

TOWN OF OCEAN VIEW
DELAWARE

January 10, 2020

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council

FROM: Kenneth L. Cimino, Director of Planning, Zoning & Development

VIA: Carol S. Houck, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Monthly Update for the Dept. of Planning, Zoning & Development as of
January 10, 2020

Capital Projects

The Town has applied for a Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant from DEMA for construction of the Hudson Avenue Pipe Culvert Replacement Project. The total dollar value of the Grant is \$75,000.00.

Maintenance & Operations

FY 2020 Street Patching and Paving

This project is complete.

Curb Repair Bear Trap Dunes

This project is on hold due to weather delays.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Initiatives

Planning and Development staff, along with OVPD Chief Ken McLaughlin met on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 with representatives from the towns of Bethany Beach, South Bethany, Fenwick Island and Millville, Bethany-Fenwick Chamber of Commerce, Mariners Bethel Church and the Delaware Office of Highway Safety (DOHS) to continue to develop outreach strategies for this year's pedestrian and bicycle safety campaign.

New Traffic Engineering Studies

A Task Assignment has been issued to Century Engineering, Inc. to study vehicular speed along Ogre Drive in the Ocean Way Estates Community in response to constituent concerns. The study will involve collecting traffic data during a non-peak week (February) and a peak week

(July) for comparison purposes. The data collected will include speed, volume and class (type of vehicles). Once the data is collected and analyzed a determination will be made on what, if any, additional measures will need to be taken.

Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update

The draft Comprehensive Land Use Plan was introduced at the December Ocean View Town Council meeting (December 10, 2019). Since then, the Town has received public comments; the public comment period will remain open until January 16, 2020.

AECOM and the Town of Ocean View administrative staff met with State Agencies on December 18th for a Preliminary Land Use Service (PLUS) review of the draft Comprehensive Plan. Representatives from the Office for State Planning Coordination, DNREC, DeIDOT, the Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, DART First State, and the DE Housing Authority were in attendance. Each agency provided preliminary comments and will send written comments to the Town by the end of January 2020.

The next public presentation on the Plan will take place at the January 16th Planning Commission meeting. After this review, all comments will be collected, reviewed and integrated into the Comprehensive Land Use Plan draft before being introduced for First Reading in February 2020.

Permits & Certificates of Occupancy (C.O.'s)

Total building & sign permits issued in December: **35**

Total C.O.'s issued in December: **40**

Licenses & Gross Rental Receipts Tax (GRRT)

- Total Business & Rental Licenses issued for CY19: **1,230**
- Total Business & Rental Licenses issued for CY20: **234**
- GRRT collected for 19-1 (due August 15, 2019): **\$116,107.55**
- GRRT collected for 19-2 (due February 15, 2020): **\$9,467.53**

Code Enforcement

Issued **10** code violation warnings for failure to obtain a business license, building permit, and/or C.O., or failure to observe lawful construction hours.

Cease and Desist Order

A cease and desist order was issued to Ryan Homes in the Silver Woods Development on December 21, 2019 for a repeat violation of Article IV, §84-16 of the Building Construction Chapter of the Town Code which establishes permitted work hours on weekdays, Saturdays and Sundays. The Cease and Desist order was lifted on Friday, January 3, 2020.