



# Downtown Talk

*Bonita Springs Downtown Alliance Newsletter*

## **From the Desk of...**

Congratulations to the City of Bonita for turning 24 years old and hosting the annual Celebrate Bonita. It was an awesome event.

May is a busy month with Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day, Kentucky Derby, and Memorial Weekend. With this weather, this could be the start of summer.

May is also National Bike Month. Citizens are encouraged to ride their bikes to work or anywhere they go instead of driving a vehicle. It's also great exercise!

Speaking of exercise, many downtown businesses and residents are encouraging the council to make the downtown pedestrian friendly. This means no big trucks cutting through the downtown area heading north and south, as it affects many businesses, visitors, and residents, who appreciate not hearing loud noises when they are trying to enjoy dinner, a cup of coffee, or just strolling. I encourage you to reach out to the Mayor and Council and express your opinion on this subject.

May is also a month to remember the men and women who sacrificed everything for America. Every year, the City of Bonita Springs Veterans Advisory Committee hosts the annual Memorial Day ceremony at Riverside Park at 9 a.m. If you have not attended this event, it is one you should make time for to thank all of those who served our country proudly.

The downtown corridor is coming around nicely. The rooftop at Riverside is looking great, as is Sugar Shack. So many other great things are happening, so keep an eye out.

Finally, it's also time for graduation and summer camp. Please be careful when you see the kids and adults on their bikes this summer.

See you at the May BSDA meeting. In the meantime, stay healthy!



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Bonita Springs Downtown Alliance (BSDA)

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## May's meeting at Shangri-La Springs inside the Harvest and Wisdom Dining Room



### May's Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday, May 23rd

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Location:** Shangri-La Springs, 27750  
Old 41 Rd

### **Business Agenda:**

**5:30 pm- Social Hour  
& Cash Bar**

**Secretary's report**

**Introductions of guests**

**Speaker - Adam Botana, State  
Representative District 80**

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## May Events Happening Downtown



Bonita Springs Concert  
Band  
Riverside Park  
2pm-4pm



Contempo Dance Club  
Event  
Riverside Park  
5pm-6pm



Memorial Day Event  
Riverside Park  
9am- 11am

## May 5th- Cinco De Mayo

**May 14th- Mother's Day**  
**May 20th- Armed Forces Day**  
**May 29th- Memorial Day**

## Meet your April Speaker



**Adam Botana**  
**Republican State Representative**  
**District 80**

Adam Botana is a current Republican State Representative for District 80. Adam Botana is not a politician. He is a small family business owner who wants to make a difference. Adam is focused on improving Ft. Myers, Bonita Springs, and Sanibel so Southwest Florida remains the best place to work and raise a family. He is ready to roll up his sleeves and fight for our waterways and keep our community thriving. Adam spends his free time giving back to the community. Being born and raised in Bonita springs, he has a great love for his county as well as his state. You can often find him volunteering for environmental cleanups on the water, helping build a home for Habitat for Humanity, working on miscellaneous projects with Florida Gulf Coast University's Vester Marine And Environmental Science field station, running events to raise money for charities, and even out teaching boat classes with his dog Bailey. He is a driven and highly motivated business man, with undeniable ambition to represent his great state of Florida.

[Learn More About Adam Botana Here](#)

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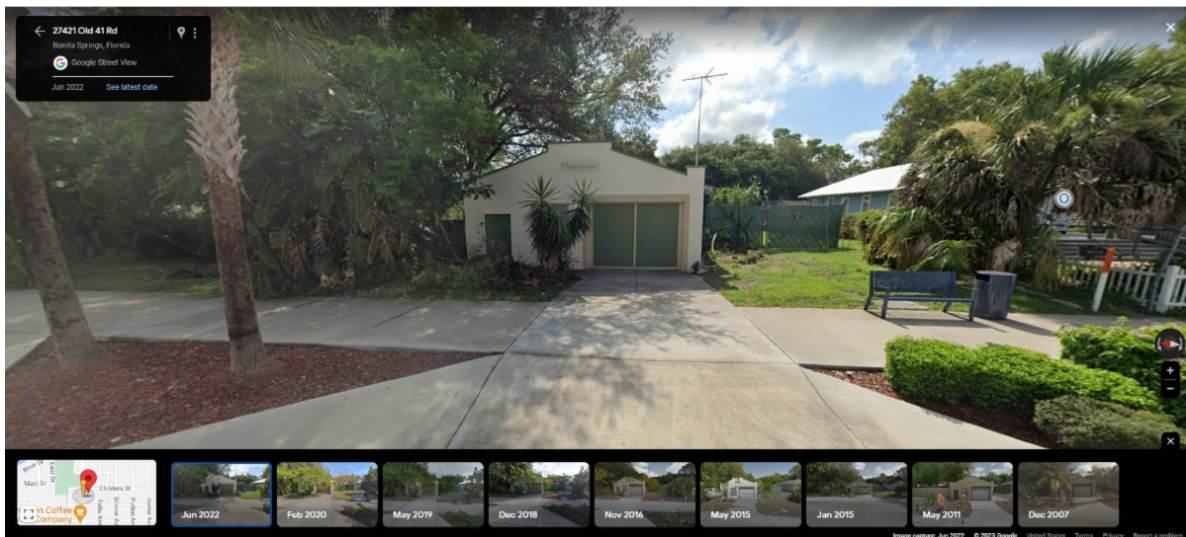
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