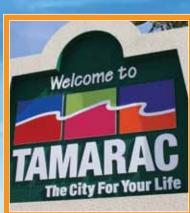
TAMARAC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

RESIDENTIAL GUIDE keeping our city beautiful...



# INSIDE:

This Residential Guide is your reference to the City of Tamarac's most common Codes and Ordinances more than just rules and regulations, this is how we keep "The City for Your Life!" beautiful... and how you can help us do just that while properly maintaining your property and community.





## Who We Are:

From the distinctive and vibrant entrance signs which welcome residents and visitors alike, to our amazing array of programs and services that offer something for everyone, young and old, it's easy to see why we say Tamarac is... "The City for Your Life!"

Located in the heart of beauti-



ful Broward County Florida, Tamarac is ideally situated near major highways, tourist attractions, shop-

ping, and recreational activities.

Originally founded as an active retirement community by developer Kenneth E. Behring in 1963, Tamarac has grown into one of the most culturally diverse cities in South Florida and boasts a welcoming community, amazing amenities, award winning programs and services, and some of the most affordable housing in Broward County.

## **Our Vision:**

The City of Tamarac,
Our Community of Choice Leading the nation in
quality of life through safe
neighborhoods, a vibrant economy,
exceptional customer service
and recognized excellence.

## **Our Mission:**

We are:

"Committed to Excellence . . . Always"

It is our job to foster and
create an environment that:
Responds to the Customer;
Creates and Innovates;
Works as a Team;
Achieves Results;
Makes a Difference

## **Our Values:**

As Stewards of the public trust, we value:

Vision Integrity Efficiency Quality Service



## Dear Resident:

Neighborhood vitality is a high priority for the City of Tamarac. Quality neighborhoods benefit not only the homeowner by preserving a significant investment in housing, but also the community by keeping our City an attractive, clean, safe and beautiful place to live. High community standards help set the stage to maintain the City of Tamarac as a desirable place to live, work and recreate. These essential qualities will help our community grow and develop even more community pride.

The Department of Community Development has produced <u>The City of Tamarac Code Residential Guide</u> to provide information about the municipal codes that affect our community, and how these codes are enforced. This Guide also contains other useful information which can benefit us all.

The City's slogan, "Committed to Excellence... Always" illustrates our commitment to working with Tamarac residents to maintain and improve our City. If you have any questions, or we can be of service, please call the Code Compliance Division at (954) 597-3425.

Sincerely,

Jennifer K. Bramley

Director of Community Development

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## CITY OF TAMARAC CODE COMPLIANCE

## **Our Mission:**

Our mission is to help foster a superior quality of life by protecting and enhancing property values and maintaining community standards through the enforcement of City Codes and Ordinances. Our customer base includes citizens, business owners, architects, engineers, developers and contractors. We are committed to providing "Customer Service... Second to None!" and pledge to be open and responsive to our customer's needs.

## Who we are:

Tamarac's Code Compliance Division is a part of the Community Development Department and is comprised of code enforcement officers, clerical staff and administrative personnel who work together to uphold and enforce the City's Codes and Ordinances in order to promote a clean, safe, and attractive community.

Code Enforcement Officers are assigned to specific geographic areas of the City called zones. Within these zones, each officer is responsible for investigating complaints as well as initiating investigations of violations they observe.

Routine complaints are generally investigated in one (1) working day. However, more serious violations are responded to immediately.

## Violations:

If you have a complaint, or tip, about a potential code violation, please report it to Tamarac's Code Compliance Division at (954) 597-3425. Be sure to have the correct address/location of the potential violation, and remember complaints may be made anonymously.

Written complaints can be mailed to:

# **Tamarac Code Compliance Division**

c/o Tamarac City Hall 7525 N.W. 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue Tamarac, FL 33321

Please note, many investigations will result in a notice being issued to the occupant or owner of the property, or a citation being issued to the violator. To avoid further action, such as a fine, the violation should be corrected as described in the violation notice within the specified time-frame.

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## **Code Compliance Actions:**

- Courtesy Notice: If a violation is determined to exist, the first course of action is a Courtesy Notice being placed on the property. This notice will explain the type of violation(s), provide the requirements to correct the problem and the number of days being allowed for compliance. A re-inspection of the property will determine if the violation has been corrected. If the violation has not been corrected, the Code Compliance Officer will progress the case to the next enforcement action.
- Notice of Violation: The next enforcement action, if the violation(s) is still not in compliance after the Courtesy Notice and re-inspection, is an official Notice of Violation (NOV). The NOV begins the process by which the violator is required to appear before the Special Magistrate. Certified letters are mailed to those property owners who fail to comply notifying them of the Board Hearing and/or corrective action(s) the City will take to eliminate certain violation types.
- Corrective Actions by City Contractors: Certain violation types such as mowing of overgrown lawns, boarding up of abandoned structures, treatment of stagnant algae ridden pool water, and other similar actions required to address potential safety hazards may be ordered. If the violation is corrected by the City Contractor, the property owner is billed for the cost to correct the violation plus an administrative fee. If the bill is not paid within ten (10) days, the bill is recorded as a lien against the property.

For more information about Tamarac's Municipal Code please visit us online: www.tamarac.org/code.

WILDLIFE What can be done about nuisance animals? With regards to raccoons, opossums, ducks and other wild-life, neither the City or Broward County have wildlife programs that that would remove these type of animals. Raccoons and opossums are native species to, and a part of the ecology, of our area; it is important to note that these animals are not considered "rodents", but indigenous species. Our recommendation is, if they are proving to be bothersome, that you remove any sort of potential item(s) that may attract them — the most important being to keep your garbage cans securely closed. Perhaps even more important, DO NOT FEED THE ANIMALS; feeding wildlife accustoms them to humans and is a certain death sentence. Although we do not condone it, if you feel that you must have wildlife that have become a nuisance removed, the most humane [and recommended] way is to hire a trapper to relocate the animals. It is not recommended that you attempt to kill the animals; please keep in mind that animal cruelty laws do apply to wildlife just as they do to domestic animals.



## ANIMALS

If you own a pet within the City of Tamarac, there are some things that you should be made aware of:

- By definition, "owner" is determined to be the person owning, harboring or maintaining custody of an animal.
- All animals are required to be on a leash, and securely controlled, when not on your property.
- Pet owners are required to clean-up (remove excrement) after their animals
   this is the case whether on public or private property not belonging to you.
- City of Tamarac and Broward County ordinances regulate what household pets are permitted.
- Livestock animals are prohibited as pets.
- **Pit Bulls:** Per City Code Article II Sec 4-29, all Pit Bull Breeds are required to be registered with the City Clerk's Office (954) 597-3505 and the owner must have proper documentation.

## Stray Animals:

Stray animals are potential public safety risks and may carry unknown diseases or be aggressive, therefore it is unlawful for any person to feed/leave food out for stray and/or non domesticated animals within the City of Tamarac.

# **DID YOU KNOW?**

Tamarac has a great dog park, the Gary B Jones Park for People and Pups. Located at 8101 Southgate Boulevard, directly next door to Veterans Memorial Park, the park provides a community setting in which people can gather and socialize and their dogs can run and play safely. Well-exercised puppies and dogs are less likely to be aggressive, thus reducing the risks of dog attacks or destroying property. The park features Wiggley Field for small dogs, 25 lbs. or less, and Tam-A-Bark Run for large dogs over 25 lbs. Be sure to check it out!



# **BUILDING [AND PROPERTY] MAINTENANCE**

Proper building maintenance is an important part of maintaining our community's standards and quality of life. The exterior of all structures on the owner's property must be maintained in good condition and not show evidence of deterioration, weathering, discoloration, ripping, tearing, holes or breaks. All surfaces requiring painting or protective coating from the elements are to be kept in good condition, including roof surfaces.

## **Air Conditioning Units:**

All air conditioning units must be screened from the public view (the photo to the right shows an un-screened unit). This can be accomplished with a fence, wall or shrubbery. Keep in mind, fences and/or walls do require a permit prior to being constructed. For permitting and additional information, please call the Building Department at (954) 597-3435.



# **Building Permits:** Be Aware of the City of Tamarac's Permit Requirements

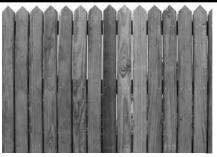
Building permits are required for new construction regardless of the cost of the project. Many common home improvements, such as replacing a sink, require a permit – be sure to call the Building Department at (954) 597-3435 for more information, or visit www.tamarac.org/permits. Construction without proper permits could result in substantial penalty fees, and the property owner may be required to remove the un-permitted improvement(s). Make sure your contractor is licensed and insured and obtains the proper permits.

## **Carports:**

Carports are for the purpose of storing approved [private use] use vehicles only. Storage of general personal items in a carport must not be visible from the public right-of-way.

## **House Numbers:**

House numbers are required to be located in a highly visible and obvious location on all properties in the City. For safety and in case of emergencies, house letters must be visible from the street. Keep in mind, the minimum size of all house numbers is four (4) inches tall.





(Building [and Property] Maintenance, cont.)

## **Fences and Walls:**

Newly constructed fences and walls require a building permit. Keep in mind, the maximum height is six feet in a residential area and the continued maintenance of all fences and walls is the responsibility of the property owner. Fences and walls must always be maintained in a condition that will ensure safety, functional use and a proper aesthetic appearance, this includes repairs, cleaning, painting, and the use of natural wood stains. For permitting and additional information, please call the Building Department at (954) 597-3435.

## Pools:

Pools are required to be clean, sanitary and secured by either a screened enclosure or a fence. The minimum fence height around a pool is four (4) feet. Fence gates must be equipped with a self-closing, self-latching mechanism to insure safety. All pools and spas, whether above-ground or in-ground, require a building permit prior to installation/construction to insure the safety of your family and guests. For permitting and additional information, please call the Building Department at (954) 597-3435.

## Portable Storage Units:

Portable storage units; such as PODS, are not allowed on a property unless a permit is obtained from the Code Compliance Division first – contact (954) 597-3425 for more information. Keep in mind, portable storage units can not be stored for more than (21) days in any calendar year.

## Screens and Screen Enclosure:

Screens and screen enclosures must be maintained in good condition. Any torn or ripped screens must be repaired and missing screens replaced. Keep in mind, screen enclosures require a building permit prior to installation. For permitting and additional information, please call the Building Department at (954) 597-3435.

### Sheds:

All sheds require a building permit prior to installation/construction and they must be maintained in the same manner as exterior building surfaces and be anchored or secured so as to not become a hazard in high winds. For permitting and additional information, please call the Building Department at (954) 597-3435.

(Building [and Property] Maintenance, cont.)

## **Sidewalks and Swales:**

Owners of property adjacent to sidewalks or streets are responsible for keeping those areas clean, mowed/maintained and in good repair. Swales, the areas between the roadway and your property must also be kept clean and mowed. Tree branches, whether on your property or in the swale adjacent to your property, must not obstruct sidewalks; low hanging branches should be trimmed. (See Page 8; "Trees and Tree Maintenance." (For more information about swales, see below.)

**KEEP IN MIND:** Before planting any landscaping in a swale, call the Zoning Division at (954) 597-3530 for information, recommendations and restrictions.

## Right-of-Way (Swale): Prohibited Items on the Right-of-Way

It is unlawful to place concrete blocks, coral rock, railroad ties, pyramid shaped cement curbstones or any other similar objects in the swale area, or within ten (10) feet of the paved vehicular right-of-way. These types of items may cause a traffic hazard which could lead to an accident resulting in injury to a pedestrian or property damage.



**SWALES** are the grassy areas between the sidewalk and the street designed to convey stormwater runoff away from homes and roads to inlets and piped drainage systems. The ponding, or accumulation of water, that sometimes occurs is evidence of the swale's function as a storage mechanism and filtration system. This temporary ponding allows water to seep into the groundwater or evaporate back into the atmosphere, part of the natural cleansing process that removes contaminants and pollutants prior to the water entering our drainage systems.

In order for swales to perform the functions for which they were designed, maintenance is essential. When swales are filled, blocked or overgrown, the effect during rain storms can be devastating. Always keep the following guidelines in mind:

- Do not park vehicles in the swale areas or over drainage inlets.
- Maintain swale areas; do not change the shape of the swale; or obstruct the path of stormwater flow.
- When water ponds in your swale, the swale is doing its job. Do not be alarmed if the swale is soggy and water stays up to 24-36 hours; mosquitoes do not breed until water ponds for 72 hours or more.

Remember... swales are important for the well-being of our water and our landscaping as well as our environment and the appearance of our neighborhoods.

For more information, please call **Tamarac Public Works** at **(954) 597-3700**.

## **CONTRACTORS**

Be aware of unlicensed contractors! Many contractors are unlicensed and in order to avoid costly repairs and potential fines, be sure to do your research. Ask for references and contact the Tamarac Building Department for assistance in determining if a contractor is licensed. You can also contact the Building Department with questions about what work requires a permit and the permitting process, at (954) 597-3435, or visit www.tamarac.org/permits.

Keep these tips in mind if you need a contractor for painting, roofing, repairs, new construction, etc:

- Use ONLY licensed and insured contractors.
- Be sure to get all terms for the work to be completed in writing.
- Demand to see their credentials (either state or county) and double check their validity. (Keep in mind, by law contractor license numbers are required be posted on all ads, business cards, and company vehicles.)
- Ask for and verify contractor's references.
- Get estimates from several contractors. Remember: You get what you pay for! Be sure to get references from friends or neighbors who were satisfied with their contractor's performance.
- If a permit is required, the contractor should secure one. If the contractor asks you to secure the permit, you are then responsible for any injuries and faulty or incorrect work.
- The property owner is responsible for work that is done without a permit.
- Make sure the permit is displayed before beginning any work.
- Keep copies of your permits and work documents, and store them in a safe place.
- There is no statute of limitations for work performed without a permit. If the
  condition is later identified, you will be required to obtain the proper permits and inspections, regardless of prior payments or expectations that a
  permit had been pulled.

# **GARAGE SALES**

A permit is not required to hold a garage or yard sale however it is illegal to place signs in medians and/or right of ways, or to tack signs on utility poles or trees to advertise the sale. One sign is permitted on the property where the sale is occurring and it is the property owner's responsibility to remove this sign at the end of the day.





## LANDSCAPING

Well-maintained landscaping enhances the appearance of our City and helps to keep property values high. Property owners are required to maintain lawn areas and keep them covered with grass or ground cover. Grass must be maintained at less than 6" in height. Homeowners are responsible for the maintenance of swale areas adjacent to their homes and trees and bushes must be neatly trimmed while dead trees and bushes must be removed. Keep in mind, vision should not be obstructed for motorists by trees or bushes planted in swales or on private property. In addition, pedestrian pathways, traffic signs and street lights should not be obstructed by landscaping and should be kept clear.

## Grass:

All grass shall be maintained in healthy growing condition; free of trash and debris and ruts; and maintained at a height of less than 6".

## Hedges:

Hedges make an attractive addition to landscaping if maintained and trimmed on a regular basis. The maximum height of hedges in a residential area is ten feet and are not permitted to be planted in the front yard of a residence except along the front building line. Homeowners are responsible for maintaining hedges so they are green and healthy, neatly trimmed, and dead sections are removed.

## **Trees and Tree Maintenance:**

Trees provide several benefits to the property owner including energy saving shade, privacy, and contribute to a pleasing neighborhood environment. Choosing the right type of tree and planting location can avoid future problems from roots or intrusive tree limbs.

- Do not plant large shade trees close to power lines, stop or yield signs, street lights, or other traffic control devices.
- Do not plant trees near the sidewalk which could create a sight obstruction for pedestrians or motorists.
- Please trim and allow eight (8) feet of street clearance for pedestrians or motorists.

(Trees and Tree Maintenance, cont.)

- Please trim and allow eight (8) feet of clearance for pedestrians using sidewalks.
- Pruning of large trees may be recommended to improve or maintain the health of the tree.
- Improve the strength of the tree by removing co-dominant or multiple branches to provide clearance under the tree for visibility and pedestrian safety.
- To control the size and shape of the tree, prune completely being mindful
  of the trees natural shape and aesthetics: trimming trees also avoids safety hazards under power lines which are too close to homes.

## In addition:

- Remove dead, dying, diseased, crossing or rubbing branches.
- Cut as close to trunk or parent limb as possible without cutting branch collar. (DO NOT LEAVE STUBS)
- Branches that are too large should be precut to avoid ripping the bark.
- Never remove more than 1/3 of the tree's live canopy at one time or within one year.

## Proper Pruning Principals:

- Excessive Lifting: Lifting trees is a common pruning practice where the lower branches of the tree are removed to provide clearance for cars, structures, etc. Over lifting, or excessive thinning of trees, is a poor pruning practice. This type of pruning causes trees to be top heavy, reduces trunk taper and increases chances of branch breakage. It also disfigures the natural form of the tree.
- Topping: Topping is a type of pruning where most of the canopy is removed from a tree, leaving mostly branch stubs. Topping initiates decay in the trunk and main branches and attracts wood boring insect. Topping is often referred to as the equivalent of butchering a tree.
- Should tree limbs need to be pruned, choose a licensed and insured tree
  care professional, or arborist, that can trim your trees according to American National Standards Institute (ANSI) A300 standards. They should also
  be familiar with our City's ordinances and be licensed and insured.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Should conditions require removal of a tree; a permit is required from Broward County's Department of Environmental Protection and Growth Management Department. For information on the permitting process or to request educational pamphlets on proper tree pruning call (954) 519-1483.

**KEEP IN MIND:** Before planting any landscaping in a swale, call the Zoning Division at (954) 597-3530 for information, recommendations and restrictions.

# TRASH COLLECTION [BULK TRASH]

## **Bulk Trash Pick Up:**

The City of Tamarac has curb-side bulk trash pick-up on the second scheduled day of garbage pick-up for your area each week. For example, if your scheduled pick-up days are Tuesday and Friday, your bulk pick-up will be Friday. The bulk items for pickup may include furniture, appliances, yard waste, carpets, mattress, etc. Loose material such as tree branches and leaves must be placed in bags, containers or securely tied bundles no larger than four (4) feet in any direction. Bags, containers, and bundles can not weigh more than forty (40) pounds and properly packaged trash, waste material, refuse and other articles must not be placed for pick-up more than twenty-four hours before the scheduled pick-up day.

Please note hazardous materials such as paint cans, car parts, batteries, tires, construction debris and chemicals will not be collected through the regularly scheduled bulk trash pick-up. For information on disposing of these hazardous and controlled wastes, contact Broward County's Office of Integrated Waste Management at (954) 765-4222. Typically, in partnership with Broward County, the City of Tamarac hosts a Household Hazardous Waste collection one Sunday each year at the Tamarac Public Works Complex on Nob Hill Road; be sure to check the Tam-A-Gram (www.tamarac.org/publications) and the City's website (www.tamarac.org) regularly for updates on when this event is scheduled.





# **VEHICLES [PARKING AND STORING]**

# <u>Parking and Storing:</u> Boats, Boat Trailers, Commercial and Recreational Vehicles

In residentially zoned districts – no boat, boat trailers, commercial vehicle, or recreational vehicle may be parked on any public right-of-way or at a privately owned property or clubhouse district between the hours of 9:00 pm through 6:00 am. Exceptions are made for those boats, boat trailers, commercial and recreational vehicles which are wholly enclosed in a garage or opaque fence screened from neighboring properties view and the public right-of-way. Vehicles are not permitted to be parked on vacant lots.

(Vehicles, cont.)

## Definitions:

- Boat: Any vessel, regardless of size or motor capacity designed to be used in water.
- Commercial Vehicle: Any vehicle not solely used for personal use and/or displays outside lettering designating a business and/or displaying equipment used for any business. The following vehicles are considered commercial: truck cab, trailer, semi-trailer, tractor crane, power shovel, well driller, bus, taxi, or other vehicles for hire, ambulance, hearse, and tow truck/wrecker.
- Recreation Vehicle: Any vehicular portable structure which is built on a chassis designed as a temporary dwelling for travel and recreation which is not more than eight (8) feet in width and not more than thirty-five (35) feet in length.

## Other Vehicle Restrictions:

- Vehicles for Sale: Residents selling vehicles are limited to one at a time to be sold on resident's property, in the driveway only.
- Vehicles Unwanted: Residents with unwanted boats, recreational or other vehicles may donate them to a worthy organization. The following organization will make arrangements to pick up titled vehicle donations. Contact the American Cancer Society at 1-800-991-7227, the National Kidney Foundation at 1-800-488-CARS, or Heaps 'n Heroes, Benefiting Special Olympics, at 1-800-270-1339.
- Vehicle not Registered: Vehicles with an expired tag or a tag not displayed can not be parked or stored on the public right-of-way or on private property in a residentially zoned area.
- Vehicle Repair: No vehicle may be partially/fully dismantled in a residentially zoned area. Minor repairs, defined as, replacement of bulbs, fuses, windshield wipers, or batteries are permitted. Repairs are also permitted on personal vehicles belonging to residents of that property when such repairs are conducted within a fully enclosed garage area.
- Vehicle Parking: Please park vehicles in the direction of travel, with the passenger wheels close to the roadway edge, allowing sufficient traffic way clearance to allow emergency vehicles clear passage.
- Prohibited Parking: Parking is prohibited on the paved portions of the public right-of-way within the City limits between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. (Except: Woodlands Blvd., where such parking is prohibited at any time).
- Vacant Property: Parking on or adjacent to vacant land is prohibited.

# **HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS TIPS: Prepare and Be Aware!**

The hurricane season begins June 1st and ends November 30th.

We all know that the key to surviving a hurricane, or any natural disaster, is to *Prepare and Be Aware*. Unfortunately, most people do not prepare for a hurricane until the threat is imminent — the key to hurricane preparedness is to accomplish in advance those tasks that you will not have time to complete once a storm is forecasted to impact our area. By preparing early, you will avoid the last minute rush and long lines many people experience as they realize they do not have the supplies they need in order to survive should a storm impact our community; possibly knocking out power, interfering with phone service, or blocking roads.

Before knowing how to prepare for a hurricane, you need to know what to prepare for. A hurricane brings a number of threats: high winds, storm surge, tornadoes and flooding.

Hurricanes are powerful and, even though they are often forecast in advance, they can be unpredictable and deadly... a few days before a hurricane strikes is not the time to devise an escape route or try to build your **Hurricane Supply Kit**. Visit **www.broward.org/hurricane** for important information and the recommended contents of a basic Hurricane Kit. At the very least you should collect these items and store them in one convenient and water resistant location (such as a closable plastic bin). Another item to keep on hand, one that the City recommends [and most people do not usually think about], is a tarp. Tarps are essential in case you need to cover your roof, or other structure, in the event that it is damaged during a storm.

Being properly prepared, and prepared early, is the key for you, your family, and your loved ones survival. Remember, the rule is to be prepared for at least 72-hours without any external assistance. Although the City, along with other rescue resources, are here to assist you, we can only do so once it is safe for our rescue personnel to mobilize (often after the brunt of the storm has passed). Safety is imperative; it is all of our responsibilities to take the precautions to *Prepare and Be Aware*.

For more information about Hurricane Safety, be sure to take advantage of all of the resources available to you from the County, FEMA, the Red Cross and other sources.

## CodeRED®:

Tamarac Fire Rescue encourages all of Tamarac's residents to enroll in the **FREE** CodeRED program. CodeRED is an automated service that will call you with valuable information in the event of an emergency. To sign up for CodeRED, visit **www.tamarac.org/CodeRED**, or call **(954) 597-3800**, you will need to provide your telephone phone number and street address as well as an alternate telephone number (if desired) CodeRED will call you with a pre-recorded message providing important information that affects your area. The type of information may include: hurricane warnings, boil water advisories, possible flood zone notifications, and more. The service is completely **FREE** — all Tamarac residents and businesses are encouraged to sign up.

## **HURRICANE TELEPHONE NUMBERS/RESOURCES:**

EMERGENCY:	911		
The following City of Tamarac numbers are activated during and after an emergency only:			
Hurricane Hotline:	(954) 718-1800		
TAMARAC:			
Building Services:	(954) 597-3420		
Code Compliance:			
CodeRED® Sign-up:	(954) 597-3800		
Public Works:			
OTHER RESOURCES:	,		
American Red Cross:	(954) 797-3800		
(Website: www.miamiredcross.org)			
Broward County Hurricane Hotline:	(954) 831-4000		
(Website: www.broward.org/hurricane)			
Broward Sheriffs Office:			
Non-Emergency:	(954) 765-4321		
Tamarac District:	(954) 720-2225		
(Website: www.sheriff.org)			
FEMA:	1 (800) 621-FEMA		
(Website: www.fema.gov)			
TRASH AND RECYCLING:			
City of Tamarac: Trash and Recylcing Hotline	(954) 597-3740		
Waste Management:			

# **DID YOU KNOW?**

In addition to the FREE CodeRED® (www.tamarac.org/CodeRED) program that the City offers residents and businesses, Tamarac also utilizes Twitter as another way to get information out in an emergency. The City's emergency Twitter account is **www.twitter.com/COTemergency**; be sure to sign-up today for this great FREE service — the more ways we can reach the community during a natural disaster or emergency the better. Tamarac's emergency Twitter account is only be used in the case of an emergency. To follow the latest updates from the City about events, road closures, and more, be sure to follow the City's main Twitter account at: **www.twitter.com/CityofTamarac**.

# M P O R T A N T N U M B E R S

MAIN NUMBER	(954) 597-3500
Citizen Hotline (Activated During Emergencies Only)	(954) 718-1800
Building Services	(954) 597-3420
Building Inspections	(954) 597-3420
Building Permitting and Inspection Results	(954) 597-3420
City Clerk's Office	(954) 597-3505
City Commission	(954) 597-3460
City Manager's Office	(954) 597-3510
PIO (Media)	(954) 597-3523
Community Development	(954) 597-3530
Code Compliance	(954) 597-3425
Business Revenue	(954) 597-3537
Financial Services	(954) 597-3550
Purchasing	(954) 597-3570
Fire Rescue	911 (Emergency)
(Non-Emergency)	(954) 597-3800
Human Resources	(954) 597-3600
Job Line	(954) 597-3615
Risk Management	(954) 597-3613
Mayor and Commission	(954) 597-3460
Parks & Recreation	(954) 597-3620
Community Center	(954) 597-3620
Customer Service	(954) 597-3590
Caporella Aquatic Center	(954) 597-3660
Caporella Fitness Center	(954) 597-3661
Social Services	(954) 597-3642
Transit/Shuttle Bus	(954) 597-3649
Police/BSO Tamarac District	911 (Emergency)
(Non-Emergency)	(954) 720-2225
Public Works	(954) 597-3700
Engineering	(954) 597-3712
Recycling & Trash Hotline	
Utilities	(954) 597-3750
Customer Service	(954) 597-3590
Utilities (breaks, etc.)	(954) 597-3750
Water Treatment Plant	(954) 597-3775
Service Providers:	
Comcast Cable	(954) 252-1937
Library (Tamarac Branch)	
Post Office (Tamarac Branch)	
Tamarac Theater	
Waste Management	

