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TOWN NEWS

STORM WATER RUNOFF

The Center for Watershed Protection has long maintained storm water runoff is the leading cause of impairment of streams in urban areas. Water runoff is excess water that travels over land and ultimately finds its way to a common point.

The majority of our runoff is produced by rain, melting snow/ice, and residential/commercial water sprinklers. This runoff carries pollutants (such as oil, gas, fertilizer and pesticides) from yards and roadways directly into streams via storm drains and ditches.



The common point where Fairview's water runoff travels is Lake Lavon, which also supplies the town with its drinking water. So, remember whatever you place on your yard ends up in Lake Lavon.

There are a lot of effective organic alternatives to commercial fertilizers and pesticides. Howard Garrett, a leading local expert in organic gardening, landscaping, pet health, pest control and natural living, offers an extensive list on his website DirtDoctor.com of organic products to treat your yard as well as additional tips and advice for creating a pest free outdoor environment.

Please be educated about alternatives to help keep surface waters clean of chemicals which end up in streams and lakes.

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



HENRY LESSNER

Dear Neighbors,

Welcome to August - where has the year gone? We have been fortunate so far that the weather has been good and temperatures not quite as hot as usual.

Here are some things going on around Town:

2020-2021 Budget and Tax rate

- The Council has started work on the 2020-2021 budget. The 2020-2021 budget and associated tax rate must be approved by September 30, 2020.
- Existing property valuations which were determined in January 2020, are actually down almost a half percent from last year. We did add about \$53M of new construction which then takes the overall property valuation for the Town up a little over 2.1% to a new total of \$2,080,000,000. There are also several new (and complicated) mandated methods of computing tax rates. After these calculations are made, it turns out that keeping our existing tax rate of 0.347156 is lower than any of the three other calculated rates - so at this point, assuming the Council agrees, we will stay with the current tax rate. With this tax rate, because of the increase in new property in Town, there is an overall increase in our property tax revenue of about \$151K.

During this upcoming fiscal year for our staff, there are no new headcounts being added, no salary increases and no market salary adjustments planned. Also, in this budget, there are no water/sewer rate increases and no solid waste/recycling/bulk trash rate increases. The Town will be renegotiating our waste/recycling/bulk trash contract during the first half of 2021 as our current contract with Republic expires in September 2021. A milestone is being reached during this next fiscal year. The Town has been moving for several years toward having our water services pay for themselves without taxpayer subsidies. This fiscal year there is no more subsidy.

New projects that the Town will take on during this new fiscal year are:

- A drainage study of the Fox Glen neighborhood.
- Adding new fire hydrants in some of our older neighborhoods.
- Purchase a new police vehicle to replace a vehicle being retired.
- Participate in the reconstruction of Orr Road from East Stacy to the NTMWD plant. NTMWD will be covering the majority of the project cost.
- Replace the main water pipe that leads into our west side water plant. We can now do this replacement as the east side water plant is ready for service and can provide water for the whole Town.

Projects that will continue are:

- The rebuild of Fire Station #1 which is now well underway.
- The water pipe replacement and drainage improvements for the Countryside neighborhood.



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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

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Mosquito Control

Since 2013, the Town has hired Municipal Mosquito - a mosquito control and testing company. They put out traps in various locations around Town, collect the mosquitoes caught in the traps, and test those mosquitoes for West Nile virus. So far in the entire DFW region, there have been many mosquitoes trapped in Dallas and Tarrant Counties that were infected with West Nile. There has been one death in Tarrant County. In Collin County, so far, there have been very few West Nile positive mosquitoes caught and no deaths.

Yard Watering

Related to mosquito control and nuisance drainage issues; please don't overwater your yards. I know that many like to "set it and forget it" on your watering schedule, but I still see sprinkler systems running all over Town while it is raining. I don't use my sprinklers at my house unless I see that the yard actually needs to be watered; then I manually turn my sprinkler system on. I have run my sprinkler system three times so far this year. In many of our neighborhoods, the soil is very shallow and the runoff from overwatering tends to collect in low areas, which might be in a neighbor's yard or bar ditch in front of a neighbor's house. This can cause "nuisance" standing water and can also be a place for mosquito breeding.

Covid-19

The good news is that I am not aware of any more deaths in Fairview. There continues to be new cases though – so the virus is in our community. Please keep wearing your masks, avoiding large gatherings, and keep social distancing. They say that a vaccine is coming – so maybe by this time next year things will be back to normal.

Schools

I just want to extend my appreciation to the work that the teachers, staff, and administrations in Lovejoy ISD and McKinney ISD are doing trying to figure out the safest way of reopening our schools. They are dealing with ever changing rules from the Texas Education Association, The State of Texas and the CDC. There seems to be about a 50/50 split between those who want to go back into the schools and those who want to continue virtual on-line classrooms. All I ask of you – the parents and other stakeholders – please give them some grace. Whatever they end up deciding to do will seem wrong to half of their stakeholders.

You have seen where there is record unemployment because of the pandemic. There are lots of folks struggling simply to have enough to eat. Please remember ACO, the North Texas Food Bank, Meals on Wheels, Samaritan Inn, or any other non-profit that is helping folks with food and/or shelter.

Everyone stay safe. God bless.

Henry Lessner

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COUNCIL'S CORNER

At the Tuesday, July 7, 2020 Regular Town Council meeting, the Town Council discussed the following items:

- Approved the following items on the consent agenda:
 - » The minutes of the June 2, 2020 Regular Council meeting.
 - » The minutes of the June 16, 2020 Special Council meeting.
- Received reports from Staff, including any updates on project tracking reports and department activities
 - » Monthly Financial Report – Period ending May 31, 2020
 - » Monthly Fire Report – Period Ending May 31, 2020
 - » Monthly Police Report – Period Ending June 30, 2020
 - » Town construction projects
- Conducted a public hearing and approved of an Ordinance amending the project plan and financing plan for Town of Fairview TIRZ #1.
- Considered and approved an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of Town of Fairview, Texas, General Obligation Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2020; levying an annual ad valorem tax and providing for the security for and payment of said bonds; approving an official statement; providing an effective date; and enacting other provisions relating to the subject.

- Discussed COVID-19 activities and actions.
- Considered and discussed moving the regular November Council meeting date due to Election Day. The date has been changed to November 4.
- Discussed internet service in town.
- Tabled to August meeting the discussion of town regulations regarding the operation of golf carts in Town.
- Discussed Harper's Landing developer's agreement.
- Discussed FY 20-21 budget.

At the Tuesday, July 21, 2020 Special Town Council meeting, the Town Council discussed the following items:

- Held Town Council work session to discuss the Town drainage system including Town policies, procedures, processes, activities and related matters and take any necessary action.

At the Tuesday, July 30, 2020 Special Town Council meeting, the Town Council discussed the following items:

- Discussed the proposed 2020-2021 fiscal year budget including budget priorities, revenues, expenditures, rates, capital planning, long-range planning and related items, and take any necessary action



Fairview Youth Theatre

North Texas Performing Arts (NTPA), the umbrella organization to Fairview Youth Theatre (FVYT), offers Academy Classes for students age 0-18 during the day and in the afternoon. Classes are taught by extraordinary directors, actors and singers who have worked everywhere from Broadway to L.A. Registration for Fall classes is now open.

NTPA believes that theatre changes live. And, it does - just ask their students - Ashleigh an eighteen-year-old NTPA student says, "Theater allowed me to express my actual self for the first time without fear of judgement." She further explains the theatre is where she feels safe and protected. "I've met my closest friends and mentors and my girlfriend through theater. I was a completely different person before I started theater and now, I'm finally okay with the person I am."

It's clear; NTPA strives to teach their students not only how to act, sing or dance, but also how to be better human beings. All students who participate in their classes and programs are taught the 10 Characters of North Texas Performing Arts; including Teamwork, Leadership, Responsibility, Confidence, Creativity and A Positive Attitude.

Mary Kate, a junior, says NTPA has given her space to truly be herself. She says, "One of the purposes in my life is to tell stories and live theatre is one of the best ways to communicate with people those stories."

The STARters classes focus on introducing preschool children to the performing arts

while learning valuable life skills that will carry them into their school age years and beyond. With two core classes, children can explore creativity, which is an intrinsic part of human nature. NTPA Founder, Sara Akers explains, "We learn, imitate, change, and adapt from and to the world around us. The arts afford opportunities to use that creativity and apply it to other areas of life, such as cognitive, social, emotional, senses and motor movement."

In the Rising Stars classes, young performers will learn theatrical and life skills in a safe and supportive environment. Students ages 5-7 can participate in Mini Musicals, which are the perfect introduction to theatre with a shortened script and six week rehearsal process. Students ages 8-10 have the chance to dive a little deeper in the Elementary Production Classes, which incorporate script writing, set design, choreography and more.

The Academy is NTPA's training program for students age 10-18, and includes specialty classes in acting, stage combat, tech theatre, dance and more! These classes continue to focus on developing life skills that can guide students through their journey to college, professional work and adult life.

Students who are committed to pursuing the performing arts can apply for the Academy Conservatory, a rigorous and comprehensive educational and experiential learning model in which students can earn a two-year or four-year certification in a variety of performing

arts disciplines. Dalton an NTPA Academy Student says, "NTPA and the amazing directors saved my life. It's the only place I can truly be myself - loud, impulsive and creative, without any kind of judgment. And, I can't wait to be here all day, every day!"

Are you ready to experience what FVYT has to offer? Then go see a show or better yet take a class or audition for a show.

Want to go on a fast-paced, wild adventure comedy with spaceships, singing cats, vicious teddy bears and cyborgs? Then come see *Space Princess Wars* September 3 - 6. The African savannah comes to life on the stage with Simba, Rafiki and an unforgettable cast of characters as they journey from Pride Rock to the jungle...The Lion King, Jr. hits the stage September 4 - 12. She Kills Monsters is a high-octane dramatic comedy laden with homicidal fairies, nasty ogres, and 90s pop culture and can be seen September 24 - 27. All shows now have an option to either purchase tickets for a live performance or viewing it online.

Due to Covid-19 Fairview Youth Theatre is conducting audition via video. *101 Dalmatians, Kids* for students in 1st -5th grades has a deadline of September 19 and *Junie B. Jones, Jr., The Musical* is accepting video auditions until September 26 for grades 3rd - 8th.

If you or someone you know wants to be a part of FVYT visit FairviewYouthTheatre.org to sign up for Academy classes, to audition for a show or to purchase tickets.



ACTOR OF FAIRVIEW: Kaydence

from my regular personality because it lets me grow as an actress and I get to tell a story different than my own.” Kaydence loves it so much that she is typically involved in several shows at a time. Her favorite part of musical theatre is the choreography and dancing, but she also loves making new friends during each show and then seeing them later in a different show.

“It’s fun to see how all the different casts grow together from the time we start rehearsals to when we actually perform the show,” says Kaydence. The typical production time for a full-length show is 10 weeks and the casts often grow close.

One of Kaydence’s current shows is *Disney’s Lion King Junior*. She had this to say about the show, “It’s a really great story about finding your path in life and finding your inner strength to be who you are meant to be. It’s also been fun and challenging to learn a different

some good one-liners. He is also a really good friend. Even though he is a tiny little meerkat he has a big personality and makes friends with a lion, takes care of a lion and they become family.”

Kaydence’s previous favorite show was *Matilda* because the choreography was amazing, and she grew so much as a performer. Her past favorite role was Sour Kangaroo in *Seussical* because she says she had to step out of her comfort zone and be sassy and evil!

When asked what advice she would give an actor coming to Fairview Youth Theatre for the first time she says, “Don’t be afraid to make friends, because everyone here will love, accept, support and welcome you no matter what. Be yourself and have fun with whatever role you get because you will learn a lot. Fairview Youth Theatre is a family. I love to be here at the theatre more than anywhere else because when you come here you know everyone here accepts you for who you are, loves you and will always be there for you.”

Come Support Kaydence and the rest of the *Lion King Jr.* cast September 4 - 12. For tickets or showtimes visit the website at: NorthTexasPerformingArts.org/Event/The-Lion-King-Jr.

Kaydence has been performing for several years at Fairview Youth Theatre. She loves, “...Being on stage and knowing that we are making people in the audience smile. I love being challenged with roles that seem different

language and I think the audience will love and appreciate that. Also, our costumes are pretty amazing, and the choreography is awesome, you definitely need to see this show! I play Timon and what I love about this character is that he is funny, and he has

2020 CONGRESSIONAL APP CHALLENGE

U.S. Congressman Van Taylor (TX-03) recently announced his office is now accepting entries for the **2020 Congressional App Challenge**.

Each year, the Congressional App Challenge presents an opportunity for innovative middle school and high school students to put their skills to work on any platform and in any programming language they desire to create their own app. The winning apps are eligible to be featured in the U.S. Capitol Building and on the Congressional App Challenge website - CongressionalAppChallenge.US.

Congressman Van Taylor stated, “I look forward to seeing the inventive work from students throughout Texas’ Third Congressional District. As a nation, we



must continue to recognize the growing importance of computer science and STEM skills and encourage students to learn more about related career paths. The Congressional App Challenge is an exciting way to foster interest in these critical fields.”

The Congressional App Challenge is open to all U.S. high school and middle school students in Texas’s Third Congressional District. Challenge participants are invited,

either as individuals or in teams of up to four students, to create and submit their own software app for mobile, tablet, or other computing devices on a platform of their choice.

For more information about the Congressional App Challenge, or to register, please visit Congressman Taylor’s website at VanTaylor.House.Gov/Programs/AppChallenge.

To register and submit your app by October 19, 2020 go to CongressionalAppChallenge.US/Students/Student-Registration

For additional questions, please contact Cole Moore in Congressman Taylor’s Collin County office by phone at 972-202-4150 or by email. Cole.Moore@Mail.House.Gov (put app challenge in the subject line).

FREE Shade Trees

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When properly chosen and planted in just the right spot,
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For the ninth year in a row, Oncor is partnering with the Arbor Day Foundation to offer all homeowners in its service territory two free shade trees as part of the Energy-Saving Trees program.

This year's program is offering more than 5,000 free trees on a first-come, first-served basis. All customers who sign up to receive trees will need to have their ESI ID handy during checkout, which can be found on their monthly electric bill.

The available trees represent six species indigenous or adapted to the Texas communities where homeowners will plant them: Bur Oak, Cedar Elm, Chaste Tree, Mexican Buckeye, Mexican White Oak,

Pecan, Texas Mountain Laurel and Texas Redbud. The trees will arrive in the mail just in time for planting season in the fall. When properly chosen and planted in just the right spot, a single tree can help a homeowner save 20 percent on energy costs.

The Energy-Saving Trees program is designed to help plant free trees in the right places to promote maximum energy savings and the protection of important electrical equipment. By planning before you plant, you can beautify your community and help safeguard the electric grid as well as the safety of the public. Customers can use an online mapping tool to chart where new trees will offer the greatest energy-saving

benefits around their homes by visiting ArborDay.org/Oncor.

Trees offer shade from the hot Texas sun and a baffle against the winter wind, and that's only the beginning. They also help keep the air fresh—where a typical mature tree can absorb 48 pounds of carbon dioxide a year—they help hold valuable topsoil in place and reduce flood risk, and they bolster natural wildlife habitats.

This program was awarded The 2018 Environmental Leader Project Award, which recognizes projects implemented by companies that improved environmental or energy management and increased the bottom line.

Claim your free trees today at **EnergySavingTrees.ArborDay.org**
and be sure to share the link with family, friends and neighbors.



HEARD HAPPENINGS

Dinosaurs to Roam Earth Again at Heard Museum

Get outside and let your imagination run wild as you travel back in time along a half-mile nature trail with ten life-size animatronic dinosaurs. From September 5, 2020 through February 15, 2021, the 15th Annual Dinosaurs Live! Life-Size Animatronic Dinosaurs exhibit at Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary in McKinney, Texas will feature ten moving and roaring animatronic dinosaurs, providing an experience sure to captivate visitors. The exhibit features the infamous Tyrannosaurus Rex, a spitting Dilophosaurus, an Acrocanthosaurus, an Allosaurus, a Brachiosaurus, a Diabloceratops, a Megalosaurus, two Stegocerases, a Therizinosaurus, and a Utahraptor. You will also learn interesting facts about both herbivorous and carnivorous dinosaurs.

Children and the young at heart will also have the opportunity to play on stationary baby dinosaurs, a photo-op Tyrannosaurus rex and a photo op Pachyrhinosaurus. This year's exhibit will also include an outdoor Hadrosaur fossil dig to inspire future



paleontologists. The Dinosaurs Live! exhibit trail is jogging-stroller friendly (umbrella strollers are not recommended), giving families and friends a unique, exciting and educational activity to experience together. Dinosaurs Live! is sponsored by NBC5. This exhibit is included in general admission and free for Heard Museum Members.



About Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary

Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary is comprised of an indoor museum as well as a 289-acre nature preserve with over 6 miles of nature trails, allowing visitors to connect with nature while social distancing.* The Heard is a private 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing nature and people together to discover, enjoy, experience, restore and preserve our priceless environment. The Heard was founded in 1967 by Bessie Heard at the age of 80. In a time when the rate of expansion of the Metroplex was slower than today, she foresaw the need to preserve a place where future generations could experience nature. Today, the Heard's mission of bringing nature and people together is carried out through education, particularly of young people, which emphasizes an appreciation of nature and its conservation. For more information, visit heardmuseum.org.

*Please note that the Heard's COVID-19 policies and other related information is available here:
HeardMuseum.org/SpecialNote

Holiday Closures

Fairview Town Hall will be closed Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day. Please see page 15 for the 2020 Bulk Trash Recycle Calendar to view the holiday schedule for bulk trash collection.

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Quality Time: A Love Language We Can Help You with in Fairview, Texas



A few years ago, my wife, Kimbra, and I read the book “The 5 Love Languages” by Gary Chapman, who is a counselor as well as an author. It was an exciting and rewarding read. I discovered that my love language is touch and Kimbra’s is ... well, everything but touch. That explained a lot.

Anyway, I’d love to share about all the languages and their attributes, but for now I’ll only be sharing about the love language of quality time. I promise it ties in with my role as the economic developer here in Fairview.

Now you may be thinking that with the current pandemic, you’ve had all the quality time you want with your loved ones. As the father of three, I completely understand that feeling. But trust me, there will come a time when we all go back to work. We’ll get back to our hurried morning routines where we race to get ready and rush out the door. There will be ball games and dance recitals to rush home to see. There will be date nights and family meals to try to squeeze in. Many of us will be hoping and praying for that elusive traffic jam-free commute. And that, my friends, is why I’m writing this article.

Soon there will be a new office building in Fairview. The Lincoln Property Company is building a 100,000-square-foot office building on the Fairview Town Center’s north side. This new office space will allow our residents to bring their businesses to Fairview, giving them

back precious time with their loved ones.

How does an extra 15 minutes in your daily commute impact you and your employees’ lives? It doesn’t sound like much, but it has a broad ripple effect. Let’s take a look, shall we?

It’s 7 a.m. and, you are rushing out the door after a hectic morning getting the kids fed and dressed for school (when they actually go back to school). Traffic on 75 backs up quickly, and even a short delay leaving the house often means doubling your commute time after dropping off the kids. When you commute to work, it is often an easier drive back home at the end of the day if you wait until rush-hour traffic dies down, but that means more office time and less home time. At this rate, getting home in time to have dinner with the family is unlikely, and making time to use that gym membership is out of the question. Every extra minute that can be carved out in the evening is spent with family, but you’re exhausted from your long day and it’s not long before the kids head to bed — and then it all starts over tomorrow.

Sound familiar? But if you work in Fairview, just minutes from home, you get a repeated daily action that gives you back 15 minutes twice a day, every business day. With an average of 21 working days a month, that equates to an extra 630 minutes of time per month, or 126 hours a year. That’s more than an entire week of 16-hour days!

Imagine the change it would make in your relationships if you invested this newfound gift of time into your family’s quality time. And imagine how grateful your employees would be to have the same amount of time to invest in their own personal lives!

If you would like to visit about the new office space coming to town or know someone who might be interested, I’d love to chat. You can drop me an email at EDC@FairviewTexas.org or just give me a call at 972-886-4222.

Dave Quinn • Fairview Economic Development Blog

Putting the ‘Quality’ in Quality Time

Here are a few lessons I’ve learned from living with a spouse and a son who speak the love language of quality time. Do these and you can improve your relationship and show your quality time loved one that you are fluent in their love language.

Make eye contact: When it comes to quality time, making eye contact is the gateway to expressing love to your quality time loved one. By maintaining eye contact, you tell your partner or loved one that they have your full attention. When you’re distracted and scrolling through your phone, the person you are spending time with feels like you just don’t care about what they have to say and, more important, that you just don’t care about them.

Use active listening skills: One of the most loving things you can do for your partner is to be an active listener. You can do this by focusing on what they

are saying and even leaning in slightly to show them that you are really hearing them. It's also important to affirm what they are saying and to ask thoughtful questions. And men, avoid trying to offer advice unless you are asked for it. I'm a fixer, and this one was hard for me. But what I found was that my wife is more interested in feeling understood than having me fix her problem or concern.

Put away technology: Nothing hurts my son's feelings more than for him to share something he feels is really important and then to look up and realize that I'm only half paying attention while trying to answer a work email. We've made a "no phones at the table" rule in our house. It shows our kids that we care about their day and want to hear what's going on in their lives. Even though we generally do not discuss anything earth shattering at the table, we're making an essential and loving gesture by choosing them over technology.

Plan something: I'm a spontaneous person, but most of my family are planners. Planning to do something together, like dinner or movie, is especially meaningful for my quality time loved ones. It's often too easy for married or dating couples to find themselves in a rut after being together awhile. Instead of settling for the "same old, same old," try making plans to visit the new restaurant in town, schedule a bike ride on a Saturday morning, or plan a walk on one of our trails here in Fairview after dinner. Being the one to initiate quality time will mean a lot to your loved ones. Plus, they'll enjoy the anticipation of spending time together.

Develop a routine: Routines or habits are a great way to help you invest in quality time for your loved ones. Finding small ways to connect daily, like meditating together every morning or watching a special TV show (we enjoy "CBS Sunday Morning") together each week helps ensure you are speaking their love language regularly.

Stay in the moment: When your primary love language is quality time, you tend to view time together as a priceless gift given and received in relationships. Life is more about being in the moment than it is about what you are doing. Carving out a few minutes for a meaningful and uninterrupted conversation with my wife or an inning or two of kickball with my kids can literally turn their day around, and mine too. The key is that I take the time to enjoy their company, even if it is just sitting on the back porch, enjoying a cup of coffee before work. So, wherever you are and whatever you are doing, be present. Prioritize the people you love over everything else and you'll find joy often follows.

Invite them: Over the years, I have found that a great way to invest in quality time is to run errands together. Before COVID-19, our days were filled to the max with to-do lists. Rather than running all of my errands by myself, I invite Kimbra to ride along. This may seem like a mundane and boring thing to do, but it gives us a chance to enjoy a little quality time without the kiddos. With a little creativity, you can turn just about any activity into an opportunity to sneak in some quality time!

—D. Quinn

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and builds fellowship among neighbors to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. This year's National Night Out will be held **Tuesday, October 6 from 7 to 9 p.m.**

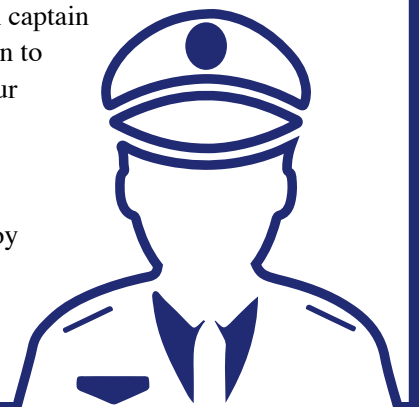
Thousands of communities take part in National Night Out across the U.S. including its territories and military bases worldwide. Neighborhoods host block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts and various other community events with safety demonstrations, seminars, youth events, visits from emergency personnel, exhibits and much, much more.

National Night Out was first introduced in 1984 by Matt Peskin the founder and executive director of the National Association of Town Watch. Peskin spent several years volunteering for a community watch program in a suburb of Philadelphia. During this time, he patrolled the neighborhood, assisted in patrol dispatch and introduced the program's newsletter.

The newsletter became a representation of the success that took place within the organization and the volunteer work put forth by more than a thousand neighbors. It became more and more difficult to publish new and creative content as each month passed so; Peskin began to reach out to surrounding townships and communities for assistance. And, that's when he realized that hundreds of community watch groups existed without a platform or association to connect them together and from that the National Association of Town Watch was formed.

Talk to your crime watch captain or Homeowners Association to find out about events in your neighborhood.

For more information about National Night Out, please contact Sergeant Troy Neasbitt at TNeasbitt@FairviewTexas.org or 972 886-4211, extension 5029.





FOR THE LOVE OF GARDENING

If you love to garden or if you know nothing at ALL about gardening but want a green, luscious lawn to enhance the curb appeal of your home or simply want your plants to grow, you should check out a new Webapp called PlantTAGG®. It's like having a plant expert by your side helping you with a personalized care plan for every plant in your yard.

PlantTAGG® is a unique mobile-only platform driven by innovative data science. There are no apps to download and no passwords to remember. Users can get started in three simple steps: (1) text 'PLANT' to 46376, (2) Click the response webapp link, and (3) follow the instructions to set up 'My Yard' in the app. 'My Yard' is the foundation of the PlantTAGG® experience. PlantTAGG® connects each yard to the closest NOAA weather station to get accurate freeze, precipitation and temperature data. This data allows the system to automatically define localized gardening seasons and set up care tasks and reminders. The system also helps gardeners make better plant selection decisions based on where they live.

PlantTAGG® helps home gardeners take care of their plants. Plant care can be overwhelming to gardeners of all levels. PlantTAGG® delivers gardeners relevant and timely plant care information. Powered by cutting-edge artificial intelligence, PlantTAGG® is free to use and works with any mobile device.

You will get relevant, actionable information pushed to you when you need it. The most common questions around home gardening are when to prune, fertilize and water. Collecting this information is a manual, tedious process, but PlantTAGG® makes it easy. PlantTAGG® aggregates geographically relevant information from a variety of expert sources, including Texas A&M AgriLife Research, USDA's PLANTS database, plant care research projects, horticulture experts, and 10,000 local NOAA weather stations. The result is hyper-local plant information and recommendations that remove the guesswork out of plant care.

PlantTAGG® was founded in 2019 in Dallas, TX. For additional information, visit www.planttagg.com or follow @planttagg on Facebook and Instagram.



New Fairview Fire Station 1 construction site



FAIRVIEW FIRE STATION NO. 1 CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Since the groundbreaking in June (and as of July 28) the construction site office and security fencing has been installed. General site cleanup, station foundation pad preparation and earthwork has also been completed. The in-ground utilities work and installation of foundation piers has been done. The fiber-reinforced concrete foundation beams have been set and the under-slab mechanical-electrical-plumbing setup has been completed. In late September the parking lot work is planned to begin. Stay tuned as we'll keep you posted each month on the construction of Fire Station #1.

NOW AVAILABLE

On a Podcast Channel
Near You

Getting Neighborly, a new Podcast being launched by the Fairview Economic Development Corporation, focuses on sharing what makes our town a community; the people. Join us as we have real conversations with Fairview residents and introduce them to our listeners.

Our guests are varied, including nonprofit founders, CEOs, small business owners and others doing exciting things to make a difference in our world. But; the one thing they all have in common is their love of Fairview.

They are all your neighbors, living right here in the Town of Fairview. Join us as we start Getting Neighborly in Fairview, Texas



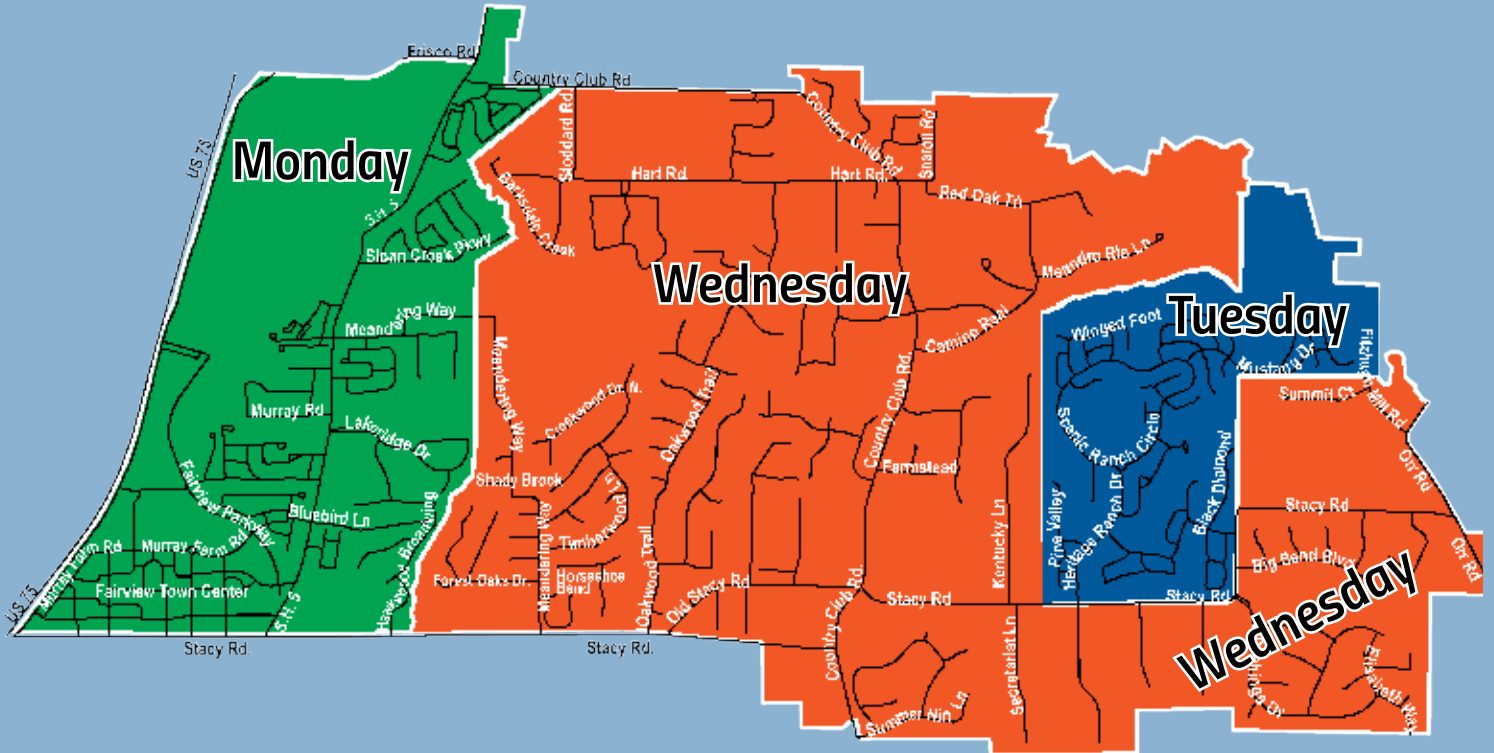
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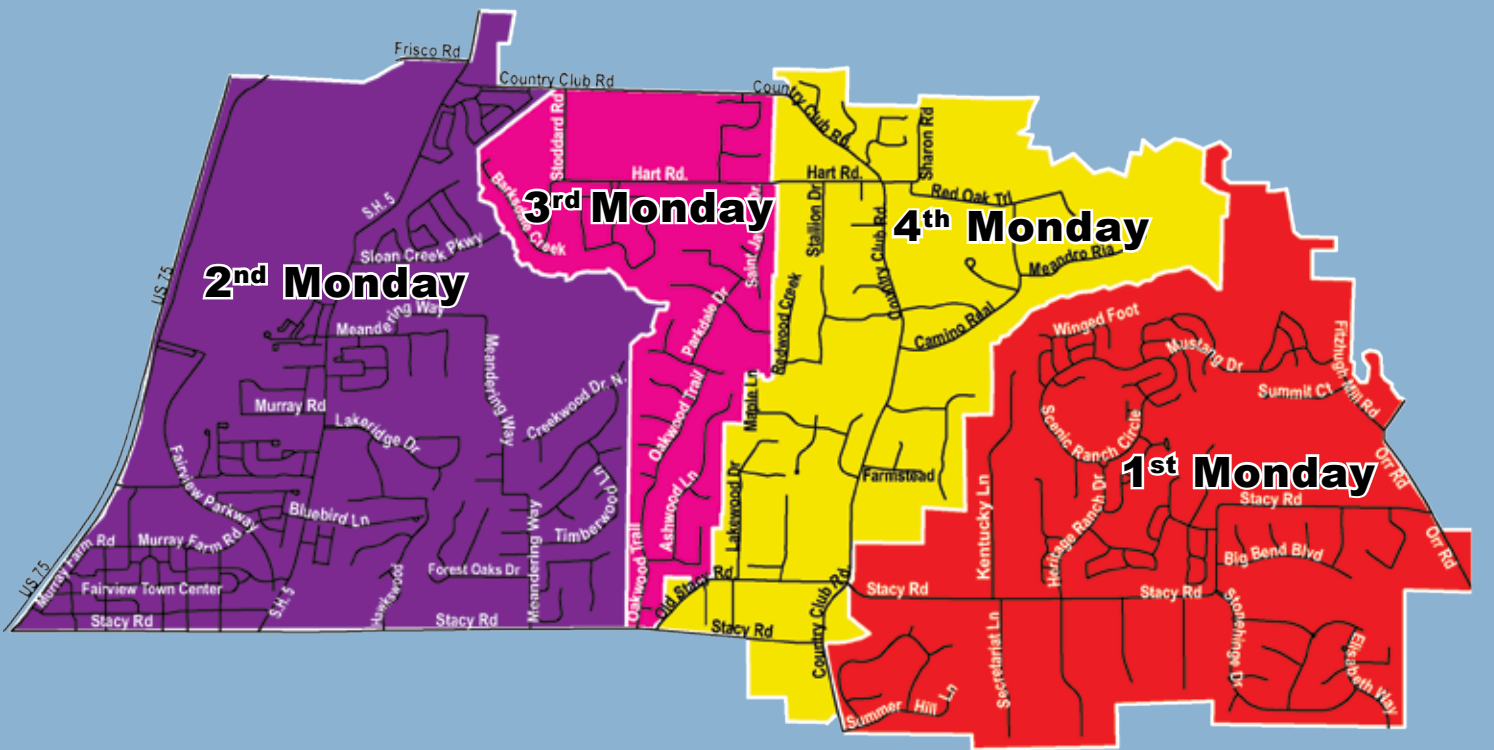
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Collection Maps

Trash & Recycle Pick Up



Brush & Bulk Pick Up



Collection Schedules

Trash, recycling and yard trimmings are collected weekly on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. Please place trash in the BLUE cart and recyclables in the GREEN cart.

Bulk waste and loose brush are collected once a month. Please refer to the map on the previous page to determine your pick up week. Bulk trash may be put out after 6 p.m. on the Friday before collection but no later than 7 a.m. on Monday of your collection week. Bulk trash may be picked up anytime during the collection week.

2020 Holidays: Trash, recycling, bulk and brush will not be picked up on the holidays listed below; instead the collection will slide one day after the holiday.

January 1, New Year's Day
May 25, Memorial Day
July 4, Independence Day
September 7, Labor Day
November 26, Thanksgiving
December 25, Christmas Day

Missed Collections/Damaged Carts: Call The Town of Fairview Utility Billing Department at 972-886-4242 to schedule a pick up for a missed collection or to report a damaged cart.

September 2020

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4	5
Week 1	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Week 2	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Week 3	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Week 4	27	28	29	30			

October 2020

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2	3
Week 1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Week 2	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Week 3	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Week 4	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

November 2020

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Week 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Week 2	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Week 3	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Week 4	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30					

Hazardous Waste: Residents may dispose of household hazardous waste at the Home Chemical Collection Center located in Dallas. Call 214-553-1765 for information.

Remember These Simple Guidelines For Putting Your Trash Out

1. Place carts on the edge of the street/alley with handles facing the house and with the lids opening to the street/alley.
2. Keep carts two to three feet apart and away from fences, cars, gates, gas meters, etc...
3. All trash should be contained in securely tied plastic bags. All bags should fit into the cart with the lid closed.
4. Do not place hazardous household waste in your cart.
5. Place your carts out by 7 a.m. on pick up day; carts should not be left out after 6 a.m. the following day.
6. Do not place any items out side your carts; unless it's for bulk pick up.
7. Brush and bulk trash must not be more than 12 cubic yards which is equal to 4 truck loads.

DID YOU KNOW? Residents can request additional curbside collection?
Contact Utility Billing for pricing information.

Still have questions about trash, recycling, bulk or brush pick up? Contact the Town of Fairview Utility Billing Department at 972-886-4242 or via email at UtilityBilling@FairviewTexas.org.

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