

CITY OF DUNNELLON

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July 27, 2018 Dawn M. Bowne, City Administrator

Utility Department Operation and Maintenance Transition:

On July 23, 2018, the City Council approved an interlocal agreement with the Florida Governmental Utility Authority (FGUA) to provide pre-acquisition utility management and operations for water and sewer services effective August 13th. On this date, all City of Dunnellon water and sewer employees will become employed by US Water Services. This will include the staff assistant at the City's Public Services facility as 75% of his duties are related to the administrative operations of the City's utility system.

As a result, effective Monday, August 13th the Public Works facility located at 11924 Bostick Street will no longer be open to the public for walk in services. Anyone needing to discuss a general service (roads/streets, sidewalks, cemetery, stray animal) provided by this department can visit or call City Hall at 20750 River Drive, 352-465-8500.

Anyone needing to discuss or report a concern with their utility bill or any utility related matter, including operations, can continue to call 352-465-8500, option 2. For any after-hours emergency, please continue to call 352-465-8590. Your call will be monitored by an after-hours service and routed appropriately.

These changes are the result of a sizeable downsizing in staff due to the pending sale of the utility and shift in management of fire services to Marion County.