

# The Cove at Bay Port Colony of Hillsborough County

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**Purpose:** The Special Dependent Tax District (SDTD) Cove at Bay Port Colony's purpose is the continued development, administration, and maintenance of properties for the unincorporated area known as the Cove at Bay Port Colony Subdivision, as set for according to the public records of Hillsborough County.

## FY24 Goals Achieved

- New community monuments were installed at the entrances of Hillsborough Ave and Old Memorial Highway.
- The monument structures and the walls bordering the south side of the community have been sealed and painted, and the cracks/breaks in the community's concrete walls have been replaced and repaired.
- Initiated a foliage beautification project to clear out shrubs and plants.
- Lawn maintenance and trimming of existing trees and plants in the neighborhood continues.
- Began negotiations to renew the Scope of Work (SOW) for lawn-care and maintenance to reduce costs and improve the quality of the lawn care.
- Assumed financial control of drainage catchments to ensure proper maintenance and care of these *bodies of water that serve the entire community*.
- Contracted for tree trimming of approximately one-half mile of community border, plus approximately one mile of tree maintenance.

## FY25 Goals Planned

- In response to Hurricane Milton, obtain public assistance to repair hurricane damage to the west side of the wall on Hillsborough Avenue, remove fallen trees, maintain property value, and secure public access to the community.
- Proactively identify and remove trees that pose hurricane threats to homes and community infrastructure.
- Remove and replace all shrubbery along Hillsborough Avenue and Longboat Boulevard to reduce irrigation requirements by at least 10%, mitigate maintenance costs, and improve overall community presentation.
- Finalize and implement lawn care Scope of Work (SOW) to maximize tax dollars, mitigate irrigation requirements, and ensure the best presentation of the community.
- Leverage Hillsborough County Public Works to repair and enhance roadways of Longboat Boulevard and Old Memorial Highway, as well as all drainage systems throughout the community.
- Publish and maintain at least four dated newsletters on the district website each year, documenting communications about planned activities and improvements.
- Maintain and document related email communications, including the number of days from receipt of the emails to the responses.