

TELEVISION QUARTERLY ISSUES-PROGRAMS REPORT

Station: WFGX-TV
Location: Fort Walton Beach, FL
Quarter ending: March 31, 2016

ISSUE/description: 5. GROWTH MANAGEMENT. Planning for the needs of the future.
Balancing growth versus preservation of lifestyle and environment.

How Issue was treated (Program, PSA, etc.):

<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time/Duration</u>	<u>Program type</u>	<u>Description</u>
1. Channel 3 News at 9PM On WFGX	02/10/16	09:00PM/3.5 minutes	News	*

* North Palafox may be home to some new neighbors and so far they're not getting a warm welcome. ECUA wants to build emergency sewage tanks on the lot where the old medical center building stands. ECUA spokesperson Nathalie Bowers wants to make sure people understand the tanks would be empty. That means odor wouldn't be an issue. The tanks would only have sewage in them if there was a break in the main. The capacity will be 6 million gallons. Bowers said the tanks will protect North Hill and the entire downtown area in the case of an emergency. Pensacola City Council V.P. Brian Spencer gets that emergency sewage tanks are a must have, but wishes ECUA would have kept neighbors in the loop before they settled on this property for the tanks. Bowers said the location at Avery and North Palafox is the safest because it's so close to the lift station.

2. Channel 3 News at 9PM On WFGX	02/11/16	09:00PM/3 minutes	News	**
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** The University of West Florida expressed concern over the proposed food truck ordinance on Pensacola's City Council Agenda, Thursday. Dr. Brendan Kelly said he would like to see the city adopt a system that echoes what other cities with historic areas have done. "Part of the investments we've made in downtown Pensacola and our mission as a historic trust, is to preserve what makes the fabric of a historic district special. And that is to have a place that doesn't have all the trappings of modern day life associated with it," Kelly said. Food trucks could disrupt the historic feel of the area. Kelly said he would like to see the city pass an ordinance similar to ones in Savannah, Georgia or Charleston, South Carolina. He said those ordinances provide money for its cities but remain sensitive to historic areas.

3. Channel 3 News at 9PM On WFGX	03/28/16	09:00PM/2 minutes	News	***
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*** Five weeks ago, an Amtrak inspection train rolled across south Mississippi for the first time since Hurricane Katrina. On Wednesday, officials met in Biloxi to move forward plans of restoring passenger rail service across the Gulf Coast from New Orleans to Orlando. Mark Murphy, general manager of long distance service for Amtrak, said lawmakers want to see a preferred route, what infrastructure and repairs are needed to operate, and the cost of restoring train service and funding sources. The group suggested a daily round-trip train from New Orleans through south Mississippi to Mobile, Alabama, and a long-distance train that would connect from New Orleans to Orlando, Florida, through Jacksonville, Florida. Murphy said the project has the potential to open the community to a tourist market. From April 1993 until Hurricane Katrina hit in August 2005, the Sunset Limited Amtrak line ran from Los Angeles to Jacksonville. But the service has been out of commission for more than a decade because of the devastating storm.