UPCOMING EVENTS

Free Shred Day

The town will host the final free shred event for 2026 on **Wednesday, October 7 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

It will be held rain or shine and will take place in the parking lot adjacent to Town Hall (2001 Seabrook Island Road).

Attendees will be limited to three boxes (copy paper box or smaller) or three bags (kitchen trash bag or smaller) per vehicle. There is no need to remove binders, binder clips, paper clips, staples, rubber bands, or CDs/DVDs prior to shredding.

Seabrook Holiday Drop-In & Toy Drive

Join us **Tuesday, December 8 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM** for a Holiday Drop-In at Town Hall.

There will be free light bites catered by Hamby and festive music to kick off the holiday season.

We encourage everyone to bring a toy to drop off for Toys for Tots. We will have bins to gather any gifts brought in.

NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

Temporary Beach Rules During 2026 SIPOA Sand Scraping Project

Short-Term Rental Permits

New Short-Term Rental Regulations are now in effect. On **December 17, 2024**, Seabrook Island Town Council

Starting today, **October 1**, off-peak season beach rules are in effect. This means pets may be off a leash at all times, provided they remain effectively controlled while on the beach. For a full map of where pets are allowed on the beach go to our website **here**.

However, starting **October 15, 2026**, all temporary beach rules listed below will go into effect.

The Town has adopted **Emergency Ordinance 2026-01 (Amended)** to establish temporary beach rules while SIPOA conducts its 2026 sand scraping project.

The project is expected to be completed by **December 31, 2026**.

Pet Rules
A restricted beach area will extend from **Boardwalk #1 to the Atlantic Ocean and northeast to Captain Sams Inlet.** Pets will **not be permitted in this restricted area at any time**, whether leashed or unleashed.
In all other areas of the beach, pets must be **kept on a leash at all times**.

Beach Fires
Fires, open flames, and propane-fueled grills, cookers, or heating devices will **not be permitted during this project.**

Nighttime Beach Access
Public access to Seabrook Island beaches will be prohibited between sunset and sunrise.

These rules will be in effect from **October 15-December 31**.

The town will put signs on the beach explaining these temporary rules in the next few weeks.

adopted **Ordinance 2024-06**, which established new permitting and operating requirements that went into effect 5/1/2025.

Here are the current number of STR Permits that have been issued in relationship to the caps:

Inside STR Overlay District:
- Max: 557
- Current: 501
- Waitlist: 0

Outside STR Overlay District:
- Max: 110
- Current: 104
- Waitlist: 0

These numbers do vary and are posted and updated weekly on our website along with all of the other STR Permit information. Click **here**.

Charleston Co. Voters to Decide Transportation Sales Tax Referendum Next Month

On **November 3, 2026**, Charleston County voters will decide whether to extend the county's half-cent Transportation Sales Tax (TST) for roadway, transit, and greenspace projects. The current sales tax program, first approved by voters in 2004, is projected to expire in 2027. If approved, the program would continue at the same rate (one-half of one percent) for up to 25 years, or until $4.25 billion is collected.

A Look Back
According to Charleston County, the TST program has supported approximately $4.56 billion in total funding for roadway, transit, and greenspace projects since 2004. What's on the Ballot Voters will see two separate questions on the ballot. Question 1 asks whether to extend the half-cent sales tax for a period of up to 25 years, or until $4.25 billion in revenue has been collected, whichever occurs first. Question 2 asks whether to authorize the county to issue up to $300 million in general obligation bonds, with debt service paid from future TST revenues, allowing the county to finance certain

Map of temporary beach pet rules. In effect starting: **October 15, 2026**

Update to Everbridge Emergency Alert System

The Town has switched from Code Red to Everbridge, a mass notification system that delivers critical, local emergency alerts only.

Everbridge will provide timely, area-specific warnings and instructions during weather events and other emergencies.

If you are signed up to get phone call notifications, Everbridge will now be calling from this number: **(843) 994-3547**. You can save that number in your contacts as Everbridge for all future calls. Be sure your voicemail box is cleared and turned on, so you can recieve the weather alert message.

This system will be used exclusively for **emergency notifications and national weather service alerts**. Sign up or update your contact info by clicking the image below.

STJFD Launches Prehospital Whole Blood Program

St. John's Fire District has launched a Prehospital Whole Blood Program, giving specially trained paramedics the ability to administer low-titer O-positive whole blood to critically injured or ill patients in the field, before they reach a hospital. STJFD is an Advanced Life Support (ALS) non-transport department, meaning

projects before the sales tax revenues needed to pay for them have been collected.

What's Being Proposed

The proposed TST program allocates approximately $4.25 billion across three funding categories:

• $2.7 billion (63.57%) for roadway infrastructure;
• $858 million (20.19%) for public transit; and
• $690 million (16.24%) for greenspace projects.

The roadway infrastructure category is the broadest, encompassing several types of projects: "Featured Projects" such as major corridor widenings, bridges, and resiliency work (about $1.7 billion); intersection improvements (about $115 million); pavement management (about $390 million); bike and pedestrian infrastructure (about $77 million); traffic signal coordination (about $25 million); funding to complete carryover commitments from the prior TST program (about $113 million); and debt service (about $284 million).

The public transit allocation would support CARTA buses, while the greenspace allocation would go toward land conservation, easements, public parks and protection of natural and agricultural landscapes

Projects Affecting Seabrook Island and Johns Island

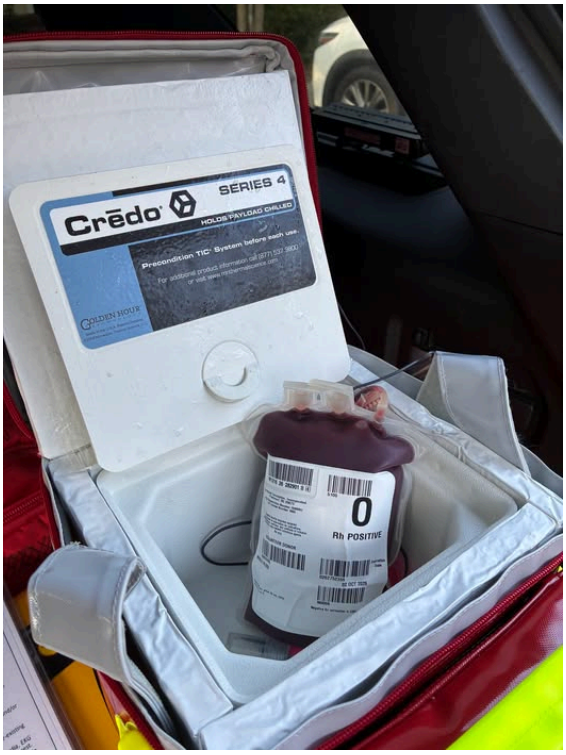
The Seabrook Island Road Project appears on the official ballot as a named project within the Roadway Elevation Resiliency Program, in the pavement management category. The mayor and town council have identified this project as a critical transportation priority in every strategic planning document adopted since at least 2018, and it is the only project on the list located within the town limits of Seabrook Island.

Several other listed projects fall along the broader Johns Island corridor connecting Seabrook Island to the rest of the county, including the Maybank Highway Southern Pitchfork project, an intersection improvement at Maybank Highway and Riverland Drive, and a roundabout at

its personnel are often first on scene and provide advanced medical care while a separate transport unit is en route.

St. John's Fire District is the first fire based non-transport department to carry whole blood in South Carolina.

Under the program, specially trained STJFD personnel carry and administer low-titer O-positive whole blood, which is compatible with patients of any blood type and can be given without delay in an emergency.



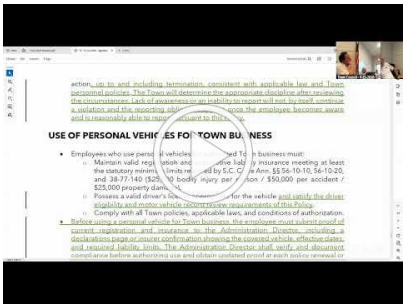
(Picture provided by: STJFD)

Main Road and Mary Ann Point Road. The bike and pedestrian category includes a Countywide Bike/ Ped Plan that could extend to unincorporated areas such as Johns Island, and the $690 million allocated for greenspace projects could fund additional land conservation on the sea islands.

Residents can review the complete, itemized project list, maps, funding tables, and ballot language directly from Charleston County at **CharlestonTransportation.com**.

RECENT MEETING VIDEOS

Town Council
September 25, 2026



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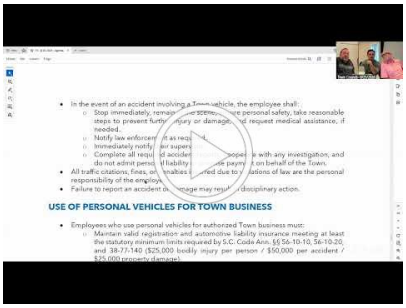

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Town Hall YouTube

UPCOMING MEETINGS

OCTOBER 5: Town Council Budget Workshop (9:00 AM)

OCTOBER 8: Environment & Wildlife Committee (10:00 AM)

OCTOBER 14: Planning Commission (1:30 PM)

OCTOBER 15: Community Facilities & Infrastructure Committee (1:00 PM)

OCTOBER 20: Public Safety Committee (10:00 AM)

OCTOBER 21: Utility Commission (8:30 AM)

OCTOBER 27: Town Council (2:30 PM)

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