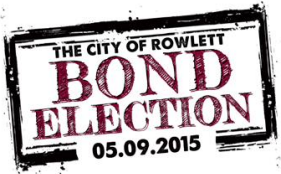


A Weekly Update from the City Manager

5PM ON FRIDAY

Top Stories in Rowlett for Week Ending 10.27.2017



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 mixed cement slurry into soil in preparation for concrete. Next, forms will be set along with rebar, in preparation for Phase 2 of the project driving surface.

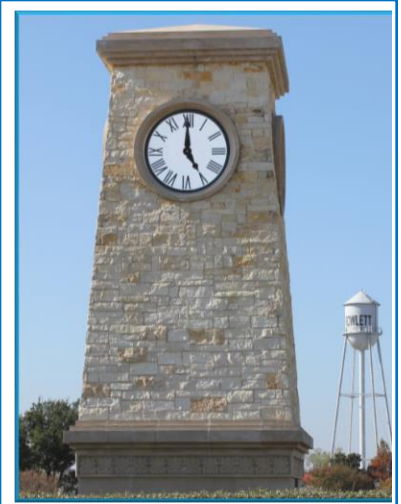


CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE UPDATE



The [October Monthly Mayor's Message](#) is now available. In her inaugural issue, Mayor Tammy Dana-Bashian welcomes our new City Council, celebrates our community's veterans and provides an update on recent awards and recognitions earned by the City's Financial Services Department.

[Neighborhood Life](#) – Members of the [Rowlett City Academy](#) participated in a mock Planning & Zoning Commission meeting on Wednesday morning. This provided a great opportunity to learn how to participate in our local government and make a real difference in our community!



Important Announcements

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

- **DATE CHANGE** --

Special Meeting: Nov. 13, 5pm @ City Hall

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

P&Z Commission – Nov. 14, 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

Senior Advisory Board – Nov. 20 @ City Hall

Veterans Day Ceremony is Saturday, November 11, 11am at Rowlett Community Centre – Please join us as we recognize and honor our local veterans. Veterans Day is a time when the community gathers together to give thanks to those who have served our country, so please come show your support and appreciation to those who have made so very many sacrifices for our freedom. Staff will Facebook Live this event on our Facebook page. Like us at www.facebook.com/CityofRowlettTexas/



CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE UPDATE

**your VOTE
is your VOICE**

[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 began 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.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE



Coming in 2018 – Iris Memory Care Senior Living located at 4906 Miller Rd. (Miller Rd. and President George Bush Turnpike)

New Downtown Social Media Campaign! Celebrating the fall season with our **Inaugural “Scarecrows on Main”** contest October 23rd through November 23rd (Thanksgiving Day)! For information and more upcoming events for 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](#)



In the Community

[Mosquito Spraying](#) – Oct. 29 & Oct. 30; Weather permitting

[Scarecrows on Main](#) – Now through November 23!

[Early Voting – Constitutional Amendment & Joint Election](#) – Continues through Nov. 3 in the Annex Conference Room, 4004 Main

[Camp Fear Campout](#) – Oct. 27-28, 5pm @ Pecan Grove Park

[Of Moss & Men Play](#) – Oct. 27-Nov. 5 @ Main Street Events

[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

[Veterans Day Ceremony](#) – Nov. 11, 11am @ RCC

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

City Academy attendees and councilmembers had fun getting ready for "Scarecrows on Main!" Let's see what everyone else can do! To sign up for the next [City Academy](#), call Elise Bowers at 972.412.6165 or register online.



FINANCIAL SERVICES UPDATE



Transparency Stars

State Comptroller's Transparency Stars – **Congratulations to the [Financial Services team!](#)** Rowlett is the fourth local government entity in the state to receive all five Transparency Stars through the State Comptroller's Transparency Stars Program.

This is an incredible accomplishment as there are approximately 4800 local governments, reported in the 2010 census, and your Rowlett Financial Services team has achieved a mark of distinction among local governments for transparency. In 2016, the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts began the Transparency Stars program to encourage all county and local governments, as well as school districts, to provide greater transparency in their financial operations. To achieve recognition, these entities must provide clear and meaningful financial information in the areas of traditional finance, debt obligations, public pensions, contracts and procurement, and economic development. All information must be provided in clear and meaningful financial documents, and through summaries, downloadable data, charts, graphs, and other visualizations. The City of Rowlett embraced this philosophy and immediately began working to provide you improved online financial information based on the program's requirements. [Financial Transparency web page for the City of Rowlett](#)

FIRE RESCUE UPDATE

Standard First Aid/CPR Class Saturday, November 18 from 8:30am - 12:30pm @ Rowlett Community Centre; cost is \$30 per person.

Rowlett Fire Rescue sponsors the [American Heart Association Standard First Aid/CPR](#) class, which is open to anyone 16 years or older. This class is targeted at the "civilian", rather than the healthcare professional and it's open to anyone over 16. Classes are limited to 12 students, who will receive a book and a two year course completion card. Call 972-412-6230 for more information or to register!



LIBRARY UPDATE



Kids, put on your costume and come to the Library on Saturday, October 28, at 2pm for Trunk or Treat! Rowlett Police & Fire will be there too!

PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATE

Tonight's the Night! Expect a howling good time – even though it maybe a little cold! Rowlett's Annual Family Halloween Campout – **CAMP FEAR**



POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE



[National Prescription Take Back Day](#) is this Saturday, October 28. Drop off expired, unwanted, or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications to the Rowlett Police Department **at the Rowlett Community Centre from 10am-2pm**. This is a collaborative effort with state and local law enforcement agencies coordinated by the Drug Enforcement Agency focused on removing potentially dangerous controlled substances from our nation's medicine cabinets.

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

Congratulations to Wade Williams and Mark Leal for their graduation from the [Public Works Institute of Texas](#) (PWITX). They are just the second graduating class from PWITX and their efforts are quite an achievement. The PWITX provides members of the [Texas Chapter of American Public Works Association](#) (APWA) with educational and professional development. The PWITX consists of four sessions of a 90-hour program of instruction in Supervision and Management in Public Works. The APWA developed the program and it covers the basic and advanced supervision and management over a two-year period and was developed to meet the training needs of municipal utility and public works agencies. The highly affordable program is taught by experienced Public Works practitioners to Public Works employees and culminates in a PWITX certificate of completion. Rowlett Public Works Director, Shawn Poe, was fortunate to teach one of their sessions in the program on Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) management.



Big A Road Rehabilitation – Big A Road paving rehabilitation project is completed. The contractor backfilled the shoulders and is in the process of establishing vegetation in the disturbed areas.



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

