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# Mayor's Note

# Happy New Year!

I would like to begin the New Year with a great, big THANK YOU to all of our residents for your passion for keeping our town, and our home, a very special place! I sincerely appreciate all of your e-mails, letters, phone calls and in-person meetings. A considerable amount of the correspondence I receive is with regard to zoning changes requested by landowners and developers. While I understand why these requests are made (who wouldn't want to develop in Fairview), for me, these requests are generally quite simple. We have a great plan for

both residential and commercial development, so we follow the plan. A tremendous amount of thought, forethought, deliberation and consideration was given in developing the plan and, because of it, we know who we are, and we like who we are!

Speaking of plans and planning, we "made our case" and the county recently provided the town with \$855,000 in funding to complete the engineering and design of Fairview Parkway. The additional funding allows us to "fast track" the build out of Fairview Parkway. When complete, Fairview Parkway is designed to move traffic north and south away from Highway 5. The Town Council has authorized the Town Manager to hire an engineering/design firm, and we will keep you posted on our progress. One of the great things about being Mayor is that I get to meet some really great and really smart students from the Lovejoy and McKinney school districts. While some have termed this the "video generation", trust me, as these students take their turn at leading and running the world, we are in good shape! Great job parents!

Lastly, as we make plans and resolutions for the New Year, I am reminded of a recent conversation with a Heritage Ranch resident where she shared, "We should treat every day like a holiday and every meal like a feast." There is a lot of truth and wisdom in that. Happy New Year!

I'll see you around town,

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#### At the December Town Council meeting, the Town Council addressed the following items:

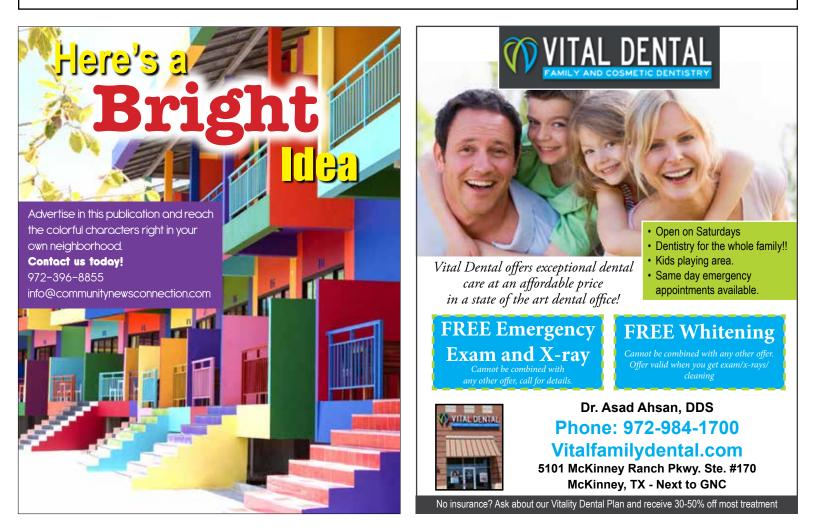
- Approved minutes from previous meetings.
- Received a report from the Special Events Committee regarding charitable participation in the Gus Macker event.
- Denied a request by M. Christopher and Company for approval of an ordinance to amend the Future Land Use Plan component of the Comprehensive Plan for six tracts of land comprised of 72.959± acres and generally located east of Country Club Road (FM 1378) and 1,600' north of Stacy Road.
- Denied with prejudice a request by M. Christopher and Company for approval of an ordinance to rezone six tracts of land comprised of 72.959± acres and generally located east of Country Club Road (FM 1378) and 1,600' north of Stacy Road.
- Denied a request by LandPlan Development for an amendment to the Future Land Use Plan component of the Comprehensive Plan for a 76.9± acre tract comprised of the 56.2± acre Williams tract, 17.5± acres comprised of Lot 1B and Lot 1-1, Block A, Ward Addition (Price Tract), and a 3.2± acre segment of Lots 2 and 3, Jackson Estates Addition, and that is generally located west of Stoddard Road and north of Sloan Creek.
- Denied without prejudice a request by LandPlan Development for a zoning change for a 76.2± acre tract of land comprised of a 55.5± acre segment of the Williams tract, 17.5± acres comprised of Lot 1B and Lot 1-1, Block A, Ward Addition (Price tract), and a 3.2± acre segment of Lots 2 and 3, Jackson Estates Addition (Jackson tract), and that is generally located west of Stoddard Road and north of Sloan Creek.
- Approved a request by Travis Carpenter to amend the development plan for a 1.461± acre tract of land that is zoned Commercial Planned Development District (CPDD) Neighborhood Edge Sub-district, and is generally located at the northeast corner of Sloan Creek Parkway and Pond Bluff Way, being Lot 7, Block J, of the Sloan Creek Estates Phase III Addition.
- Approved a request by Travis Carpenter to replat a 1.461± acre tract of land that is zoned Commercial Planned Development District (CPDD) – Neighborhood Edge Sub-district, and is generally located at the northeast corner of Sloan Creek Parkway and Pond Bluff Way, being Lot 7, Block J, of the Sloan Creek Estates – Phase III Addition.
- Approved a request by Faith Church of Collin County, for approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) on a 2.99± acre tract
  of land located within the John A. Taylor Survey ABS No. 909, and that is generally located at the southwest corner of
  Murray Road and State Highway 5.
- Discussed planning for Fairview Parkway and authorized the Town Manager to proceed with selection of an engineering firm for the design of Fairview Parkway.
- Discussed town procedures related to freezing weather.
- Received a monthly financial report for the period ending October 31, 2014.



Fairview just completed the largest residential street repaving project in the town's history. Approximately nine miles of asphalt residential streets have received new pavement and some new base repairs. Approximately five miles were completed in 2012-2013. That brings a total of 14 miles of asphalt streets up to date and should serve our residents well for the next couple of decades. With our ever-shifting clay soils, town staff will work to keep any cracks that may form sealed in order to keep these new streets in good condition for years to come.

Fairview Parkway, a critical parallel thoroughfare to SH5, received funding approval from Collin County for engineering and right-of-way acquisition. The town plans to complete all of the design from Stacy Road to Medical Center Drive and get this road shovel ready for construction. The timing of construction will depend on future development in the northern Commercial Planned Development District (CPDD) between US75 and SH5.

TxDOT is bidding out the widening of Stacy Road from two lanes to four lanes from SH5 to FM1378. The contract time gives the contractor 483 working days to complete the project. TxDOT typically defines working days as calendar days minus weekends and the typical six holidays the state recognizes. The time for the project will begin once the notice to proceed is given to the contractor. The plan is to construct two new lanes on the north side first, while keeping the existing two lanes open. Once the two northern lanes are complete, traffic will be moved over to the new lanes to allow the southern two lanes to be constructed. Since this will be an active construction zone, please observe construction signage and any temporary construction zone speed limits that are posted.



# The William Snider Family, Kentucky To Texas

#### by Janet Hudson Samuels, descendant

In 1805 when John Snider and Polly Varble (daughter of Philip Varble) married near Lexington, Kentucky, they had no idea their descendants would help settle Texas. Son William, born the following year, became the husband of sixteenyear-old Mary Sandusky Maxwell twenty years later. The wedded couple had both grown up in the lovely bluegrass country of Fayette County, Kentucky. The following year on May 30, 1827, their first child, son John Durham Snider, was born. When John was two years old, his sister Polly Ann arrived on December 8th.

The young family with children, ages two and three, joined other wagons on the trail to an unknown life in a new area. The Sniders were, as many others, caught up in the idea of westward movement and migrated northwest to Green County, Illinois. Shortly after their arrival, son James Madison was born, June 2, 1830, followed by Sarah Louisa Elizabeth on September 19, 1832 and Eliza Jane on April 15, 1834. In August of the following year, William (now the father of five children) purchased two tracts of land for a total of 120 acres at the nearby Edwardsville Land Office. Now the family was living and farming their own land. New Year's Day 1836 brought another son, Aaron Harrison. In January, two years later, son William Thomas made his appearance and a new sister, Catherine, arrived December 14, 1839.

December 21, 1840 brought tragedy. Twelve-yearold Polly Ann died. It is not known whether the cause of death was an accident or illness. At the time, mother Mary was one month pregnant with daughter Lucinda Ellen, born August 29, 1841. Sisters Emily and Amanda were born on the same day one year apart - February 6, 1843 and 1844.

The loss of Polly Ann led them to turn to the fellowship of other believers. In church letters dated March of 1845, the Sniders were named as members of the South Rich Woods, Illinois Church of Christ (now the Christian Church, Disciples of Christ). They brought these letters with them as they, again, became pioneer settlers in the Peter's Colony in Texas.

Present day Collin County was a part of Fannin County which was a part of the Peter's Colony. So, when William and Mary and their ten children settled in Texas they were in Fannin County. They received 640 acres. They settled about four miles east of current Allen, Texas. The lake on their land grant came to be known as Snider Lake. Son John Durham was old enough to come into the Colony as a single man and receive 320 acres in Parker County. William built one of the earliest corn mills in the county, using oxen on the inclined wheel to power the mill. The burrows of the mill were made of native rock and hewn out by his own hands.

After living a few years in their original settlement, they moved some five or six miles further east and settled in the community known as Winningkoff. Besides farming, William was a carpenter, a skill badly needed on the frontier. He was, also, a wagon

maker. He soon discovered that the bois d'arc tree was of great value due to its iron-like quality. He built a bois d'arc mill to extract the seed from the tree, seeds that were bringing a good price back east where the tree was not native. Farmers there thought the thorny trees would make a good fence that would turn back their cows and horses without the expense of a wooden fence. It worked well for a number of years, and then the low fence grew into a line of trees and was no longer useful for a fence. Long rows of trees are still visible in Collin County where they were used as hedgerows. The stumps of bois d'arc trees were used for foundations of early homes and, in later years, were used, unsuccessfully, to pave the streets in Plano and Dallas after the arrival of the automobile.

Three more children were born after their arrival in Texas. They were Martha Melvina (June 8, 1849), Missouri Ann (April 7, 1851) and Alvin Lorenzo (November 9, 1853). When neighbor John Meyers McKinney, Sr. was killed in a riding accident soon after arriving in Texas from Missouri, the Sniders took in his two sons, John M. and William. Their mother had, also, died.

Charles Marion Snider, grandson of William and Mary, (son of Alvin Lorenzo) shared some memories in 1972 when he was 100 years old. He remembered in the late 1870s being on his granddad's farm following Jim, the field hand, behind the plow. They had two black and white spotted oxen named "Broad" and "Bright". William Snider had made the yokes and each oxen followed ver-



#### FOREST GROVE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

THIS CHURCH TRACES ITS ORIGIN TO INFORMAL PRAYER MEETINGS HELD IN 1847 AT THE HOME OF WILLIAM AND MARY (SYNDUSKY) SNIDER, AMERI-CAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR VETERANS AND ORIGINAL SETTLERS OF THE PETERS COLONY ARE COUNTED AMONG THE EARLY MEMBERS OF THE CON-GREGATION, JOHN M. MCKINNEY, JR. AND J. BEN FAULKNER SERVED AS THE FIRST MINISTERS OF THE CHURCH. ALL CHURCH STRUCTURES HAVE OCCUPIED THIS SITE ADJOINING HISTORIC FITZ-HUGH CEMETERY WHICH HAS GRAVES DATING TO 1852, ALTHOUGH SERVICES ENDED IN 1984 CHURCH BUILDINGS REMAIN THE SITE OF VARIOUS COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AND EVENTS.

> bal commands and would incline his head, each in turn, so the yoke could be placed around their necks. Jim had a long whip which he, also, used to kill the field larks which followed the wooden plow with the possibility of gobbling any seed left uncovered.

> After coming to Texas, William Snider became known as Uncle Billy. By 1849, he owned 1,280 acres in Collin County. When they did not find a church of like faith near their new home in Texas to receive their letters from Illinois, they led in the organization of a new church, Forest Grove Christian Church. In 1847, William and Mary began holding religious services in their home. There were six charter members: William and Mary Snider, James and Mary Anderson and James and Elizabeth Lovelady. They met in 1847 at the home of George Fitzhugh and established the congregation. As attendance increased, services were held in George Fitzhugh's house, at the Peter Lucas house, James Lovelady's house and the home of Peter Fisher and other places. The congregation made plans to build a building, but was delayed by the War Between the States. John M. McKinney (one of the orphan boys the Sniders took in) built a small box house on his land and the meetings were held there. This building was known as McKinney's Schoolhouse, and it predated the old Willow Springs School at Lucas.

> Charles Marion Snider remembers that a Mr. Lucas donated land for a school. William Snider helped build that school, of course, a log house. The land contained a big willow tree over a spring. The tree

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and spring were only a few feet from the school. Hence, it was called Willow Springs and was later changed to Lucas School. He walked three miles to school and three miles back each day. His teacher's name was John Wyles. He was only about five feet tall and knew little more than his ABC's and how to count, according to Mr. Snider. Lovejoy ISD now has a school named Willow Springs.

When war broke out in 1862, two Snider sons, Aaron Harrison and James Madison, went off to serve as Confederate soldiers. Both men survived the war. John McKinney married the Snider's daughter, Eliza, and was the pastor of the Forest Grove Christian Church after the War Between the States. It was during this time that the first church building was built (1875). William Snider was an elder in this congregation. Two of the Snider grandsons, A.H. Snider and J. Ben Snider, as well as son-in-law J. Ben Faulkner, were also pastors. In 1875, John M. McKinney, as trustee of the church, bought two acres from Frances Fitzhugh adjoining the Fitzhugh Cemetery (which adjoined the church). In 1876, he bought two and threefourths acres more. In March 1877, McKinney conveyed these tracts to the elders of the Forest Grove Christian Church "for the use and benefit of the said Christian Church as long as water runs and grass grows". In 1953, the old church building was torn down and the current one erected. The Forest Grove Christian Church celebrated its 150th anniversary in 1997. A Texas Historical Marker is located near the entrance to the building, lauding the part William and Mary Snider played in the beginning of the church.

Charles Marion Snider, quoted above, was the father of the well-known Marion Snider, the piano-playing member of the Stamps Quartet beginning in 1936. He performed for over 70 years for churches, radio, television and major conventions. He was a member of the Forest Grove Christian Church.

In addition to Polly Ann, William and Mary outlived four other of their children: Eliza Jane Snider McKinney who died in 1857, Amanda Snider in 1861, William Thomas in Missouri, and Sarah Louisa Elizabeth Snider Bradley who died in 1864.

In 1996, members of the Collin McKinney and the George Washington Stell Chapters of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, as well as descendants of William and Mary Snider, unveiled a Citizen of the Republic of Texas medallion at the grave of William Snider.

William Snider died of pneumonia on June 12, 1882 and Mary on January 14, 1889. Both of them and eight of their children are buried in the Fitzhugh Cemetery.



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Mark your calendars for April 17-19, 2015! Fairview will host a Gus Macker 3-on-3 basketball tournament in The Village at Fairview. This event is expected to bring in 200 teams, including players, family, friends and spectators. We will need a large number of volunteers to make this community event a success.

For more information or to volunteer, please email macker@fairviewtexas.org. Be sure to friend us on Facebook at Fairview Gus Macker and follow us on Twitter @FairviewMacker.



The third annual Fairview Half Marathon and 5K will be held Saturday, April 11, 2015, beginning at Fairview Town Hall, winding through Fairview and back to Town Hall. Our races continue to grow in popularity and each race has increased in entries and finishers. At the 2014 Fairview Half Marathon and 5K, 812 participants completed the half marathon and 271 completed the 5K.

One of the special features unique to our races is the free child care offered by The Goddard School of Allen. This is an amenity that is not offered by many area runs, and it sets Fairview apart as a place that caters to a healthy lifestyle.

Currently the course is under development and the course map will be printed in both the March and April edition of the Town Hall newsletter. The course map will also include the approximate times that runners will clear the area.



#### Town Holiday Reminders

• Town Hall will be closed Wednesday, December 24th and Thursday, December 25th in observance of the Christmas holiday.

• Town Hall will be closed Thursday, January 1st in observance of New Year's Day.

\*Please see page 12 for the 2015 Bulk/Trash/Recycle Collection Holiday Schedule.



# TAPS Transit Services

TAPS Public Transit provides on-demand curb-to-curb public transportation for Fairview residents who qualify as Disabled or Senior 60+. Rides must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance and can be scheduled for any reason (ex: to keep a med-

ical appointment, go shopping or attend an event). TAPS will pick up, take you to your destination and take you home. Qualifying residents may now set up a Standing Reservation for a recurring trip (ex: regular dialysis appointment, work or school).

TAPS buses run Monday-Friday with the earliest available pickup time at 6:00 a.m. and the latest available pickup time at 5:30 p.m. TAPS does not provide service in Collin County on Saturday or Sunday. To schedule a ride for the next business day, you must call before 3:00 p.m. the day before.

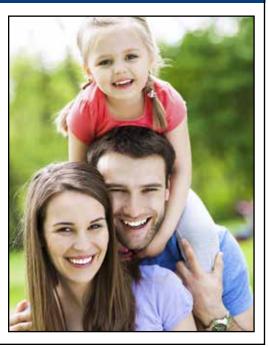
To schedule a ride or to learn more about TAPS and the services they offer, please call (800)-256-0911 or visit www.TAPSbus.com.

### **Business of the Month – Lone Star Dental**

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You can contact them at 214-383-2626 or visit their website www.mylonestardental.com.





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2015 Flag Holidays	Subscription Deadline	Subscription Fee*			
President's Day	02/09/15	\$40.00 year			
Memorial Day	05/15/15	\$36.00			
Flag Day	06/08/15	\$30.00			
Independence Day	06/26/15	\$24.00			
Labor Day	08/31/15	\$18.00			
Patriot's Day (9/11 Anniversary)	08/31/15	\$12.00			
Veteran's Day	11/02/15	\$6.00			

#### \*The fee includes all remaining holidays for that calendar year.

The Friends of Fairview Firefighters Association is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Their mission is to find financial and non-financial solutions to increase the health, safety, and well-being of our Fairview career and volunteer firefighters who are active members of the Fairview Fire Rescue Department. Proceeds from the 2015 Holiday Flag Program will be utilized to help fund our initiatives. Your help and generosity is greatly appreciated!

Please contact Scott Owens at scottdowens@gmail.com or Bill Pritchard at mompop46@gmail.com for more information.



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- Economic Development Corporation and Community Development Corporation Meeting Agendas
- ✓ Special Events Committee Meeting Agendas
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- Town News and Alerts
- Town Hall Newsletter
- Environmental Newsletter
- ✓ Technology Newsletter

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#### **HOA CONTACT INFORMATION**



Although the town utilizes its own communication tools, such as the town website, Nixle notifications, email notifications and the monthly newsletter, HOAs often play a significant role in disseminating town-related information. The town provides updates to all registered HOAs for their annual or monthly HOA meetings and newsletters.

Don't forget to update your Homeowners Association (HOA) contact information with the Town Secretary, Caitlin Scalley. Simply email a list of board members and their contact information (email and phone number) to cscalley@fairviewtexas.org.



FAIRVIEW ALARM PERMITS REMINDER: RENEW YOUR ALARM PERMIT

The Town of Fairview requires all alarm systems in any home or business in Fairview, whether monitored or not, to have a valid Alarm Permit. Alarm Permits must be renewed annually during the month of January. All permits are required to be renewed by January 31st.

Please visit www.fairviewtexasalarm.com to renew your permit.

Please contact Officer Gandy at sgandy@fairviewtexas.org of 972-886-4211 ext. 5022 for more information.

# **Revised Brush/Bulk Collection Schedule**

On October 1, 2014, the Town of Fairview, in conjunction with Republic Services, made certain changes in the bulk/brush collection schedule. Due to the growth of the town since the approval of the original bulk/brush collection schedule and the increased demand for bulk services, specifically brush services, it has been difficult to meet the demands of the original collection schedule.

The new collection schedule will allow for fluctuation in bulk volumes and will establish a program that should work as the town continues to build out. The new bulk/brush collection schedule should allow for better service within the town with no additional costs to the town or its residents. The calendar on page 12 illustrates the new schedule for 2015. The town did not make any changes to the regular trash and recycling collection schedules.

Bulk/brush items need to be placed at the curb no later than 7:00 a.m. on your designated Monday and no earlier than 5:00 p.m. the Friday before.



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	SUBDIVISIONS: Blue Grass Farms , Fairview Farms, Heritage Ranch, Remington Park, Summer Hill Farms, Thompson Springs													

STREETS: Stacy Road (east of Country Club and west of Orr Road), Orr Road, Summit Court, Fitzhugh Mill, Kentucky Lane

Week 2 SUBDIVISIONS: Bridlegate, Cypress Crossing, Fairview Downs, Final Domain, Hawks Wood, Ranchette Estates, River's Edge, River Oaks, Sloan Creek Estates, The Vineyards of Fairview, Village of Fairview, Villas in the Park <u>STREETS</u>: Meandering Way, State Highway 5, US 75, Green Apple, Stacy Road (east of 75 and west of Oakwood), Shady Brook Lane, Rushing Waters Court, Frisco Road, Country Club (east of S Hwy 5 and west of railroad tracks), Bluebird Lane

SUBDIVISIONS: Fairview Meadows, Oakwood Estates, Sycamore Place, The Oaks of Fairview, Tranquility Farms

STREETS: Country Club (east of railroad tracks and west of Englenook Court), Stoddard Road, Hart Road (east of Stoddard and west of Saint James Drive Week 4

SUBDIVISIONS: Ascot Heath, Country Club Estates, Countryside, Fairview Ranch Estates, Fox Glen, Montecito Estates, Pauls Park, Red Oak Ranch, Stone Creek Estates, Wellington Park Estates, Willow Point Estates, Woods of Ascot Heath, Wynford Chace STREETS: Stacy Road (east of Oakwood Trail and west of Country Club), Old Stacy, Lakewood Drive, Timber Lane, Young Trail, Country Club (north of Summerhill Lane and west of Englenook Court), Collinwood Drive, Sharon Road

#### Service Learning Project



On Wednesday, November 19th, students from Willow Springs Middle School performed a service project at Fairview Town Hall. The students came by bus, armed with gloves, rakes and a great attitude. Students spent several hours planting flowers and spreading mulch around the planting beds at Town Hall. Students also spread mulch around all of the surrounding trees.

They worked diligently during their time here and left Town Hall looking great. The town provided lunch and a good time appeared to be had by all. We greatly appreciate their contribution to making Town Hall look even better.

## January Seasonal Watering Schedule

Watering Schedule													
	January 2015												
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Under Stage 3 seasonal watering restrictions, landscape watering is limited to once every two weeks for sprinklers and/ or irrigation systems at each service address between November 1st and March 31st. Landscape watering is prohibited from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Within the January 2015 Watering Schedule, the green highlighted weeks are approved watering weeks. Your approved watering day is based on where your water service address is located within one of the four designated zones previously established by town staff.

To confirm your zone designation or for more information regarding watering restrictions, please visit www.fairviewtexas.org and select the "Watering Restrictions" tab.

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# Fairview Fire EMS – Hospital Transportation

Fairview Fire Rescue provides Emergency Medical Services (EMS) which includes emergency medical transport to a local hospital. To help understand how this service is delivered, consider these two definitions: "emergency medical transport" and "local hospital".

Emergency Medical Transport - Any situation which requires a patient to be transported to a hospital for medical care that cannot or should not be delayed. This may include life threatening situations, such as a heart attack or less urgent incident like a broken arm.

As long as a patient is able to converse with us in a manner that indicates they are lucid and capable of making a decision (along with being over 18 years of age), we can help them decide if an emergency transport is needed. If a patient is not able to converse with us due to the severity of the illness/injury (or is under the age of 18), we have protocols we use as stipulated by our medical control physician on how to classify an event for transport. We do not provide non-emergent transport services (ex: home to extended care facilities, hospital to hospital, hospital to home, transport to a doctor's office for a routine medical visit, etc.). If you need these services, please contact a private ambulance provider. If you are in doubt if you need our services, dial 911. Our emergency medical dispatchers are trained to help determine the need for our services. Do not call the fire stations to report any emergency.

Local Hospital - Hospitals in the general geographic area of the Town of Fairview. There are nine (9) local hospitals we will transport to:



- Medical Center McKinney 1.
- 2. Presbyterian Allen
- 3. **Baylor McKinney**
- 4. Centennial Frisco
- 5. Medical Center Plano
- 6. Baylor Plano/Baylor Heart
- 7. Methodist Richardson
- 8. Children's Legacy (Plano)
- 9. Medical City Dallas

We will try to honor the wishes of a patient to go to one of these nine hospitals. Some circumstances will dictate that we take the patient to the most appropriate hospital. For instance, in serious/extreme cases involving the heart or a stroke, patients will be transported to Medical Center of McKinney as it is a certified Chest Pain and Stroke Center and time is a critical factor in obtaining medical care for these events. For severe trauma events, we will

transport the patient to Medical Center of Plano (Level 2 Trauma Center) or another trauma center appropriate for the severity and nature of the event. Weather, traffic conditions and status of the hospital to receive patients will also be considered when deciding which of these nine facilities will be used.

If you require our EMS services, it is our desire to meet and exceed your needs. The underlying principle for our EMS services is to get the patient to the most appropriate facility in the shortest time allowed for that particular event and to get our ambulance back in service in Fairview to be ready to assist the next customer.

Dick Price Chief, Fairview Fire Rescue





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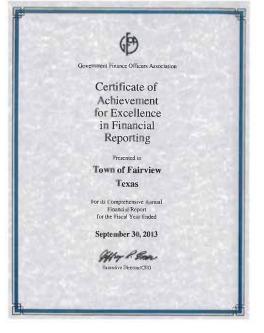
# **GFOA** Certificate of Achievement

The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to the Town of Fairview by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013. This is the first time the town has been awarded this Certificate of Achievement. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

The GFOA has established criteria for being recognized as an agency that meets their high standards for reporting the financial condition of the town. The CAFR has been judged by an impartial third-party panel to meet the high standards of the program, including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.

A sound financial position and strong reserves highlighted the Town of Fairview's most recent CAFR for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013; therefore, the town continues to uphold its mission of providing great values to its residents through sound fiscal management.

The CAFR is prepared in conjunction with the annual independent audit. The independent audit firm of Evans, Pingleton and Howard, PLLC issued an unqualified or "clean" CAFR for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013. The financial statements were presented in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles



(GAAP) and audited in accordance with Generally Accounting Auditing Standards (GAAS). In addition, the CAFR included a non-audited statistical section that provides comparison financial and demographic data for the Town of Fairview.

Financial highlights for the year ended September 30, 2013:

- · The assets of the Town of Fairview exceeded its liabilities by \$27.2 million (net position). Of this amount, \$10.2 million (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The town's total net position increased by \$211,954. The primary reason for the increase in net position was due to Water & Sewer Fund

(business-type) activities.

- The town's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$6.0 million, a decrease of \$2.8 million in comparison with the prior year. The reason for the decrease in fund balance is due to planned capital project expenditures. Approximately \$4.2 million is available for spending at the town's discretion (unassigned fund balance). This represents 68% of the total general fund expenditures or the equivalent of 8 months of operating expenditures.
- The town's total long-term debt decreased by \$1.5 million during the current fiscal year.
- The budget called for a \$249,477 decrease in fund balance for one time and capital expenditures. However, due to greater than budgeted revenues and lower than budgeted expenditures, the fund balances only decreased by \$134,549.

The goal of the independent audit is to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the Town of Fairview are free from material misstatements. The audit involves examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management; and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The results of the audit continue to reflect the goals of the Town Council in maintaining a strong financial position. The full CAFR can be found on the administration page under "Audit/Budget" on the town website at www.fairviewtexas.org.



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