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2018 ELSS OPT-OUT STONEWALLED WEEKS 3,4,5 & SINE DIE

By Eric Berkowitz

January 28 – Mid-March Update

**Across the state, high-rise association homeowners are fearful of a \$multi-million assessment to fund retrofitting a fire sprinkler system that they legally opted-out of seven years earlier. By manipulating a skewed interpretation of the Florida Fire Prevention Code (FFPC), lobbyists for Fire Sprinkler Associations sought to circumvent State Law by requiring the installation of an Engineered Life Safety System (ELSS) - an undefined set of fire safety features. Although the FFPC states that an ELSS must be designed by an engineer working for the property owner, local fire marshals with Statutory approval authority are collusively rejecting any ELSS that doesn't include fire sprinklers - functionally usurping the engineers' design authority.*

Upon learning that local fire marshals were suddenly requiring fire sprinklers in buildings that had convincingly passed annual fire safety inspections performed by these same fire marshals - often for decades, lawmakers realized that this wasn't a fire safety issue, but a mercenary scheme to score a \$multi-billion payday by stripping association homeowners of their right to self-determination. The 2017 ELSS opt-out legislation was unanimously passed in the House, and only 1 vote shy of unanimous Senate approval.

Back to Square One

When Governor Scott broke his promise and vetoed last year's ELSS opt-out legislation, Statehouse Representative George Moraitis (R – Fort Lauderdale) and Association Advocate Ellyn Bogdanoff agreed to refile the bills in 2018, despite the enormous political obstacles to enacting legislation during an election year session. Since every Statehouse seat is up for grabs, along with 20 of the 40 Senate seats, deep-pocketed special interests bartered with cash-strapped campaigning lawmakers for favorable votes. As a result, the 2018 committee process navigated by Moraitis' House Bill 1061 (HB 1061) and Senator Gary Farmer's companion Senate Bill 1432 (SB 1432) had degenerated into a minefield.

*Following her initial reports of the bill's progress, Bogdanoff sent supporters three consecutive mid-session updates - covering events in week 3 (on January 28), week 4 (on February 4), and weeks 5 & 6 (on February 16). Since the legislation would significantly impact thousands of Florida family budgets, Read On... – [editor]**

WEEK 3

January 28, 2018

By Ellyn Bogdanoff

Well, I finally have substance to report. I deemed last week "Octopus Week" and not because I felt like I was swimming in a sea of sharks but because of how many hands I needed to juggle this issue. I am working several angles hoping to get momentum. I was told that the bill was basically dead on Monday because it was not moving in the House, but as we learned last year, it is not dead until it is dead. I was notified late last week that it is on the agenda for its first committee of reference this Tuesday. So we are on the move. Once the House moves a bill, the Senate is more likely to follow. I will be meeting with the Senate sponsor next week and testifying in the House committee.

I received a list of those associations throughout the state that opted out of sprinklers since 2004. The list shows that over 770 associations opted out. Although it is unclear how many were required to opt out, arguably it is substantially more than most thought. What I realized is that there is no statewide association where all associations can go to understand what is happening in Tallahassee. There are fragmented groups and although we are taking the lead this year, there are hundreds of associations in the dark on this issue. So we will plug away for the greater good...

On another front, I met with the Chair of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee (JAPC) which is in charge of keeping Executive Branch agencies in check when their rules exceed or violate statutory authority. I am of the opinion that the Fire Marshall's requirement and their "scoring sheet" is an un-promulgated rule that exceeds statutory authority. Additionally, if a rule has an





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economic impact of 1 million or more over 5 years to the private sector, then it must go back to the legislature for ratification. Senator Rader met with me and the Staff Director of JAPC and agreed to write a letter to the Fire Marshall requesting a copy of the "scoring sheet." It is the first step in challenging their authority to require something that state law states you do not have to have since many associations have advised us that they were told they will not meet the score for an ELSS if they do not install a sprinkler system. Even if they don't have to install a sprinkler system, hiring an engineer and installing the components of an ELSS would likely surpass the 1 million threshold requiring legislative ratification. I can find no exception to this law even considering the broad authority of the Fire Marshalls. They still must write rules for implementation of any new national rules they adopt. Someone will have to prove we are wrong on this analysis before I stop pursuing it.

With that said, I ran into the CFO in the Senate office building and handed him the list of associations that opted out. I gave him my elevator speech and he asked me to set up an appointment to sit down and talk through the issue. I am scheduled to meet with him this Monday. As the State's Fire Marshall he may be willing to intervene and give directions to the local Fire Marshalls on this issue. I will have that report next week.

Did I mentioned that Rep. Moraitis, our House sponsor of the bill, is the rotating Chair of JAPC too? He is on board with our pursuit of challenging this un-promulgated rule in addition to pursuing legislation. The purpose of promulgating a rule is to give the public notice and allow them to provide for input. There was nothing noticed and there clearly were no workshops. Additionally, in promulgating a rule, the agency is required to do a SERC (Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs) which highlights when it needs to go back to the legislature for ratification. This was obviously not done. JAPC is the most under-utilized committee in the legislature, except of course by me. I chaired it when I was in the House and Senate and was fascinated by what it could do to assist my constituents and now my clients. It has no specific authority but it calls out the over-reaching of agencies that seem to respond to a JAPC inquiry. I created the Primer to educate members and the public and they are still using it. Very cool. Anyway, I have included a link below if you are a nerd like me and want to learn more. The Primer is under the Publications tab.

<http://www.japc.state.fl.us/Pages/index.aspx>

To make sure I had everything I needed, I rolled my backpack through the halls of the Capitol, weaving in and out of the many visitors. A few people did bump into my bag but hey, I have stuff to carry and it's just too much weight on my shoulder. It was a long, productive, exhausting week. With the hands I had left, I rolled my backpack to a local restaurant to meet some of my colleagues. I ran into a House member who wanted to know what I was wheeling. When I explained to her why I brought it, she smiled and said, "Ellyn, you just can't do that. If you are trying to make a fashion statement, let me help you." Considering she is one of the most put together members, I took that as a big hint, not to mention the wise crack statements I heard from more than one person, okay, 10, but who is counting. Needless to say, I won't be bringing it up this week.

I will be back at the Capitol tomorrow continuing to shake things up on this issue. I hope to have good news after my meeting with the CFO. Engaging him to negotiate with the state's Fire Marshalls would be my first goal. Second, would be for them to back off because we are challenging their lack of rulemaking, and third is to pass legislation. We are still at risk for a veto but hopefully we will have greater support and the bill makes it all of the way to the finish line. So that is where we are at the end of the third week of session.

WEEK 4
February 4, 2018

By Ellyn Bogdanoff

Well, this week was a challenge. The Opt Out bill was up in its first Committee. Both Rep. Moraitis and I were informed about 2 hours before the meeting that the state firefighters, who stood down last year and stayed out of the issue, were now actively opposing the bill. This is not good. Fire Marshalls and the Fire Sprinkler Association are one thing, Firefighters are another. We had no idea they had changed their position until Tuesday. Even though there are over 770 associations that have opted out, there has not been much noise coming from them. Rep. Moraitis and I speak on behalf of everyone, but it is time that the members hear from those that will be directly impacted.

The bill passed, but barely. 8 votes yes and 7 votes no. We almost lost the battle. Those that supported us last year, bolted, in large part because of the Governor's veto. Rep. Moraitis did an excellent job testifying but we were out gunned. We need your help. I am asking each of you and every member of your association you can motivate to contact not only the members below, but those they may have the opportunity to vote in the future. Please thank those that supported us and tell those that did not why this bill is so important. Feel free to reiterate the importance of this bill to those that voted yes. Some did so reluctantly to support their colleague. Keep your comments short and sweet but a personal note goes a long way. I am reluctant to write a canned letter because they are not effective. If you know anyone in the legislature personally, please pick up the phone. We are entering the 5th week of session and time is of the essence. There are 120 members in the House and the more we hit with our message, the better. Each of you have a personal story. Our opposition keeps quoting this goofy study that says it will only cost owners \$800. We need to push back on their message.

Ahern - Nay, Fine - Yea, Jacquet - Nay, Albritton - Yea, Gonzalez - Nay, La Rosa - Yea, Alexander - Nay, Gruters - Yea, Olszewski - Yea, Ausley - Nay, Hardemon - Nay, Perez - Yea, Beshears - Yea, Harrison - Yea, Silvers - Nay

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The above link will take you to the Representative's page. There is a link to their email. We can turn this thing around if we get hundreds if not thousands to join us in making noise. This is about self-determination. This is the largest unfunded mandate you will ever see. We continue to challenge the Fire Marshalls through JAPC but the Building Code and the Fire Code are exempt from the 1 million threshold (lucky us) for Legislative ratification. We have asked for the "scoring" sheet but it has not yet been produced. Our power to push back is during session. If they stall long enough, Session is over and the members have little ability to do anything.

I wish I had better news. Rep. Moraitis and I brainstormed on a plan B, but we are not prepared to give up on our plan A. He has asked us to help him show his colleagues just how challenging this will be for the citizens of Florida that live in condominiums.

One last ask, please email Senator Farmer, our Senate sponsor and encourage him to move the bill. It has not been heard in the Senate. A few hundred emails ought to do the trick.

Let me know if you have any questions, but this is where we are today. The legislature needs to hear us loud and clear. I hope I know what you will be doing this weekend.

WEEKS 5 & 6
February 16, 2018

By Ellyn Bogdanoff

I think we hit the perfect storm. As I previously reported, Rep. Moraitis' bill barely made it out of committee. Our goal was to get

the CFO on Board and see if there was something the Governor's office would accept. I met with the CFO, as did Rep. Moraitis. Sympathetic but a "no go" citing years of notice to get this done. I then met with the Governor's office and they basically said that they would support anything the CFO would support. I felt like I was running backwards.

Now let's look to the Senate where the bill is not moving... the Chair of the first committee of reference is running for office. Guess which one? Yep, you guessed it, CFO. He can never justify placing the bill on the agenda. So we have gone from 2017, where the bill passed virtually unanimously out of the legislature, to 2018 with the following:

1. 2017 bill vetoed by the Governor
2. Firefighters now actively working against the bill
3. Barely making it out of the first House committee
4. Stalled in the Senate

Where does that leave us? I have received many new calls from folks who somehow have learned about this issue. Our email campaign needs to grow and it may not help pass a bill but it can send a message to the Fire Marshall that they need to work with the hundreds of thousands of residents impacted by this rule. They want to see progress but there are not enough contractors to complete all that needs to be done by the deadline. Every one of you needs to reach out across the state and engage new associations. We need to build a database far greater than the numbers we have today. I spoke to an association president from the west coast this week and he has identified about 70 condos in his community alone. We need to keep up the pressure and continue the fight past session. Your collective voices can be powerful and you can use your numbers to your political advantage. Help us build this database of voices. 40 is better than 20 and 80 is better than 40. If you want to keep the pressure on, I am game, but we need help. We have 3 weeks left in session and anything can happen. One event can change the political dynamics and course of action of an issue.

I am not ready to give up. I hope you will do whatever you can over the next 3 weeks and beyond to help build our voice. If you send me the association name and email contact, I will add them to our list. Every good campaign starts with a list of passionate people who want to get something done. The bigger the better. Let me know your thoughts.

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By Eric Berkowitz

**At the session's outset, when Bogdanoff met with Florida CFO (and State Fire Marshal) Jimmy Patronis, Patronis said that since he is running for re-election, he can't afford to alienate the fire marshals. The other shoe dropped when she learned that Patronis' opposition for CFO is Senator Tom Lee (R - Pasco), a former Senate President who currently chairs the Senate Committee on Community Affairs, the Senate Bill's first committee stop. Fire Marshals offered to split their support for Patronis if Lee stonewalled the bill. As Bogdanoff observed - the perfect storm. With a \$multi-billion windfall at stake, fire sprinkler lobbyists brought their virtually unlimited resources to bear on derailing the relief bills.*

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EDITOR'S COMMENTARY:

Chip LaMarca's February 2018 Newsletter

By Eric Berkowitz

In his February 2018 LaMarca Letter, District 4 County Commissioner Chip LaMarca documents his contribution to the 9th Annual Southeast Florida Regional Climate Leadership Summit held in his Broward County backyard; reports the construction approval of a new Foreign Trade Zone by the Port Everglades International Logistics Center, LLC and the relocation of Horizon Terminal Services' auto processing facility within the port; alerts constituents to Broward's upcoming 41st Annual Waterway Cleanup at marine sites across the County; benchmarks another record-breaking Sea Turtle Nesting Season with a review of the obstacles that were overcome; and announces a new Libraries Division program that provides lifelong library cards to native Broward residents. nts and saving taxpayers \$undreds of millions over the next decade.

In reminding constituents about the March 1st kickoff of Sea Turtle Nesting Season, LaMarca attributes the second consecutive record nesting output to compliance with local beach lighting ordinances. However, the rosy 2016 and 2017 statistical snapshots veil a mixed signal about the survival prospects for Florida's five species of Sea Turtle, and the three federally protected species typically included in Broward's nesting surveys.

The record 2016 nesting activity was marred by a catastrophic failure rate. While 85 – 90 percent of the Sea Turtle eggs ordinarily yield live hatchlings, only 40% of the eggs hatched in 2016. Sea Turtle eggs are extremely sensitive to heat. Marine conservationist Kirt Rusenko at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center in Boca Raton surmised "The last two years have been very dry and hot and literally cooked the eggs," but the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) never confirmed whether the nests were desiccated by that summer's record-breaking high temperatures, citing their intention to further research the issue. Although the failure rate improved in 2017, an estimated 300 - 400 Broward nests were gobbled up by Hurricane Irma storm surge, an impact mirrored in nesting beaches across the

State - as tens of thousands of nests were wiped out overnight.

Headlines extolling the record numbers of nests in 2016 and 2017 are somewhat misleading. The unprecedented 2016 total was due to an explosive jump in Loggerhead nests, which exceeded the previous year's count by 659 events, and its 5-year annual Broward average by 448 nests. Nesting events tallied by Nova students for the other two species - Leatherbacks and Green Turtles, actually declined compared to 2015, tumbling below their 5-year averages. While the 27 Leatherback nests were fewer than the 2015 total of 35, and slightly less than the 33 averaged seasonally in Broward County for the prior 5 years, the 137 Green Turtle nests were 151 less than their 288-nest 5-year average, and 326 fewer than their near record 463-nest 2015 output.

The huge increase in Loggerhead nests during 2016 was experienced by Green Turtles in 2017, with 528 more nests than 2016, 170 more nests than the previous record year (2013), and exceeding their 5-year average by 287 nests. Since Green Turtles nest in a two-year high/low cycle, the productive 2017 output wasn't revelatory. Once again, two of the three surveyed species - Loggerheads and Leatherbacks - fared poorly. Loggerhead nests dropped precipitously, with 502 fewer nests than 2016. Also, there were 15 fewer Leatherback nests than 2016, as Leatherback output dropped below the five-year average of 26 nests per season.

Crippling Blackouts

For the most part, LaMarca's exhortation that "residents in coastal communities continue to reduce artificial lighting," elicits mixed feeling along the Galt Mile. Among the staunchest supporters of protecting the Sea Turtles that share their beach, Galt Mile residents spent tens of \$millions adapting more than a dozen association lighting plans to minimize illumination of nesting habitat – more than any other community in Fort Lauderdale. After 15 years of inconsistent code enforcement and capricious violations, worsening unintended consequences of the City's poorly drafted 2003 Beach Lighting Ordinance had prompted City officials to finally acknowledge how the law fails to balance the needs of people with those of Sea Turtles.

A beach lighting policy that forced the entire beach area into darkness for 75% of the year was fatally crippling the economic viability of the City's world-renowned beach neighborhood, prompting angry tourists to shift annual vacation plans from Fort Lauderdale to Palm Beach or Daytona, imperiling drivers and pedestrians along A1A and opening serious security and safety breaches in residential coastal communities. In beachfront hotels, management officials annually report complaints by hundreds of visiting tourists that "fear of crossing the street" would preclude their return. In contrast, those who live or work in unreasonably blacked out beach neighborhoods don't have the option of not returning.

As observed by departing Mayor Jack Seiler, "The problem is there's a safety issue down there. It's gotten too dark. As much as I think every one of us has been very involved in trying to protect the sea turtles, you can't do that at the expense of human life. You've got traffic, pedestrian issues, cycling issues." When originally enacted in 2003, Florida Fish & Wildlife officials assured City Commissioners that lighting prohibitions would never impact beachfront residents and merchants, given the FWC policy of disinterring the nests and moving the eggs to a vacant "recipient" beach.

When FWC reversed the policy in 2005, and ruled that the nests must be maintained at their original sites, they advised beachfront homeowners and merchants to affix simple shields on lamps illuminating the beach, which they could order free of charge from the FWC website. A year later, FWC notified Fort Lauderdale code enforcement to violate lamps fitted with the FWC shields, citing them as insufficient, followed by a notice that beaches along with adjacent roadways and neighborhoods should be "blacked out" during the nine-month Sea Turtle nesting season.

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| <p>12</p> | <p>13 Friday Night Soundwaves Fort Lauderdale Beach Hub (Las Olas & A1A) Performer: Oriente 6 to 9 p.m. Info.: fridaynightsoundwaves.com</p> <p>Pineapple Jam Dinner & Auction Historic Stranahan House Museum 6 to 9 p.m. Info.: 954-524-4736</p> | <p>14 Ocean Adventure Expo (Through 4/15) Broward County Convention Center Info.: 561-715-0247</p> <p>18th Annual Riverwalk Run Huizenga Plaza 6:45 a.m.: Check in; 8 a.m.: 5K & 5M Start; 9:15 a.m.: Kids' Fun Run Start Info.: 954-247-4551</p> |
| <p>19 M.O.P.'s Golf Tournament DeerCreek Country Club 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Info.: 561-245-1188</p> <p>G.M.C.A. Advisory Board Meeting Nick's Italian Restaurant, 11 a.m.</p> | <p>20 Friday Night Soundwaves Fort Lauderdale Beach Hub (Las Olas & A1A) Performer: Joel DaSilva & Friends 6 to 9 p.m. Info.: fridaynightsoundwaves.com</p> <p>Las Olas Wine & Food Festival Las Olas Blvd (from SE 6th Ave. to SE 11th Ave.) 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Info.: 305-255-3500</p> | <p>21 Hatsume Fair (Through 4/22) Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Info.: 561-495-0233</p> <p>Covenant House 5k on A1A The World Famous Parrot Lounge 7 a.m. to Noon Info.: 954-568-7914</p> |
| <p>26</p> <p>4th Thursdays Art Stroll Green Turtle Plaza (LBTS) 5 to 8 p.m. info.: 954-267-9202</p> | <p>27 Friday Night Soundwaves Fort Lauderdale Beach Hub (Las Olas & A1A) Performer: Valerie Tyson Band 6 to 9 p.m. Info.: fridaynightsoundwaves.com</p> <p>Taste of Oakland Park Jaco Pastorius Park 6 to 9 p.m. Info.: 954-630-4251</p> | <p>28 Monster Energy Fort Rock Festival (Through 4/29) Markham Park Info.: 561-924-6801</p> <p>Pompano Beach Seafood Festival (Through 4/29) Atlantic Blvd & A1A (Pompano) Info.: 954-638-1475</p> |
| <p>3</p> | <p>4 Friday Night Soundwaves Fort Lauderdale Beach Hub (Las Olas & A1A) Performer: Turnstiles 6 to 9 p.m. Info.: fridaynightsoundwaves.com</p> | <p>5</p> <p>Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Drop-off Events Public Works & Engineering Division (Tamarac) 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Info.: 954-828-8000</p> |

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DC Alexander Park, Fort Lauderdale
7 a.m.
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MAY 19
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Bahia Mar Marina, Fort Lauderdale
5:30 to 10:30 p.m.
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Ft. Lauderdale Spring Home Design & Remodeling Show
Broward County Convention Center
Info.: 305-667-9299

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First Saturday of Every Month: North Beach Art Walk, 3280 NE 32nd St, 7 to 11 p.m., Info.: 954-537-3370

Second Saturday of Every Month: Beach Sweep, Fort Lauderdale Beach Park, 1100 Seabreeze Blvd., 7 to 11 a.m., Info.: 954-593-8501

Second Saturday of Every Month: Burlock Coast Farmer's Market, Burlock Coast at the The Ritz-Carlton, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Info.: myfortlauderdalebeach.com

Second Tuesday of Every Month: Orchid Greenhouse Tours, Bonnet House, 11 a.m. to Noon, Info.: 954-703-2606

Mondays: Food Trucks at Artspark, 5:30 to 10 p.m., Youngs Circle in Hollywood

Thursdays: BHIP Farmer's Market, Broward Health Imperial Point Medical Arts Pavilion (633 N Federal Hwy.), 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sundays: Tour-the River Ghost Tour, Stranahan House & Water Taxi, 7:30 p.m., Tix.: 954-524-4736

Sundays: Las Olas Sunday Market, 333 East Las Olas Blvd. & SE 4th Ave., 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Info.: 954-426-8436

Sundays (through May): Farmer's Market at El Prado Park, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Info.: 561-714-2745

Saturdays: Saturday Night Under the South Florida Stars, Fox Astronomical Observatory at Markham Park, Sunset to Midnight, Info.: 954-384-0442



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local Chambers of Commerce.

Broward County Port Everglades Update

Broward County recently approved a long term agreement with Port Everglades International Logistics Center, LLC, to build a new Foreign Trade Zone to replace the existing one that will be demolished to accommodate the Southport Turning Notch Program. The development will consist of two new buildings with a total capacity of 283,144 square feet and will increase our capability of providing these services for our clients. The County and Port Everglades will also benefit financially from the revenue of this new project. Broward County also approved a new lease for Horizon Terminal Services that will drive more business at Port Everglades. The new long-term lease is on 8.67 acres where the company plans to invest \$630,000 for a new auto processing facility and will create a minimum of 25 local direct jobs. Horizon plans to convert a Port-owned warehouse facility for a new vehicle processing at a much lower cost than constructing new facilities to handle a planned increase from 15,000 autos and heavy equipment currently to 40,000-50,000 vehicles annually over the next five years. The relocation from the port's Southport area to the Midport section of the port provides operational advantages due to the shorter distance for brand-new vehicles to travel between the ship at berth and terminal yard and a lower potential for the vehicles to be damaged during this transit.

Broward County's 41st Annual Waterway Cleanup

The Broward County Waterway Cleanup, organized by the Marine Industries Association of South Florida and Marine Industry Cares Foundation, is the county's largest and longest-running environmental event. This year's event will be held on March 3, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thousands of volunteers from many neighborhoods and communities throughout the county participate every year. Interested residents are encouraged to complete the online registration form in order to speed up the check-in process at the site. For more information, online registration and a map of the cleanup sites across Broward County please visit waterwaycleanup.org.

Sea Turtle Nesting Season

Sea turtle nesting season runs from March 1st through October 31st and the Broward County Sea Turtle Conservation Program documented a total of 3,587 nests in 2017, which surpassed the previous record of 3,567 nests set in 2016. Even a powerful natural disaster could not stop last year's sea turtles. While Hurricane Irma struck Florida in September of 2017, fortunately it was late in the season with only 700 nests remaining on Broward's beaches. About half of these nests were deemed "lost" due to Irma's impacts, and the remaining nests were either reestablished by County surveyors or untouched by the storm waves. Like Hurricane Irma, the King Tide events that impacted the County's beaches late in the nesting season resulted in just a small number of nests lost.

As always it is important for residents in coastal communities to continue to reduce artificial lighting as it poses one of the biggest threats to sea turtle hatchlings. Each of the County's coastal municipalities has its own beachfront lighting ordinance, but most generally require property owners to extinguish lights from sundown to sunup during sea turtle nesting season. More information about your local lighting ordinance and a list of certified lighting fixtures can be found by visiting the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's website

Library for Life Program

The Broward County Libraries Division launched a unique new program for all people who were born in Broward. This new Library for Life program grants every Broward native a life-long card. No matter where you reside now anyone that was born in Broward County can apply online for a lifelong library card which gives you access to eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, music, movies, television shows, research databases, educational materials and more. For more information or to apply online please visit Broward.org/Library.

The Resident's Guide to Government provides a convenient resource to help people stay connected to their local government. It includes contact information for County officials and Federal, State, and local agencies. Visitors can subscribe to eNews and social media sites. Please sign up at Broward.org/District4 to receive email updates from our office. If there is anything that we can do to assist you with your vision for a better Broward, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 954-357-7004 or by email at clamarca@broward.org.

As always, it is my honor and privilege to serve you.
Best regards

Dear Broward County Residents,

I am honored to serve as your county commissioner, representing our coastal communities from Deerfield Beach to Fort Lauderdale and all of the amazing communities in between. Here are some recent highlights from around Broward County.

Southeast Regional Climate Summit a Success!

Broward County hosted the 9th Annual Southeast Florida Regional Climate Leadership Summit, "The Business of Resilience," on December 14th - 15th at the Broward County Convention Center. With over 650 attendees and 45 sponsors contributing \$130,000 in sponsorship revenue, the Summit was a record-setting event, focusing on "The Business of Resilience" to engage the business and wider community in critical discussions on adaptation, climate and energy solutions, and resilience.

I had the great pleasure of participating in the Flood Risk, Insurance and Infrastructure Resilient Solutions Panel with Monroe County Commissioner Heather Carruthers, as well as Kathleen White, the Lead on Climate Preparedness and Resilience Community of Practice, Institute for Water Resources, for the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Nick Shufro, the Assistant Administrator for the Risk Management Directorate, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, for the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Our discussion focused on the flood impacts and destructions associated with last year's active hurricane season, the resilience of our communities, agency roles, the state of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), and the USACE game plan for delivering on regional resilience in partnership with local leaders. To view recordings of this panel and others from the two-day event please visit [Summit Recordings](http://SummitRecordings).

This was a very productive session on a critical topic for our local environment and infrastructure and I was honored to be included. I am a strong believer that if we are to mitigate and adapt to the changing conditions where we live, as well as rebuilding our aging infrastructure, we must start locally and engage all sectors of our community, including our very dedicated business community through organizations like the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance, The Broward Workshop and our

Monster Ladder Trucks

When the mandate to retrofit fire sprinklers was first enacted in 2002, Fire Sprinkler Association lobbyists insisted that the fire sprinklers were necessary to protect firefighters battling a blaze in a high-rise building. Although contending that ladder trucks immunized residents and firefighters to most of the dangers posed by a fire, the tallest ladder trucks could only extend 75 - 100 feet. Since firefighters would have to enter any building greater than 8 stories to reach those on higher floors, the mandate was made applicable to structures taller than 75 feet above grade. While repeatedly imparting this to review committees during the past two legislative sessions, sprinkler lobbyists deliberately omitted how the basis for their mandate had since changed.

In 2015, at the world's largest fire trade show - Interschutz 2015 in Hannover, Germany - many ladder trucks (also called aerial platforms or turntables) exceeded 200 feet. In fact, a 220-foot ladder truck featured an "elevator" running up the back of the ladder to the basket at the top. The tallest ladder truck in the expo was manufactured by the Finnish company Bronto Skylift. It could extend to a height of 341 feet - and was rated to manage structures 30 stories above grade. Although there were only twenty such trucks worldwide in 2015, two years later, the next

At the FDIC International (Fire Department Instructors Conference), an annual conference and exhibition last held from April 24-29, 2017 at the Indiana Convention Center and Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, Indiana, the Bronto Skylift on display in the stadium featured a rescue height of 112 meters (90 meters with a 22-meter arm) - or 367 feet - which has often rescued victims up to 33 stories above grade. More than 300 had already been delivered to fire departments in North

America in 2017. The cost for each truck is less than the cost of retrofitting an ELSS in one building. In effect, any jurisdiction with one of these monsters can similarly immunize its high-rise residents - and firefighters - to the threatened dangers described by fire sprinkler lobbyists.

Relief Bills Quashed

As the session ended on March 10, Farmer's Senate Bill 1432 was still frozen in Senator Tom Lee's Community Affairs Committee and died on the calendar. With no chance of achieving a floor vote, Moraitis' House Bill 1061 was never heard by the Government Operations & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee, its second committee stop, and also died on the calendar. One year after Bogdanoff and Moraitis won near-unanimous approval of ELSS Opt-Out legislation, lobbyists for Fire Sprinkler Associations - and Fire Marshals on their payroll - quashed the relief bills by exploiting election year politics.

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When association advocates requested an extension of the December 31, 2019 installation deadline, sprinkler association lobbyists referred to the original 2002 fire sprinkler mandate and claimed that associations already had 16 years to budget for the huge expense and didn't deserve additional time. The claim was spurious. Since fire marshals were prohibited from demanding the installation of fire sprinklers by associations that opted out until the May 2016 Declaratory Statement mandated the installation of an ELSS, which Fire Marshals manipulated into a back door for requiring fire sprinklers (and circumventing the statute), association advocates argued that at most, associations that opted out had less than two years to budget for the installation.

While aware that it took Bogdanoff three years to pass her 2010 sprinkler retrofit opt-out bill, fire sprinkler lobbyists also know that associations only have one more year to enact ELSS relief legislation before the installation deadline (and obliterate their windfall). Fearful of providing associations with additional opportunities to enact an ELSS opt-out, the lobbyists barred their Fire Marshals from agreeing to a deadline extension, despite acknowledging that the current compliance deadline is a pipedream.

In short, there simply aren't enough contractors, engineers with fire-safety experience, equipment distributors, etc. to design, approve, permit and retrofit ELSS-mandated fire sprinklers in every impacted Florida high-rise association by the December 31, 2019 deadline.

Legal Actions

Given the statutory prohibition against requiring fire sprinklers in associations that legally voted to forego a sprinkler retrofit, when Fire Marshals demand the installation of an ELSS that contains fire sprinklers in associations that opted out, Bogdanoff concluded they are "exceeding their Statutory Authority." During the session, when association officials asked if they should file legal actions against the fire marshals, Bogdanoff explained that it would freeze the bills, since lawmakers wouldn't consider an issue under judicial review. Instead, she cited legal actions as a post-session option.

With the 2018 session concluded, high-rise association officials across the state facing questionable \$multi-million assessments are finally exploring legal actions. If a court rules that an administrative code doesn't override Florida Law, the mandate is quashed. Even if a court didn't agree that a statutory prohibition should trump a mercenary reinterpretation of the fire code, it might reasonably support the need for a deadline extension, thereby providing associations with additional opportunities for legislative relief.

GMCA President Pio Ieraci exclaimed, "For decades, every Galt Mile association has passed annual fire safety inspections by our Fire Marshal with flying colors. This issue isn't about Fire Safety, which is important to every homeowner, but self-determination. Association homeowners should decide if and when they should install fire sprinklers, not the companies that profit from their manufacture, distribution and sale."

*Given the complex nature of this unprecedented issue, association officials must take guidance from Bogdanoff and other association advocates while soliciting input from experienced litigators. On the Galt Mile, association officials have opened discussions with a high-profile attorney. More to come... - [editor]**



Chuggling Chlorine Cocktails

City Chlorinates Water

By Eric Berkowitz

In late February, a few Galt Mile residents sent emails to the neighborhood association asking about the odd taste of their tap water. The inquiries are familiar, as they arrive several times each year, mostly from recent arrivals to the neighborhood. Occasionally, the messages theorize vandalism to the association's water supply or cross-contamination of the City's aging water / wastewater infrastructure. In fact, the perpetrator is the City of Fort Lauderdale - specifically - the Treatment Division of the Public Works Water and Wastewater Operations Section. In short, Water Services temporarily alters the chemical purification process as part of a regular system maintenance program.

On January 24, 2018, Commissioner Bruce Roberts sent a copy of his February 2018 Newsletter to Galt Mile officials for distribution to 29 member associations. The content included a constituent alert about the impending treatment of their domestic water with free chlorine. His message echoed a December 22, 2017 press release in the online City News entitled, "City of Fort Lauderdale to Chlorinate Water System". The article, in turn, summarizes a discussion of free chlorine posted by the Department of Public Works. While detailing the process and reviewing its impacts, the Public Works missive exhorts "Preventive Maintenance Scheduled for February 13 - March 20, 2018". The full text of the message is as follows:

Water Chlorination

The City utilized the same blend of chemicals to treat our drinking water last summer - from August 11 through September 15. Altering the disinfection chemical mix is typically performed once or twice per year over a two to four week time period. This semi-annual treatment application is prescribed by the Environmental Protection Agency.

City of Fort Lauderdale Free Chlorination Preventive Maintenance scheduled for February 13 - March 20, 2018

The City of Fort Lauderdale will temporarily return to using free chlorine in its drinking water system. This preventive maintenance procedure will begin at 9 a.m. Tuesday, February 13, 2018 and will end at 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 20, 2018.

Free chlorination is a common practice for water systems using combined chlorine disinfection. The chlorination period is anticipated to be transparent to water customers; however, some may notice a slight change in the taste or smell of their tap water. Some customers may also see water running from fire hydrants in their neighborhoods, which is part of the normal maintenance process.

This procedure will affect the City of Fort Lauderdale, as well as Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, Port Everglades, Village of Sea Ranch Lakes, Wilton Manors, and sections of the Town of Davie, Oakland Park, and Tamarac (east of State Road 7/441).

The City of Fort Lauderdale maintains the highest standards to ensure that clean, high quality drinking water is delivered to its customers. The City's drinking water meets federal, state and local drinking water quality standards.

For more information, Fort Lauderdale utility customers may contact the 24-hour Neighbor Call Center at (954) 828-8000 or online at www.fortlauderdale.gov/lauderserv. Customers who receive a utility bill from other municipalities or entities should call their respective water provider's customer service phone number for more information.

The disinfection of our treated water is normally achieved by adding chloramines (commonly formed when chlorine reacts with ammonia) at the treatment plants. The introduction of chloramines (chloramination) reduces microbial growth (biofilm) on filter media that could increase filter head loss build-up (pressure). Although effective and safe, oxidation of the ammonia (nitrification) reduces its effectiveness throughout the distribution system. Since a "dose" of free chlorine reverses the adverse effects of nitrification, Public Works regularly switches from chloramines to free chlorine to maximize its disinfectant impact.

The periodic switch to free chlorine effectively reduces biological re-growth in the distribution system and helps maintain chlorine residual levels at the extremities of the distribution system during the normal chloramine disinfection process.

It is not unusual for residents to experience a slight change in both the taste and smell of the water during this process. The water will remain safe for drinking, cooking, bathing, and other daily needs. For the vast majority of residents, adverse health effects are not expected.

However, while persons currently undergoing dialysis can safely drink chlorinated or chloraminated water, both chlorine and chloramines must be removed from water used in dialysis machines because this water comes into direct contact with blood. Anyone suffering from a compromised immune system can be more susceptible than others to harmful organisms in

water. As such, transplant patients and people with AIDS should consult with their health care provider to determine whether the temporary change in disinfection chemistry will affect their treatment.

In addition, residents with a fish tank or pond, including grocery stores and restaurants with lobster tanks and fish containers at bait shops that rely on city water should contact a pet or aquarium professional to determine the need for any adjustments to their aquarium treatment procedures. Unless neutralized by products readily available from aquarium supply stores, chlorine and monochloramine can be harmful to fish because they directly enter their bloodstream through the gills and block the growth of beneficial bacteria in the fish tank.

Since it takes approximately two weeks for the chlorine to clear, any perceived changes to the taste and smell may persist through early July. At least, that's what the City wants us to believe. In 2014, an angry woman from L'Hermitage II insisted that political cockroach Roger Stone spiked the water!

City Manager Lee Feldman assures residents who call the city for information that "the Customer Service staff is educated on the chlorination process and is available to accommodate any inquiries." For more information about the City's water quality, please visit "<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=21264>" to view the City's most recent Water Quality Report (2016). Bottoms up!•

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HCP: Bringing Balance to the Beach

Since consequences of the 2003 ordinance have since mushroomed into significant threats, City officials planned to draft a new policy that promoted Sea Turtle survival without crippling the City or endangering its residents. In 2014, City Manager Lee Feldman drafted a revised beach lighting ordinance that would have ended the mind-numbing "Catch-22" practice by code officials who systematically violated newly installed \$multi-million association lighting revisions that were approved a year earlier by other code officials. When the measure was put on ice in 2015 to avert a threat by FWC to block the impending Segment 2 beach renourishment, Feldman unveiled "Plan B".

Feldman recalled an environmental crisis he faced while serving as City Manager in Palm Bay, Florida – the largest and fastest growing city in Brevard County. Palm Bay is home to a handful of Florida Scrub Jays, a threatened species of bird that spends its entire life within spitting distance of its birth nest. Since a few Florida habitats are the only sites on earth where the Florida Scrub Jay is found, whenever any Palm Bay resident in the surrounding suburb needed plumbing or electrical work, sought to improve a property, or repair a damaged road, federal law mandated a permit from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, an expensive, 3-year ordeal. Since these requests were often delayed or rejected, entire communities that were functionally barred from repairing broken drainage lines or unsafe roads begged for help.

After meeting with environmental attorneys based in Washington DC, Feldman embarked on creating a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP), a federal vehicle that enables local jurisdictions to mitigate the adverse consequences of protecting a threatened or endangered species. Deploying a federally approved Incidental Take Permit (ITP), in one case, two families of Scrub Jays were relocated to the Buck Lake Conservation Area in Mims. In addition to rescuing the Scrub Jays from encroaching development, the HCP returned the right of Palm Bay homeowners to improve their properties and repair their roads by requesting a standard municipal permit.

Feldman once again contacted the environmental attorneys experienced in customizing these federal protocols, and inquired about applying for an HCP in Fort Lauderdale. At a meeting that Feldman convened with the legal consultants, City officials, local stakeholders, and environmentalists from Florida Fish and Wildlife all agreed that an HCP would protect the Sea Turtles while relieving the burden on residents, businesses and visiting tourists.

Once the HCP is approved, FWC licensees would transfer Sea Turtle nests from coastal locations adjacent to busy residential and commercial neighborhoods to an uninhabited stretch of beach, permanently eliminating the threat posed to Sea Turtles by artificial lighting and coastal armoring structures that block turtles' access to suitable nesting habitat. Concurrently, roadways, shops and homes near the vacated nesting sites could be safely illuminated. Although the complex HCP application process is expected to take several years to complete, the plan will far more effectively expedite the recovery of protected Sea Turtles, guarantee the future of Fort Lauderdale's tourism economy, make A1A safe for drivers and pedestrians, reinvigorate beachfront commercial neighborhoods that had since become Ghost Towns, and safely reopen the city's beaches to residents and visitors past sundown.

Since nesting female sea turtles generally lay their eggs on the same beaches where they were born, as hatchlings born on the target beach ultimately return there to nest, a diminishing number of nests will need to be transferred annually.

An FWC Enigma

The HCP process currently supported by FWC officials bears striking similarities to the nesting policy abandoned by those same officials in 2005. Since FWC historically ignores how their decisions affect people or their communities, why the change of heart? When some of the eggs in nests that were moved prior to 2005 failed to thrive, FWC assumed that undisturbed nests would yield higher survival rates. Evidently, they reconsidered after 13 years of observing how their theory panned out.

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Upon weighing prospective damage to some eggs during the moving process against the multiple threats of artificial lighting, entanglement of nesting turtles and hatchlings in beach furniture, problematic coastal armoring structures (seawalls, bulkheads, sandbags, etc.) and inadvertent nest damage by beachgoers, relocating the nests to an uninhabited beach is the safer option for nesting Sea Turtles and hatchlings.

The Fort Lauderdale HCP wouldn't be the first in Florida. In Volusia and St. John Counties, where residents have been driving on the beach for decades, HCPs were approved that allowed that practice to continue. To minimize the impact on Sea Turtles, the counties were provided "take authority" and crafted strict regulatory criteria.

In 2008, the FWC teamed with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's (FDEP) Bureau of Beaches and Coastal Systems to create a Florida Beaches Habitat Conservation Plan applicable to every beach in the State. FDEP applied for an ITP (take authorization) covering all five species of Sea Turtles in Florida. Key policy issues will be vetted by a steering committee that will include representatives from the Florida Association of Counties and the Florida League of Cities – who will supposedly represent the interests of local governments. The plan appears to be a vehicle for addressing ESA regulatory issues with Florida's Coastal Construction Control Line (CCCL) Program. In short, the nests can be relocated when threatened by nearby construction.

Reviving the basic pre-2005 nesting protocol under the auspices of an HCP will mitigate the economic devastation and security threats to beachfront neighborhoods – while eliminating overnight a laundry list of dangers that currently threaten Sea Turtles. Given our innate suspicions about Fairy Tale endgames, we will keep a close eye on the progress of the HCP, along with its subsequent impact on nesting sea turtles and hatchlings. Read the February 2018 LaMarca Letter in its entirety elsewhere in this edition. – [editor]*



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