



Town Hall News

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ATTENTION:

- **Town Council Meeting:** July 2nd @ 7:00 p.m.
- **Town Hall Closed:** July 4th
- **Planning and Zoning Meeting:** July 11, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.
- National Blueberry, Ice Cream, and Hot Dog Month!



Summer in Texas is a great time of year. Summer is an opportunity to visit friends and family (especially the grand kids) and enjoy all the natural resources Texas has to offer. Whether you are going to the family, or the family is coming to you, the Fairview Police Department has some tips to insure you and your neighbors enjoy the summer activities.

Here are some things to keep in mind:

- Lock your vehicles at night, even if they are parked in your driveway.
- Lock the doors to your home at night and when you are away.
- Remove all valuables, GPS, purses, Laptops, and **especially firearms.**
- Before going to bed, make sure your garage door is down and any walk door is locked.
- Contact a neighbor and the Fairview Police Department and provide emergency contact information before you leave on vacation, even if it is only for a few days.
- If you are utilizing an alarm system be sure your emergency contact person has the reset code and personal ID code for the alarm company.
- Stop mail and newspaper delivery or have a neighbor pick up your deliveries daily.
- Monitor the consumption of alcohol for both yourself and your guests. Hot weather and alcohol do not mix. Abuse or misuse of alcohol can have medical and legal consequences.



Most importantly, **BE VIGILANT!** Keeping your community safe is a team effort. The Police Department, working in partnership with the community are better able identify criminal activity. The citizens of every community can be the best eyes and ears for the Police Department. Fairview offers a unique environment of community many folks do not have. You not only know your neighbors, but more than likely you are familiar with their vehicles and day to day activities. You are able to recognize when something or someone is out of place.

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If you see an unfamiliar car or person in your neighborhood, especially at night, please contact the Police Department by calling the non-emergency dispatch number (972-547-5350). Often times when the Police respond we discover the person is in the area for legitimate purposes. However, we would rather be notified and given the opportunity to confirm a person's presence, than not be called and miss an opportunity to interrupt criminal behavior.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the Fairview Police Department @ 972-886-4211 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. We hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer.

The Fairview Police Team!



S H 5 R O A D P R O J E C T U P D A T E

The Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) has an ongoing construction project on State Hwy 5 (Greenville Ave) to straighten out the sharp curves at the RR tracks just south of FM1378. Steel reinforced concrete piers are being constructed on the north side of the RR tracks at this time. A large underground drain culvert has already been installed to Sloan Creek. Retaining walls will be constructed for a new road opening under the RR tracks just east of the old bridge. This project will construct two 12' wide lanes with 10' wide shoulders and smooth out the curves. Drainage will be improved, and sight distance will be increased. The project will require a complete road closure for up to six months, although it may be completed sooner if the weather holds out. US75 and FM1378 will be the alternate routes during this construction. A temporary U-turn has been installed on the south side of the bridge at the entrance to the Sloan Creek subdivision for cars and trucks that inadvertently miss the warning signs. Any further questions that you have can be directed to the local TXDOT office in McKinney. The local TxDOT engineer assigned to the project is Byron Bishop, PE and the office number is 972-542-2345.

F I R E W O R K S P R O H I B I T E D



As you prepare for the upcoming summer holidays and festivities, please remember that the use or possession of fireworks in Fairview is strictly forbidden and that our local police

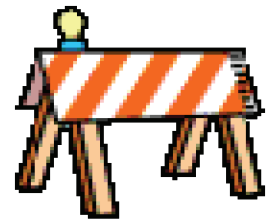
department enforces this prohibition and will issue citations for violations.

Fireworks present hazards to the safety of our residents as well as the natural beauty of our town's vegetation. With Texas summer heat comes dry land, which creates an extreme fire hazard for the town. Whether a faulty firework sparks an immediate flame or a spent firework casing causes a delayed blaze at some later time, things can get messy very fast, especially in our windy North Texas region. Every year across the nation, huge amounts of property damage are caused in just this way.

B O A R D S / C O M M I S S I O N S

Dozens of citizens volunteer their time and talents every year to serve their community as a volunteer member of a Fairview town board, commission, or committee. If you have an interest or calling to serve on any of the town's boards, please contact the Town Secretary, Michelle Lewis Sirianni at 972-886-4234 or mlsirianni@fairviewtexas.org for more information or to receive an application you can also visit the town's website at www.fairviewtexas.org.

If you currently serve on a board and/or commission, please remember to fill out your application each year to be considered for renewal. This helps ensure that you do not get looked over with it's time to make re-appointments.



H O L I D A Y F L A G P R O G R A M

The Friends of Fairview Firefighters Association will place a beautiful 3'x5' American Flag on a 9' pole curbside in your front yard for Independence Day, Labor Day, Patriot's Day and/or Veteran's Day. They will place it the day before the Holiday and then pick it up the day after the Holiday, and will then store the flag until your next holiday. For more information and subscription deadlines and fees, please contact Scott Owens at scottdowens@gmail.com or (469) 865-6683 or Bill Pritchard at mompop46@gmail.com or (214) 585-0038.



WHAT TO KNOW & HOW TO CONSERVE: STAGE 3

Summertime brings fun opportunities for Fairview residents to spend time with family while swimming, cooking out, and enjoying each other's company. Unfortunately, the summer heat also has negative effects on our water supply.

The Town, following the lead of the North Texas Municipal Water District, entered into Stage 3 of its Drought Contingency Plan on June 1st of this year in response to drought conditions in the North Texas Region. As a resident and/or business owner in Fairview, it is important to be knowledgeable of how Stage 3 restrictions affect your allotted water usage. Some of the key components of Stage 3 restrictions and how they will impact Fairview residents and business owners are detailed below. For more a more detailed account of Stage 3 restrictions, please visit the town's homepage at www.fairviewtexas.org and click on the "Stage 3 Watering Restrictions" tab.

Key Components of Stage 3 Water Restrictions:



- Landscape watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems at each service address is now limited to once every seven days.
- The town-designated watering zone in which your property lies determines the day of the week on which you can water. Please visit the Town's homepage at www.fairviewtexas.org and click on the "Stage 3 Watering Restrictions" Tab in order to view Fairview's zone designation and watering schedule map.
- No watering from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. between April 1st to October 31st
- Foundations, new landscaping, new plantings (first year) of shrubs, and trees may be watered for up to 2 hours on any day by a hand-held hose, a soaker hose, or a dedicated drip irrigation system.
- Existing swimming pools can be drained and refilled.

Fortunately, there are many water conservation techniques that you can use in order to help keep Fairview's water supply at a safe level and to save you money. Lawn and garden irrigation is a major source of water usage, so by following these lawn and garden best management practices, you will be on the road to greater savings:

- Overwatering of lawns and gardens is oftentimes more detrimental to the health of your landscape than too little water. Slower, more infrequent watering forces your grass and plants to establish deeper roots, which is better for their overall health and drought-tolerance.
- A properly watered lawn will wet the soil to a depth of 6 inches, which should be plenty to keep the lawn healthy until next week's scheduled watering time. An easy way to determine how long you need to water to achieve this depth is as follows: Make sure your lawn is dry and then run your irrigation system for five minutes; Push a garden tool or screwdriver into the soil of your lawn to determine how deep the lawn has been saturated with water. The tool will push through wet soil easily but will travel much less easily through dry soil; You can now estimate roughly how long it will take your system to water your lawn down to a six inch depth.

When planting a new garden, considering using a 3''-6'' layer of mulch on the surface of your planting beds. This will minimize water evaporation and suppress weed growth that competes with your plants for water.

For more information regarding smart landscaping and water conservation, visit the following links: www.txsmartscape.com, www.dirtdoctor.com, www.texaswatersmart.com, www.wateriq.org, and www.savewatertexas.com.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Fairview Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Thursday, July 11, 2013 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, located at 372 Town Place in Fairview.

- Conduct a public hearing, consider, and take any necessary action on a request to amend the Planned Center Zoning District for 430 S. State Highway 5, a 0.5-acre property specifically defined as Lot 1, LA Caldwell's Dreamland Addition - 1st Installment, in order to add boutique retail as a permitted use.
(ZA2013-21)
- Conduct a public hearing, consider, and take any necessary action on a proposal to amend Chapter 14 (Zoning), Article 14.02, Section 14.02.011, in order to amend setbacks for accessory buildings.
(ZA2013-22)