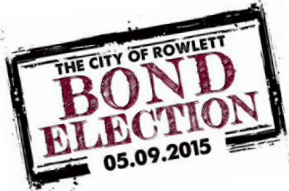
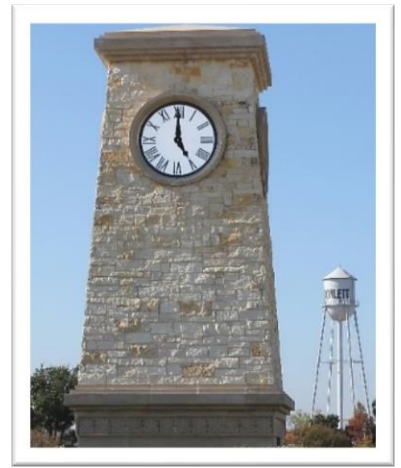


# A Weekly Update from City Hall

## FRIDAY@ 5



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### COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM (CIP) PROJECT UPDATE

#### Lake Country Estates Reconstruction Project – Phase 1

##### Project Scope:

Rebuild streets, sidewalks, curbs, drainage systems, street trees and lighting on Llano St., Southridge Dr., Westview Dr. and west Lynnwood Dr.

Contact: Tony Creonte or Robert Harris.



##### Project Status:

Contractor continues with sidewalk pour on Llano St. west of Southridge Dr. Weather permitting, sidewalks on Llano St. from Herfurth Park to Aspen Dr. should be 100% complete. Contractor will then focus on the sidewalk on Southridge Dr. from Llano St. to Westview Dr. Utility crew started removing and replacing the sanitary sewer at Westview Dr.

#### Highland Meadows Reconstruction Project – Phase 2

##### Phase 1 – FINISHED

##### Project Scope:

Replace water/sewer lines, storm inlets and storm line; Willowbrook Dr. from Dalrock Rd. to Miami Dr.; Westfield Dr. from Linda Vista Dr. to Miami Dr. and remaining part of Miami Dr. Sidewalks and lighting will mirror Phase 1. Contact: John Massad or Steven Wingo.



##### Project Status:

Quality Excavation was awarded the contract for Highland Meadows Reconstruction Phase 2. The public meeting is scheduled for January 24<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at City Hall. The construction is scheduled to start on January 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### Dalrock Estates Reconstruction Project – Phase 2

##### Phase 1 – FINISHED

##### Project Scope:

Replace water/sewer lines, storm inlets and some storm lines. Replace Kensington Dr. and Chesham Dr. and remaining portions of Highgate Ln. and Yorkshire Dr. not done in Phase 1. Sidewalks and lighting will mirror Phase 1.



##### Project Status:

McMahon Contracting has started to set up the traffic control for the project and will be removing the trees from the Right of Way.

### Important City Meetings

#### City Council –

Regular Meetings: Feb. 5 & 19, 5:30pm @ City Hall

**Special Meetings:** None at this time

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

**Animal Shelter Board –** TBD, 7:30pm @ City Hall

**Arts & Humanities Commission –** Feb. 12, 6:30pm @ Library

**Board of Adjustment –** TBD, 6:30pm @ City Hall

**Community Investment Advisory Board –** March. 4, 6pm @ City Hall

**Diversity Commission –** Feb. 20, 6:30pm @ City Hall

**Economic Development Advisory Board –** Feb. 19, 9:30am @ 4418 Main, Chamber of Commerce

**Golf Advisory Board –** Feb. 5, 8am @ City Hall

**Library Advisory Board –** Feb. 14, 6:30pm @ Library

**Parks & Rec Advisory Board –** Feb. 13, 7pm @ RCC

**Senior Advisory Board –** **\*\*Moved to Jan. 28, 10am @ City Hall\*\***

**Youth Advisory Council –** Jan. 28, 6pm @ RCC



## CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE



We would like to offer some facts in an effort to clear up information circulating regarding the Bayside Crystal Lagoon.

First, the Crystal Lagoon was always envisioned to be one of the key attractions and differentiators to establish Bayside as a world class

destination. The design of the Crystal Lagoon accommodates multiple uses including public water sports and recreational activities and amenities; private beach areas for the resort and condominium owners and guests; and the one-acre show fountain.

Second, the City has always advocated for public access to the lagoon and the last conceptual design by Bayside in 2017, before they proposed changing the plan in 2018, clearly shows the intended uses. In addition, other crystal lagoon sites that the City has visited typically have public beach access in addition to areas which will accommodate water sports.

Ultimately, this is about holding the developer accountable to build what they have contractually committed to – and that includes the public amenities such as the lagoon, show fountain, and trolley - making Bayside a unique and memorable world class destination. For more information, please visit [www.Rowlett.com/FAQ](http://www.Rowlett.com/FAQ)

## CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE



**Are you interested in serving your community? The Rowlett City Council General Election is coming up in May.**

The positions available on the ballot for the May 4, 2019 General Election are:

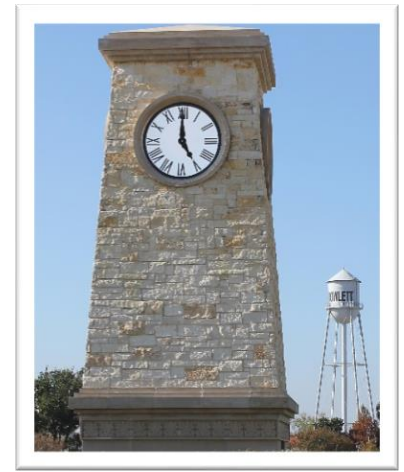
- Mayor
- Councilmember Place 2
- Councilmember Place 4
- Councilmember Place 6

Anyone interested in running for any of these positions may [Request a City Council Candidate Guide](#). This guide provides all the forms and information needed in order to become a candidate.

The first day to file an application for a place on the ballot was Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>. The last day to file is Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Last day to file as a write-in candidate: Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

**(PLEASE NOTE: these deadlines are mandated by state law and are FIRM.)**

For additional information, please contact the [Office of the City Secretary](#) or call the Action Center at 972-412-6100.



## In the Community

**ACTION CENTER** – Contact us online 24-7 OR week days, 8am-5pm at 972-412-6100.

**Animal Services** – Open 10am - 5pm, Mon.-Sat. @ 4402 Industrial St.

**Low Cost Vaccination Clinic** – Feb. 3, 2-5pm @ [Liberty Grove Animal Hospital](#)

**Chamber of Commerce 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Banquet** – Jan. 26, 7pm @ Hyatt Place Garland

**TxDOT I-30 Improvements Public Hearing** – Jan. 31, 7pm @ Royse City High School

**Little Sweetheart Dance** – Feb. 2, 7pm @ RCC

**CERT Classes** – Feb. 2 & 9, 8am-6pm @ 4701 Rowlett Rd. (Fire Admin Bldg.)

**Last Day to File for City Council** (General Election on May 4) – Feb. 15, 5pm @ City Hall

**AMI Access Sign-up** – See your real-time water usage!

**Notify Me** – Subscribe to receive agendas, Mayor's Spotlight, Friday @ 5, plus other important information, by email or text



## Register to Vote

The last day to [register to vote](#) or to make a change of address to be effective for the Saturday, May 4, 2019 General Election is April 5, 2019.



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



[MoodUp Hookah Lounge](#) is open at 8405 Lakeview Pkwy., Ste. 202.

Spec's Liquor is open at 8505 Lakeview Pkwy., Ste. 320. Their phone number is 214-607-0257.



## FIRE DEPARTMENT



**REMINDER:** The Rowlett Citizen Corps Council (RCCC) is holding a two-day Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) class on Saturdays, February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 8am to 6pm at the Rowlett Fire Administration building (4701 Rowlett Rd.) The class is open to the public. A course fee of \$20 covers class administrative expenses. For more information or to register for class, visit [RowlettCERT.com](#).

**REMINDER:** The 43rd Annual National Weather Service SKYWARN basic and advanced storm-spotter training day for Dallas County is Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am-4:30pm at the Granville Arts Center in Garland. For more information, please visit <https://www.weather.gov/skywarn/>.



## LIBRARY



The Library's Black History Month Bookmark Contest ends tomorrow - January 26<sup>th</sup>, all entries are due then. Stop by or call the Library at 972.412-6161 for more information.

### Book Clubs? Check us out!

#### Main Street Book Club

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7pm  
Rowlett Public Library, 3900 Main Street

February 5<sup>th</sup> Discussion:

*Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult

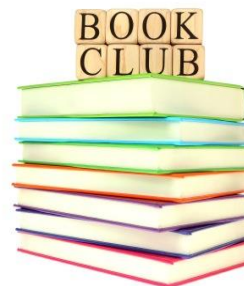
*Everyone welcomed, even if you haven't read the book!*

#### Senior Book Club

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 1pm  
Rowlett Community Centre, 5300 Main Street

February 6<sup>th</sup> Discussion:

*Camino Island* by John Grisham



### DearReader Online Book Club

Sign up to receive chapters from popular books in your daily email! Enjoy fiction, nonfiction, business, teen, romance and mystery titles.

Sign up here: <https://rowlett.biblionix.com/catalog> Scroll toward bottom of page, look for the logo above



## **PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**



7 new pieces of workout equipment have been installed at Community Park to replace the old, unsafe standalone features that were originally installed in 2005. This small workout area has been renovated to encourage the use of this small exercise platform located on the Northeast side of the trail, closest to the playground. Also, during this process, staff replaced the drainage system in an effort to deter water from pooling under this new equipment. This project is just another exciting amenity that has been added from the 2015 CIP bond package!

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

On January 23<sup>rd</sup>, Officer Reeves met with some congregation members from Sacred Heart Catholic Church for a Civilian Response to Active Shooter Training. Officer Reeves also completed a crime prevention walk through and offered safety tips for Church security. Sacred Heart Catholic Church is commended for taking security measures and providing extra protection for their congregation.



If your church or business would like to schedule active shooter training, please contact Officer Dana Reeves at 972-412-6242 or [dreeves@rowlett.com](mailto:dreeves@rowlett.com)



Students from the Tree House Academy of Rowlett made a "Thank You" banner for the Rowlett Police Department thanking our officers for all of their hard work and for keeping Rowlett safe!

We are always appreciative of our young Rowlett citizens! Thank you!

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

### **SCHRADE RD. PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING CENTER**

McMahon Contracting finished installing and pressure tested the water line. They are working on getting grade on the sub-soil and will start lime treatment soon.



## ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR CONCRETE SIDEWALK, CURB, GUTTER AND UTILITY CUT REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE

FY2019 50/50 Sidewalk Program evaluated, measured and estimated 80 addresses with three paid as of today. Currently, six water and sewer cut out repairs, 65 curb and gutter repairs and three street repairs are scheduled. Austin Raymond Construction is working in the Springfield Addition Phase 2 and Phase 4 subdivisions.



## TxDOT HOLDING PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO I-30

TxDOT is holding a [Public Hearing](#) regarding proposed improvements to I-30 from Bass Pro D. in Dallas County to west of Farm-to-Market (FM) 2642 in Dallas and Rockwall Counties. For more information, here's the [link](#).



Thursday, January 31, 2019

[Royse City High School Cafeteria](#)

700 S. FM 2642

Royse City, TX 75189

Open House: 6pm

Formal Hearing: 7pm

## Annual Employee Chili Cook-off and Bake-off



1<sup>st</sup> Place Chili Cook-off  
David Cates - PW



1<sup>st</sup> Place Bake-off  
Adam Norris - Parks



Best Table Decoration  
Jason Aguirre - Parks

Congratulations to Fleet Manager David Cates, who won first place in today's Annual Employee Chili Cookoff. The competition among staff is fierce and the judge's table is always well-stocked with milk and Tums. Setting the ambiance is almost as important as the chili offerings, so Best Table Decoration is also recognized – Seniors Recreation Programmer Jason Aguirre's Margaritaville took the top spot! Can't forget dessert – Parks Maintenance team's Adam Norris took home the gold for his "Not Ya Momma's Banana Pudding"!

A big thank you to our judges – Councilmembers Debby Bobbitt and Brownie Sherrill, and City Attorney David Berman. We sent them home with plenty of crackers and water 😊.



The [Action Center](#) is your one-stop-shop, Offered by the City of Rowlett to assist citizens. Call 972-412-6100

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