



Mayor's Message

February 2021



PAID PARKING- Town Council and Staff members have been working hard to research potential revenues from instituting a paid parking management system on the island portion of our town. Paid Parking is not a new conversation but would be a new way of life for our island. I realize the great impacts it would have if we choose to implement this change. Throughout the years, the conversation around paid parking was not an actionable item for us to discuss, but with the ever-growing number of visitors each year we must engage deeper in this idea and investigate its potential worth to our community. One of the biggest benefits of implementing a paid parking management system would be a safer, more efficient way to park. The past few seasons our unmanaged parking situation has become too dangerous for our family-oriented culture. We must find a way to eliminate this risk and provide a safe place for pedestrians and bicyclists along with our families and young children. To learn more, read our [PAID PARKING FAQ](#).

BEACH NOURISHMENT- Our Beach Nourishment Project (USACE) is still moving along and our goal is to have the Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) signed by the end of February. Once the PPA is signed, we should be able to place bids on dredges with a projected start date in late fall of this year, 2021. To learn more, read our [BEACH NOURISHMENT & PROJECTS FAQ](#).

TOWN HALL- This project remains on track for an estimated completion date in April 2021. This will be another huge improvement for our town, and we are all excited to get the doors open!

It continues to be my honor to serve you as mayor here in Surf City. As things grow and we must face some changes, it is my focus to keep our town culture the same. While some things may make big impacts, like our new bridge and paid parking, the spirit within our community remains the same. As well, when big changes come, providing a safe environment for family fun remains a top priority. I wish you a very happy month, full of love and laughter with those you cherish.



If we love our country, we should also love our countrymen.

~ Ronald Reagan