



Mayor's Message

May 2021

Happy May Surf City! We have just made it through our first month of a paid parking management system and with much success. I want to thank each of you for your patience as we navigate this new way of life on the island and your support to help make it successful. With any new project there will be bumps along the way and changes that need to happen. With your continued feedback, we will work through any issues as quickly as possible to ensure the most positive experience for all of you and our visitors.

I hope each of you had a wonderful Easter holiday and 'm looking forward to all the things May has to offer. As well, I am looking forward to having a great kickoff to our busy season with the upcoming Memorial Day weekend. As vaccinations continue to take place across our state, I look forward to pressing ahead and seeing more events take place as we resume a normal way of life with some summer activity in our community. As soon as we are able to proceed with events safely and according to our governor's orders, we will do so.

This month we plan to have our first ever BRIDGE JAM to celebrate our community growth as we recognize our old swing bridge and our new high rise bridge. We are taking all safety precautions and numbers will be limited in each designated areas, however, we will have our first annual event and look forward to seeing great things as we celebrate together!

In closing, I would like to ask that each of you take a moment this month and/or over Memorial Day to remember our fallen heroes. To remember their sacrifice. To remember their courage. And to remember their "why". They gave EVERYTHING for our freedom. Their friends and families will be without them on the holiday as they are every day. Freedom isn't free and I will forever be grateful for these brave men and women in uniform who stepped out in front to protect our country and gave their lives to ensure we could celebrate and be united together without any interference from known enemies, both foreign and domestic. These brave souls fought for our freedom and never returned home. We owe it to them to stay united and remember what we stand for.

COMING UP:

May 15th Bridge Jam 11-5 Soundside Park

May 21st Council Work Session 9am
Welcome Center

May 21st Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Municipal Building 1pm

May 28th Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony 9am Soundside Park

"Each of the patriots whom we remember on this day was first a beloved son or daughter, a brother or sister, or a spouse, friend, and neighbor."—George H. Bush