

#### Second Quarter 2019

# *The facts about the half-cent tax*



## Half-cent sales tax would provide funding for roads and water



Roads, sidewalks, stormwater control and water quality are all included on the proposed half-cent sales tax project lists.

**Volusia County, FL** - The Volusia County Council, at the request of the county's 16 cities, passed Ordinance 2019-4 authorizing a referendum to be held in May for a half-cent infrastructure sales tax. If approved by voters, the half-cent sales tax would generate an estimated \$42 million per year for the county and cities to use for transportation and water quality projects.

Passage of the referendum would increase Volusia County's sales tax from 6.5% to 7%. This half-cent increase would add an extra 2 cents to the cost of a \$4 cup of coffee, or 25 cents to a \$50 dinner. The tax would apply up to the first \$5,000 of any purchase, resulting in a maximum additional cost of \$25 for any large purchase, such as a vehicle. Items exempt from the tax include medical items, prescription drugs, most groceries and fuel.

Fuel is exempt because it is already subject to a local option gas tax. Historically, gas taxes have been used by the county and cities to meet transportation infra-structure needs. Over time, however, this revenue has become inadequate as vehicles have become more fuel efficient and the cost of construction continues to rise.

Because Volusia's large tourism industry attracts more than 10 million visitors annually, it is estimated that approximately one-third of the

money raised from the half-cent tax would be paid by tourists. This is a fair way for tourists to help fund the water quality and transportation infrastructure they also use when visiting.

Proposed county transportation projects include expanding LPGA and Williamson boulevards in Daytona Beach, improving the intersection of State Road 44 and Wallace Road/ Mission Drive in New Smyrna Beach, building a new section of Veterans Memorial Parkway from Graves Avenue to State Road 472 in Orange City, and expanding Orange Camp Road in DeLand.

Water quality projects would focus on the Mosquito Lagoon, Blue Spring and Gemini Springs. Each of the 16 cities and county have identified sales tax projects. These projects can be found online at <a href="https://www.volusia.org/salestax">www.volusia.org/salestax</a>

Monies collected from the half-cent sales tax would be used only for capital projects on roads, sidewalks, bridges, water quality, stormwater and flood control.

How can you trust that the sales tax will be spent only on these infrastructure projects? There are four layers of protection: Florida law governing the infrastructure sales tax, a local enforceable ordinance, city and county elected leaders' approval, and the formation of a local citizens oversight committee after the election.

The sales tax election will be a mail-in vote with ballots mailed to registered voters on May 1. The ballots are due back in the Elections Office by 7 p.m. May 21.

A ballot box will be placed at every city and town hall from May 2 to 20. There will be no in-person or early voting.

If passed, the half-cent sales tax will go into effect Jan. 1, 2020, and be effective for 20 years.

## GEL Recycling on crusade to keep communities recycling



**Orange City, FL** - Education and public information efforts have led to widespread understanding of the importance of recycling. But major shifts in markets that support recycling now threaten to undo decades of progress as the cost of recycling is bringing some of those programs to an abrupt end.

That's a major concern for GEL Recycling, an Orange City company that is passionate about the environmental benefits of recycling. The company, which employs about 100 people, serves residents and businesses in Port Orange, DeLand and unincorporated areas of Volusia County. It recycles a variety of materials including paper, clean cardboard, newspaper, concrete, metals, glass, construction materials, and plastics with numbers one and two.

Recycled paper and cardboard are repurposed as copy paper, egg cartons and many types of paper goods. Plastics can become clothing, seat cushions, packaging material and a variety of other products.

"The problem is developing due to a lack of demand for recycling commodities such as paper," said Jacqueline Kerr, GEL Recycling's director of sales. "We used to be able to sell recyclable paper goods to companies that turn waste into useful products for \$80 per ton. Today the same ton of recyclable paper brings \$5. This is a crippling blow when one considers that the costs of curbside pickup, sorting, baling and shipping only continue to rise. And of course, the environmental impacts that drive recycling are not going away."

Additional pressure emanates from China, which has been a major buyer of recyclable commodities until recently. Environmental concerns in China have caused officials to put a hard stop to most imports of recyclable materials to make more capacity for China's own recyclables.

The effect of these and other factors are causing local governments to

reconsider their commitment to recycling. GEL has asked cities to help make up the differences in lost revenues due to lower prices paid for recyclable materials. At the same time, cities are pondering cutbacks or elimination of recycling services.

But for GEL Recycling, this is a crusade. The company is doing everything it can to help local governments continue to recycle. It has even offered some local governments free service for a limited time while they examine the issue and the environmental responsibility of recycling.

"This is an important discipline for America and the world," said Kerr. We will do everything we can to maintain decades of progress in public awareness of the need to recycle."

### Hawaiian Tropic brand lives on

# Edgewell Personal Care products popular in more than 50 countries



Edgewell Personal Care products include Hawaiian Tropic and Banana Boat suncare products.

**Ormond Beach, FL** - Edgewell Personal Care in Ormond Beach is a young company whose predecessors' long history of success has provided a solid foundation for the company locally, nationally and internationally.

Today, the company is a leader in consumer personal care products. Its portfolio of products includes such household names as Schick®, Wilkinson Sword®, Edge®, Skintimate®, Playtex®, Stayfree®, Banana Boat® and Hawaiian Tropic®. Its products are sold in more than 50 countries including the United States, Canada, Mexico, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom and Australia. They are sold through a network of dealers, distributors and direct sales professionals.

The Hawaiian Tropic connection is what brought the company to Volusia County.

Locals who have lived in the area for a while will recognize Hawaiian Tropic as the company founded by local entrepreneur Ron Rice in 1969. Legend has it that he mixed his first batches of suntan oils in a metal trash can and bottled it from his home. Success followed, and his enterprise became one of the largest manufacturers of sun care products in the nation.

Hawaiian Tropic was acquired by Playtex Products in 2007, and four months later the company was acquired by Energizer Holdings. In 2015, Energizer split the company into two entities, Energizer Holdings and Edgewell Personal Care Co.

The company's manufacturing plant and warehouse are on U.S. 1 in Ormond Beach. The original buildings were built in 1972 during Hawaiian Tropic's early years. They have had several expansions and upgrades as

the company has steadily grown. Also, since then, another warehouse in Holly Hill has been added. The overall footprint in Volusia County approaches a quarter of a million square feet. The complex includes bottling facilities and new product development. The company's labor force varies in size seasonally. During peak production times, Edgewell employs more than 250 people.

Edgewell Personal Care officials have worked closely with the City of Ormond Beach staff on various issues as the company has grown. The outlook for the company calls for growth across the board, according to Operations Director Jose Lago, with growth among international markets being particularly strong.

## Duraline leads the way in safety-engineered electrical products



**DeLand, FL** - Duraline is known for innovative and safety-engineered electrical products, which are produced at its DeLand manufacturing facility. The company was recruited to Volusia County by Team Volusia Economic Development Corp. in 2012 from its former location in New York. Since then, the company has been steadily growing and diversifying its customer base.

"We have been supplying the United States Navy with a variety of products including ship-to-shore power cable connectors and other related products," said Marylou Kanupp, director of human resources and accounting. "Most of our contracts are government contracts, but we are making inroads in other industries as well. The Navy continues to be our largest single client. We also provide products for the Army, the Coast Guard, the entertainment industry, cruise ships, highway, and firefighter/emergency rescue services. For these customers, we produce cable connections for electrical systems, lighting and long-lasting LED products that parallel our longlasting incandescent systems."

The company's products are known for innovation, safety and durability, which is important since applications are often in harsh environments such as undersea couplers. The company's products can be found in use in many industrial applications, including mining, petrochemicals, food processing, aerospace, medical, entertainment, transportation, utility and telecommunications. They are shipped across the United States (including Hawaii) and internationally.

Duraline's facility is approximately 18,000 square feet with a labor force of about 45. The move from New York required a great deal of modifications to the building to accommodate its manufacturing operations. Company officials were committed to using local contractors for as much of the work as possible. That is a point of pride for them, as is the fact that Duraline's diverse products are made in the USA — in DeLand.

In addition to the company's molded electrical products for distribution systems, it does specialty work.
Custom services include design and build of portable distribution panels, CNC and manual machining, Swiss turning and milling, rubber and plastic molding, and contract manufacturing. It has an in-house machine shop, molding machines, lathes and more.

"We are fortunate to have a dedicated workforce, whose quality of work has put the company on solid footing with upward growth projections," said Kanupp. "And as we grow, we are in contact with the City of DeLand and the Volusia County Economic Development Division regarding tax and employment incentives and other issues."

#### Mexican, Venezuelan, Central American

# Dairy Creations to fill demand for Hispanic cheeses



Dairy Creations manufacturers fresh cheeses for Hispanic food suppliers, restaurants and chefs.

**Port Orange, FL** - Marlon Reyes was sitting in his office in America's heartland when he realized his cheese manufacturing enterprise was not located in the best place. While its Nebraska location put it in the geographic heart of the country, the firm was not close enough to major interstate networks, which increased transportation costs for nearly every shipment.

Reyes sold his interest in that company and searched the country for a better location in which to establish a new company dedicated to the manufacture and distribution of fresh, specialty cheeses. Florida promptly became his target. He leased a building in West Florida and was in the throes of outfitting it for production when damage from Hurricane Irma brought progress to a halt and triggered the search for another building with the right features.

After an exhaustive search, Reyes' wife found an online listing for a building in Port Orange whose features aligned with those required for a cheese manufacturing facility. Today, the company, Dairy Creations, is rapidly approaching the commencement of production in its 10,000-square-foot plant in the Eastport Business Park in Port Orange. Production is scheduled to begin in mid-summer, much to the delight of customers clamoring for fresh, specialty cheeses that are key ingredients in recipes for nearly all popular Hispanic dishes.

"There are not many manufacturers of fresh cheeses in the region," said Reyes. Much of the product has to come from Wisconsin or California, which means more expensive products due to transportation costs. "Our major customers are distributors in South Florida. We can ship product in bulk to them much more economically. They proportion and repackage our product and ship to retail customers throughout the Southeast and beyond. And since our products are fresh and include no preservatives or additives, they have a loyal following among our customers, and among our customers' customers."

As for sourcing, Reyes said his company tries to procure ingredients and supplies locally whenever possible. Already he has identified a milk supplier, a critical connection since his typical order will be for more than 50,000 pounds of fresh milk. This and other ingredients will support the company's production of fresh cheeses, including mozzarella and dry duro blando, a staple among

Hispanic food suppliers, restaurants and chefs.

Dairy Creations is poised for success, and Reyes is eager to begin production. Initially, he is recruiting eight individuals for key positions. Those individuals will train additional employees as operations begin and volume increases. Reyes works closely with his partners, Arnold Glanz and David Bastidas, who own Zerpa's Antojos Criollos, with Florida retail outlets in Weston, Doral, Coral Gables and Aventura. The partners have worked together from the very beginning to ensure success.

The company has worked extensively with the Volusia Economic Development Division. Business Specialist Virgil Kimball has provided a significant amount of information and support on various subjects including introductions to key staff members with the City of Port Orange, which has assisted the business in navigating the permit process.

# MT-Propeller keeps aircraft flying all over the world



MT Propeller products and installations are featured on aircraft of nearly every manufacturer.

**DeLand, FL** - In aviation, airplane propellers are maintained with the same care and attention to detail as airplane engines – with constant attention and precision craftsmanship. After all, propellers are precision instruments, providing the thrust needed to generate the lift that makes airplanes fly. That's why MT-Propeller USA in DeLand is busier than ever.

"Our lead time for maintenance work is about four weeks. Lead time for new propeller work has crept up to 10 weeks." said Peter Marshall, the company's vice president. "We cover nearly every manufacturer of airplanes and have more than 22,000 propellers flying worldwide. That's 74,000 blades and more than 150 million accumulated flight hours on our propeller systems."

The company occupies about 40,000 square feet of space at DeLand Municipal Airport, with direct taxiway access for the convenience of arriving and departing customers and to accommodate test flights. A team of 20 factory-trained specialists handles the workload, including installation of

new propellers, blade repairs, de-ice boot installation, complete overhauls, hub rework and overhaul, nondestructive testing, anodizing and cadmium plating.

MT-Propeller USA in DeLand is owned by MT-Propeller in Germany and is the only wholly owned MT-Propeller facility in the United States. However, the company's presence in the U.S. is supported by 30 affiliated service centers. Sales of MT-Propeller USA's products and services are handled directly and through its service centers.

Marshall's role as vice president of MT-Propeller USA was not part of his career plan. After he was retained to

represent MT-Propeller at aviation shows and exhibitions and to handle sales, he was invited to join the company and promptly assumed more and more duties. Of course, he is a pilot, which gives him a thorough understanding of aviation and the nuances of propeller performance.

The company was established at DeLand Municipal Airport in 2005. As the company grows, it consults with the City of DeLand from time to time and plans to do so in the future as its labor force grows.

# Schultz Engineered Products thriving in Volusia County





Schultz Engineered Products is a leader in the design and manufacturing of fuel recovery systems and fuel handling equipment for the aviation industry and high-performance motorsports.

**Edgewater, FL** - When Robert Schultz leased a 10,000-square-foot building at Massey Ranch Airpark in Edgewater in 2016, he was optimistic that doing business from Volusia County would help serve the company's growing Sunbelt customer base. Turns out, he had good reason for optimism as the company continues to experience growth.

Schultz Engineered Products is a leader in the design and manufacturing of fuel recovery systems and fuel handling equipment for the aviation industry and the world of highperformance motorsports. The company has more than 50,000 fueling products in service globally and holds patents on products such as the Schultz AccuSample (fuel sample system), Schultz Gauge Guard and the Schultz Single Point Dry Break Refueling System used in NASCAR.

Schultz Engineered Products solves complex fueling issues for some of the largest airports in the world including JFK, LAX and ATL. In addition, they work with the U.S. Department of Defense and General

Aviation airports around the world. Company founder Rob Schultz is considered one of the top authorities for aviation fueling and is widely recognized for his innovative product designs.

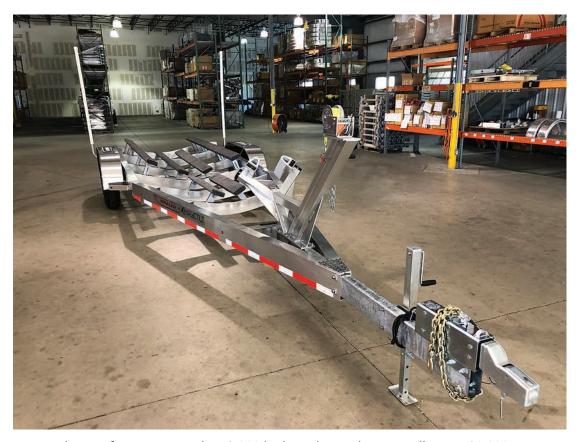
"Fuel handling of aircraft is serious business. It's the life blood of the airplane and requires specially designed equipment and precision manufacturing," said Schultz. "We're always working hard to provide solutions that meet the latest technologies and regulations in aviation and auto racing."

Schultz plans to re-locate his primary headquarters this summer to the Edgewater location. Specialized research and development will remain in the original New Jersey facility.

The move is part of a three-year expansion plan that will increase square footage and add to their workforce by an estimated 20%. Additional staffing will include engineers, welders, machinists and even interns from nearby Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Team Volusia Economic Development Corp. and the City of Edgewater were instrumental in establishing Schultz Engineered Products operations in Volusia County. The company is also working with the Division of Economic Development to explore and identify appropriate resources in the community to support the company's future growth plans.

# Magic Tilt Trailers keep boats on land on the move



Magic Tilt manufactures more than 3,000 high quality trailers annually in its 38,000-square-foot assembly facility in Edgewater.

**Edgewater, FL** - If you see a boat being transported on a trailer, that trailer could have been assembled in Edgewater by a company that has a solid reputation as a manufacturer. Magic Tilt has been building quality boat trailers since 1953 and remains a family business. The firm recently acquired a 38,000-square-foot assembly facility in Edgewater with Boston Whaler being one of its largest customers.

"We have a strong business presence in the southeastern United States, and we are grateful for our growing relationship with Boston Whaler," said Craig Clawson, president of the firm. "We also ship nationwide and internationally."

Magic Tilt excels in building aluminum and galvanized steel trailers designed for salt-water applications. Its products are distributed solely through its dealer base and private label contracts. Magic Tilt has custom tooling and specifications in place fitting literally thousands of hull designs. Clawson credits a dedicated workforce and the company's many business partners for its success in becoming an industry leader. He stresses sturdy construction,

product safety and a solid service/ warranty program as primary factors in the company's success.

In addition to its plant in Edgewater, the firm's headquarters is in Clearwater and there are Magic Tilt service centers in the panhandle, Louisiana, Texas and South Carolina. The Edgewater plant employs approximately 15 people and produces more than 3,000 trailers each year.

"The secret to our success is relentless innovation and superior customer service," said Clawson. "I appreciate our loyal customers and our dedicated work force. None of this would be possible without having the best people on our team. For example,

our engineering team designs and manufactures trailers that are tailor made for today's newest boat designs, whether they are small fishing boats or luxury yachts. We want them to move about on land with the same ease and safety as they do in the water."

As for the outlook, Clawson says sales are holding strong without a sign of a near-term pull back. Should a recession happen, the company would endure and continue as the market leader in the southeastern United States while growing nationally and internationally.

#### American Aero Services restores WWII aircraft, preserves history



A North American TF-51D Mustang restored for the Collings Foundation by American Aero Services in New Smyrna Beach.

**New Smyrna Beach, FL** - It has been said that if you have a job you love, you'll never work a day in your life. Gary Norville couldn't agree more. As the owner of American Aero Services, Norville's days are consumed by the exacting (and fascinating) work of restoring of World War II vintage aircraft.

American Aero Services is a restoration and maintenance facility serving the Warbird community and other collectors. It was founded by George Baker in 1981. Norville took over in 1998 and moved the company from its South Street location in New Smyrna Beach to a larger location at New Smyrna Beach Municipal Airport. The company has won several awards for its work and employs 22 people, including several Federal Aviation Administration licensed airframe and powerplant (A&P) mechanics.

In addition to restoration of aircraft, military vehicles, armor, missiles and rockets, the company maintains selected aircraft, vehicles and spacecraft. American Aero Services also offers machine shop services, including HAAS CNC capabilities, lathe and millwork, structural sheet metal

work, welding, reverse-engineering, repair work and more.

"I consider myself fortunate that my work involves aviation and history," said Norville. "It's art. It's science. These aircraft are more than artifacts. They are living symbols of American freedom and the hopes and dreams of our WWII allies."

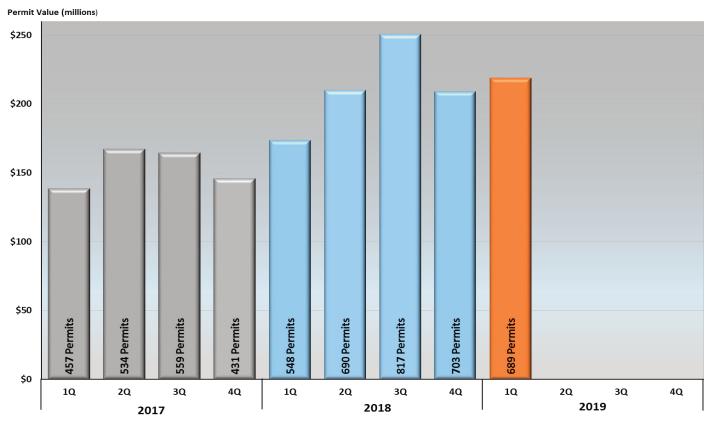
American Aero Services has customers throughout the country, including the Collings Foundation in Stow, Massachusetts. The foundation organizes and supports living history events and the preservation, exhibition and interaction of historical artifacts that enable Americans to learn more about their heritage through direct participation. American Aero is honored to maintain their aircraft.

Among American Aero's substantial portfolio of numerous projects is the "Shady Lady," a B-17G Flying Fortress. It is a four-engine heavy bomber workhorse of WWII. Other restorations include a P-40B Tomahawk, PBY-5A Catalina, Stinson L-1 Vigilant, F6F-3 Hellcat, FW-190 White One, A-36 Apache, P-51 Mustang and others.

The company also maintains a small museum at 1501 Airway Circle at New Smyrna Beach Municipal Airport. The museum has a vast array of artifacts on display and is open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Watch the feature video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7unY7ondEu0) on American Aero Services produced by the county's Community Information division.

#### Volusia County Residential "New Construction" Building Permits



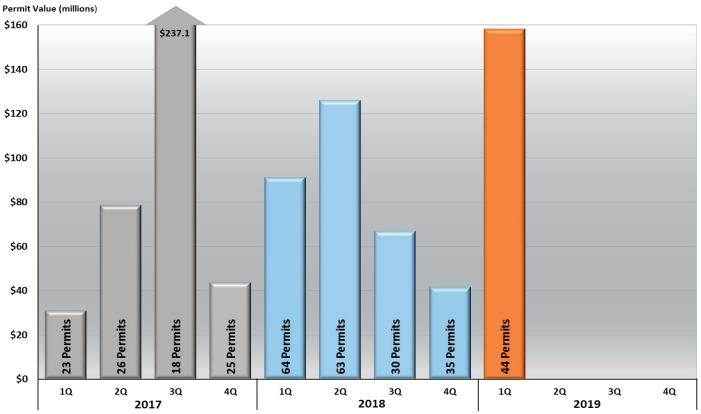
Source: City and County permit offices reporting new construction activity.

#### Volusia County Residential "New Construction" Building Permits

	1st Qtr 2018		2nd Qtr 2018		3rd Qtr 2018		4th Qtr 2018		1st Qtr 2019	
	Permits	\$ Value								
Daytona Beach	143	\$43,848,874	118	\$37,560,892	169	\$55,992,197	154	\$47,976,335	188	\$63,766,029
Daytona Beach Shores	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	1	\$212,000
DeBary	24	\$8,882,986	42	\$14,001,249	47	\$15,546,525	35	\$13,102,152	25	\$11,689,869
DeLand	87	\$25,861,638	134	\$36,840,248	147	\$39,841,012	99	\$28,323,779	67	\$19,242,296
Deltona	34	\$8,464,978	50	\$12,565,815	67	\$19,118,173	87	\$22,921,862	85	\$22,495,683
Edgewater	2	\$185,000	9	\$1,820,825	10	\$1,792,738	7	\$913,600	18	\$2,914,000
Holly Hill	0	\$0	1	\$120,000	0	\$0	33	\$4,483,490	2	\$267,000
Lake Helen	2	\$648,000	1	\$291,501	5	\$1,351,619	7	\$2,629,875	8	\$2,641,509
New Smyrna Beach	68	\$23,481,775	103	\$33,044,272	119	\$39,651,792	118	\$39,470,387	134	\$44,835,819
Oak Hill	2	\$495,568	3	\$443,625	4	\$830,770	5	\$786,110	3	\$535,095
Orange City	11	\$3,174,781	19	\$5,432,693	11	\$3,006,247	23	\$4,674,817	9	\$2,536,824
Ormond Beach	23	\$8,364,306	16	\$5,923,506	18	\$6,232,651	9	\$3,333,605	15	\$4,634,144
Pierson	1	\$270,280	1	\$151,616	1	\$146,641	0	\$0	0	\$0
Ponce Inlet	5	\$3,562,900	6	\$3,681,864	7	\$3,610,817	1	\$283,979	2	\$703,133
Port Orange	49	\$16,656,800	82	\$25,520,726	109	\$32,233,528	59	\$18,514,999	24	\$8,805,845
South Daytona	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	1	\$370,782
Unincorporated	97	\$29,933,584	105	\$32,614,593	103	\$31,522,822	66	\$21,952,011	107	\$33,335,651
Totals for Quarter	548	\$173,831,471	690	\$210,013,425	817	\$250,877,531	703	\$209,367,001	689	\$218,985,679

 $Source: {\it City \ and \ County \ permit \ offices \ reporting \ new \ construction \ activity}.$ 

#### Volusia County Commercial "New Construction" Building Permits



Note: 3Q 2017 includes \$202.9 million for Daytona Beach Convention Hotel at 500 N. Atlantic Ave.

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#### Volusia County Commercial "New Construction" Building Permits

	1st Qtr 2018		2nd Qtr 2018		3rd Qtr 2018		4th Qtr 2018		1st Qtr 2019	
	Permits	\$ Value	Permits	\$ Value	Permits	\$ Value	Permits	\$ Value	Permits	\$ Value
Daytona Beach	18	\$24,921,755	24	\$49,266,656	3	\$5,442,464	16	\$28,935,357	17	\$117,061,018
Daytona Beach Shores	0	\$0	1	\$22,000,070	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
DeBary	0	\$0	0	\$0	1	\$23,209,061	0	\$0	0	\$0
DeLand	5	\$5,388,936	8	\$14,569,950	10	\$16,385,644	2	\$387,616	2	\$17,200,713
Deltona	2	\$4,880,524	1	\$281,299	0	\$0	2	\$1,738,000	2	\$7,319,281
Edgewater	3	\$7,360,000	3	\$680,000	3	\$1,121,348	1	\$850,000	0	\$0
Holly Hill	1	\$350,000	0	\$0	2	\$300,000	0	\$0	0	\$0
Lake Helen	3	\$260,000	1	\$350,000	4	\$2,000,000	0	\$0	0	\$0
New Smyrna Beach	5	\$2,852,815	8	\$3,676,981	3	\$6,138,521	0	\$0	4	\$5,880,000
Oak Hill	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	1	\$1,900,000
Orange City	0	\$0	1	\$12,000,000	2	\$2,547,058	1	\$903,969	0	\$0
Ormond Beach	8	\$24,842,554	8	\$6,037,909	1	\$9,206,251	8	\$3,655,385	11	\$7,060,961
Pierson	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	2	\$300,800
Ponce Inlet	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Port Orange	1	\$950,000	6	\$15,463,536	1	\$508,530	4	\$2,193,304	1	\$341,600
South Daytona	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Unincorporated	18	\$19,413,395	2	\$1,702,916	0	\$0	1	\$2,900,000	4	\$1,305,097
Totals for Quarter	64	\$91,219,979	63	\$126,029,317	30	\$66,858,877	35	\$41,563,631	44	\$158,369,470

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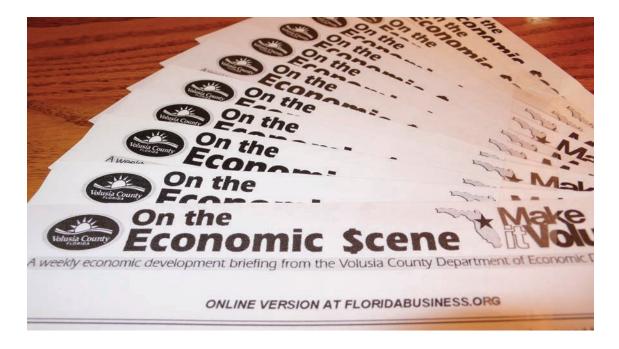
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