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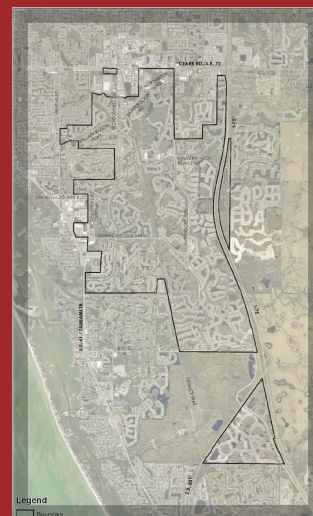
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Click [Here](#) for a Palmer Ranch Community Map.

Click [Here](#) to read all about Palmer Ranch.



Communication from the Master Association to our Members



Palmer Ranch Flags at Half Staff

On Palmer Ranch, flags will be lowered to half-staff from sunrise to sunset **Sunday, December 7th** in honor of National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. Annually, this day commemorates the attack on Pearl Harbor, in Hawaii, during World War II. Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day is not a federal holiday,

however, flags are flown at half-staff, so that Americans never forget this day that lives “in infamy.”

Holiday Hours for the Master Association

The Master Association office will be closed:

- Wednesday, December 24th and Thursday, December 25th, reopening at 8am on Friday, December 26th and
- Wednesday, December 31st and Thursday, January 1st, reopening at 8am on Friday, January 2nd.



Happy Holidays from all of us at Palmer Ranch!
Our very best wishes for a wonderful 2026.

Notice of Neighborhood Workshop & Public Hearings

Date: Tuesday, December 16, 2025

Time: 9:00 am, or as soon thereafter as possible

Location: Robert L. Anderson Administration Center, County Commission Chamber, 4000 South Tamiami Trail, Venice, Florida

This project is on Palmer Ranch at Parcel 6C (across from Talon Preserve).

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS REGARDING PROPOSED SMALL AREA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT (CPA), DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT (DRI) APPLICATION OF INCREMENTAL DEVELOPMENT (AIDA), REZONE PETITION, AND SPECIAL EXCEPTION

Click [Here](#) to view the Project Information on the Sarasota County website.

The Board will take action on the following proposed County Ordinances below:

Small Area Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. SA-2024-04 to change the Future

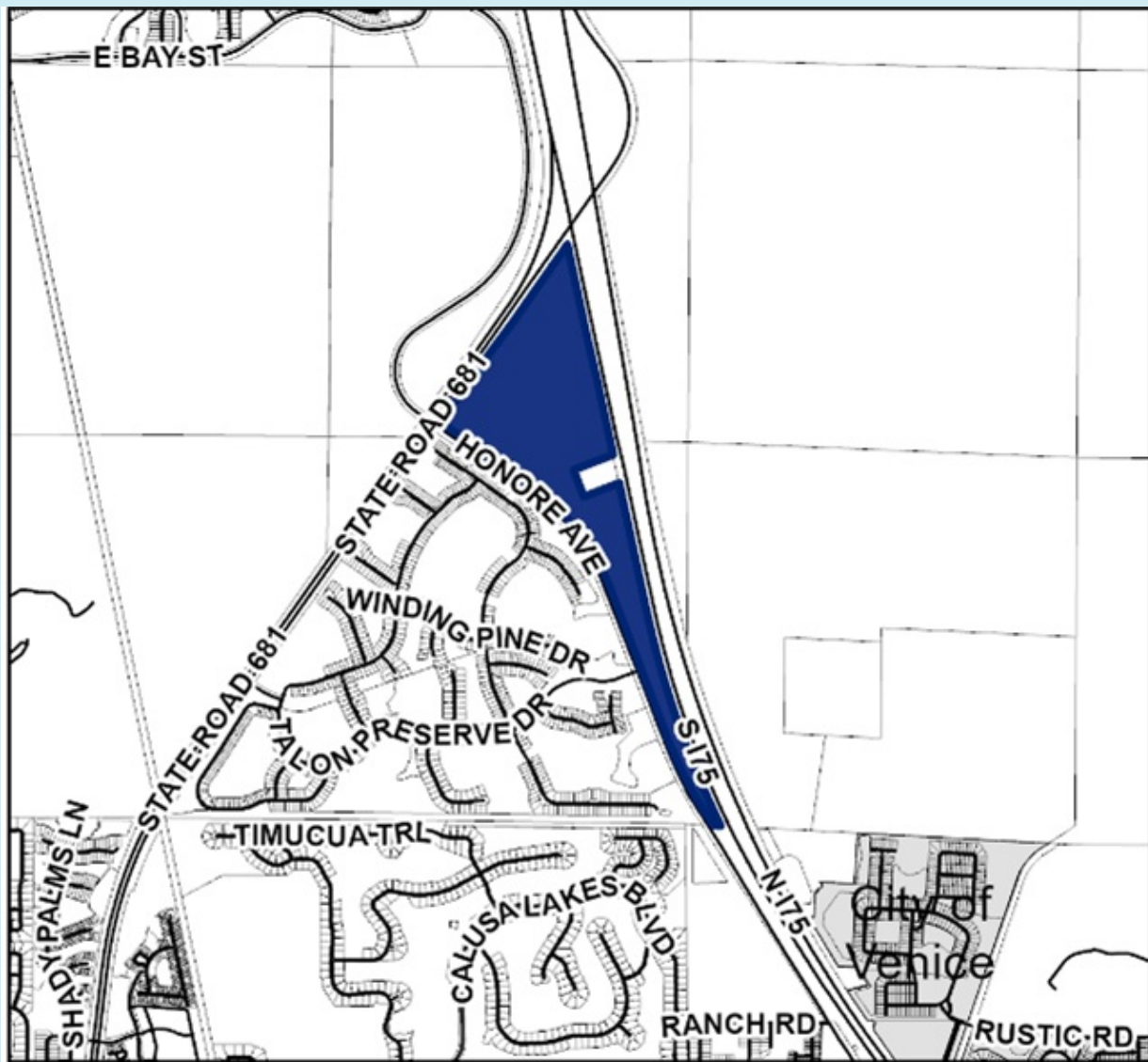
Land Use designation from MODR (Moderate Density Residential, ≥ 2 to < 5 units/acre) to Commercial Center (Village I).

Palmer Ranch DRI AIDA XXXI: is undergoing a DRI (Development of Regional Impact) review in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 380.06, Florida Statutes. The Application proposes a mixed-use development containing 500 multi-family residential units, 85,000 square feet of non-residential uses, and a 300 hotel rooms in Increment XXXI within the Palmer Ranch DRI master planned community pursuant to Section Florida Statute 380.06(7)(a).

Rezone Petition No. 24-20 to rezone approximately 44.87 acres from OUE-1 (Open Use Estate, 1 unit/5 acres) to RMF-2/PUD (Residential Multi-Family, 9 units/acre/Planned Unit Development) and CG (Commercial General) zone districts to develop 500 multi-family residential units, 85,000 square feet of non-residential, and a 300 hotel rooms.

Special Exception Petition No. 1905 to allow transient accommodation (300 hotel rooms) and height to exceed 35 feet and up to 85 feet.

These petitions relate to the property located South of SR 681, west of I-75, east of Honore Avenue, Sarasota and generally shown on the map below:





Irrigation on Palmer Ranch

Well, here we are again, in our drought season – and this one is extreme. With no rain, and additional utility customers, the demand for reclaimed water is even more dire. For these reasons, you will see irrigation running during the day on Palmer

Ranch roadways as pressure will allow. This just happens to be the same time that all of us are driving the roads. I am sorry for the inconvenience for those who frequently detail their cars; however, Palmer Ranch has invested millions of dollars in our turf and landscaping. While we're focusing on drought tolerant varieties – water is still needed.

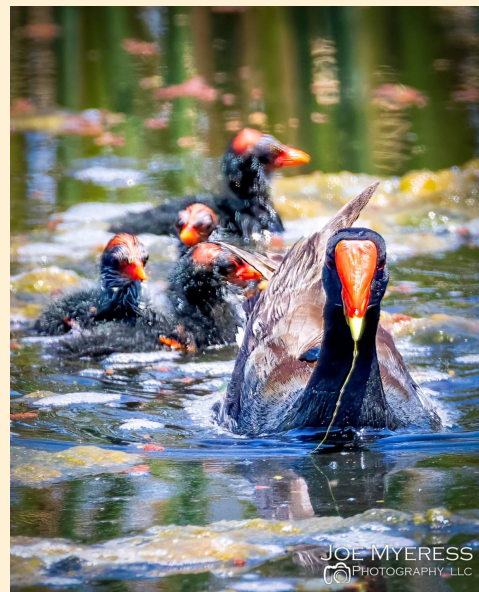
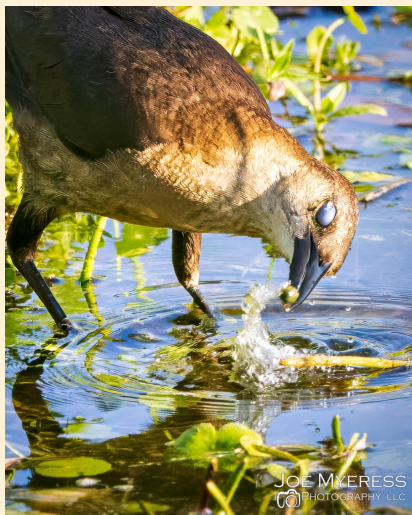
Our dedicated landscape contractor will be operating the irrigation system as required, and he has also been given the authority to replace or repair any irrigation parts that may be broken.

I would like to be able to advise when the irrigation will be running in any particular area - but it is a random game - again depending on the pressure we must have to 'pop those heads.' Thank you for your understanding and patience!

Let us all bow our heads and pray for rain, rain, rain!!!

Images From Our Palmer Ranch Members

These photos of our Palmer Ranch wildlife were taken by Palmer Ranch resident and professional photographer Joe Myeress.





This photo was taken by Jim Vallano. Jim came across this diamond back on the trail that runs between that Scherer Thaxton Preserve and Oscar Scherer State Park. A cautionary tale for anyone walking or bike riding in that area!





Palmer Ranch Singers
Do you hear what I hear?

You're cordially invited to join the Palmer Ranch Singers for their holiday concert on **Sunday, December 7th at 4 pm**, at St. Andrew United

Church of Christ, 6908 Beneva Road (Gulf Gate area). Doors open at 3:30 pm.

Artistic Director Jane Hunder, Musical Director Wayne Fisher, and the Leadership Team have put together a wonderful program for all to enjoy as a festive start to this holiday season.

Tickets are \$15 per person at the door on the day of the concert. Ticket sales, along with group dues and donations, cover music purchases, use of the facility, and a professional director and musicians.

The Palmer Ranch Singers are now a 501(c)3; donations are tax deductible and may be sent to Palmer Ranch Singers, PO Box 52013, Sarasota, FL, 34232. Patronage is always welcomed and appreciated.

We sincerely hope you will join the Singers, as they look forward to entertaining you with a delightful program of holiday music. Bring the whole family and your neighbors.

Happy Thanksgiving from the Palmer Ranch Singers!

Check out the Singers' website at palmerranchsingers.com for schedules and information about the group.

For further information and to register, contact Jane Hunder, Artistic Director, at hunderjane@gmail.com or Peggy Wells, President, at pf58md@gmail.com.

**** Holiday Fair ****

TPC Prestancia Holiday Boutique

TPC Prestancia (4409 Tournament Players Club Drive, Sarasota) is presenting their 2025 Holiday Boutique on **Saturday, December 13th from 11 am – 2 pm**.

For Visitor Admittance through the Gate: Please let the gate attendant know you are attending the Prestancia Holiday Boutique Fair.

HOLIDAY *Boutique*

Get Your Holiday Shopping Done
and Support Local Artisans &
Crafters

**TPC PRESTANCIA
CLUBHOUSE
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13
11 AM - 2 PM**

**Open
to Members,
Neighbors &
Guests**

*Jewelry *Books
*Ceramics
*Household Items
*Quilts
*Photography *Art
And Much, Much More!

Visitors, let the gate attendant
know you are attending the
Prestancia Holiday Boutique Fair!



PRESTANCIA

Covenant Life Church Presents Two Christmas on Palmer Ranch Events

You are invited to Covenant Life Church on
Sunday, December 14th for an unforgettable Christmas
celebration featuring **The Sarasota Jazz Project, Art Hallett,**
and the **Choir & Orchestra of Covenant Life Church.**

There will be two free performances at **3:00 PM & 6:00 PM** –
followed by coffee, cocoa, cookies, and fun for the whole
family!

Admission is free, but tickets are required. Click [Here](#) or scan the code below to request
your ticket(s).



COVENANT LIFE CHURCH
PRESENTS

Christmas

On Palmer Ranch

DEC 14 | SUNDAY | 3 & 6 PM



SCAN FOR
TICKETS

Join us for a special event featuring **The Sarasota Jazz Project**, guest artist **Art Hallett**, and the inspiring voices of our **Choir, Orchestra, and Children of Covenant Life Church**.

Admission is **free by ticket** — this helps us ensure seating and extend a warm welcome to all our guests.

You are invited to Covenant Life Church on Christmas Eve, **Wednesday, December 24th** for 2 services beginning at **4:30 and 6:30 pm**. No ticket needed.



Artists of Palmer Ranch Monthly Meeting

If you draw, paint, sculpt, or simply have an interest in the visual arts, please join the *Artists of Palmer Ranch* at their next meeting on **Monday, January 5th at 10:30 am** at Gulf Gate Library, 7112 Curtiss Ave., Sarasota.

Any Palmer Ranch resident is very welcome.

If you like, bring your latest masterpiece!

They'd love to see it!



Featured Artist: Ricky Stephens -- **Title:** A Peaceful Moment



From the Friends of Legacy Trail ~ Save the Date ~

This popular Tour de Parks fundraiser will take place on **Sunday, March 22, 2026**. Starting and ending at the Historic Venice Train Depot, enjoy 21-, 35-, and 69-mile ride options through many of Sarasota County's beautiful parks.

Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Join Us for Tour de Parks Sunday, March 22, 2026



An Annual Fundraising Event for Friends of The Legacy Trail Registration Now Open

Palmer Ranch Master Association

Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Friday: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm



Would you like to submit an article for consideration in a future newsletter?

Click **Here** for our article submission guidelines and form.

Email completed form to: **Info@palmerranch.net**

Palmer Ranch Master Association Mission Statement

Our mission is to enhance and maintain the aesthetic quality of Palmer Ranch and to preserve the overall unique identity and sense of community.