- Planning & Zoning Board – Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 6 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting – Monday, Oct. 13, at 7 p.m.
- Planning & Zoning Board – Tuesday, Oct. 21, at 6 p.m.

The following future meeting dates are tentative and subject to change. Please check the Town's website, [www.bayharborislands.org](http://www.bayharborislands.org).

- Regular Council Meetings: November 10, December 8, 2014
- Planning & Zoning Board Meetings: November 4 & 18 and December 2 & 16, 2014

**Committee meeting dates and times to be announced**

**ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

## Highlights from Sept. 8 Council Meeting

- Approval of a Resolution setting forth the membership requirements of the Charter Review Committee.
- Approval of a Resolution establishing standard procedures for the establishment and operation of advisory committees.
- Approval of Resolution updating and adopting new values for Town-owned TDR units.
- Approval of a project fund agreement requested by FDOT in regards to a State grant that will be used to partially finance rehabilitation of Town owned bridges.

## Discussion Items for Oct. 13 Council Meeting

***At the time of printing, the topics listed below are anticipated for discussion or possible action. All items are subject to change.***

- Approval of an Ordinance on second reading amending the Town Code Section 23-11(C)(16)(f)(4) to require monthly pressure washing of the sidewalks as part of the monthly maintenance required for sidewalk cafes.
- Approval of an Ordinance on second reading amending Section 18-23 of the Town Code to require property owners to install infrastructure necessary to connect to underground installation of utilities in the event that during construction, a utility provider is unwilling to underground overhead wiring.
- Approval of an Ordinance on second reading amending Section 20-9 of the Town Code increasing the monthly base and flow charges for sewer service.
- Approval of an Ordinance on second reading amending Section 20-5 and 20-6 of the Town Code increasing the monthly base and flow charges for water service.
- Approval of a Resolution urging the Miami-Dade County Commission to amend the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance to require consent of the property owner prior to historic designation and providing the Board of County Commissioners with jurisdiction over appeals filed by the Historical Preservation Board in the event that the property owner refuses consent.