

(L-R) TLH Director David Pollard, City Manager Reese Goad, City Commissioner Dianne Williams-Cox, Tallahassee Mayor John E. Dailey, U.S. Customs & Border Protection Area Port Director Jennifer D. Bradshaw, City Commissioner Curtis Richardson and TSA Assistant Federal Security Director of Screening Christopher Baden turn the dirt at the groundbreaking ceremony.

## Global Connection Coming to Tallahassee International Airport

The Tallahassee International Airport (TLH) broke ground on the International Processing Facility in May. The facility will allow TLH to accommodate international flights and give the ability for goods to be shipped to and received from worldwide destinations. This multi-year, \$28 million project will be a major economic driver for the entire region. It is also a key project in the City of Tallahassee's Five-Year Strategic Plan to enhance

and modernize infrastructure to enable capacity for continued growth and increase the airport's annual economic impact from \$599 million to \$1 billion.

"[May 17, 2022], we broke ground on a project that will have far reaching impacts across the globe and closer to home. This major investment by the City improves the economic competitiveness of Tallahassee and our entire region. Construction of the International Processing Facility will have an immediate impact, and the following Foreign Trade Zone designation will spur longer-term economic benefits with the creation of more than 1,600 jobs and estimated annual economic impact of more than \$300 million," Mayor John Dailey said.

Upon completion of this facility, Tallahassee will become Northwest Florida's connection to global markets, further positioning itself as a competitive, innovative and sustainable economic hub. This global gateway is expected to open for service in 2024. Initial planning for the processing facility began in 2014 and is part of the TLH Master Plan approved by the Federal Aviation Administration and Florida Department of Transportation. This project will provide for a terminal expansion to house a United States Customs and Border Protection approved international port-of-entry and a federal inspection station that will serve both commercial air service and general aviation needs at TLH.

"The economic impact that TLH generates for our community is growing through strategic projects like the International Processing Facility. With air travel increasing, now is the time to invest in our airport's future. As we expand services and welcome more passengers to TLH, we're proud to provide a convenient, friendly and positive travel experience for all," City of Tallahassee Director of Aviation David Pollard said.

To view a recording of the groundbreaking ceremony, visit **YouTube.com/CityofTLH**. For the latest project updates, follow the Tallahassee International Airport on Facebook and Twitter.

# Sustainability Tip

Rediscover outdoor cooking with a natural gas grill.

Keeping the heat out of the kitchen can help reduce your summer air conditioning costs.



Hurricane season has started. It's important to check that your home is sound. Here are five steps to take this month:

- Review your insurance policy.
- Seal leaks around your roof, windows and doors.
- Assess the health and fortitude of your trees.
- Clean your gutters.
- Clear your yard of debris and loose objects.

Get more information about local preparedness resources at Talgov.com/PREP.

Housing Help Available

As part of efforts to create strong, vibrant neighborhoods, affordable housing is a priority for the City of Tallahassee, as outlined in its five-year strategic plan. To reach the goals of the plan, the City provides a variety of programs to rehabilitate and enhance the existing housing inventory, as well as to facilitate and encourage the construction of new affordable housing units. Residents can also seek help from the Tallahassee Lenders' Consortium, which provides homebuyer education, credit and finance counseling and assistance in selecting a mortgage lender.

Learn more about these and other affordable housing programs at Talgov.com/Housing.



### **Keep Signs Off Poles**



Driving around Tallahassee, you've likely seen utility poles covered in signs. No matter what they're advertising, these signs are placed there illegally and create a major safety hazard for utility workers. The staples and nails used to attach the

signs can and do puncture the rubber gloves lineworkers wear to protect themselves from electrical injury or death. You can help protect them by not attaching any type of sign or poster to utility poles. If you see a sign attached to a utility pole, contact the City of Tallahassee's Code Enforcement Division at 850-891-7007 (option 3) or report it via the City's free DigiTally app.

#### Now Hiring: Lifeguards

What does it take to become a Lifeguard?

Register for a training class with the City's



Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Affairs department to find out if you have what it takes! Make friends, learn lifesaving skills and earn money along the way. If hired, the City offers flexible work schedules and uniforms for lifeguards. Certification class can typically be completed in one weekend. Call 850-891-4903 or visit **Talgov.com/Parks** for more details.

#### Take Out the Trash



Tissues, candy wrappers, coffee pods, aluminum cans, dryer sheets, junk mail – day-to-day life can create a lot of waste. The City of Tallahassee provides garbage, bulky item, yard waste and recycling services for residential and commercial customers within the city limits. For residential customers, garbage and recycling containers should be placed behind the curb no earlier than the day before scheduled pickup. They need to be returned to their storage area near your home no later than the day following service. Bulky items and yard waste should be placed at the curb no sooner than the weekend before your red/blue week pickup date. Learn more about how to properly take out the trash at **Talgov.com/YOU**.

The City of Tallahassee's 2022 Water Quality Report is available at: https://www.Talgov.com/Uploads/Public/Documents/you/wqr.pdf

For all City of Tallahassee utility related inquires, please call 850-891-4968 or visit **Talgov.com**.

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