

City of Orange Beach TOWN HALL 2sday 2-22-2022

Mayor Tony Kennon




“Welcome to Orange Beach, Alabama”

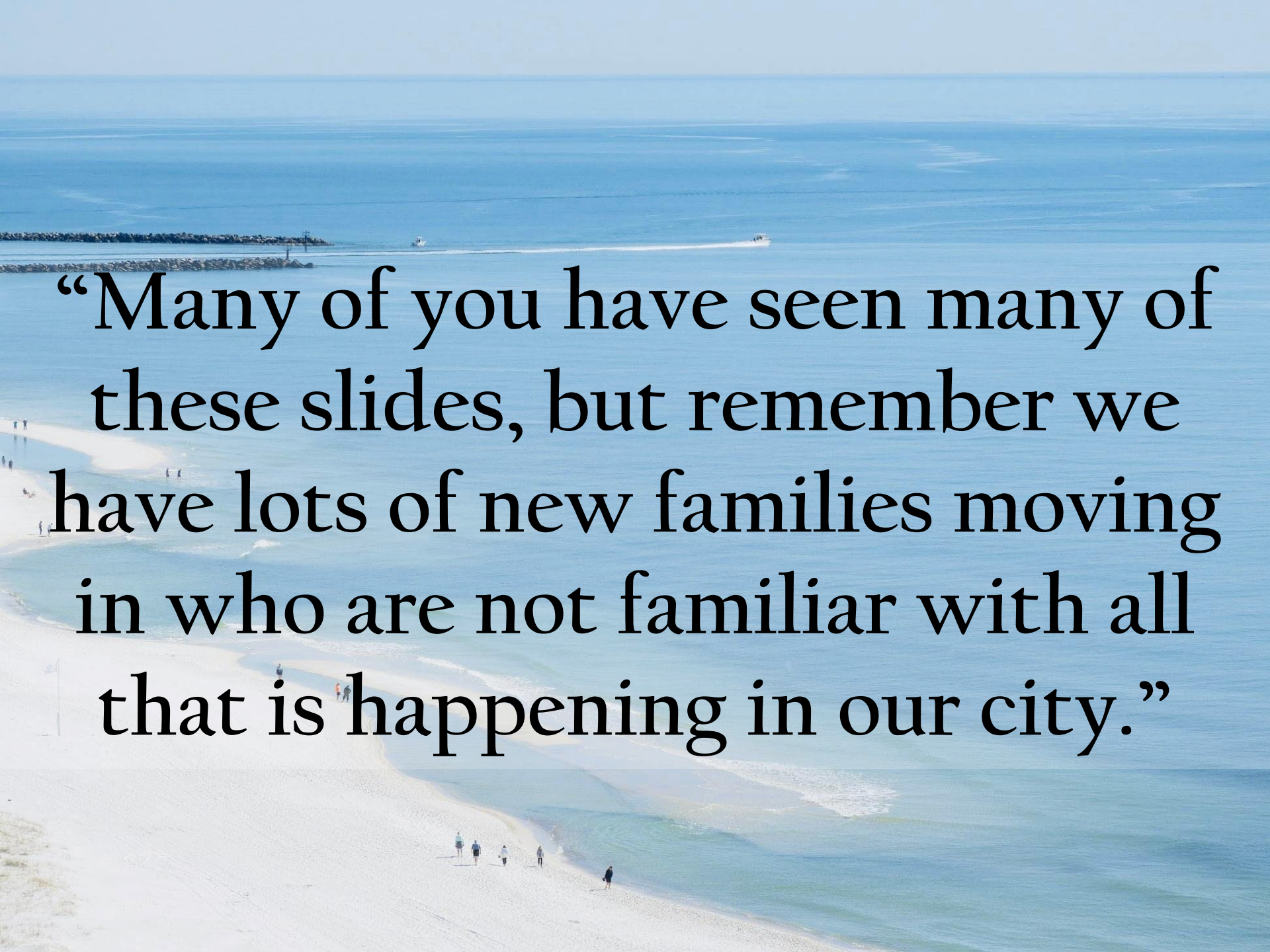


MAYOR TONY KENNON

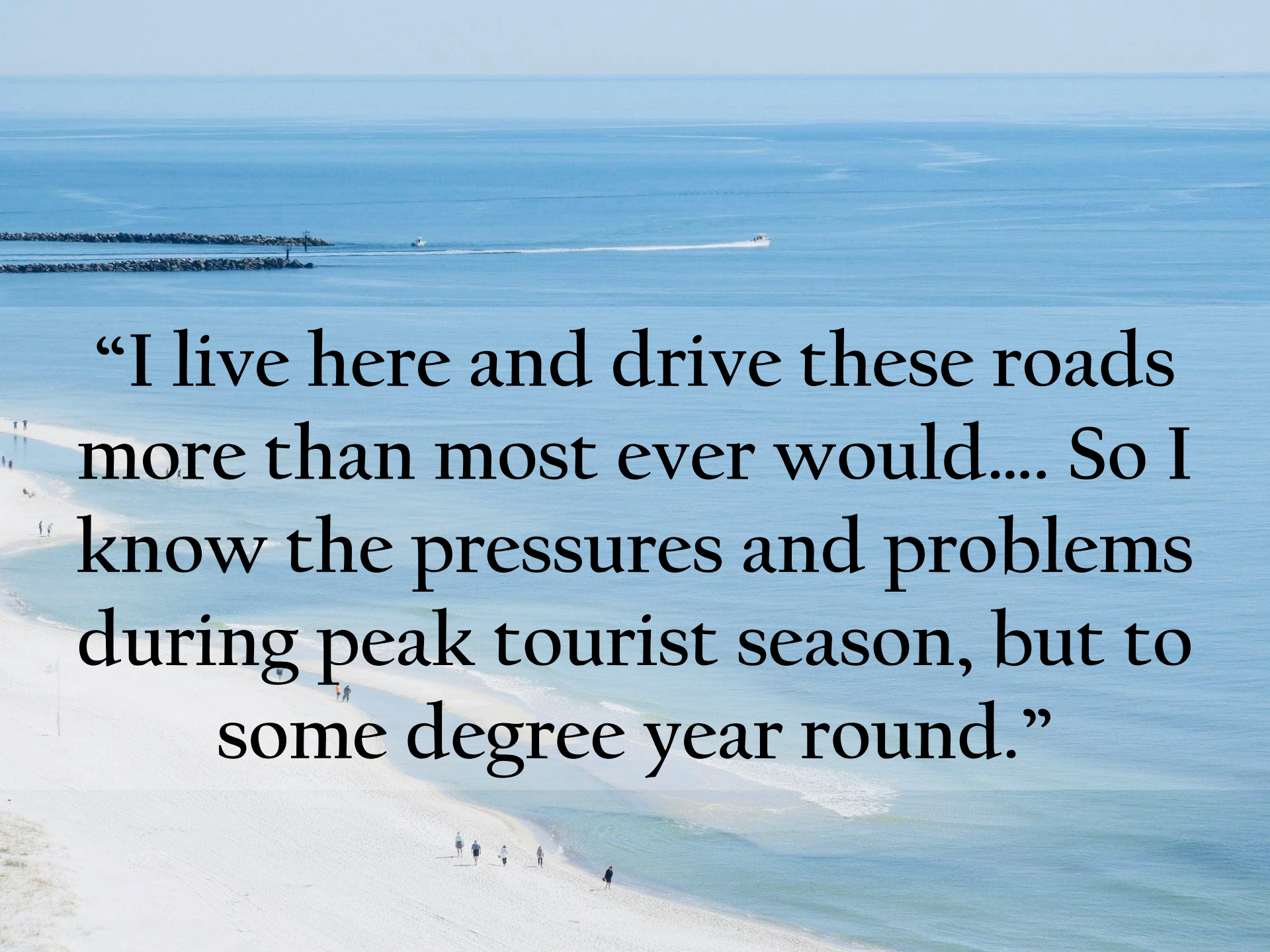
City Council: Jeff Boyd (Pro Tem), Jeff Silvers,
Annette Mitchell, Joni Blalock, Jerry Johnson

An aerial photograph of a wide, sandy beach meeting a clear blue ocean. The water transitions from a light turquoise near the shore to a deeper blue further out. A small boat is visible in the distance, leaving a white wake. Several people are scattered across the beach, some walking and others standing. The text is overlaid in the center of the image in a large, black, serif font.


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“Many of you have seen many of these slides, but remember we have lots of new families moving in who are not familiar with all that is happening in our city.”

A scenic view of a beach and ocean. The foreground shows a sandy beach with several people walking. The middle ground features the ocean with gentle waves. In the distance, a boat is visible on the water, leaving a white wake. The sky is clear and blue. The text is overlaid on the image in a large, black, serif font.


“I live here and drive these roads more than most ever would... So I know the pressures and problems during peak tourist season, but to some degree year round.”

A wide-angle, high-angle photograph of a beach. The foreground shows a sandy beach with several people walking along the water's edge. The water is a vibrant blue, with gentle waves lapping at the shore. In the distance, a small boat is visible on the water, leaving a white wake. A long, low breakwater or pier extends into the sea on the left side of the frame. The sky is a clear, pale blue.

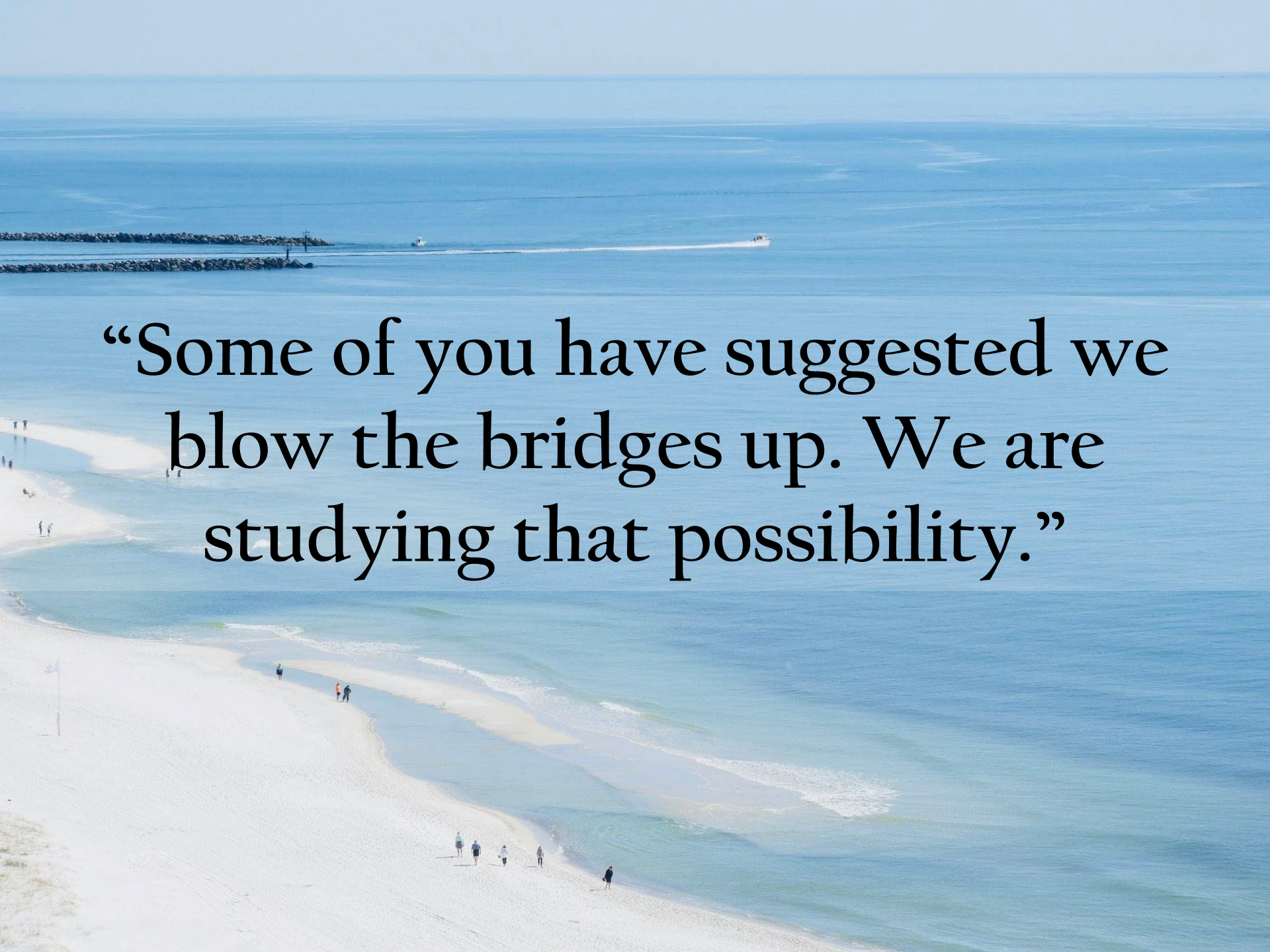
“We have grown and are growing...
and people have found our coastal
lifestyle that all Orange Beach
provides.”



“We know they are coming, so the council puts high priority on quality of life investments in local amenities as we mitigate and manage the effects of rapid growth in tourism.”

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“We will do everything we can to protect our brand as a family-friendly destination.”

An aerial photograph of a wide, sandy beach meeting a vast, blue ocean. The water transitions from a shallow, light turquoise near the shore to a deep, dark blue further out. A small boat is visible in the distance, leaving a white wake. A rocky breakwater extends into the water on the left side. Several people are scattered across the beach, some walking and others standing. The text is overlaid in the center of the image in a black, serif font.

“Some of you have suggested we blow the bridges up. We are studying that possibility.”

“Who We Are ...”

God. Family.

Country.

ORANGE  **BEACH**

ALABAMA

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Where's the common sense?

There is a Backstory to every
decision being made ...

A sunset over the ocean with a bird flying in the sky. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a golden glow across the sky and reflecting on the water. A single bird is silhouetted against the bright sky in the upper right quadrant.

Orange Beach has to develop unique relationships with federal and state agencies.

We have a fantastic lobbying team and staff connections with all.

A sunset over the ocean with a bird flying in the sky. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a golden glow across the sky and reflecting on the water. A single bird is silhouetted against the bright sky in the upper center. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

Money goes where the votes are:
Only 3,000 votes in OB...
No leverage in Montgomery,
“gotta have relationships”

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Resilience

“After going through the BP oil spill
everything else is a piece of cake . . .”

Hurricanes

Pandemic

Hailstorm

Swarms of Locust

RECENT CHALLENGES



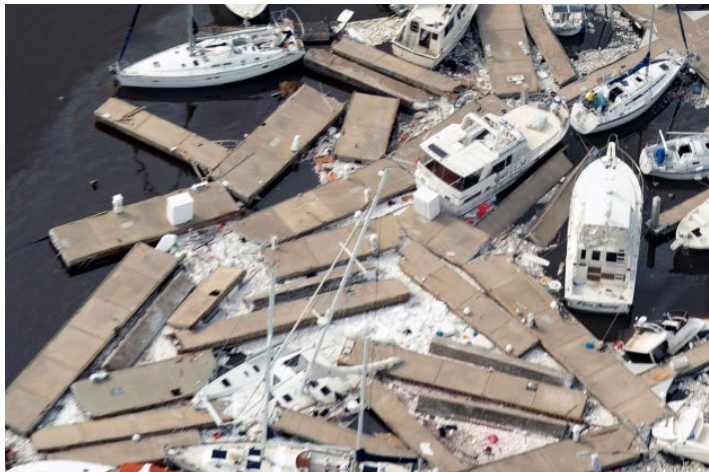
Recent Challenges

COVID-19 PANDEMIC

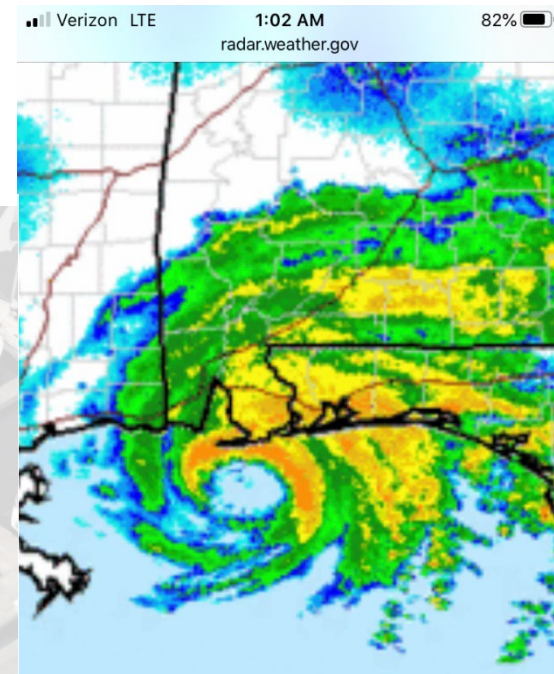
- March 2020 Closed Beaches
- Mask Mandates
- Social Distancing



HURRICANE SALLY – SEPT. 16, 2020



103mph
WINDS
30" of
RAIN



Recent Challenges

Hailstorm April 10, 2021

3-4" size hailstones

Roofs / Vehicles



1,521 likes

spannwx More photos of hail on the Alabama Gulf Coast this morning at Orange Beach. Some

Construction Materials Cost Increases

Supply Chain Delays

Workforce Shortage



Workforce Shortage

“Having an appropriate workforce to fill all the service-oriented positions in Orange Beach makes quality of life for all of us better.”



Workforce Shortage

“If you are on unemployment, after a week in this job market... you should be prosecuted for fraud.
Everyone is hiring!



Workforce Shortage

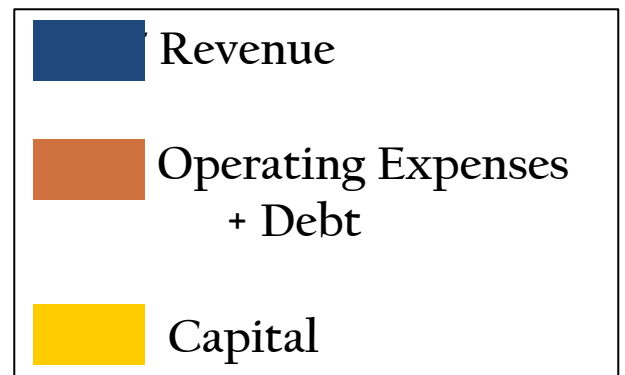
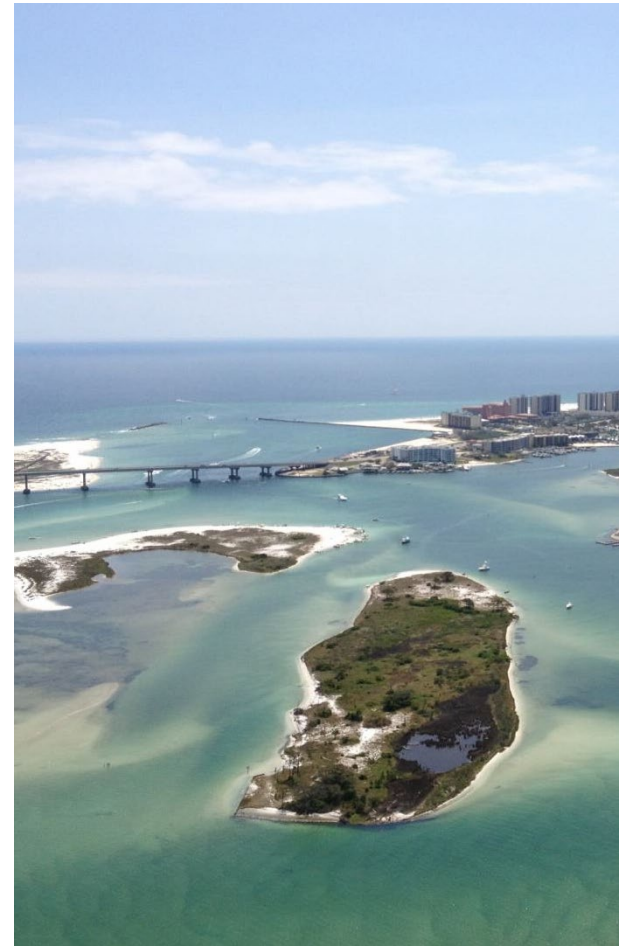
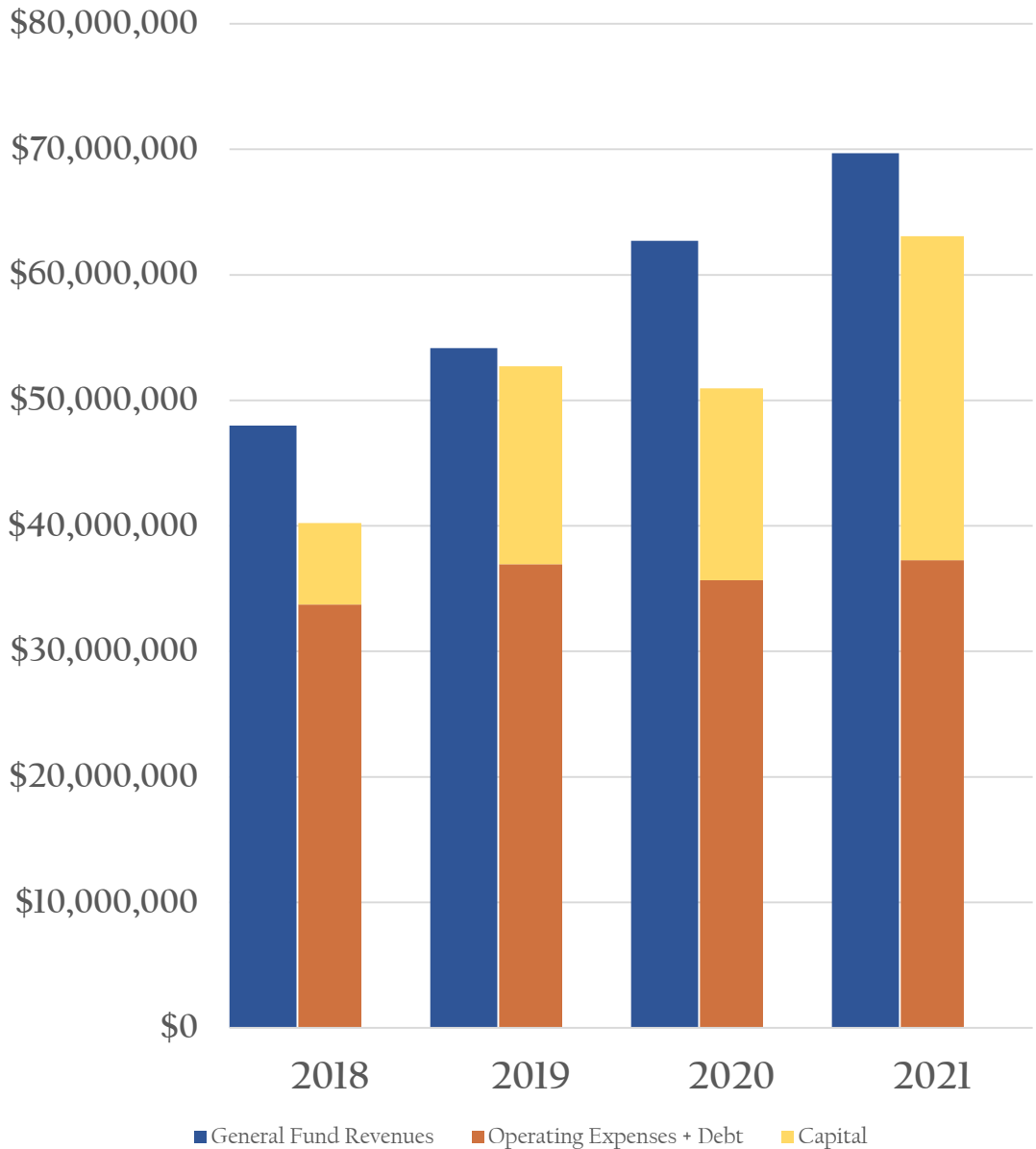
“Please be patient with our local businesses and their employees as they do their best to serve.”



FISCAL MANAGEMENT



Revenue & Expenses 2018-2021



Strength of Orange Beach

\$40 Million Operating

\$36 Million Reserves

\$25 Million Bond Proceeds

AA1 Bond Rating (Moody's)

AA-Plus Bond Rating (S&P)

Assessed Property Value \$1.25B

Capital Projects

In Construction Process

- Fire Station No. 3 \$4,500,000
- City Beach infrastructure \$4,000,000
- Orange Beach High School Turnout Lane \$50,000
- Shooting Range \$500,000
- City Hall Roof Replacement (Hailstorm) \$450,000
- Recreation Center Interior Renovation \$220,000

In Construction Bid Process

- Waterfront Park Pier – Hurricane Sally - \$700,000
- Trail Maintenance Shop & Wildlife Center - \$300,000

Capital Projects


In Design Process

- East Canal Road Multimodal Path \$2,000,000
- Medical Arts Renovation & Roof (Hailstorm) \$950,000
- Finance Building Reno & Roof (Hailstorm) \$950,000
- W Canal Road Multimodal Path (TAP funded) \$600,000
- Safe Room \$500,000
- Rosemary Trail Cabins \$450,000
- Post Office Roof (Hailstorm) \$400,000
- Fire Admin Roof (Hailstorm) \$350,000
- Performing Arts Center Lobby & Sign \$195,000

Capital Projects

Waiting to be Bid/Conceptual Discussion

| | |
|---|--------------|
| • Field House / Athletic Training | \$12,000,000 |
| • Fire Station 1 & Admin Offices | \$12,000,000 |
| • Justice Center Renovation/Expansion | \$4,000,000 |
| • City Hall Interior Reno & Possible Expansion | \$3,000,000 |
| • East Canal Road Widening | \$2,000,000 |
| • Powerline and WWT Road Improvement | \$1,000,000 |
| • Event Center Roof (Hailstorm) | \$400,000 |
| • Sportsplex Stadium – West Side of Soccer Field | \$300,000 |
| • City Storage Facility | \$250,000 |
| • Museum Relocation & Rebuild (Partial Hailstorm) | \$200,000 |
| • Sportsplex Shade Structure Replacement | \$175,000 |
| • Logistics Building conversion to use by OBPD | \$100,000 |
| • Fire Tower Refurbishment | \$80,000 |

An aerial photograph of a coastal waterway. A long bridge spans across the water in the middle ground. On the left side, there are several modern buildings and a sandy beach. On the right side, there is a large, flat, open area, possibly a field or a construction site. The water is a deep blue-green color. In the foreground, a boat is moving away from the viewer, leaving a white wake. The sky is bright blue with a few scattered white clouds.

Total cost of projected Capital projects:
\$52,620,000

City of Orange Beach Population by Census

| | |
|------|--------------|
| 1984 | Incorporated |
| 1990 | 2,253 |
| 2000 | 3,856 |
| 2010 | 5,441 |
| 2020 | 8,095 * |

**Ranks 85th of 586 Cities in Alabama
48% increase over 10 year period*

Orange Beach Population Rank in Alabama

| | <u>Rank in Alabama</u> |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Peak Summer Season: ~120,000* | #5 June July |
| Year-round average: ~50,000* | #10 Mar Apr May Aug Sept Oct |
| Winter Season: ~35,000* | #15 Nov Dec Jan Feb |
| U.S. Census 2020: 8,095 | #85 by census data |

*All population estimates (-) by season include permanent residents, tourist, workforce, service & support employees, day-trippers, etc

We move Iron Bowl Traffic Every Day in Summer



"We are a small town with big city demands."

Orange Beach Population Indicators

Sewer Flow Data

ORANGE BEACH WASTEWATER PLANT FLOWS

| | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|----------------------|-------|----------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Jan | 1.26 | 1.26 | 1.26 | 1.26 | 1.24 | 1.33 | 1.24 | 1.3 | 1.42 | 1.59 | 1.78 | 1.69 | 1.33 | 0 |
| Feb | 1.47 | 1.51 | 1.31 | 1.47 | 1.55 | 1.43 | 1.44 | 1.46 | 1.71 | 1.89 | 1.83 | 1.87 | 1.48 | |
| March | 1.66 | 1.66 | 1.46 | 1.84 | 1.83 | 1.99 | 1.8 | 1.96 | 2.12 | 2.15 | 2.34 | 1.96 | 2.29 | |
| April | 1.92 | 1.77 | 1.59 NP | 1.88 | 1.77 | 2.05 | 2.02 | 1.91 | 2.3 | 2.07 | 2.28 | 1.36 | 2.59 | |
| May | 1.94 | 1.87 | 1.95 | 1.91 | 2.16 | 2.31 | 2.25 | 2.24 | 2.18 | 2.4 | 2.54 | 2.7 | 2.93 | |
| June | 2.61 | 2.24 | 2.72 | 3.09 | 2.82 | 2.87 | 3.07 | 2.85 | 3.42 | 3.31 | 3.53 | 3.52 | 4.11 | |
| July | 2.88 | 2.27 | 3.18 | 3.35 | 3.3 | 3.33 | 3.39 | 3.45 | 3.71 | 3.77 | 3.63 | 3.76 | 4.29 | |
| August | 2.12 | 1.86 | 2.29 | 2.22 | 2.49 | 2.31 | 2.37 | 2.23 | 2.43 | 2.57 | 2.48 | 3.02 | 3.07 | |
| September | 1.8 | 1.55 | 1.83 | 1.83 | 1.87 | 1.79 | 1.89 | 2.09 | 2.29 | 2.32 | 2.2 | 2.38 | 2.77 | |
| October | 1.48 | 1.43 | 1.56 | 1.52 | 1.62 | 1.71 | 1.72 | 1.8 | 2.17 | 2.22 | 2.06 | 1.94 | 2.52 | |
| November | 1.33 | 1.27 | 1.22 | 1.21 | 1.27 | 1.22 | 1.33 | 1.33 | 1.9 | 1.81 | 1.59 | 1.69 | 1.84 | |
| December | 1.18 | 1.1 | 1.06 | 1.03 | 1.08 | 1.04 | 1.07 | 1.15 | 1.35 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.44 | 1.52 | |
| | | BP | FIRE | | | Flood | | | | | | Sally | | |
| Yearly Average | 1.804 | 1.649 | 1.804 | 1.884 | 1.917 | 1.948 | 1.966 | 1.981 | 2.25 | 2.308 | 2.313 | 2.28 | 2.562 | 0 |
| | | new plant April 2011 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Monthly based on MGD | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

“Sewer Flows Don’t Lie”

Orange Beach Population Indicators

Beach Express Toll Bridge

2021 Bridge Volume

5,446,898 vehicles

26.4% increase over 2020 (Sally)

12.8% increase over 2019

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTHCARE



Public Safety Investments



NEW Fire Platform Ladder Truck
Arriving Summer 2022



New Fire Station No. 3 Location



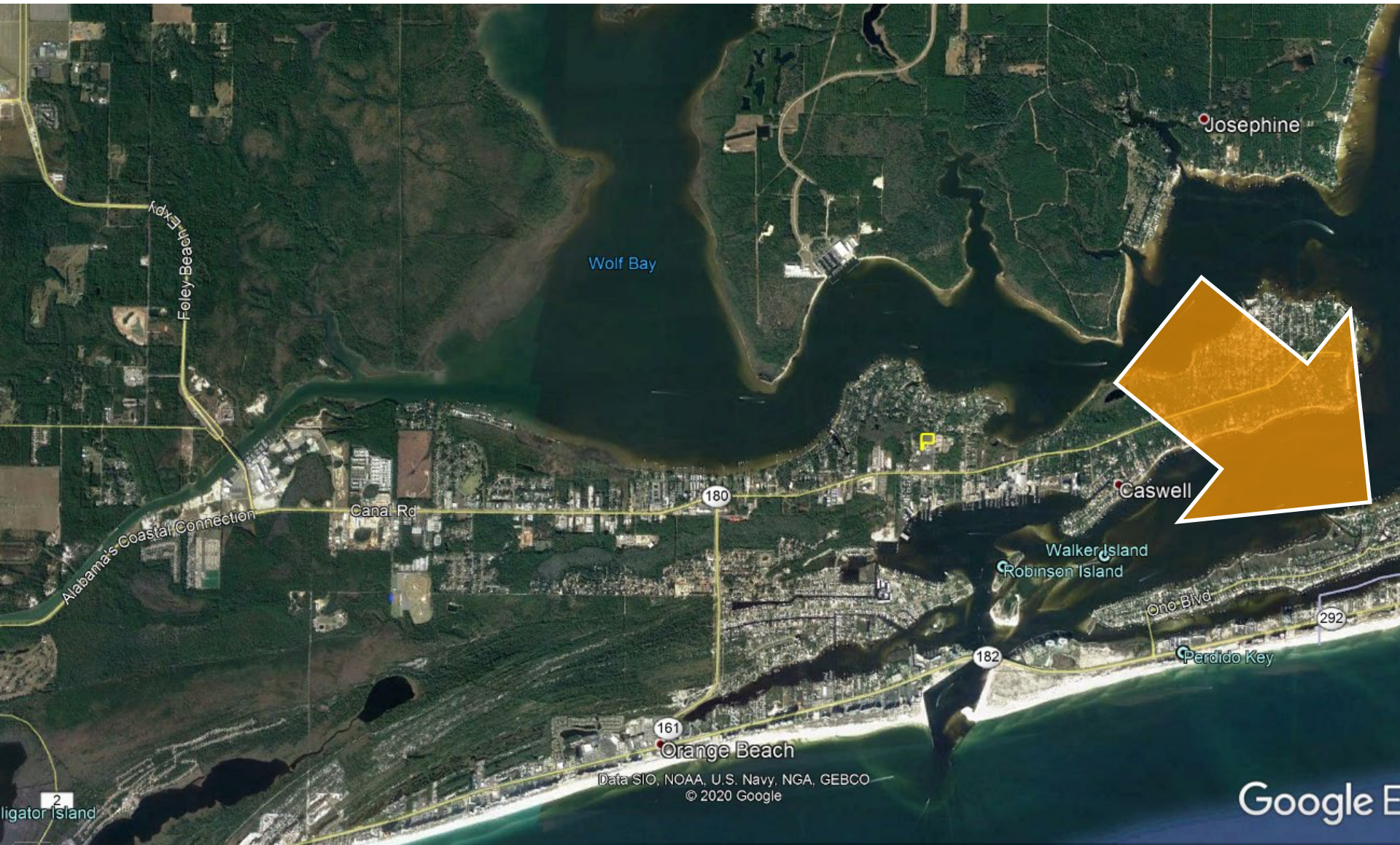
New Fire Station No. 3



ORANGE BEACH FIRE STATION NO. 3



Ono Fire Station No. 4 Location



Ono Island Fire Station No. 4



Ono Island Fire Station No. 4



New Police Vehicle Markings



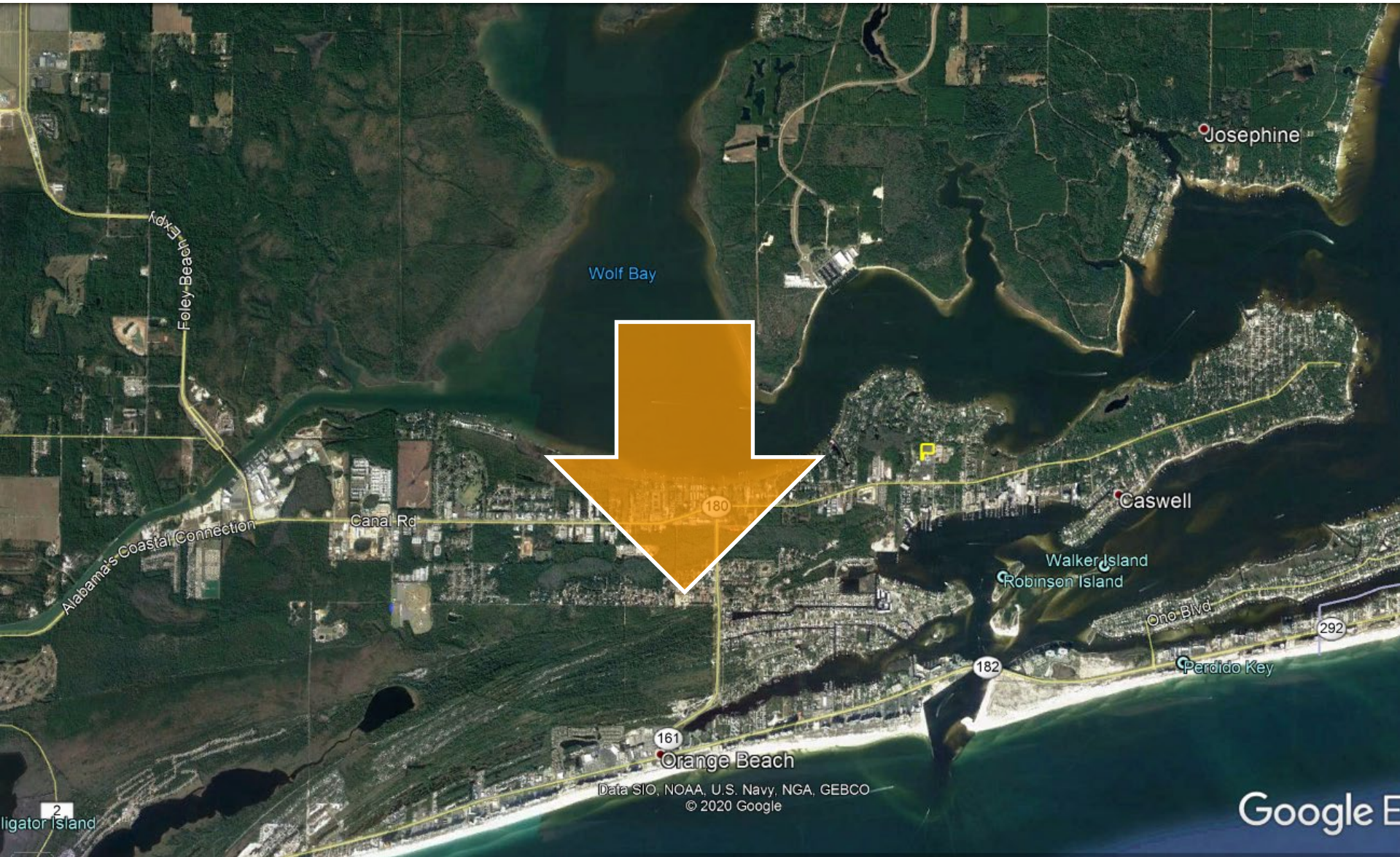
New Police Vessel

Arriving March 2022

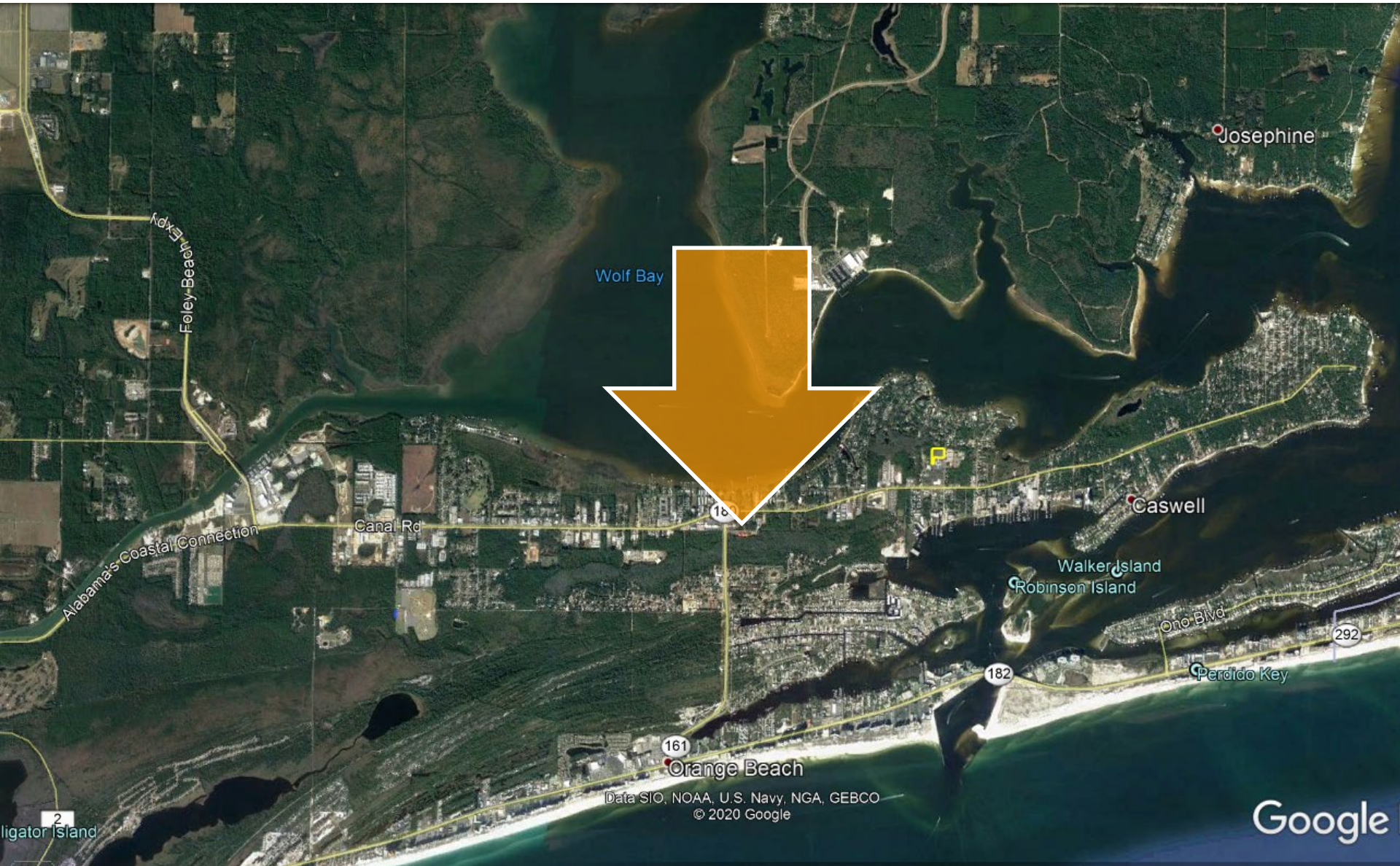


38 ft Port Security Grant 80%

Fire Station No. 1 Campus



Justice Center / Police Expansion



Freestanding Emergency Department



- South Baldwin Regional Medical Center's new Freestanding Emergency Department, located at 3590 Gulf Shores Parkway, is a 14,400 square-foot facility with nine private patient rooms, including radiology and lab services on-site. Also a helipad.



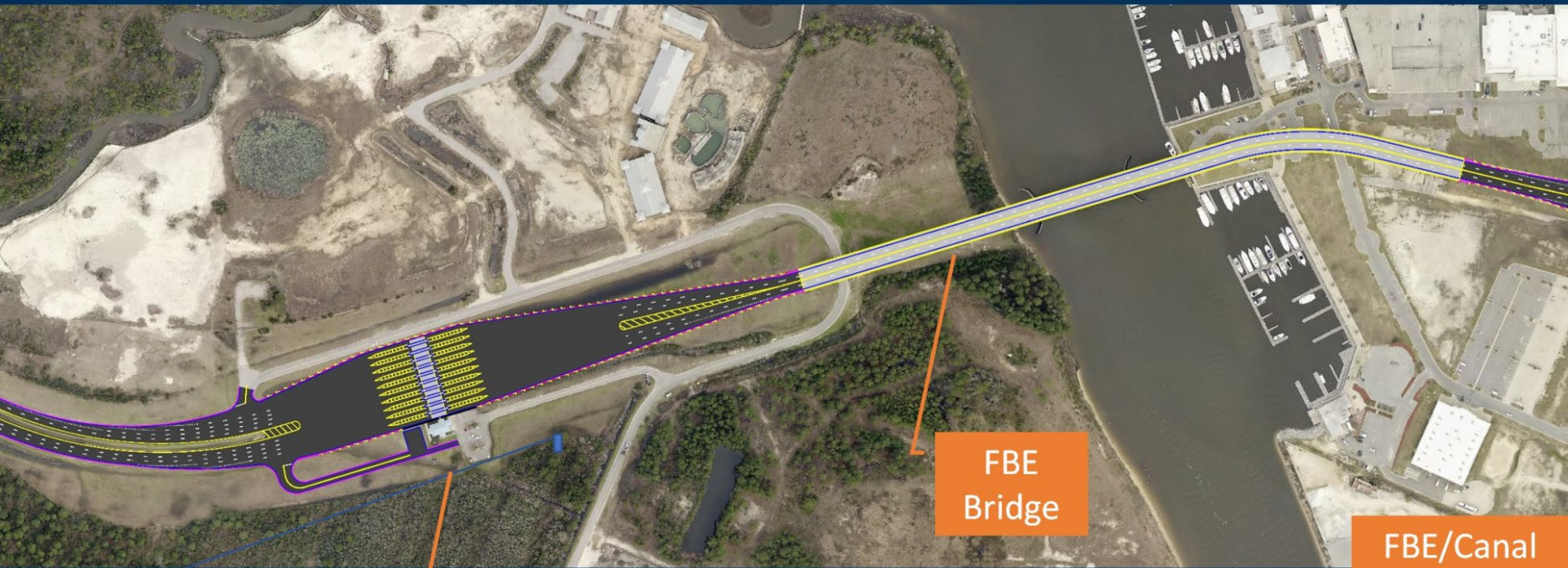
An aerial photograph of a coastal city, likely Miami, Florida. The image shows a large body of water (Biscayne Bay) with a long, narrow causeway or bridge extending from the city towards the ocean. The city is densely packed with buildings and infrastructure, including a prominent skyscraper. The foreground is dominated by lush green trees and a small pond. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds.

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

West Canal Road Widening



Toll Bridge Expansion Update

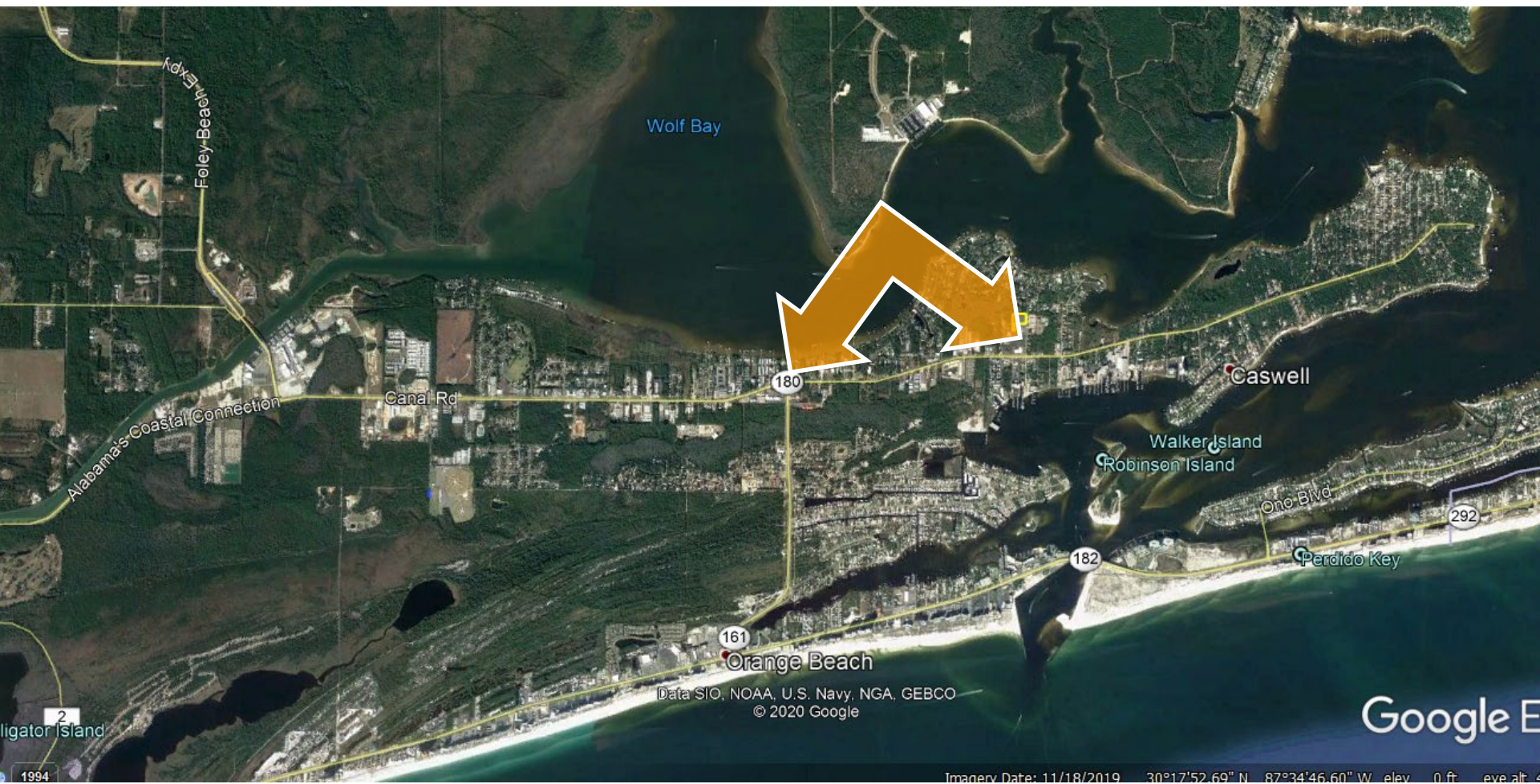


Toll
Plaza

FBE
Bridge

FBE/Canal
Intersection

East Canal Road Widening



- The project is expected to start in April 2022
- Construction anticipated to take a year and a half.

East Canal Road



City of Orange Beach Proposed Canal Rd E Improvements

OB Coastal
Arts Center

OB Senior Center
and Public Library

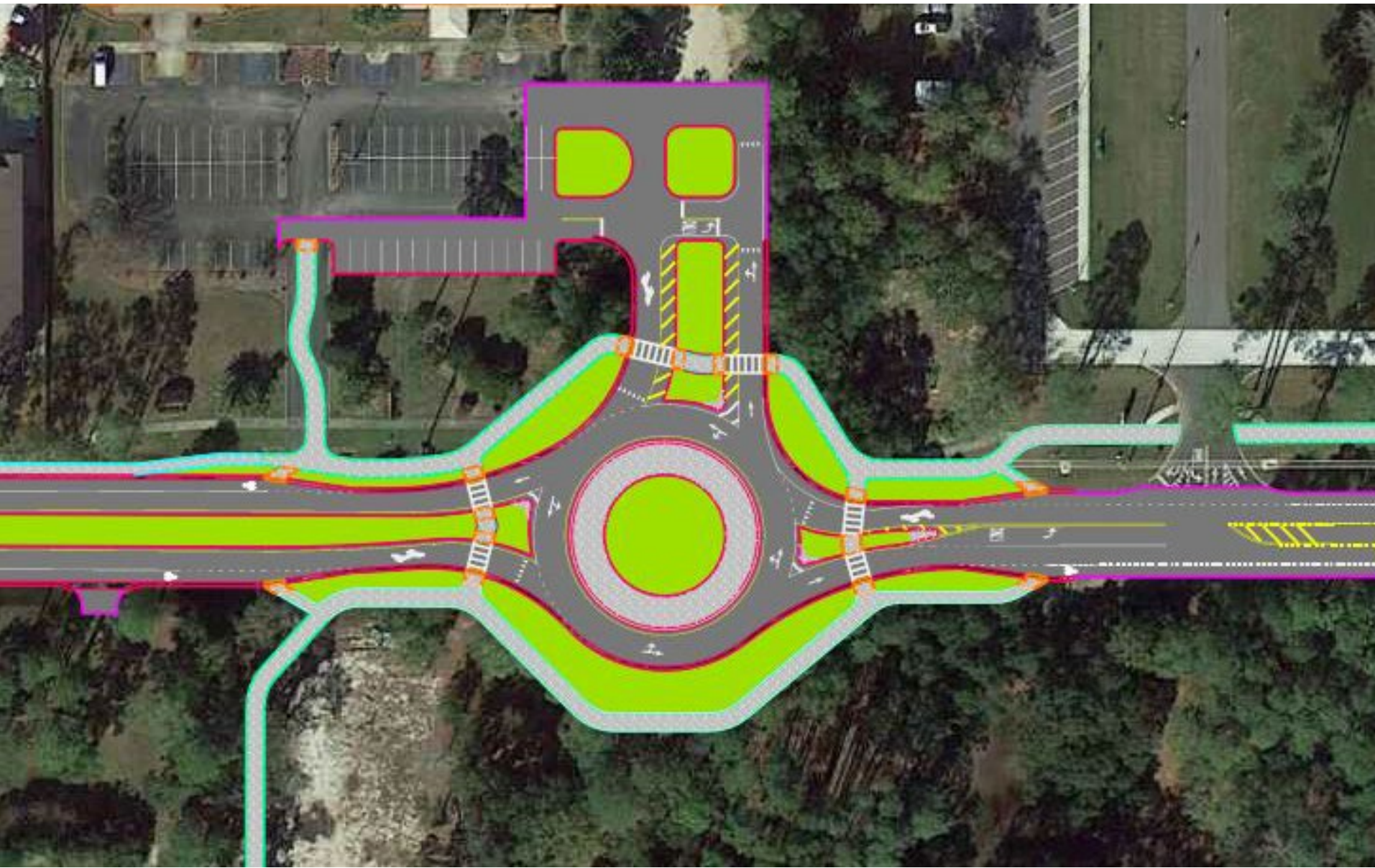
- Controlled Access - expansion to 3 lanes with middle turn lane
- Start date – early April 2022
- No lane closures for the most part
- Common sense?
- RESTORE Act funds (\$3.8M)

SR-161

OB Justice Center



Roundabout



Canal Road Bypass

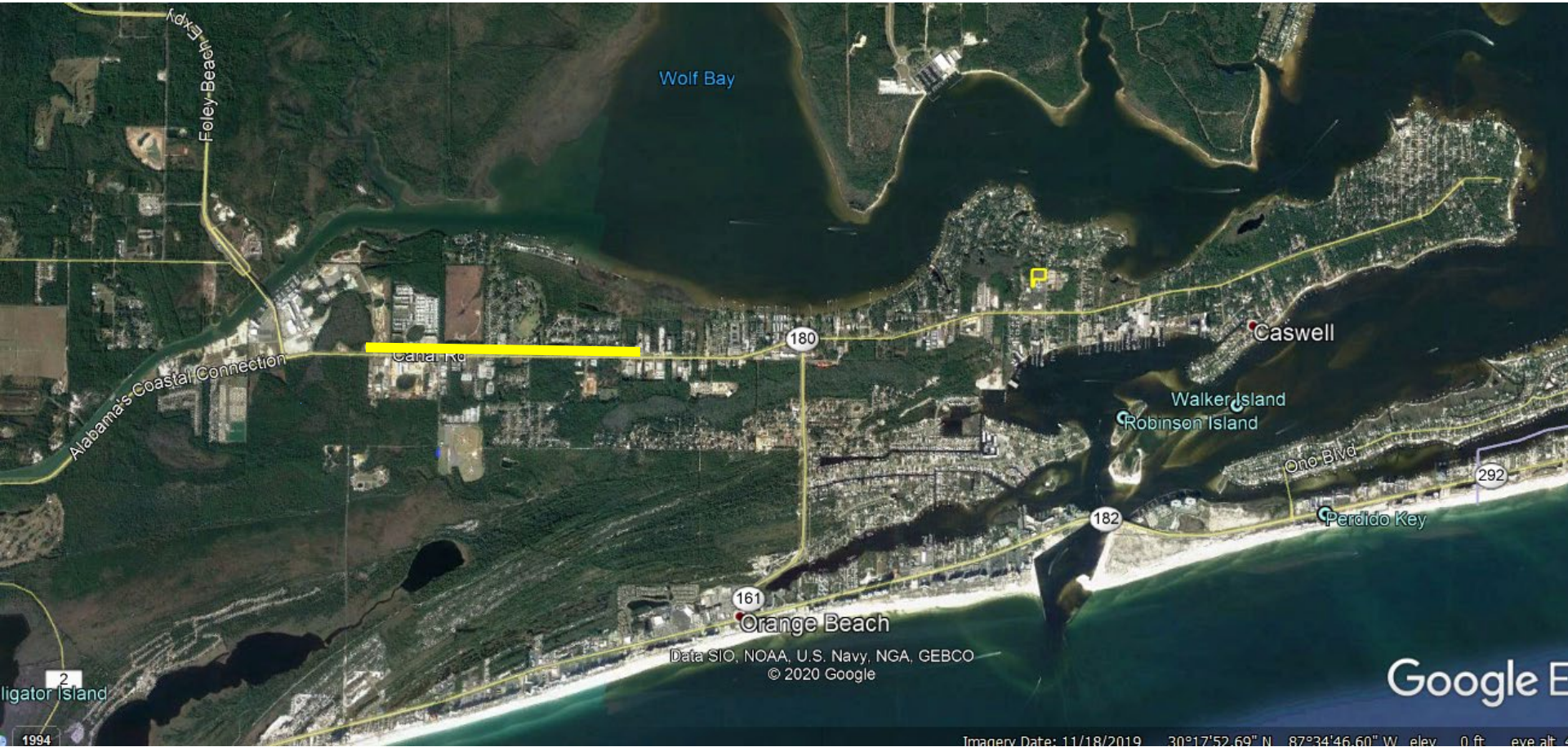


Completed by next election.

CONCEPTUAL DESIGN – SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

West Canal Road Multimodal Path

Oak Street to East Wharf Parkway (TAP Grant)



CrossWalks / Speed Bumps

“Every neighborhood wants one.”

“We can move traffic or we can move pedestrians.”

Traffic has to move and signalized crosswalks take extensive time in stopping all flow.

Traffic and Crosswalks Cannot Co-exist

Speed bumps cause more problems, slow emergency responses and create sound pollution.

Fiber To The Home Investment

Only possible because of City initial investment as a partner with Island Fiber

No other entity came forward with a viable plan

Now multiple other companies want to cherrypick neighborhoods without providing citywide coverage

Infrastructure

UNDERGROUND ELECTRICITY



“Typical overhead electric
”



Existing Streetlights



“Underground electric “

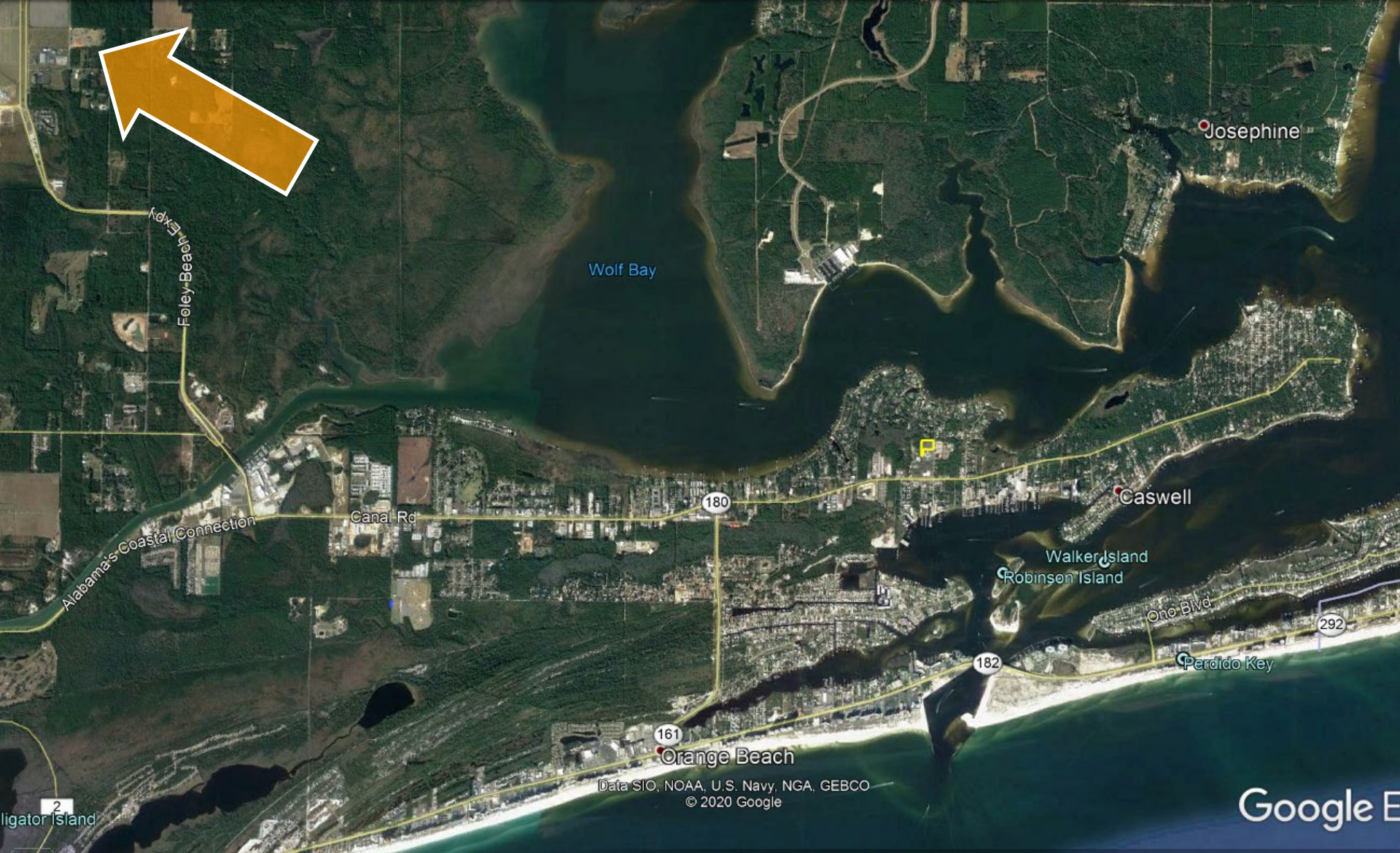
New Acorn style Streetlight

Air Traffic Control Tower

at “Orange Beach International Airport West”



New Public Works Facility



Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO
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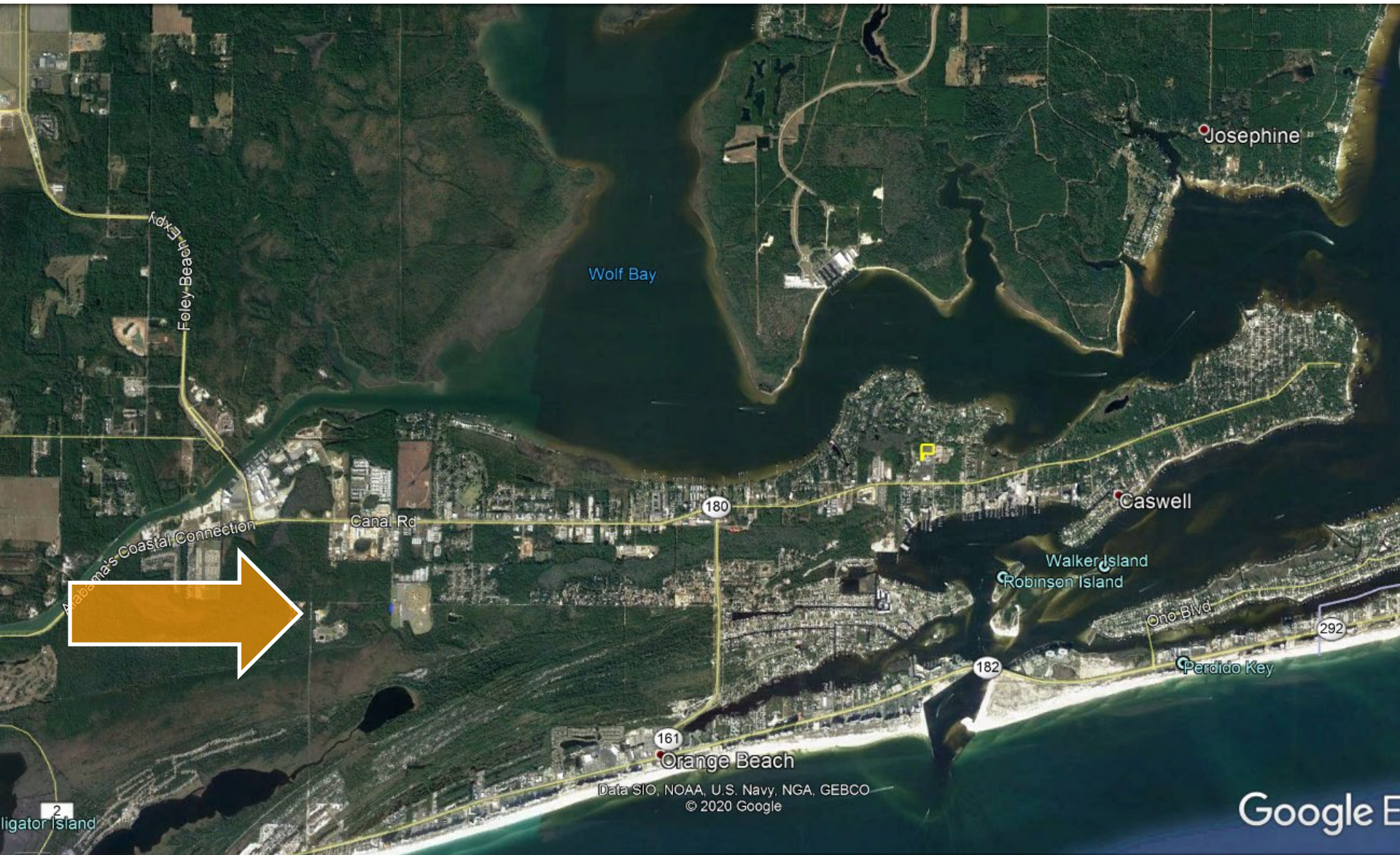
New Public Works Facility

Completed
January 2021



- This new public works facility brings all aspects of the department under one roof for the first time since the city was incorporated.

New Utilities (Sewer) Facilities



New Utilities Office & Warehouse



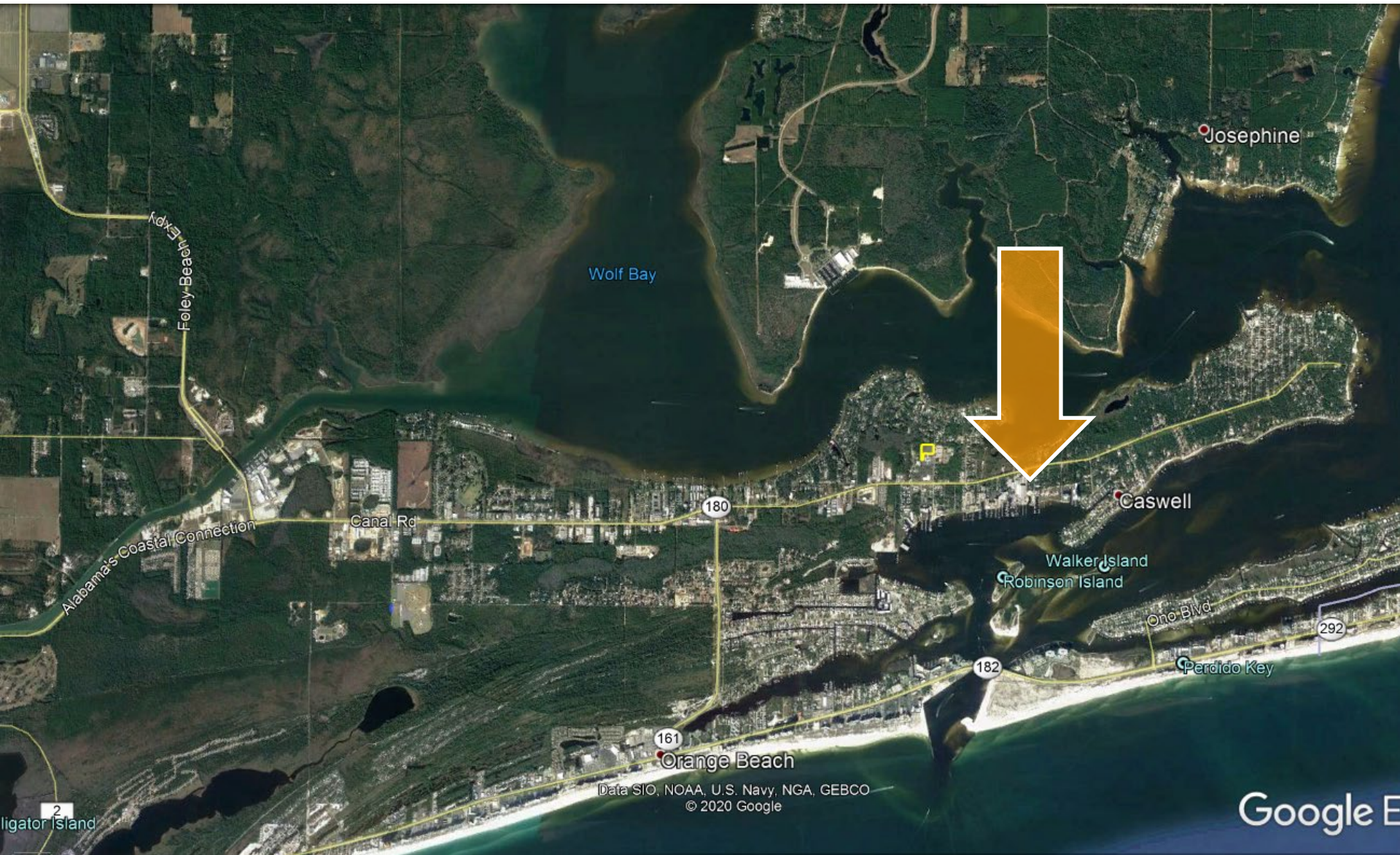
- With the city's donation of the 40 acres for the new school, the city's utilities (sewer) department also had to move out of its office building and warehouse.
- The new buildings are at the sewer plant site, which is located southwest of the Sportsplex.

Utilities / Sewer Department

Upcoming project will be the installation of a new sewer main from Canal Road to County Road 12 using \$5.3 million of Restore Act funding.



New Coastal Resources Office



COASTAL RESOURCES FACILITY

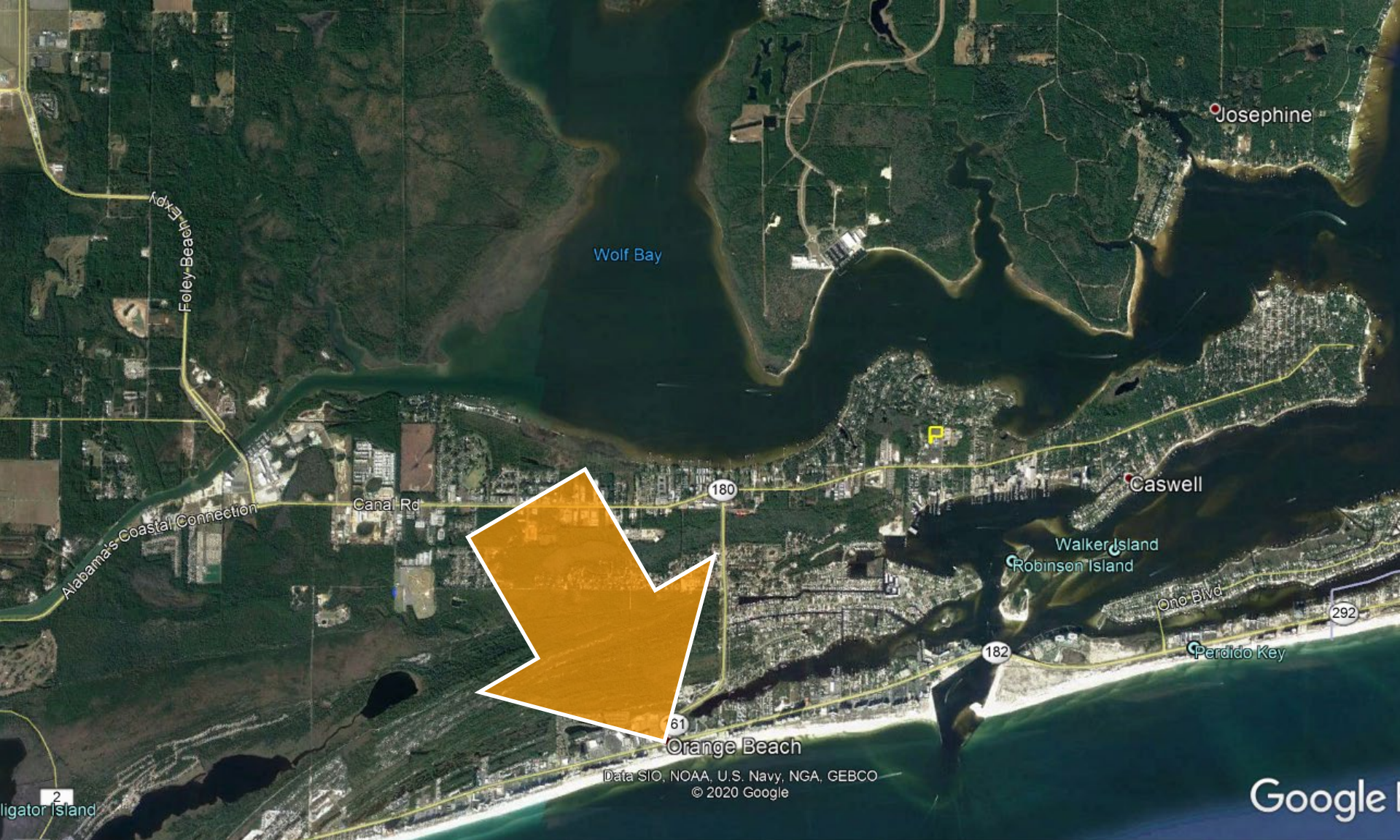


GULF STATE PARK PAID PARKING AT ALL BEACH ACCESS POINTS



- Parking Pay Stations (Kiosks) are in place at the Gulf State Park Fishing Pier and the Beach Pavilion in Gulf Shores and at the public beach accesses in Orange Beach - Romar Beach, Cotton Bayou, Alabama Point and Shell Beach.

New Beach Development / Access

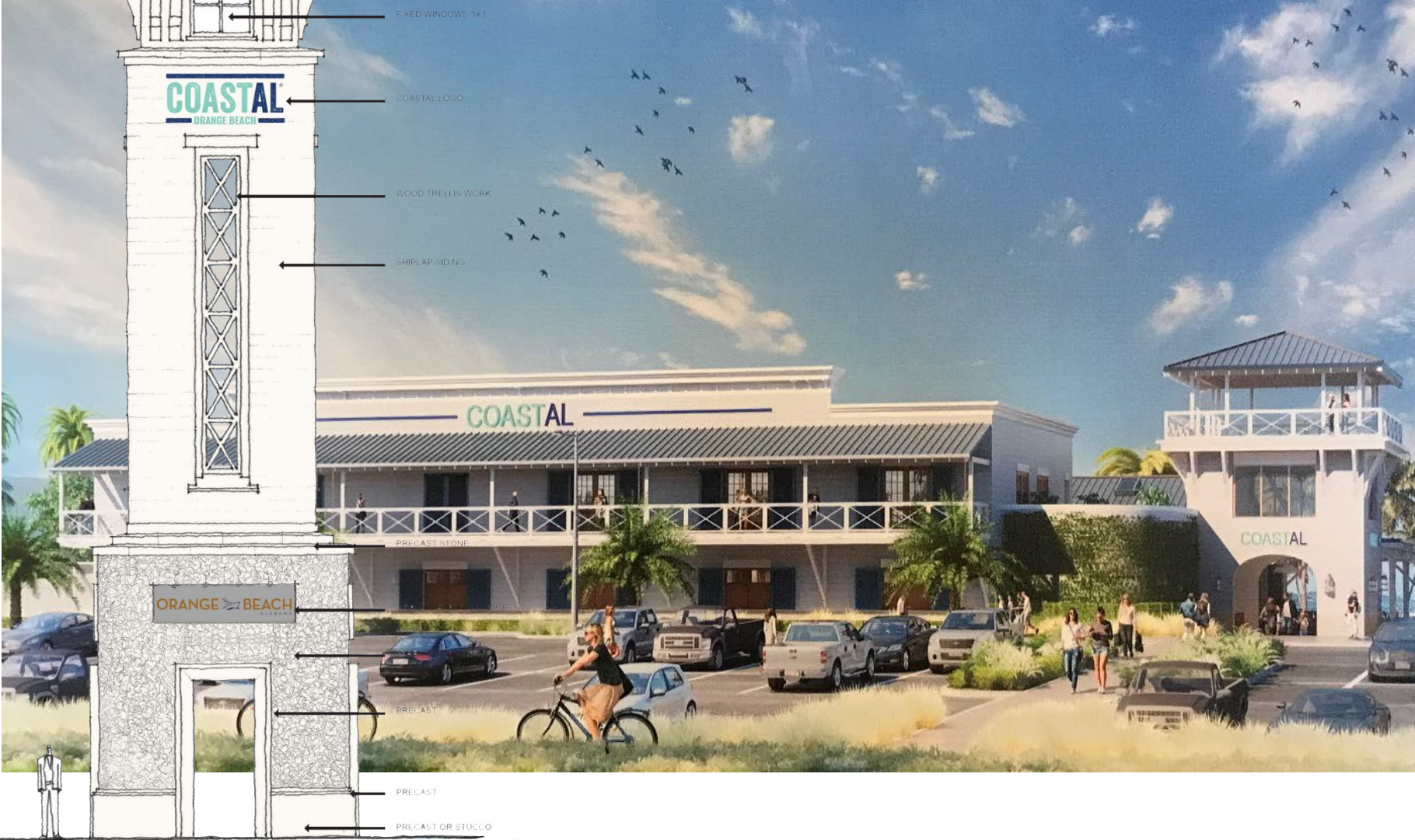


Citizen Beach Access / CoastAL Restaurant




- A prime 8.7-acre beachfront lot once slated for two condo towers at heights of 37 and 36 stories and previously approved 276 units
- City purchased 4.3 acres w/ 400ft with use of 800ft beachfront

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“Creating Our Coastal Brand”



Approved design



Encouraging and Guiding Coastal Style and Design for New Development - Creating the Image of Orange Beach



Proposed design

Dollar General and Tom Thumb are examples.



Approved design



Coastal Look ... City Facility Refresh Exterior Renovations

Medical Arts

Finance Department

Community Development

City Hall

Recreation Center Campus & Community Center

Senior Center & Library

Fire Administration and Fire Station 1

Post Office

Justice Center

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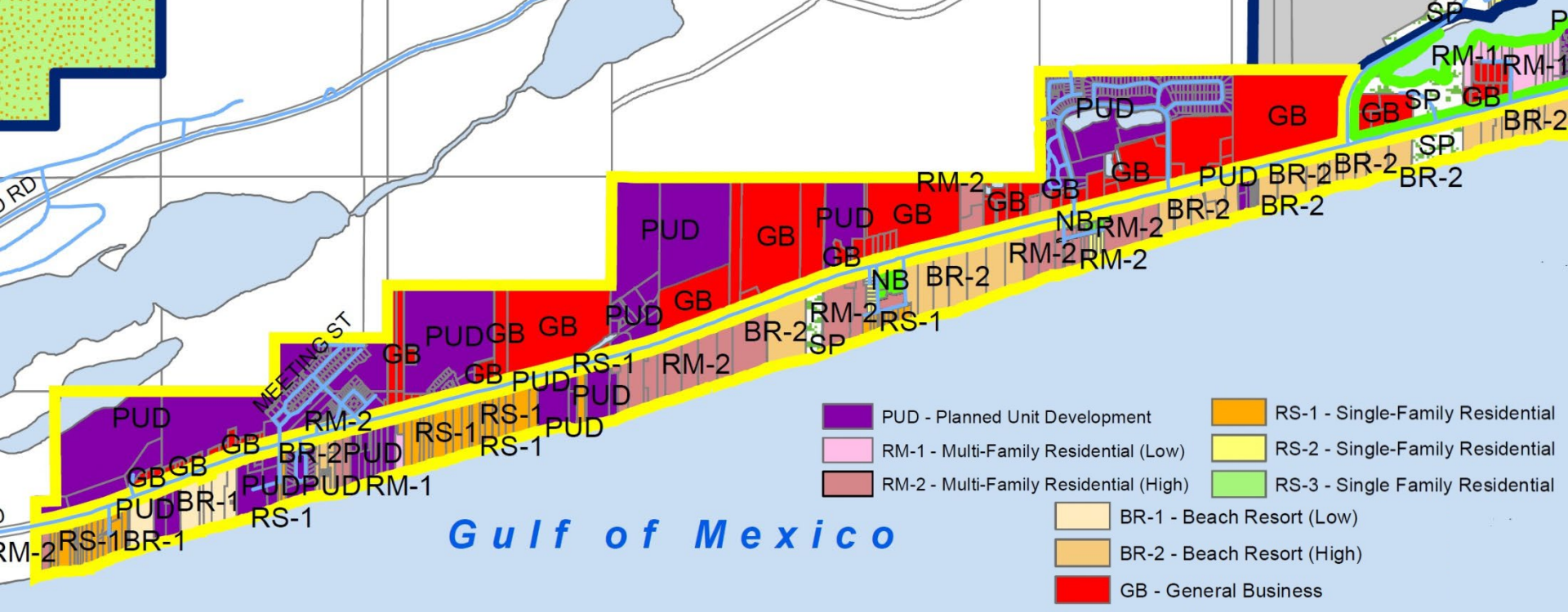
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Growth Management: No Upzoning



Committed to not upzoning property. PUDs reduce density.

Orange Beach Waterfront Park Pier damaged by Hurricane Sally

Bids
Opened
Feb 17, 2022

Target
Completion
August 2022

ATTENTION
THIS AREA
CLOSED

ATTENTION
THIS AREA
CLOSED

Seawall Park at Alabama Point

1. Repair Surface Damage from “Sally”
2. Construct new Phase 3 under bridge
Bids to Open Spring 2022
3. Permanent Repair to seawall 2022/2023
Target Completion Summer 2023



Waterways & Shoreline Cleanup Facts

An aerial photograph of a tropical coastline. In the foreground, there are white sand beaches with several small boats and people. The water is a vibrant turquoise color, transitioning to a deeper blue further out. In the background, a city skyline is visible across the water, with various buildings and structures. The sky is clear and blue.

38 miles of shoreline cleaned regularly

8 miles of beaches cleaned daily

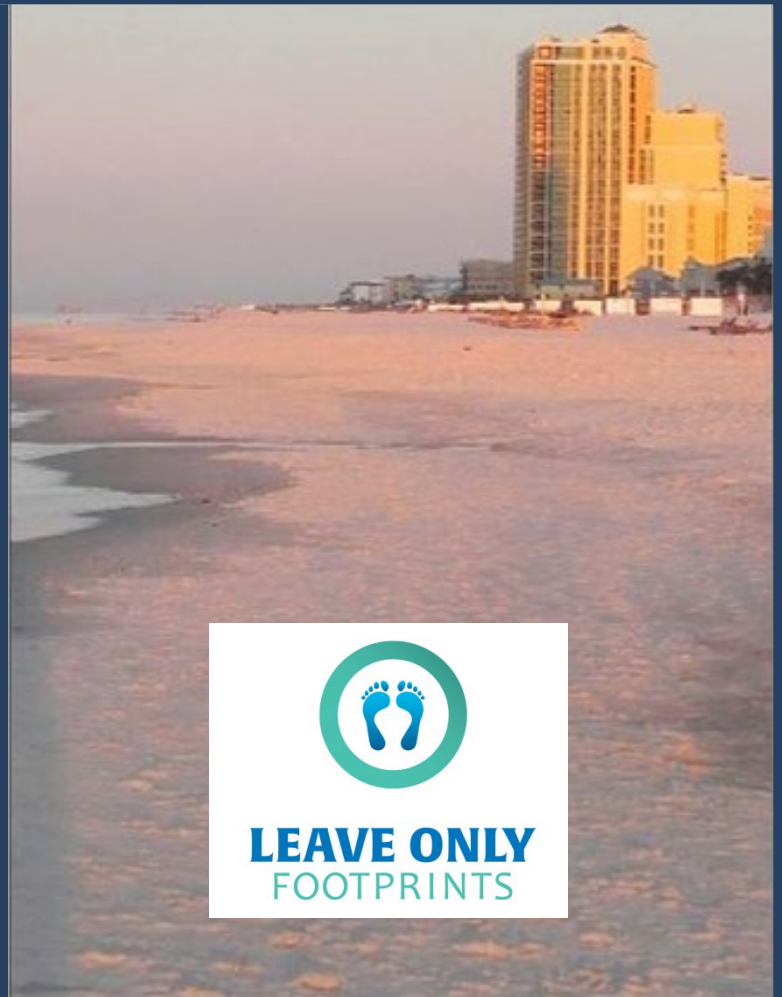
467,865 pounds of trash, debris, & recyclables
collected from the beach in 2021

76,022 pounds of marine debris collected from the
waterways in 2021

We are conservationists more than environmentalists.

Leave Only Footprints

BEFORE AND AFTER



LEAVE ONLY
FOOTPRINTS

Coastal Resources Work Barge

100% Funded by GOMESA grant
\$232,000



Orange Beach Shooting Range



Shooting Range



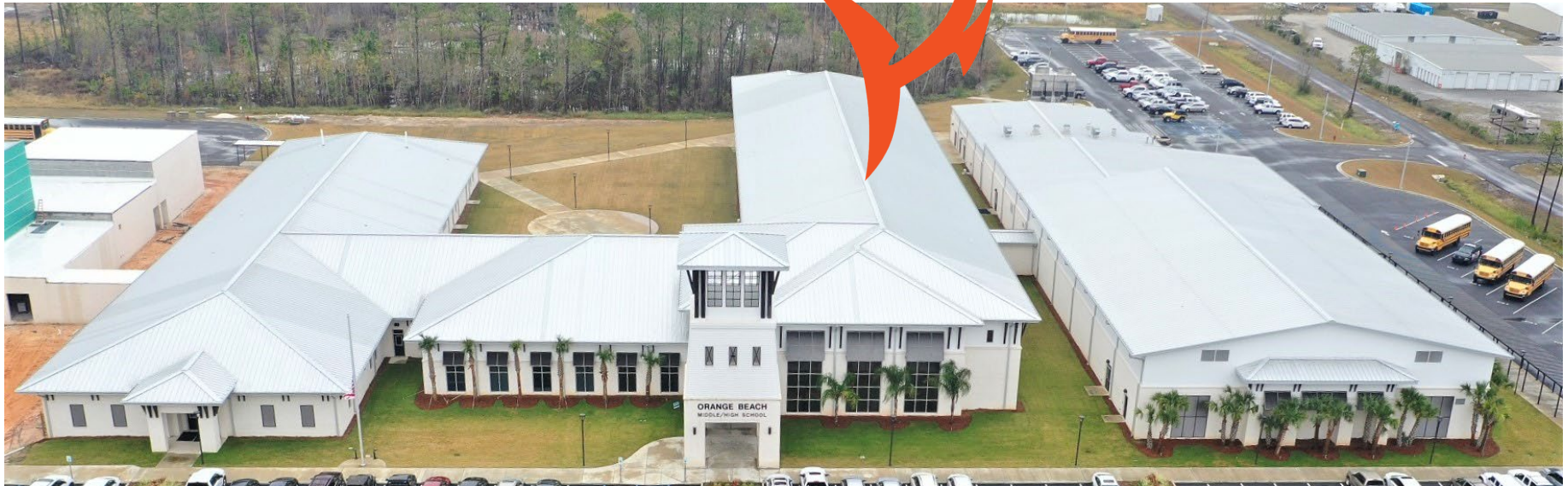
TARGET OPENING
LATE MARCH 2022

CITY WILL SCHEDULE PUBLIC RANGE TIMES,
FIREARMS CLASSES AND MORE ...

EDUCATION



Orange Beach Middle / High School Officially opened in August 2020



Education – Highlights for OBMS/HS

Out of 435 middle schools in Alabama, Orange Beach Middle School's 7th grade ranked #1 in math.

OBMS 8th grade math scores were #8 out of 435 middle schools in Alabama.

High School Juniors who took the ACT:

Out of 565 high schools in Alabama, OBHS ranked 27th in Math, 22nd in English and 13th in Science.

...in only 3 years!

Education – CLASS DATA

Class Size Breakdown by Current Grade Level

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 7 th – 107 | 8 th – 92 |
| 9 th – 103 | 10 th – 104 |
| 11 th – 91 | 12 th – 35 |

Currently offer 9 AP classes at the high school. Enrollment in AP classes jumped from 19 students in 20/21 to 56 in 21/22

79% of Senior Class / 2022 is college bound-either 2 yr or 4 yr.
3 Seniors are going into the military.
2 are going to a Vocational School for job training.

Orange Beach High School Softball Team Wins 2A State Title



Orange Beach High School Volleyball Team -2A State Runner Up

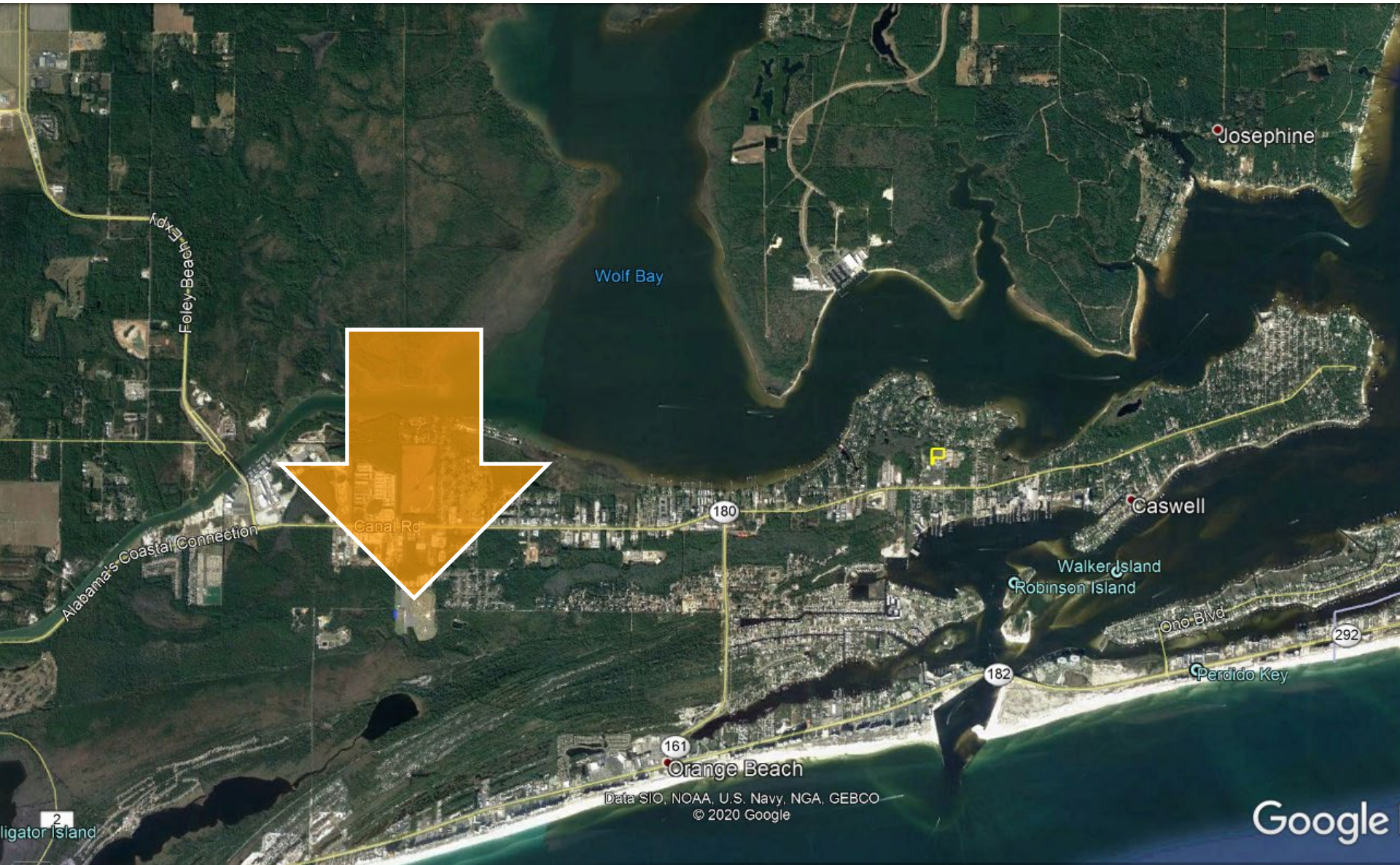


Orange Beach High School Conservatory of Fine Arts Excels at State Competition

State competition: OBHS students received 16 superior ratings, 2 excellent ratings, 2 third place, 1 second place and 1 first place at 2021 Walter Trumbauer Theatre Festival.




Orange Beach Sportsplex Upgrades



Sportsplex Upgrades



The baseball field will seat nearly 500 fans and the softball field seats over 400. Come watch our MAKOS!

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QUALITY OF LIFE



New 24/7 Adult Fitness Center



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A 17,400-square-foot state-of-the-art fitness facility.



New Small Gym Completion



Tennis Center Renovations



The Orange Beach Tennis Center reopened in November 2020 after a complete renovation of all eight hard courts - \$1.48 million.

Orange Beach Performing Arts Center

Completed September 2021



- Partnership between the City of Orange Beach and the Baldwin County Board of Education. While the school is benefitting from the center, it is a facility for the entire community.
- The 35,000-square-foot center includes a 710-seat main theatre, and a black box theatre that can seat up to 200 for intimate shows.

Orange Beach Performing Arts



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Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach

The award winning facility with a 10,000-square-foot fine art gallery, Hot Shop and Clay Studio. It has grown into a truly special wedding destination, meeting and reception venue.





CITY OF ORANGE BEACH

Expect Excellence

Academics, Arts, Athletics

331 kids registered in after-school program K-6



Continuing Excellence

Enrichment, Arts & Athletics For Adults

Find classes and registration information
at www.orangebeachal.gov

Spring 2022 Classes



Beginner Portuguese

Instructor- Uilma Meehan

Mondays 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Rec Center MPR2

Ballet, Tap & Jazz

Instructor- Rio Cordy

Mondays 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Tennis Center

Samba Dance

Instructor- Uilma Meehan

Mondays 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. Rec Center MPR1

Beginner French

Instructor- Erin Jackson

Mondays 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Rec Center MPR2

Virtual Spanish

Instructor- Ivan Correa

Tuesdays 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Virtual

Seashell Decoupage

Instructor- Andrea Black

Tuesdays 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Golf Center Meeting Room

Sewing

Instructor- Shannon Gray

Wednesdays 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Rec Center Academic Room





Line Dance

Instructor- Ivan Correa

Wednesdays 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Rec Center MPR1

Virtual French

Instructor- Erin Jackson

Wednesdays 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Virtual

Virtual Portuguese

Instructor- Uilma Meehan

Thursdays 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Virtual

Beginner Spanish

Instructor- Ivan Correa

Thursdays 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Rec Center MPR2

Music Theory

Instructor- Caleb Pittman

Fridays - Jan. 7th & 14th, Feb. 18th & 25th 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. Expect Excellence Music Studio

Music Workshops

Instructor- Hunter Britt

Fridays - Jan. 7th & 14th, Feb. 18th & 25th 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Expect Excellence Music Studio

BioBlitz

Instructor- Brenda Barr

Every 2nd Saturday 10 a.m - 12 p.m. Waterfront Park



All workshops are free!

Register at www.orangebeachal.gov/events

Contact Jessica Langston, Creative Director at jjlangston@orangebeachal.gov

Waterfront Park: Kids Park & Pier

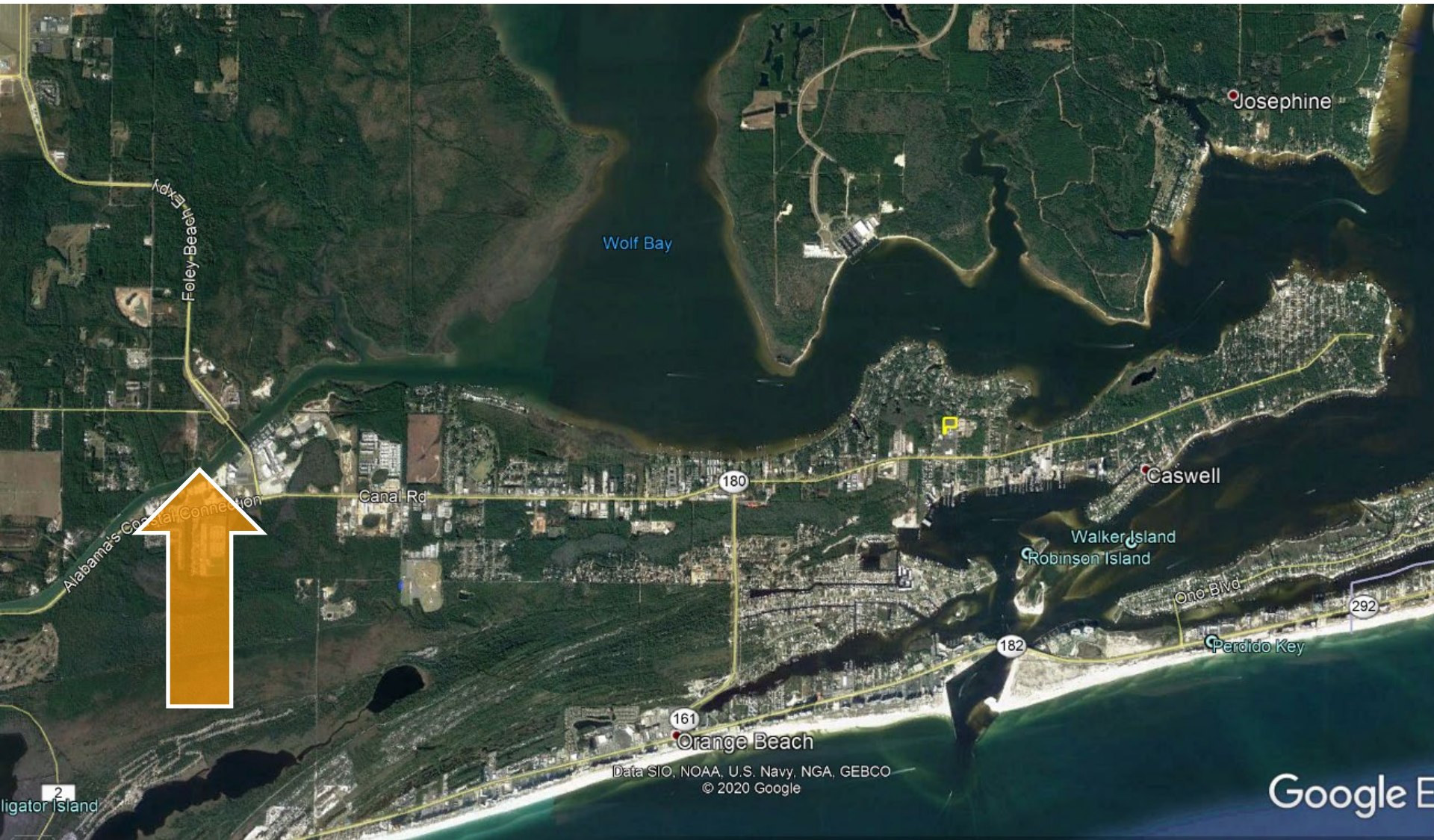


Kids Park Reopens



Completed
October 2021

NEW COUNTY BOAT LAUNCH



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Target Opening
March 2022



Golf Carts in Orange Beach

OBPD has had excellent participation and support through neighborhood registration sessions in all types of weather.



Golf Carts

Over 650 carts
registered as of
2-22-22

Ordinance
effective
March 1, 2022





Golf Carts

Next Inspection / Registration on
Saturday, March 5 and March 19
from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
in front lot of City Hall



“We expect close to
1,000 total golf carts to
be registered.”

Considering Golf Cart
Events / Parade annually



UPCOMING EVENTS



EVENTS BUILD THE ECONOMY



Events held in Orange Beach bolster the local economy by attracting attendees who spend locally, stay overnight, eat and shop. In a tourism economy, events add to the mix of why someone chooses to come here!

Mardi Gras 2022



Sat, February 26
Mon Feb 28
Fat Tuesday March 1

www.orangebeachal.gov/events

48th Annual
ORANGE BEACH
Festival of Art

FINE ART • CULINARY ART • LIVE MUSIC • KIDS ART



MARCH 12-13

BIKE/GOLF CART PARKING ONSITE
SATELLITE PARKING AVAILABLE



Coastal Arts Center
OF ORANGE BEACH

26389 CANAL ROAD, 251-981-ARTS (2787) ORANGETHARTSFESTIVAL.COM





2022

FRI, SEPTEMBER 30

SAT, OCTOBER 1

SUN, OCTOBER 2

AT THE WHARF



FREEDOM FEST

ORANGE BEACH, AL



FREEDOM FEST

THANK YOU 2021 SPONSORS & SUPPORTERS

- Gulf Shores & Orange Beach Tourism and Sports and Events – Beth Gendler, President
- FloraBama – John McInnis, Cam Price and Staff
- The Wharf – Art Favre, Jim Bibby and staff
- Zeke's – Lynn Swofford
- Beachball Properties – Ginger and Hunter Harrelson
- Gulf Coast Rentals - Tater and Sarah Harris
- OB Family Dentistry – Dr. Lauren Lee
- Advanced Carpet Cleaning - Kevin Sullivan
- Kasey Harris-Brett/Robinson
- Coastal Alabama Insurance - Reggie Pulliam
- The Beach Moms - Angel Bennett
- Bailey Stitt-Merrill Lynch
- Steward Construction - Darrell Steward
- ATA Loss Consulting - Austin Tanner
- Go Time Travel - Skylia Tanner
- Republic Services - Roger Schultz
- Pepsi - Cynthia Bridges
- Jeanne Fitzgibbons/various city employees/departments

Clean and Safe...

In Orange Beach, we can truly say we can provide this to our residents, businesses and guests.

We invest in cleanliness and safety... and Orange Beach sees a return on that investment.



Glass Recycling behind City Hall



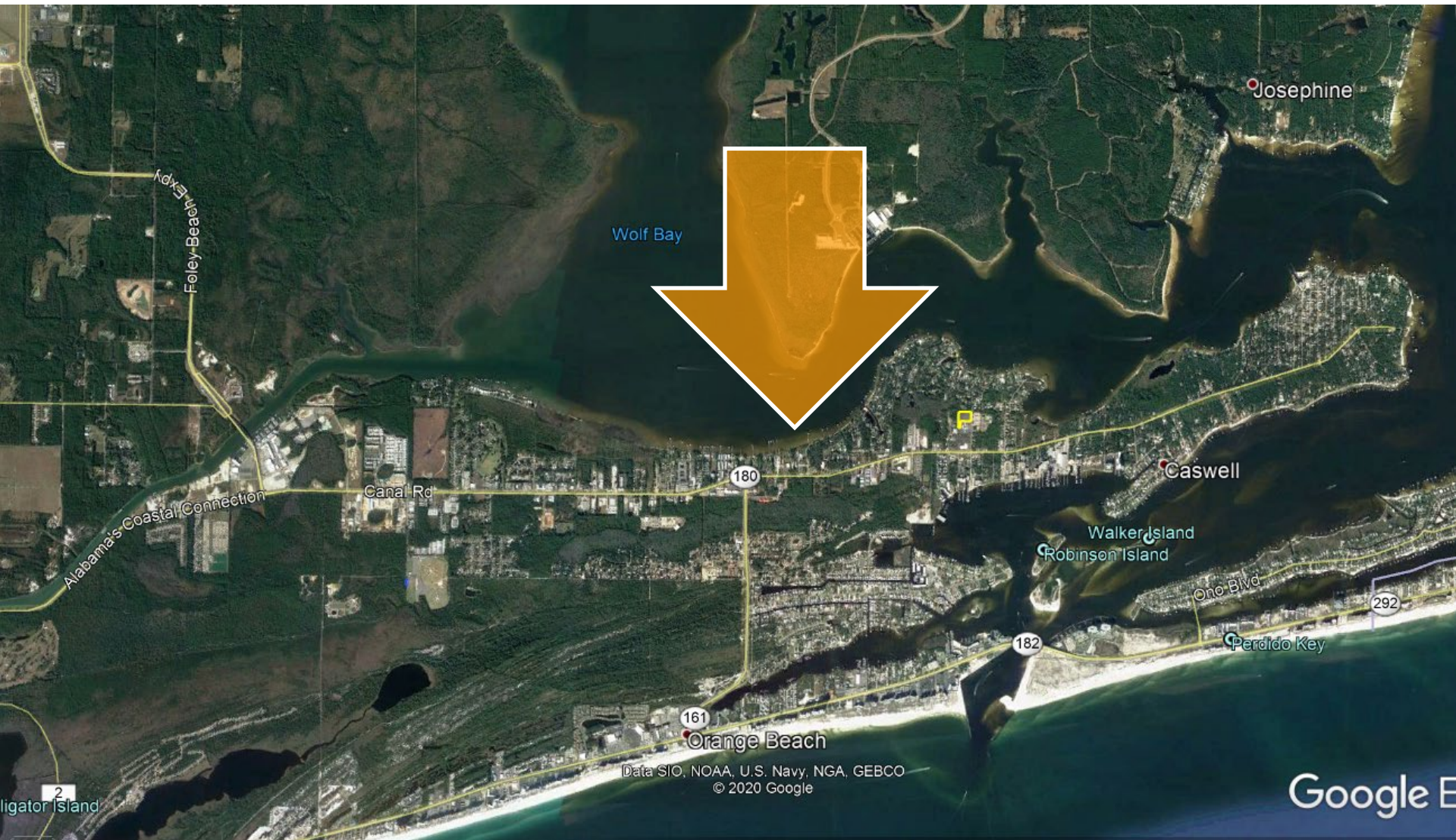
**BOTTLES
ONLY!**



FUTURE PROJECTS



Orange Beach Wolf Bay Shoreline



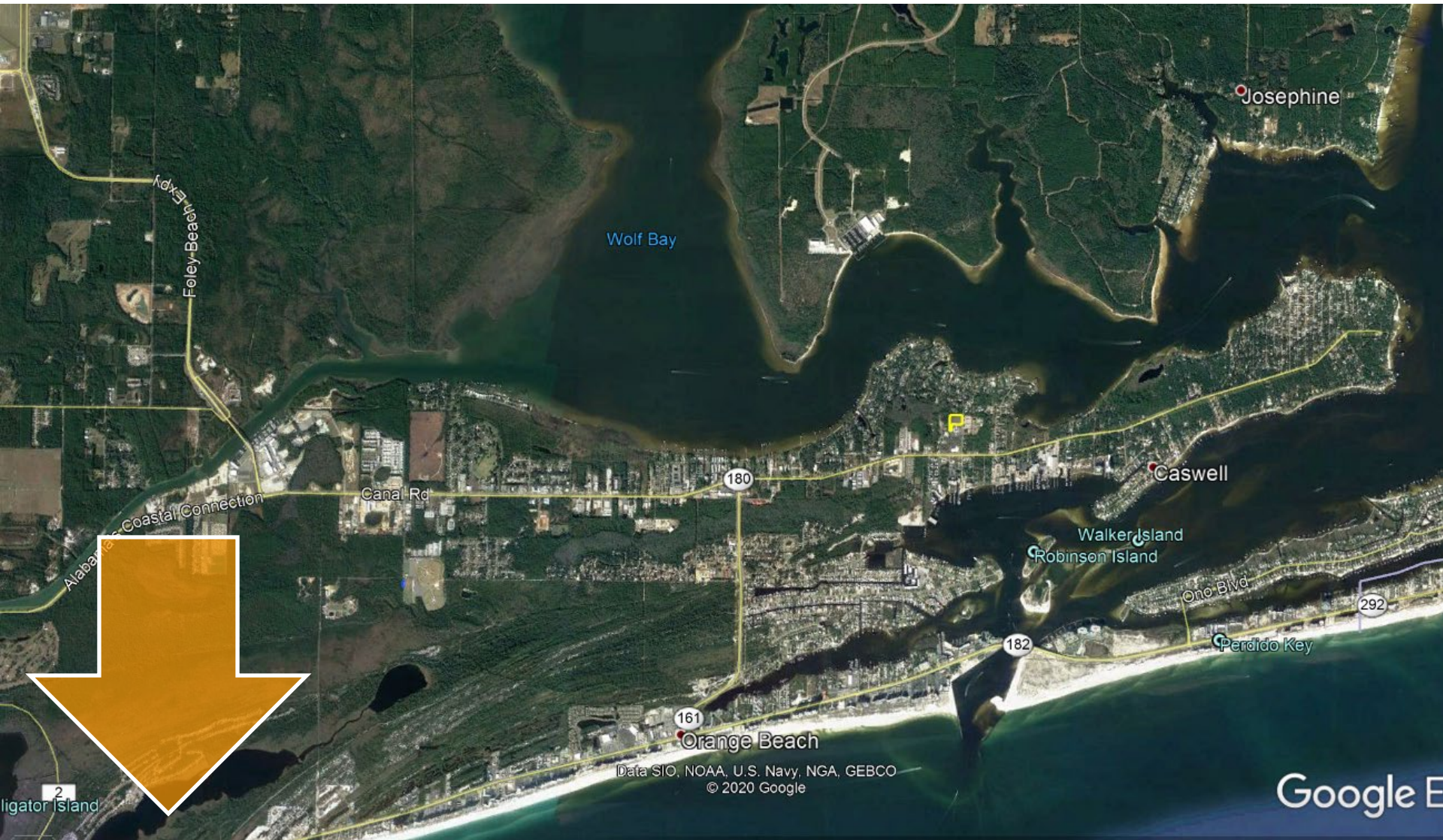
Orange Beach Wolf Bay Shoreline



City to invest in shoreline stabilization while creating connectivity from Waterfront Park Pier on the East to GTs Restaurant on the West. City Property on Wolf Bay includes Waterfront Park, Coastal Arts Center of Orange Beach, Wind and Water Learning Center (Sail Camp), Orange Beach Public Library and Orange Beach Adult Activity Center (Senior Center).

Total Connectivity of the Wolf Bay Shoreline is 1,100 linear feet for public enjoyment.

Orange Beach “EcoVillage”



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Rosemary Dunes Trail

13.5 Acre City
Owned Parcel
(2.5 acres dry)

Rosemary Dunes
Trailhead

Hotel Indigo

Hugh S. Branyon Backcountry Trail

Shell

Lartigue's Original Fresh Seafood Market

Emerald at the C

Harbour Place by Vacasa

Ron Jon Surf Shop - Orange Beach

New Wildlife Center & Animal Rehab



New Sea Turtle Triage Facility

RESTORE Project



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“I didn’t know
anything about it!”

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City of Orange Beach Community Newsletter

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"Life is better here"

Welcome to the City of Orange Beach's
community newsletter.

Vol. 1, Issue 33



On Wednesday, August 15th the City of Orange Beach joined cities and towns across Alabama and the U.S. on social media, snapping photos for #CityHallSelfie Day. The annual initiative is an opportunity to show pride in public service.



City departments across Orange Beach stepped up to the plate and it was a good reminder of how far the city's reaches extends, from the end of a fire truck ladder to lifeguard patrols on the Gulf ... to City Hall and the Expect Excellence program at the Rec Center ... and everything in between. To see photos, visit the city's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/orangebeach.

Pardon Our Progress

Pardon our progress and be aware that work associated with the widening of Canal Road, between William Silvers Parkway and Highway 161, is underway. Lane closures will begin soon due to the relocation of underground utilities, which will be ongoing through Spring of 2019.

www.orangebeachal.gov

OTHER WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED

INFO LINES

CITY INFORMATION LINE: 251-980-INFO (4636)

DAILY SURF/BEACH CONDITION INFO LINE: 251-981-SURF (7873)

CITY HALL: 251-981-6979

SIGN UP FOR TEXT ALERTS

Sign up to receive important updates from the city via text message and/or email by texting **OBALERTS** to **888777** or visit the city's emergency management page at www.orangebeachal.gov/departments/emergency-management/city-alerts-sign.

TO RECEIVE DAILY BEACH WARNING FLAG STATUS UPDATES VIA TEXT MESSAGES, TEXT ALBEACHES TO 888777.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

The City Council meets regularly on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Orange Beach City Hall. The regularly scheduled Council meeting begins at 5:00 p.m. and is immediately followed by the Committee of the Whole (work session) that sets the agenda for the next regular Council meeting.

Public comment and input is always welcome.

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Questions? Call me: 251-747-8282

TIME FOR QUESTIONS

Ground Rules

1. No question off limits
2. Keep questions / comments concise
3. Constructive criticism welcomed
4. Please be courteous and respectful
5. No cross talk
6. Professional NOT personal

“Life is Better Here”...



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