



# Important Notice



## New Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Rates as of January 1, 2008

	<u>OLD</u>	<u>NEW</u>
Residential Collection Rate	\$16.39	\$16.66
Backdoor Collection Rate	\$25.68	\$26.95

These rate changes were enacted to cover the increased costs of operations.



## Emergency Notification System



The City is pleased to announce a new electronic mail service to help keep residents informed during times of emergency. You may recall the recent precautionary boil water notice that affected the entire City. We found that notifying 100% of residents was a difficult task and as such have decided to increase our options for informing residents during events such as this. If you are interested in being informed about emergency situations in the City, as well as other noteworthy non-emergency events through your email, than please sign up for our email notification service at [www.longwoodfl.org](http://www.longwoodfl.org). Simply enter your information in the fields to the right and you are on your way to being an informed citizen.

For those of you who need more options than just email, Alert Seminole is for you. You have the opportunity to receive text messages by email, cell phone or pager about emergency events in your area through Seminole County's Alert Seminole service. This service will notify you about life-threatening weather, evacuations, information about emergency shelters, boil water notices and any other emergency that may be released by the City or County. All you have to do is visit [www.alertseminole.org](http://www.alertseminole.org) and sign up.

We suggest signing up for both services so you are sure not to miss important information that may affect you and your family. Please choose to be informed and participate in your local government.

### City Projects

PROJECT	STATUS
(ALL PERCENTAGES ARE APPROXIMATE)	
<b>Street Paving</b>	
Orange from CR 427 to Grant	Construction Began Nov. 2007
Pasadena Avenue	Construction Began Nov. 2007
Overstreet Avenue	Construction Began Nov. 2007
<b>Stormwater Projects</b>	
Columbus Harbor	Design is 75% Complete
<b>City Park Renovations</b>	
Reiter	Out for Bid
Shadowhill	Playground Design and Engineering is 100% Complete
Highland Hills	95% Complete

You've made the

# Natural Choice



## Property Tax Reform Will Affect Your Choice

Thank you for your investment and trust in Seminole County, its seven Cities and Seminole County Public School's. On January 29<sup>th</sup> you will be asked to make a decision that could affect your choice. Property Tax Reform will give the average homeowner an estimated \$20 a month in tax savings.

This tax savings will reduce the budgets of Seminole County, its seven cities and Seminole County Public Schools by \$30 million dollars annually. This loss in revenue will impact your:

- A-Rated Schools
- Responsive Sheriff/Police and Fire-Rescue Services
- Exceptional Recreational Facilities
- Quality Senior Programs

**Think carefully when you vote on January 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**Think about your investment.**

**Think about your quality of life.**

If you would like more information about this issue visit our website at [www.longwoodfl.org](http://www.longwoodfl.org) or to have a City Commissioner present this issue to your group or organization call (407)260-3446.

A Joint Message from your City and County Government Partners and Seminole County Public Schools:

