



### One Year Later: Progress and Momentum of the City's FPP projects over the last 12 months

The Ripple Effect, the City's Flood Protection Program, has made remarkable progress over the last year. The combined efforts of City staff, residents, engineers, and contractors is much to celebrate, and shows an unwavering commitment, resulting in outstanding advancements for our flood protection projects. It's not just about building infrastructures; it's about building a resilient Virginia Beach with enhanced capabilities to better withstand future flood events. Read more about the progress and momentum of flood protection projects.

[The Ripple Effect](#)

### Virginia Beach City Manager Selects New Deputy City Manager and City Director of Economic Development

City Manager Patrick Duhaney has selected Amanda Jarratt as deputy city manager. Jarratt has several years of experience in municipal management, currently serving as city manager for the City of Franklin, since January 2019. She will oversee the Economic Vitality portfolio of departments.

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City Manager Patrick Duhaney appointed Chuck Rigney as director of the Department of Economic Development. Rigney has served as interim director since June 2023, overseeing major development projects and the department's efforts to continue to bring business investments to the city.

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### Celebrating Black History Month Across Virginia Beach

In honor of Black History Month, numerous events are taking place throughout the city to engage, learn and appreciate African American history, heritage and culture.

[Black History Month Events](#)



### Your Health. Your Community. Your Voice. Share Your Community Health Needs!

The Virginia Beach Department of Public Health (VBDPH) needs your help making Virginia Beach a healthier place to live. Through a Community Health Needs Assessment, VBDPH seeks to find out what qualities, characteristics and health problems are important to you, your neighbors and your community. Provide your input by Feb. 26.

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