

# 5PM ON FRIDAY

Top Stories in Rowlett for Week Ending 09.01.2017

## How Rowlett Residents Can Help Those Impacted by Hurricane Harvey

The impact of Hurricane Harvey in Houston and throughout south Texas is devastating. Entire neighborhoods are gone, communities have been destroyed, tens of thousands are now without a home. And the full impact is unknown, there is still massive flooding and evacuations are ongoing. Here in Rowlett, we know this situation firsthand. Our community has lived this and our perspective is unique, the empathy we feel is real and tangible. And now, as the transport of evacuees to the Metroplex is underway, it's time for us to help.



The Dallas Mega Center at the Dallas Convention Center will provide a temporary shelter for thousands of our fellow Texans. Rowlett Police and Fire Rescue currently have staff deployed onsite, and we will remain there until the need for assistance has passed! Rowlett Firefighter/Paramedics have also deployed to south Texas with a fully staffed MICU ambulance.

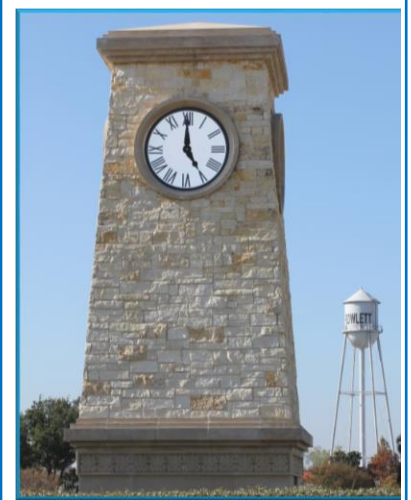


Please visit [www.DallasHelpForHarvey.org](http://www.DallasHelpForHarvey.org) to learn how YOU can assist those impacted by volunteering, donating or even opening up your home to a displaced family.

Rowlett Fire Rescue MICU at Reliant Stadium in Houston – Sept. 1, 2017



To volunteer, go to: <https://www.voly.org/disaster/index.html>



## Important Announcements

**CITY OFFICES CLOSED** –  
Labor Day, September 4;  
Normal Trash Pick-up

City Council – Regular Meetings: Sept. 5 & 19, 5:30pm @ City Hall

City Council – Special Council Meeting: Sept. 13; 5:30pm @ City Hall – Incoming/Outgoing Council

P&Z Commission – Sept. 12 & 26, 6:30pm @ City Hall

Golf Advisory Board – Sept. 5, 8am @ Waterview Golf Club

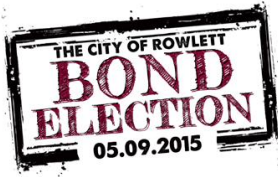
Community Investment Advisory Board – Sept. 11, 6pm @ City Hall

Arts & Humanities Commission – Sept. 12, 6:30pm @ City Hall

Park Board – Sept. 13, 7pm @ RCC

Library Advisory Board – Cancelled for September

Senior Advisory Board – Sept. 18, 10am @ City Hall



## 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 (with no major weather delays). Contractor has removed concrete from the intersection of Bluebonnet Dr. and Primrose Ln to expose and lower two existing water mains to complete construction of the proposed 42" storm drain pipe. The project is progressing on schedule.



### Alley Reconstruction Project

Construction Companies Group, LLC (CCG) completed over 250 linear feet of concrete including residential driveways in the Scott – Ardis alley on the west side of Rowlett Rd.



### City Secretary's Office Update



Thank you for coming out to vote during the [Special Election on August 26<sup>th</sup>](#). The official results are located on the City's website. The newly elected Mayor and Councilmembers will be sworn

in at a Special Meeting on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to all the candidates that ran during this election.

Our new Mayor and Councilmembers are:

- Mayor-Elect Tammy Dana-Bashian
- Councilmember-Elect Blake Margolis – Place 1
- Councilmember-Elect Brownie Sherrill – Place 2
- Councilmember-Elect Matt Grubisich – Place 3



### In the Community

**Rowlett Helps Hurricane Harvey Victims –**  
[www.DallasHelpForHarvey.org](http://www.DallasHelpForHarvey.org)

**Movies @ Pecan Grove Park –**  
Sept. 1, Dusk @ Pecan Grove Park

**FCC Delivers New Polycarts –**  
continues thru Sept. 29

**Tornado Assistance Deadline –**  
Sept. 8, 5pm

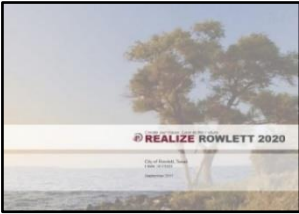
**Neighborhood Leadership Workshop –** Sept. 9, 9-11am @ RCC

**Habitat for Humanity Color Fun Run & Walk –** Sept. 30, 6:30pm @ Firewheel Golf Park

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

2020 Update

Realizing Rowlett



[iheart yogurt](#) is coming soon to Rowlett! Located at 8120 Lakeview Pkwy. There are several Dallas locations and one in California.



[Bankhead Brewing Co.](#) celebrates their one year anniversary this weekend! Stop by and enjoy food and drink specials all weekend long!

City Manager's Office Update



Mayor Todd Gottel and Mayor-Elect Tammy Dana-Bashian put the call out to Rowlett citizens for donations to help Hurricane Harvey victims – AND YOU ANSWERED IT!!

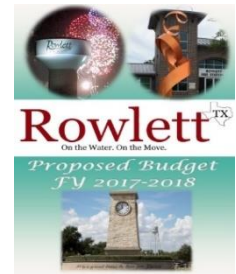
This is just what was received at City Hall after a few days this week. Staff is boxing it all up and getting it ready to be transported to the Coast.

Thank you to those that could make it by City Hall and drop off donations!

Reminder about the [FY2018 Budget Adoption Schedule](#) located on the City's website. Below are links to the FY2018 Proposed Budget:

- [Fiscal Year 2018 Proposed Budget](#)
- [FY2018 Budget Presentation](#)
- [The Value of Rowlett City Operations](#)

Please take a few minutes to view the PowerPoint presentation and the video – it's well worth your time.



City of Rowlett offices and facilities will be closed in observance of Labor Day on Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. These include the administrative offices, RCC, Library, Municipal Court and the Animal Shelter.



Is your HOA or Neighborhood Association registered with the Office of Neighborhood Life? Are you a lead on Nextdoor? Elise Bowers is always looking for interested residents who are willing to be the point of contact for their neighborhood or even their street. Register today and stay in touch with what is happening in your area. [www.Rowlett.com/neighborhoodlife](http://www.Rowlett.com/neighborhoodlife)

Parks and Recreation Update



**Movies at Pecan Grove Park** will be taking place on Fridays this September. As part of the Downtown Event Series, Movies at Pecan Grove Park will take place on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> behind the Rowlett Community Centre located

Movies at Pecan Grove Park	
**All movies start at DUSK	
<b>September 1 – Moana</b> **All movies start at DUSK	<b>September 15 – Beauty and the Beast</b>
<b>September 8 – The Secret Life of Pets</b>	

at 5300 Main Street. Open seating is available at 6:30pm and the movie will begin at dusk. Each night will feature entertainment leading up to the movie. Come on out and have some fun with the family!

The [Rowlett Community Centre](#) is running a fantastic membership special through September 20<sup>th</sup>. We are proud to offer 20% off for a new youth membership (resident/non-resident) that are valid for one year from date of purchase. A membership gives you access to all our amenities including the ability to check out a basketball, Wii controllers, locks for our locker room and much more.

Another new membership discount is available for our annual family membership package through September 20<sup>th</sup> also! This 15% discount will save residents \$35 and non-residents \$70! What a great deal! The family membership is valid for family members that are all living in the same household. This great opportunity must be signed-up for in person.

Police Department

The Rowlett Police Department is working at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center helping with the evacuees. Thanks RPD for taking care of our fellow Texans!



A reminder...texting while driving/operating a vehicle is illegal beginning today (Friday, September 1, 2017). Parents, please remind your teen drivers (not to single teens out, adults are just as guilty of this dangerous behavior)! Thank you for your continued efforts to keep our streets and roadways safe for everyone!

**Annual Concrete Repair & Maintenance of Streets & Alleys**



Construction Companies Group (CCG) is continuing to work on panel replacements on Rowlett Rd. between Miller Rd. and Dogwood Trail.

**Big A Road Rehabilitation** – The tentative completion date for the remainder of the Big A Road Rehabilitation project is October 3, 2017. The contractor is onsite working the subgrade and we anticipate opening Phase 2 for traffic in both directions on Tuesday, September 26, 2017, weather permitting.



Although Big A Road will be open to traffic in both directions after the 26<sup>th</sup>, you may experience momentary delays as the contractor is performing work onsite. Residents will have full access to Big A Road while the contractor is working to complete the remainder of the project.

The City will ensure the delivered project is the best product possible. We appreciate the continued patience and understanding of all the Liberty Creek Residents through this process. Contact Will Plexico with any questions: 972-463-3976 [wplexico@rowlett.com](mailto:wplexico@rowlett.com)

**SH66 Median Landscape Enhancement Project (TxDOT)** - Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) contractor, All Around Landscape & Construction Company (AALC), continues with the removal of concrete in the medians from Kenwood Drive to Sprouts Drive.



**Message from FCC** – STARTING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 - Please **BEGIN USING THE NEW BLUE CART IMMEDIATELY** and **STOP USING YOUR OLD GREEN CART.**

We will be around within the next 3 weeks to pick up your old cart. Please continue to **PUT YOUR OLD GREEN CART OUT, EMPTY, ON YOUR DESIGNATED SERVICE DAY** until it is retrieved. Thank you!