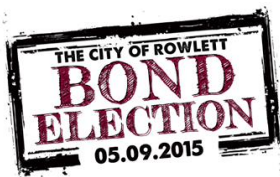


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Community Investment Program Project Update

Primrose Lane Reconstruction Project

Project Scope:

Rebuilding of Primrose Lane including sidewalks, curbs and drainage systems.

Project Status:

Phase 1: Project began on June 19; anticipate completion by mid-December 2017. This week contractor excavated for the 21" storm drain at Bluebonnet Dr. and prepared to install water service lines to residential meter.



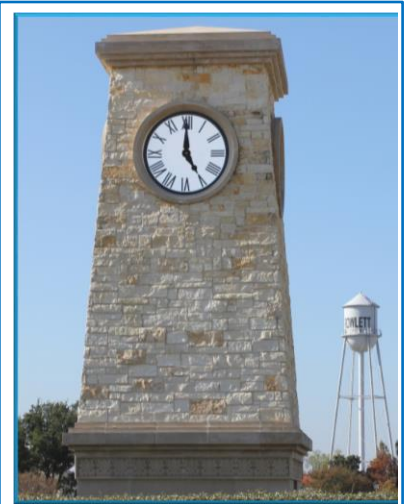
Alley Reconstruction Program

Project Scope:

Alley reconstruction of Ardis Dr. and Scott Dr.

Project Status:

Concrete has been poured on both alleys. Driveway approaches will be addressed when the subgrade test results are returned.



Important Announcements

[City Council – Regular Meeting:](#) August 15, 5:30pm(app) @ City Hall

[City Council – Special Meetings:](#) August 8, 17 & 29; Times/Places TBD – Check Agendas

[P & Z Commission – August 8 & 22, 6:30pm @ City Hall](#)

[Community Investment Advisory Board – August 7, 6pm @ City Hall](#)

[Rowlett Long Term Recovery Committee – August 7, 6pm @ RCC](#)

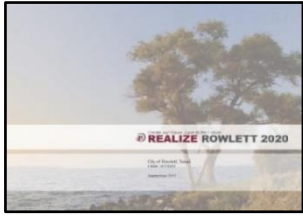
[Arts & Humanities Commission – August 8, 6:30pm @ City Hall](#)

[Park Board – August 9, 7pm @ RCC](#)

[Library Advisory Board – August 10, 6:30pm @ Library](#)

[Senior Advisory Board – August 21, 10am @ City Hall](#)

2020 Update



[Chiloso Mexican Bistro](#) has selected a location in Rowlett at the Dalrock Crossing Shopping Center (southeast corner Dalrock and Lakeview Pkwy). Chiloso currently has 5 other locations in the DFW Metroplex including Rockwall, Wyle, Richardson, Southlake and Denton. More information about their planned opening date will be coming soon!



[Baylor Scott & White Medical Center-Lake Pointe](#) said farewell to CEO Brett Lee this week. A reception was held in his honor. Best wishes in your future endeavors.



Welcome to Rowlett [Rescue Restoration](#)! Located at 3906 Industrial Street, #200.

City Secretary's Office



[Special Election](#) - The second Mayoral and Council Candidate debate was held Thursday evening at the Rowlett Community Centre. This debate/forum was sponsored by the Rowlett

Chamber of Commerce.

The next two debates/forums will be held on August 7 and 19 from 7 to 9pm at Church in the City, located at 6005 Dalrock Rd.



Click on picture to view the forum recorded by Creative Services Producer Drew Rist.



In the Community

[Future Bond Projects Input](#)- Fill out form for projects to be considered for next bond election. [CIAB Project Input Form](#)

[Candidate Debate](#) – August 7 & 19, 7-10:00pm @ Church in City, 6005 Dalrock Rd. Sponsored by Rowlett Chamber of Commerce

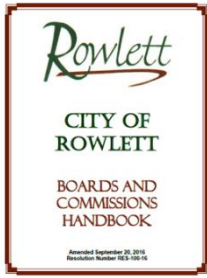
[Summer Concert Series](#) - August 4, 11, 18, 25; 7:30pm @ Pecan Grove Park

[Early Voting Begins](#) – August 9 in the City Annex Building

[Chamber of Commerce Lunch](#) – August 9, 11:30am @ RCC

["Pull for a Cure"](#) – August 12, 10am @ Rowlett Home Depot

[Arts & Humanities Commission Artists Reception](#) – August 12, 1-3pm @ Fire Station 1, 3900 Miller Rd.



[Now accepting applications for Boards and Commissions](#) – the City of Rowlett is encouraging citizens to share their expertise and insight as a member of a City Board or Commission. This is an opportunity to make a difference in the community where you live!

[Early voting begins](#)

Wednesday, August 9th! In order to help get the word out, we've partnered with the Parks and Recreation Department and utilized the A-Frame Signs around town. Here are a couple of the locations where the signs are on display.



Hwy 66 & Scenic



Dalrock/Miller

City Manager's Office Update

August [Rowlett on the Move](#) newsletter is now available.

Also available now is the [August Rowlett on the Water, on the Move!](#) monthly news show hosted by Mayor Gottel and City Manager Brian Funderburk. It can be viewed each month on RTN16 (cable channel 16), streaming on Rowlett.com, and on the [City of Rowlett's YouTube channel!](#)



[Rowlett City Academy](#) – The next Rowlett City Academy will be this Fall, from September 13 – December 6, 2017. The Fall Academy will be held during the day to accommodate those who can't make it at night and will start at 10:30am and finish around 1:00pm; included is a light luncheon each week. Please consider signing up for this informative series educating citizens about the inner workings of your City! Sign up closes on September 1.

Development Services Update



[Homeowner Rehabilitation Program](#) – The City will begin accepting applications at 8am on Friday, August 18, 2017 at the Rowlett Community Centre Room A, which is located at 5300 Main Street. Applications will not be accepted prior to this date and time. Please check the website page for more information.

Financial Services Update



The City was recently awarded the [Distinguished Budget Award](#) by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). This award represents a significant achievement by the City of Rowlett and reflects the high level of commitment by the City and staff to maintain the highest principles of government budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the City had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide, and a communications document. Budget documents must meet the standards of these four categories, and the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories to receive the award. This is the 13th year the City of Rowlett has received this prestigious award. Congratulations to Budget Officer Amanda Carter!

Library Update

This year's Summer Reading Program for Teens focused on the design and filming of a science fiction movie. Meeting for an hour each week in June and July, "Let's Make a Movie!" gave teens the opportunity to plan and execute their own original film.

Much planning and work went into creating this movie as well as a lot of "on the job training" on how to use a camera, upload, edit and use special effects.

On July 26, the movie premiered at the Library. Guests walked the "red carpet" for a special showing in the Periodicals Area. Popcorn and sodas were provided and a great time was had by all!



See It Here!!!

<https://youtu.be/Yu6dCKbdhg4>

The Summer Reading Program concluded on Saturday, July 29th with an after-hours party for children who participated. We'll see you next year downtown!



Parks and Recreation Update



Join your friends and neighbors on Friday nights in August for our annual "[Summer Concert Series featuring Food Truck Fridays](#)", located at 5300 Main Street in Rowlett. Bring your blanket and lawn chair to enjoy a fun filled musical night.

****Concerts start at 7:30pm****

Summer Concert Series & Food Truck Lineup	
August 4 – Escape (Journey) Food Trucks – The Guava Tree, Sir Franks Dogs & Sausages, Castle Sno'zone	August 18 – Me and My Monkey (The Beatles) Food Trucks – Mel's Grill, Castle Sno'zone
August 11 – Time Train (Variety) Food Trucks – La Rosita, 4M Concession, Kona Ice	August 25 – Memphis Soul (Variety Band) Food Trucks – Rock and Roll Tacos, Kona Ice, Su Amazing Foods



Rowlett Pickleball has seen a huge growth in participation at the Rowlett Community Centre in recent years. Players are sometimes at the RCC 6 days a week practicing and cultivating their skills. This week, a new banner was hung in the gym where pickleball is played. It is exciting to see the numbers continue to grow.

Police Department Update

[Citizens Police Academy](#) - Sign up today for this 12-week course where citizens can learn more about the Rowlett Police Department's operations. This fun and interactive course allows you to experience hands-on instruction in the use of firearms and driving a police car. A ride along with an officer is also part of the program. Registration is through August 31, 2017 and classes will start Thursday, September 7th.

Public Works Update

Big A Road Rehabilitation – PAVECON installed the guardrails so Phase I of Big A Road can open and then Phase II can start. Temporary centerline tabs were installed to help drivers identify lanes for travel. Big A Road Phase I opened for travel Thursday August 3, 2017.



School Crosswalks - Public Works striped 15 crosswalks preparing for the new school year. All other schools were inspected and found to be in great shape.



TxDOT Landscaping Project – TxDOT plans to begin a landscaping project along SH66 beginning August 7. This is a project funded by state and federal funds to beautify the City of Rowlett by improving the median landscaping along SH66.

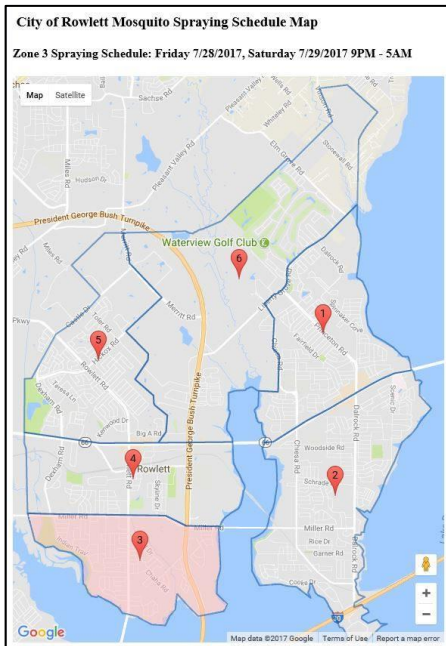
*Limits of the project is from the west end of the City (SH66 & Antioch Dr.) to President George Bush Tollway and from Chiesa Road to east end of the City (Heritage Pkwy. & SH66).
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*Scope of work is to improve median of SH 66 including soil amendments, new planting and irrigation systems.

*Project is anticipated to take 253 days to complete.

During the construction expect traffic delays and lane closures. For questions, please contact **Fred Moore** at TxDOT, #214-240-3375.

Mosquito tests positive for the West Nile Virus in Rowlett - ground spraying to occur.



A mosquito testing positive for the West Nile Virus was discovered in Rowlett's northwest quadrant (Zone 5). As a result, Dallas County's planned ground spraying of the general area will take place Friday, August 4 and Saturday, August 5 during the overnight hours between 9:00 P.M. and 5:00 A.M., weather conditions permitting.