



# TAX TALK

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Dear Friends,

April is a busy month at the Tax Collector's Office. The 2017 property tax season wrapped up on April 2, 2018. We now begin the process for collecting delinquent property taxes. April is your last chance to sign up for our Installment Payment Plan. The application deadline is April 30.

I want to keep you informed about important work currently underway by the Constitution Revision Commission (CRC). The CRC is reviewing Florida's Constitution for relevance and possible revisions, a process that takes place only once every 20 years. This month I have included a CRC update and where you can find more information.

Warm regards,

Anne M. Gannon  
Constitutional Tax Collector

#### SIGN UP FOR OUR E-NEWSLETTER

Sign up to receive your copy of Tax Talk via email at [www.pbctax.com/TaxTalk](http://www.pbctax.com/TaxTalk)



#### SPECIAL INSTAGRAM LIVE EVENT FOR TEEN DRIVERS

Do you know a teen getting ready for their driving test? Are they feeling nervous about becoming a first-time driver?

**We are excited to host an Instagram LIVE event on Thursday, April 12 from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

Our goal with this session is answer questions from teenagers who might be a little overwhelmed with the thought of getting their first driver license.

Our team is here to calm their jitters and help them through the entire process. Ultimately, we want every teen to leave our service center with a positive experience and ready to celebrate with their friends on social media using the hashtag #iPassed!



**@TAXPBC ON  
INSTAGRAM LIVE  
APRIL 12  
3:00 PM**

**TEEN DRIVERS,  
GET ANSWERS TO  
YOUR QUESTIONS**



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Tax Collector Gannon invites you to contact our office with questions at (561) 355-2264 or [ClientAdvocate@taxcollectorpbc.com](mailto:ClientAdvocate@taxcollectorpbc.com)

## WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES

2017 property taxes are delinquent after April 2, 2018. Pay now to avoid the annual tax certificate sale on June 1, 2018. A tax certificate is a lien on your property. The lien is created when someone else pays your delinquent taxes. If you fail to pay delinquent taxes within two years, the tax certificate buyer can file a Tax Deed Application. This begins the foreclosure process, where your property can be sold at public auction.

Delinquent property taxes are charged a minimum of 3% interest plus advertising fees. We only accept cash and certified funds including bank draft, money order, cashier's check or wire transfer. Delinquent taxes cannot be paid online.

### LAST CHANCE TO CATCH A BREAK!

Did you know you can pay property taxes in smaller quarterly payments instead of one lump sum? If you prefer this option, act now! The clock is ticking on the April 30 deadline to enroll in our Installment Payment Plan. Participants make four payments with a discount of slightly under 4%. Installments are due by the last day in June, September, December and March. Sign up at [www.pbctax.com/installment-payment-plan](http://www.pbctax.com/installment-payment-plan).



### Property Owners:

**Catch a break.** Sign up for our Property Tax Installment Payment Plan. Pay quarterly and receive a discount slightly under 4%.

**Hurry! Offer Ends April 30**

## SERVING YOU BY THE NUMBERS

	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR
Clients Served	74,450	74,150	74,752	81,108
Average Wait Time	59 minutes	69 minutes	67 minutes	60 minutes
Average Help Call Hold Time	6 minutes	10 minutes	7 minutes	7 minutes

## FLORIDA CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMISSION UPDATE

Did you know Florida is the only state that allows its state constitution to be revisited and revised through a regularly scheduled commission? The Constitution Revision Commission (CRC) meets every 20 years to examine the relevance and applicability of Florida's Constitution to current and future needs.

The current CRC was formed when the 2017 Regular Legislative Session convened on March 7, 2017. After conducting a series of public meetings to hear directly from Floridians, the CRC voted favorably to pursue 26 of 103 proposals as ballot initiatives for the November 2018 election. The final list of ballot initiatives is due to the Governor by May 10, 2018.

Now is the time to use your voice by calling members of the CRC and asking them to do what Floridians asked of them during the public meetings. You can learn more about the CRC and review the list of proposals and ballot initiatives by visiting [www.flcrc.gov](http://www.flcrc.gov).

### APRIL DATES & REMINDERS

<b>April 1</b>	Distracted Driving Awareness Month
<b>April 2</b>	Unpaid Property Taxes are Delinquent
<b>April 17</b>	IRS Tax Filing Deadlines
<b>April 20</b>	Tourist Development Tax Payment Deadline
<b>April 22</b>	Earth Day
<b>April 30</b>	2018 Installment Payment Plan Application Due

*Privately owned vehicle registrations expire at midnight on the owner's birthday.*

*Pay delinquent Local Business and Tangible Personal Property Taxes online.*