

## **July, 2009**

I hope that everyone is having a great summer. Here are some items you might be interested in.

### **Dixie Belle Trail**

You may have noticed the new sidewalk on the west side of Dixie Belle Drive. This sidewalk now connects the entire length of the western side of Dixie Belle. I thought it was important to install this sidewalk to enable citizens to walk or bike to Lake George Elementary and Barber Park more directly and, more safely. Thanks to the City's public works department which recently completed this project at my request.

### **Mayor's Neighborhood Matching Grants**

Mayor's Neighborhood Matching Grants are now available.  
The application deadline is September 18, 2009

The Mayor's Neighborhood Matching Grants (MNMG) program was established in 1994 to provide funding for neighborhood improvements that address neighborhood needs and improve the quality of life in City of Orlando neighborhoods. Applications are currently being accepted. Please call Jasmin Rodriguez, 407-246-3787 to reserve a seat at one of the following workshops:

#### **Lake Nona YMCA Family Center**

Tuesday, July 28, 2009 6 – 8 p.m.

#### **L. Claudia Allen Senior Center**

Wednesday, August 5, 2009 6 – 8 p.m.

#### **Orlando City Hall**

Saturday, August 22, 2009 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

#### **College Park Community Center**

Wednesday, August 26, 2009 6 – 8 p.m.

#### **Wadeview Community Center**

Wednesday, September, 9, 2009 6 – 8 p.m.

### **Citizen Police Academy**

The Orlando Police Department (OPD) sponsors a Citizen Police Academy and a Hispanic Citizen Police Academy. This 12 week program will enable you to learn more about what OPD really does. You will be able to ride along with a police officer on patrol and experience other important aspects of law enforcement. For more information go to the police department web site at [http://www.cityoforlando.net/police/citizen\\_info/cpa.htm](http://www.cityoforlando.net/police/citizen_info/cpa.htm)

### **Contact Information**

As many of you know, from time to time, I periodically send emails to keep people up to date on District 1 issues and events. If you would like to be added to this list so that you can also be up to date and receive these emails, please email me or call me. Recently, after sending some of these emails, a number of them were returned because of spam filters. If you are on the email list but haven't been getting your emails, check your spam filter. If that doesn't work then let me know. If you would like to be removed from our email list, please let me know.

If you have any other questions, comments or concerns, please call me at 407-246-2001 or email me at [phil.diamond@cityoforlando.net](mailto:phil.diamond@cityoforlando.net). My aide, Jeanne Rosenthal, can be reached at 407-246-3011 or email at [jeanne.rosenthal@cityoforlando.net](mailto:jeanne.rosenthal@cityoforlando.net) and Police Officer Edgar Malave can be reached at 407-246-2513 or email at [Edgar.Malave@cityoforlando.net](mailto:Edgar.Malave@cityoforlando.net)