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## **Indiantown Introduces Live Web Stream and Video Archive of Council Meetings**

Archived Meetings will be Indexed for Easy Replay of Agenda Items at a Click

**Indiantown, FL** – The Village of Indiantown installed a new video system to live web stream and close caption Village Council meetings. The system will become available once traditional in-person meetings resume at the Indiantown Civic Center.

"This new system is part of the Village's continuing effort to increase transparency and accessibility for our residents," said Susan Owens, Village Clerk. "The Village is also researching applications that can be used simultaneously so that the public can provide live comments on items as well."

The video system will index videos to correspond with Council agenda items making it easy for users to watch specific items with a click. The system is accessible from the Village of Indiantown home page, <a href="www.indiantownfl.gov">www.indiantownfl.gov</a>. The link will open a page to access either a live webcast, or a list of archived meetings previously captured on Swagit. Archived meetings will also be closed captioned. There are no meetings currently stored on the system.

Currently, Zoom allows Council members to conduct their meetings from their home or office due to the COVID-19 pandemic. To view live meetings on Zoom, a link must be generated for each meeting. Zoom meetings are recorded, but not indexed, and available upon request. Prior to the pandemic, Village Council meetings were only recorded auditorily.

The new system uses a single stationary wide lens camera. However, the system can be expanded in the future to include multiple cameras should the Village require it.

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Indiantown is a rural community in Florida's Treasure Coast. First established in the early 1900s, then incorporated on December 31, 2017, Florida's youngest municipality hosts a diverse population of roughly 6,000 residents. While it may be small, its resident engagement is exemplary and its potential for community building and new business opportunity is large. The Village mission seeks to enable economic prosperity and business while building pride and cohesion through hands-on self-governance.