



**Town of Southwest Ranches**

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Dear new resident,

Welcome to Southwest Ranches, we're glad you're here!

Our Town offers a diverse population united in our commitment to preserving the rural lifestyle. Southwest Ranchers share a desire for open space, our beloved animals, and the quiet enjoyment of our properties.

Open spaces can be found all over our Town, and we invite you to join in. From the annual Horse Show at the Equestrian Park, the Farmers' Market at the Preserve, the Chili Cook-off, and Classic Car Show at Rolling Oaks Barn, the annual 5K Walk for Diversity- there are events and activities for everyone. Our goal is to serve our community, and if you have ideas, let us know!

As a new resident, here are some things which make our Town unique:

- We value our 'Dark Skies'. If you wish to add outside lighting to your property, there are ways to do so which will help you accomplish your intent without negatively impacting your neighbors with lighting spillover they may not want. Code Enforcement staff is always available to answer any questions you may have.
- We value the quiet enjoyment of our properties, both inside and out. The Town has a Noise Ordinance designed to help us do so. While we want you to enjoy your home and property, please keep noise and music volume at a level that will only be heard on your property. Keep in mind, renting your property for a party is prohibited.
- Fireworks are currently legal in the State of Florida three days per year. Those days are Independence Day, New Years' Eve and New Years' Day. If you wish to set off fireworks, please restrict it to those days. Please keep in mind our pets, livestock, veterans, and people with autism can be significantly affected by fireworks.



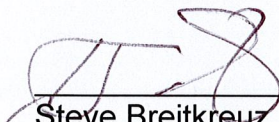
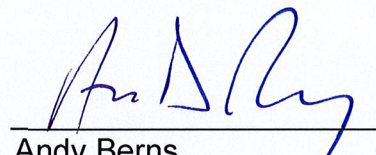
- Another concern is flooding and the elevation of our properties. Some of our properties have a low elevation, and new owners often wish to bring in additional fill material to raise their elevation. Because changes in elevation can significantly impact neighboring properties, it is necessary to obtain a fill permit before beginning work. Fill permits are handled by the Town's Public Works & Engineering Department.

Town staff is always available to answer any questions or concerns you may have. Town Hall can be reached at 954 434-0008.

The Town of Southwest Ranches was founded because residents took ownership of our area and fought to establish our Town. Volunteers remain a vital part of our identity.

We invite you to get involved. Join your Civic Association or HOA, attend a Council Meeting. Learn about the Town Advisory Boards. If you want to get involved and participate, we welcome you to our family. Information can be found at [www.southwestranches.org](http://www.southwestranches.org), the *Southwest Rancher* newsletter, or by calling Town Hall.

On behalf of the Town Council and Staff, we're here to serve you, and once again-welcome!

  
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