



Community News Update

5 June 2020

Dear Downtown Residents,

In the last few months, DSCA has dedicated itself to keeping you informed about the ever-changing conditions in our city caused by the COVID-19 epidemic. More recently the city and the nation have faced additional challenges. As we go forward, we will continue to bring you information and interviews with City of Sarasota leaders as we go forward. (See below for a link to the latest update from Mayor Ahearn-Koch.)

Perhaps more than in any other year, the residents of our city must take their responsibility to vote seriously. Three seats on the 5-member City Commission are on the ballot. District 2 (D2) encompasses the downtown area (and most of the area west of US41 and some sections east of US41). D2 is the area that DSCA represents. There are two elections that will decide D2—a primary on **August 18th** and a final election on **November 3rd**. These elections are **non-partisan**.

Eligible voters can easily register to vote and obtain absentee ballots from the Supervisor of Elections website (<https://www.sarasotavotes.com/content.aspx?id=19>).

Which brings us to the real question: WHO SHOULD YOU VOTE FOR?? The answer, of course, is up to you but DSCA in conjunction with DSA (Downtown Sarasota Alliance) will be holding its first-ever Zoom Candidates' Forum. Please put **June 11th** on your calendar. See below for details to **[Register for the webinar](#)**.



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DSCA & DSA host City Commission Election **District 2** **Candidates' Forum**

June 11, 2020

5:45 - 6:00 p.m. – Virtual Lobby Opens
6:00 - 7:30 p.m. – Candidates' Forum

Please join **DSA** and **DSCA** for a D2 Candidates' Forum for the City of Sarasota Commission.

District 2 Candidates attending:

Liz Alpert, Martin Hyde,
Terry Turner, and Jerry Wells

[Register Here](#)



Mayor Jen Ahearn-Koch

You can view Mayor Jennifer Ahearn-Koch's update and dialog with the DSCA Board on 6/3/20 here:

https://youtu.be/Jk6_CT0k2h4

View FL Governor's Executive Order 20-139, Phase 2 Re-Opening Plan:

- https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/orders/2020/EO_20-139.pdf Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step

View City of Sarasota COVID-19 Information webpage:

- <https://www.sarasotafl.gov/i-want-to/advanced-components/covid-19-microsite>

The City of Sarasota **Transportation Master Plan** draft has been released for formal review by the [City Planning Board](#) on **June 10** and later by the City Commission. You can review the **Sarasota In Motion** plan [here](#).

The **Downtown Sarasota Condo Association** is composed of resident volunteers who live and work in downtown Sarasota. We are your neighbors, your friends, your link to City government. Please help us convey your questions and concerns to those in office.

With all best wishes for your continued good health,

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