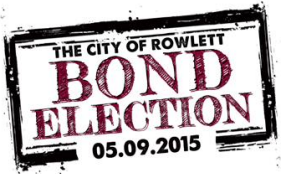


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Top Stories in Rowlett for Week Ending 10.20.2017



COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM PROJECT UPDATE

Primrose Lane Reconstruction Project

Project Scope:

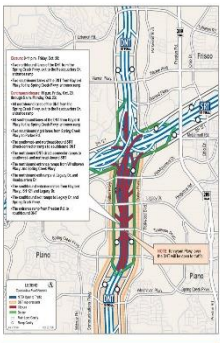
Rebuilding of Primrose Lane including sidewalks, curbs and drainage systems.

Project Status:

Project began on June 19; anticipate completion by mid-December 2017 (with no major weather delays). Contractor set forms and rebar, in preparation for concrete; poured 150 square yards of 8" thick concrete.



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE UPDATE

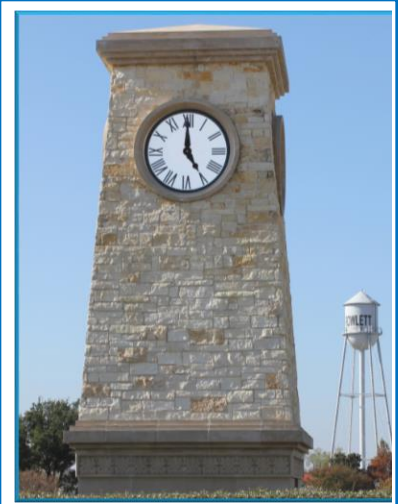


A heads up from NTA for those who plan to use the [Dallas North Tollway](#) in Plano this weekend: Construction crews will completely close the DNT near Sam Rayburn Tollway starting late Friday until early Monday to pour concrete for the new Tennyson Parkway bridge over the DNT, and facilitate other construction work. Tennyson Parkway will remain open. Visit www.ntta.org for more information.



Free Electronic Recycling and Document Shredding – happens Saturday, November 4 from 9am to 1pm in the Rowlett High School parking lot. [Keep Rowlett Beautiful](#) sponsors this event, which allows citizens to get rid of old electronics in an

environmentally safe manner while cleaning up their homes. Document shredding is also offered – 3 boxes are free – with a limit of 4 more boxes at the price of \$3 each.



Important Announcements

City Council – Regular Meeting: **Nov. 7, 5:30pm** @ City Hall

- **Special Meeting:** Nov. 14, 5pm @ City Hall

- **No Council meeting on Nov. 21**

P&Z Commission – Oct. 24, 6:30pm @ City Hall

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

Rowlett Long Term Recovery Committee – Nov. 6, 6pm @ RCC

Golf Advisory Board – Nov. 7, 8am @ Waterview Golf

Parks & Rec Advisory Board – Nov. 8, 6:30pm @ RCC

Library Advisory Board – Nov. 9, 6:30pm @ Library

Arts & Humanities Commission – Nov. 14, 6:30pm @ City Hall Room B



Constitutional Amendment and Joint Election – Tuesday, November 7, 2017

There are seven State of Texas Propositions on the ballot regarding homestead exemptions, home equity loans, requiring notification to the Attorney General of a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute, defining professional sports teams, and the awarding of prizes by financial institutions. Descriptions and additional information about each of the Propositions has been provided by the [Texas Secretary of State and VoteTexas.Gov](#).

Early voting begins Monday, October 23rd and continues through Friday, November 3rd.

Rowlett residents will vote early in their **County** of residence:
Dallas County Rowlett registered voters – Annex Conference Room, 4004 Main Street, Rowlett.
Rockwall County Rowlett registered voters – Rockwall County Library, 1215 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Rockwall.



In the Community

Rowlett Helps Hurricane Harvey Victims – help by logging onto:
www.DallasHelpForHarvey.org
www.trustedworld.org/hurricane-harvey-volunteers/
#AdoptCrosby – [Cornerstone Church](#) & [Freedom Place Church](#)

Animal Adoptathon – Oct. 21, 10am-5pm, Rowlett Animal Shelter, 4402 Industrial St.

CPR Class – Oct. 21, 8:30am-12:30pm @ RCC

Early Voting – Constitutional Amendment & Joint Election – starts Oct. 23 in the Annex Conference Room, 4004 Main

Camp Fear Campout – Oct. 27-28, 5pm @ Pecan Grove Park

National Prescription Take-Back Day – Oct. 28, 10am-2pm @ RCC

Chamber Taste & Trade – Nov. 2, 5:30pm @ Rowlett High School

Free Electronic Recycling – Document Shredding – Nov. 4, 9am-1pm @ Rowlett High School Parking Lot

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

New Downtown Social Media Campaign! Our Inaugural "Main Street Market" event in September was such a success we are keeping the momentum going into the fall season with our **Inaugural "Scarecrows on Main"** contest October 23rd through November 23rd (Thanksgiving Day)! For information and more events forth coming into the holiday season visit us online on our new social media platforms! Follow us on Facebook at [The Village of Rowlett Downtown](#) and on Instagram [@villageofrowlettdowntown](#)



SCARECROWS ON MAIN



Main Street Bistro & Bakery's Official Grand Opening this coming Monday, October 23rd!

The [Economic Development Advisory Board](#) met this week in the community at the [Village of Rowlett](#) Community Center.



FINANCIAL SERVICES UPDATE



North Central Texas Council of Governments

On October 9, the [North Central Texas Council of Governments](#) (NCTCOG) announced that our Interim Finance Director, Wendy Badgett, has completed the year-long [New and Emerging Finance Directors program](#). According to Mike Eastland, NCTCOG Executive Director "We believe it will be individuals like Wendy that will help keep our region in the forefront of municipal leaders. It will also be progressive employers like the City of Rowlett who continue to support ongoing training and development in our industry."

This class served as the third season of developing current and future leaders in the public finance industry. It was an application/referral process whereby NCTCOG selected a cohort of only 20 individuals to participate. Over the past twelve months, Wendy attended all of the ten sessions to learn about various aspects of the industry and take deeper dives into critical issues of the job and responsibilities as public finance official. The classes were daylong events, presented by experts in the field and facilitated by experienced professionals, requiring homework and active participation in class discussions. Congratulations Wendy!

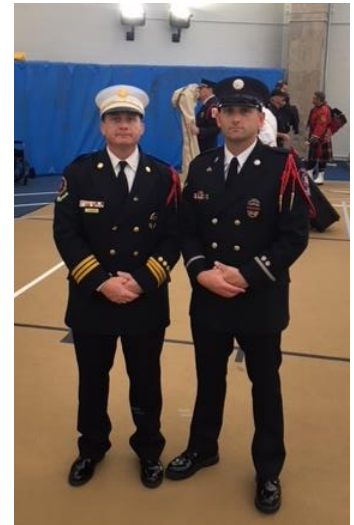


FIRE RESCUE UPDATE



Every October, the [National Fallen Firefighters Foundation](#) (NFFM) sponsors the official national tribute to all firefighters who died in the line of duty during the previous year. This year, the memorial recognized 95 firefighters who were killed in the line of duty. These firefighters paid the ultimate sacrifice protecting the citizens of their prospective communities and thousands

attend the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend every year. This year, we had these firefighters attend: Chris Ensley, Brent Sandlin and Jeremy Morphis. The City of Rowlett thanks our three Rowlett firefighters for being active in the NFFM; we are proud that you represent the City of Rowlett!



LIBRARY UPDATE

Youth Services Librarian Mary Lynn Saxton visited the [Garland Independent School District \(GISD\) Alternative Education Center](#) on Thursday, October 12. In addition to a tableful of giveaways and information, Mary Lynn provided a library services showcase and did a book talk on the Newbery Award Winner, *Holes* by Louis Sachar. Librarians from the Cities of Garland and Sachse Libraries were also at the program.



PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATE



Rowlett's Family Halloween Campout – CAMP FEAR

Location: Pecan Grove Park (5300 Main Street-Behind the Rowlett Community Centre)

Date: Friday, October 27th (5:00pm) until Saturday, October 28th (9:00am)

Fee: \$65 per campsite if **registered by October 6th**; \$75 per campsite if registered between October 7th & October 21st (Registration deadline).

Pack up your family, tent and sleeping bags and embark on an adventure at Camp Fear, Rowlett's Family Halloween Campout held at Pecan Grove Park! Participate in many family activities including games, a haunted hayride, tent trick or treating, s'mores, and creepy contests.

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The Annual Shoots and Ladders Softball Game was held on Saturday, October 14th. The Police Department won with a final score of 22-8!

Congratulations to Officer Paxton for getting the MVP Award for the Police Team!

Congratulations to the Police team - Better luck next year Ladders!



PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

Big A Road Rehabilitation – The yellow centerline stripping was completed last week. The contractor will be working on final grading and filling in of the shoulders that need fill in preparation for completion of this project. A preliminary walk-through was completed by the City and contractor last Friday; the contractor will be working on some minor completion items found during the walk-through.



Annual Contract for Concrete Sidewalk, Curb, Gutter and Utility Cut Repair and Maintenance – F and F Concrete Inc. is currently completing street, manhole and driveway repairs in Waterview on Wexford Ln.

