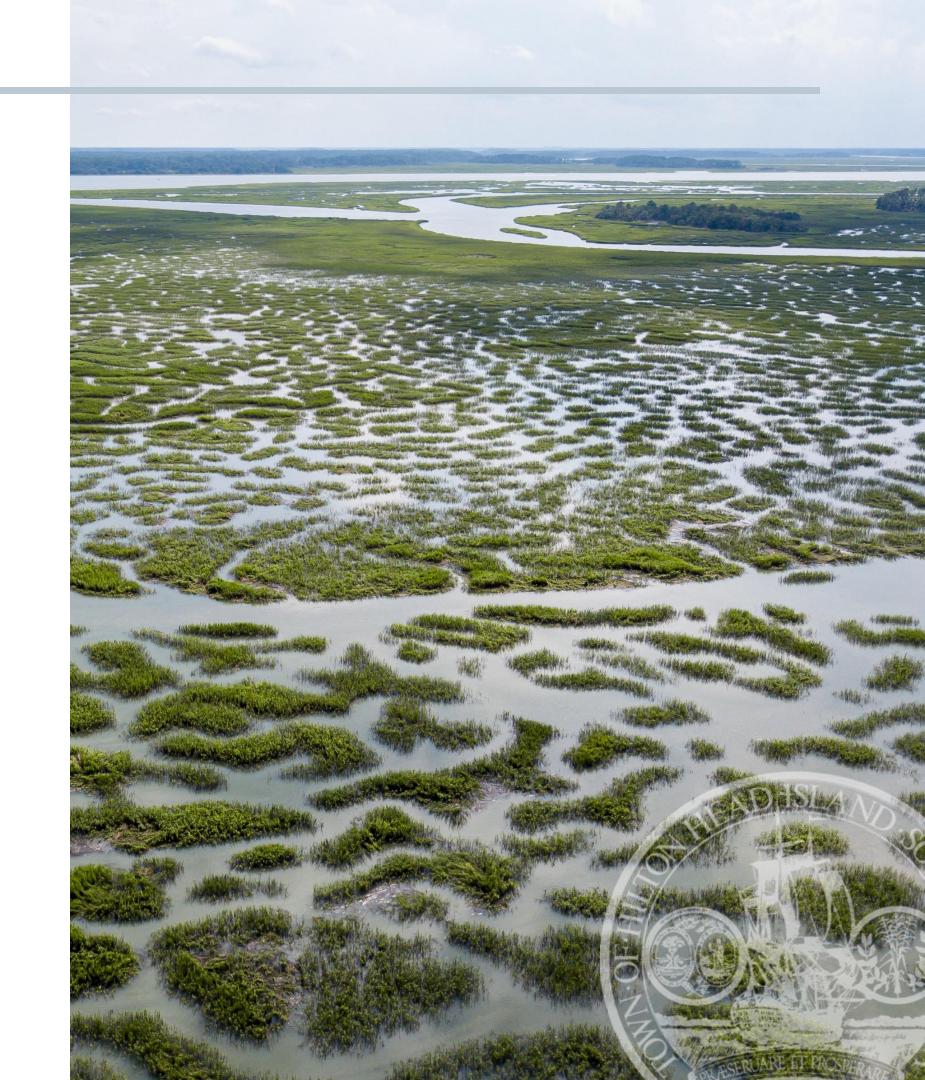
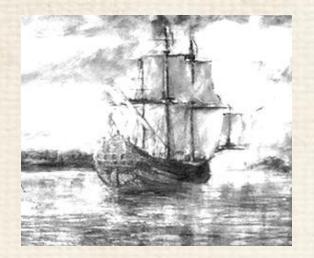


#### **Presentation Overview**

- History
- Town Government Overview
- Organizational Structure
- Our Island at a Glance
- Town Council's Strategic Action Items
   2023-2025



#### HISTORY OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND



The Island derives its name from Captain William Hilton who named the Island as a navigational marker in 1663.

1663



Modern development of the Island began in the 1950s with the construction of the Sea Pines Resort.

1950's



The Hilton Head Airport opened.

1967

#### 8,000 BC.

Earliest human habitation on Hilton Head Island dates to at least 8,000 BC.



#### 1862

It is the site of Mitchelville, the first self-governed Freedmen's Town in America in 1862.



#### 1956

The J. Byrnes Bridge opened on May 20, 1956.
This was the first

bridge connecting
Hilton Head to the
mainland.



#### 1983

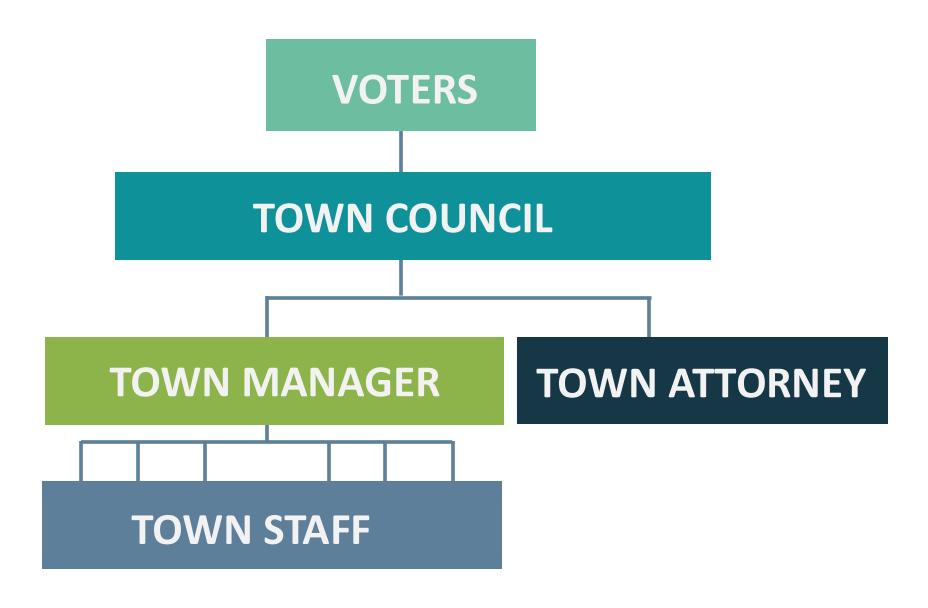
The Town of
Hilton Head
Island
incorporated as
a municipality.

# COUNCIL-MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT

Our Town Council is comprised of a mayor elected at-large and six Town Council members elected from their respective wards. Together they form the Hilton Head Island Town Council.







Hilton Head Island has a council-manager form of government. In this form of government, Town Council hires a manager to implement Town Council's direction and oversee the day-to-day operations of the Town, while Town Council sets policy, establishes priorities, approves the budget, and addresses issues facing our community. The Mayor presides over Town Council meetings.

#### **TOWN COUNCIL**



Alan Perry Mayor



**David Ames**Mayor Pro-Tem / Ward 3



Tamara Becker Ward 4



Alex Brown Ward 1



Steve Alfred Ward 5



Patsy Brison Ward 2



Glenn Stanford Ward 6



#### CITIZENS OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND



#### TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

**EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2024** 







Ben Brown Senior Advisor to the



Kimberly Gammon



Shawn Colin Assistant Town Manager



Shawn Leininger Assistant Town Manager



Natalie Harvey
Cultural Affairs Director

Angie Stone Assistant Town Manager



Heather Woolwine Communications Director



Thomas Boxley



Adriana Burnett Finance Director



Chris Blankenship
Fire Chief





Public Safety Director





Engineering & Projects
Director

Built Environment Director





Derrick Coaxum



Tommy Sunday Technology & Innovation Director



Executive Director Gullah Geechee Neighborhoods Community Development Corp



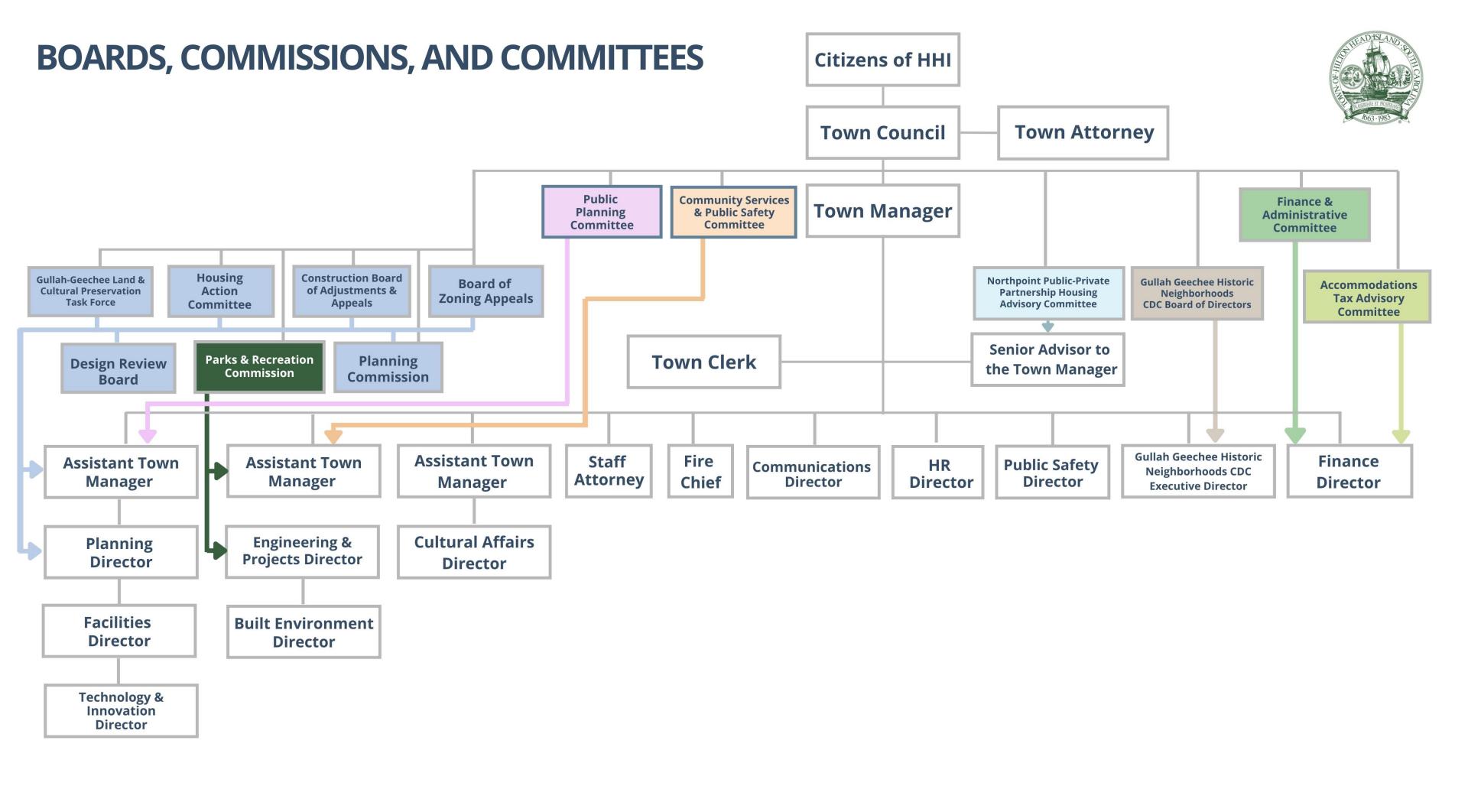


Lisa Stauffer Human Resources Director



Staff Attorney





#### **NEW STAFF SUPPORT:**

#### **INCREASED CALLS FOR SERVICE**

• Fire Rescue

#### **NEW PROGRAMS**

- Short-term Rental Program
- Housing
- Gullah Geechee Historic Neighborhood CDC

#### **EXPANDED SERVICES**

- Beach Operations
- Facilities Management
- Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)
- Public Safety
- Communications
- Community Outreach
- Stormwater Utility Program
- Environmental Sustainability
- Office of Culture Affairs



# GIVING BACK

The Town's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Leave Program provides opportunities for Town employees to use 10 paid hours to support qualified charitable volunteer opportunities in the Hilton Head Island community.



# Organizations where our employees have volunteered:

- Bear Foot Sports
- Bluffton Self Help-Hilton Head
- Deep Well Project
- Ella C. White Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Gullah Museum Heritage Festival
- Heritage Foundation
- HHFA RBC Heritage Concessions
- HHFA Wingfest
- HHFA Spring Swing Golf Tournament
- Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park
- Juneteenth Day Celebration
- Main Stage Community Theater
- Main Street Youth Theater
- MLK Committee Cemetery Clean Up on the Island
- MLK Committee Jenkins Island Cemetery Cleanup
- MLK Committee for Justice
- Palmetto Running Company
- Pockets Full of Sunshine
- RBC Heritage Golf Tournament
- South Carolina Dept. of Natural Resources
- The Outside Foundation
- Town of HHI Mayor's Awards for students
- Town of Hilton Head Beach & Park cleanup
- Town of Hilton Head St. Patrick's Day Parade



#### ISLAND AT A GLANCE

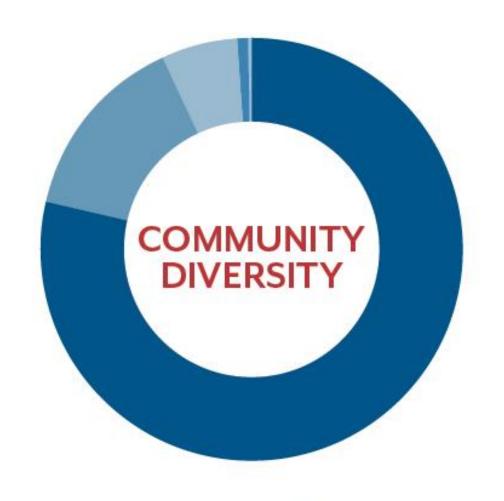
Source: 2020 Census

#### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

**37,661** 





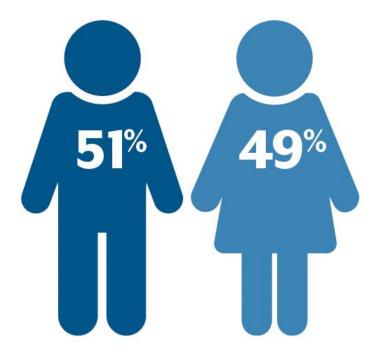




- Hispanic 14.1%
- Black or African American – **5.7**%
- Asian 0.8%
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander **0.2**%







\$86K
MEDIAN
FAMILY
INCOME

BELOW POVERTY LINE 7.6%

#### ISLAND AT A GLANCE

Source: 2020 Census



HOUSING

34,665 TOTAL HOUSING UNITS



16,882 multi-family units

**16,590** single family detached homes

**1,193** mobile homes



#### **SHORT-TERM RENTALS**

1 in 5 properties is a short-term rental unit





# HOUSING UNITS FOR SALE

August 2024 Market Report – Hilton Head Area Realtors Association

364 condos/villas for sale (median price \$475,000)

(Dec 2023 - 303 condos/villas for sale - median price \$479,000)

191 detached homes for sale (median price \$1,050,000)

(Dec 2023 - 173 detached homes for sale - median price \$1,100,000)

# ISLAND AT A GLANCE

Source: Town of Hilton Head Island Conditions And Trends Assessment 2024



# 21,400 Total Island Jobs in 2021

LOCAL JOBS FILLED BY
NON-LOCALS

3%

Nonresidents hold the majority of jobs on the Island, increasing 12% since 2002

# **TOP ISLAND EMPLOYERS (2021)**

EMPLOYER	EMPLOYEES
SERG GROUP RESTAURANTS	1,244
MARRIOTT VACATION CLUB INTL	580
SEA PINES RESORT	536
HILTON HEAD MEDICAL CENTER AND CLINICS	506
COASTAL RESTAURANTS AND BARS	500
BEAUFORT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	438

#### **BUSINESS LICENSING**

January 1 – July 31, 2024



New Businesses have opened on the Island.

Personal/Professional Services - 37

Retail - 19

Food & Beverage - 24

Real Estate - 5

Healthcare - 15

Recreation - 14

Contractors - 6



7,100

**Short-term Rental Permits Approved** 



**Total Business** License Revenue FY 2025 Budget



13.986

**Business Licenses** Issued

# PERMITTING AND INSPECTIONS

January 1 – July 31, 2024



4,603

**Total Permits Issued** 

New Single Family - 75

New Multi-Family - 5

New Commercial - 20



11,640 Building Inspections





786

**Building Plans Reviewed** 

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

January 1 – July 31, 2024



FIRE RESCUE:

, 5,891

emergency responses

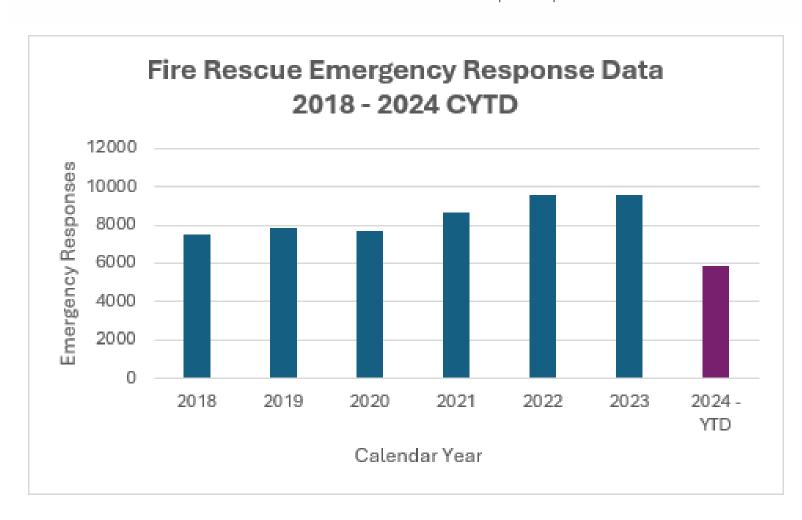
**4,358** 

1,381

HazMat

120 Technical Rescue > **603** attendees at fire & life safety education events

> 1,455 community outreach participants





#### **COMMUNITY CODE ENFORCEMENT**

- > 232 short-term rental complaints received
- > 784 building/land management ordinance site checks
- > Beach Patrol **18,268** violations addressed:

**10,664** – Alcohol

**1,286** – Metal shovels/holes

**1,257** – Glass on the beach

**833** – Dogs on the beach

3,921 - People/bikes in dunes

**163** – Fishing license

**144** – Other





# 2023-2025 STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN TOP PRIORITIES





**ESTABLISH A GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY** 



IMPLEMENT THE WORKFORCE HOUSING FRAMEWORK



ADOPT MAJOR CORRIDORS/STREET ENHANCEMENT POLICIES



DEVELOP A WILLIAM HILTON PARKWAY GATEWAY CORRIDOR PLAN



COMMENCE OPERATIONS OF THE GULLAH GEECHEE HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOODS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION



IDENTIFY STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES, OPPORTUNITIES AND THREATS (SWOT) OF ISLAND RESILIENCY



IMPLEMENT THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP)

# 2023-2025 STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN TOP PRIORITIES





LAND ACQUISITION MANUAL UPDATE



CONDUCT A STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES, OPPORTUNITIES AND THREATS (SWOT) OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING PROGRAM



**DESTINATION MARKETING ORGANIZATION MANAGEMENT** 



ASSESS ALTERNATIVE REVENUE SOURCES AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



SHORT-TERM RENTALS ASSESSMENT AND PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION



COMPLETE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GULLAH GEECHEE TASK FORCE PLAN



**ASSIST WITH ST. JAMES BAPTIST CHURCH RELOCATION** 



**IMPLEMENT BEACH PARK ENHANCEMENTS** 

#### **GROWTH MANAGEMENT**

Adopted amendments to the Land Management Ordinance focused on specific neighborhood improvements.

- Floor Area Ratio requirements within the Forest Beach Neighborhood Character Overlay District adopted.
- District Plans to guide future land use and a Comprehensive Land Management Ordinance update underway.



#### **WORKFORCE HOUSING**

Continued focus on workforce housing with new partnerships and community meetings committed in FY2025.

The Town of Hilton Head Island and OneStreet Residential signed a Workforce Housing Development Agreement for an 11-acre tract of Town-owned land at Northpoint Circle. This marks a critical step toward creating a sustainable workforce housing neighborhood on Hilton Head Island.

MOA Partnerships developed with Habitat for Humanity and Coastal Community
Development Corporation.







#### RESILIENCY

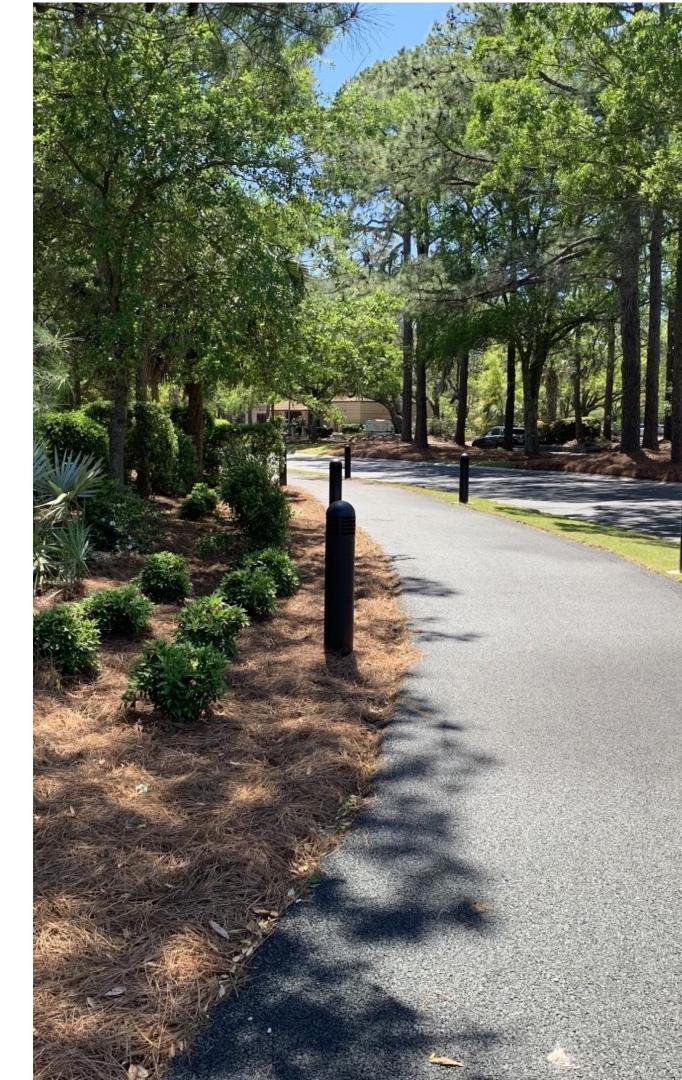
- Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) assessment completed for solid waste and recycling.
- Active management of Island-wide stormwater infrastructure has improved ability to manage floodwaters and storm impacts.
- Hilton Head Island Resilience Plan underway.
- Beach Renourishment permits applied for.
  - Phase 1 (The Heel, Port Royal, Fish Haul and Pine Island) starts in June 2025 - ends October 2025
  - Phase 2 (Central Island, South Island and South Beach) starts in September 2025 ends May 2026
  - Phase 3 (Pine Island Structures) TBD







- Mural and history kiosk installed at Squire Pope Community Park commemorating the contributions of the Hilton Head Fishing Cooperative.
- Intersection & landscape enhancements completed on median and approaches of Pope Avenue, Palmetto Bay Road and William Hilton Parkway at Sea Pines Circle.
- ☑ Initial roadway maintenance on Main Street completed.
- Pedestrian intersection and crosswalk enhancements at various locations throughout Hilton Head Island.
- Pedestrian & vehicular safety on William Hilton Parkway between Dillion road and Beach City Road underway.
- New pathway in the Shelter Cove area which increased safety and aesthetics.
- Pathway fencing along Palmetto Bay Road and Point Comfort Road upgraded.
- Squire Pope Road and Gum Tree Road crosswalk improvements were made.
- Union Cemetery Road multi-use pathway was repaved.
- Old School House Park six pickleball courts and basketball court repaved.















#### **LEGEND**

1:TABBY CONCRETE DRIVE 2: PARKING (+/- 14 SPACES

+ 2 HC SPOTS)

3: GATE (CAMERAS AND **WAYFINDING SIGNAGE)** 

4: EDGE ARTICULATION

LOW FENCE

5: PAVILION +/-2500 SF WITH HISTORY PANEL AND

WAYFINDING SIGNAGE **6: BOAT PLAY FEATURE** 

7: "LOCAL WATERS" PLAY

**FEATURES** 

8: LOCALIZED STEM PLAY; FISHERMAN'S KNOT

**BOARD** 

9: RUBBERIZED SURFACE; LOCAL WATERS INSPIRED 10: OUTDOOR FITNESS

ZONE

11: BIKE PARKING

12: UPLIGHT SIGNIFICANT **TREES** 

13: MANICURED

**UNDERSTORY** 

14: ACTIVITY LAWN

15: EMERGENCY VEHICLE

TURNAROUND

16: THE HISTORY PATH

17: WETLAND

18: SWINGS

19: CULTURAL GARDEN

WITH WATER FEATURE

20: 50" PECAN TREE

21: CROSSWALK

22: FOOD TRUCK ZONE;

**GRASS PAVER** 

SUBSURFACE

23: POTENTIAL GARDEN

**EXPANSION** 

24: FUTURE PATHWAY

25: SMALL PAVILION 10'x10'

(+/-100 SF)



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Mid-Island Concept Plan



# Visualizations MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS

# Visualizations NORTH MAIN STREETIMPROVEMENTS



PEDESTRIAN BUFFER
WIDTH VARIES
MATURAL APPEARANCE

PATHWAY
10' TYP BOITH SIDES
CONNECT TO LOCAL
BUSINESS

(2) TRAVEL LANES
9' + 2' CURB
8' K GUTTER

BIKE LANES
5' TYP, BOITH SIDE +
2' BUFFER

REY MAP

PATHWAY CROSSING
ENHANCEMENTS
ACCESS DRIVES AND
ROADWAYS TYP.

MAP

ARKWAY 2 & MAIN STREET | COUNCIL PRESENTATION

TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SC | APRIL 9, 2024

# CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

• Hilton Head Island Jam 2024 Songwriter Festival - September 18-22

Crescendo - October 15 – November 23

- Lantern Parade November 23
- Community Tree Lighting & Concert December 7
- Community Menorah Lighting TBD







