

# AQUA EGG HUNT MARCH 27



## WEEKLY REPORT

MARCH 26, 2021

TO: MAYOR FLETCHER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS  
FROM: BRYAN LANGLEY, CITY MANAGER

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**BURLESON**  
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# Weekly Report | March 26, 2021

## I. Council Schedule

### Meetings

**Monday, April 5:** City Council Meeting, City Hall Council Chambers. 141 W. Renfro St., 5 p.m. The meeting will be conducted in the council chambers and is also available via live stream, <https://www.burlesontx.com/watchlive>

### Work Session Items/Report & Discussion Items

#### April 5

- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding improvements at Clark Park. (Staff Presenter: Jen Basham, Director of Parks & Recreation)
- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding Hot Sounds of Summer Concert Series. (Staff Presenter: Jen Basham, Director of Parks & Recreation)
- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on the City's response to the 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) (Staff Presenter: K.T. Freeman, Fire Chief)

## II. General Information and Status Updates

### A. COVID-19 Vaccine update

Starting Monday, March 29 Burleson Public Health (BPH) will open up COVID-19 vaccines to anyone 18 and older. BPH will have 6,000 vaccines for those whose second doses are due and approximately 3,500 first dose vaccines available next week. Interested parties can register at [www.burlesontx.com/vaccine](http://www.burlesontx.com/vaccine) starting the week of March 29.

### B. Splash Pad Update

The first round of public engagement for the splash pad is complete. The results are included below. Based on the results of the public engagement, staff worked with Kimley-Horn to create four initial concepts for the splash pad. Overview and perspective views of the initial concepts are attached to this report. Staff and Kimley-Horn have created a survey to receive public feedback for the initial concepts. After the public feedback, staff will bring the initial concepts (along with the public feedback) to the Parks Advisory Board for a recommendation and then to the City Council for a decision on the two concepts to proceed to final design.

The final design phase will include a fly through animation and a final round of public feedback prior to a final decision on the design.

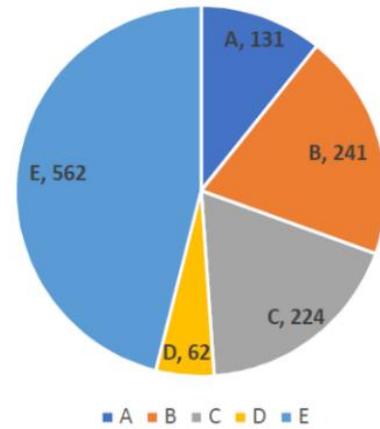
Staff plans to launch the survey in the middle of next week. The survey will be open for two weeks. If councilmembers have feedback for staff prior to launching the survey, please reach out to Bryan Langley or Robert Ranc.

**Phase I Survey Results:**

Q1. The pictures below are of different splashpads. Some splash pads are heavy in overhead features, some are heavy in ground sprays, and some are a mix of features. Please select the splash pad that you think would fit the City of Burleson.



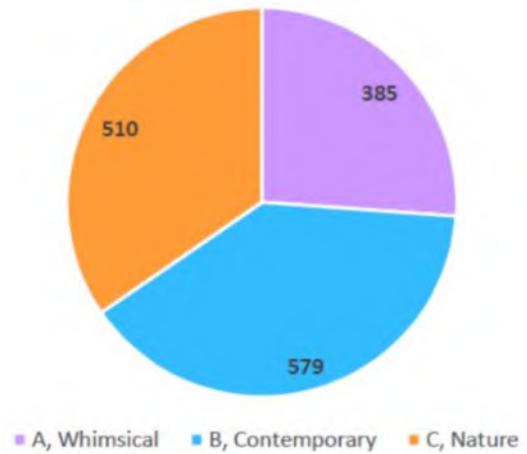
Question 1 Responses



Q2. The pictures below show 3 different themes for a splashpad, please select the theme that you would like to see in the city of Burleson.



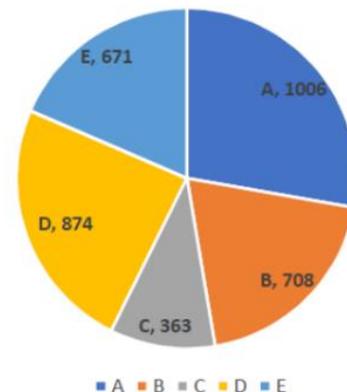
Question 2 Responses



Q3. Please select 3 elements from the photos below that you would like to see included in the Burleson splash pad.



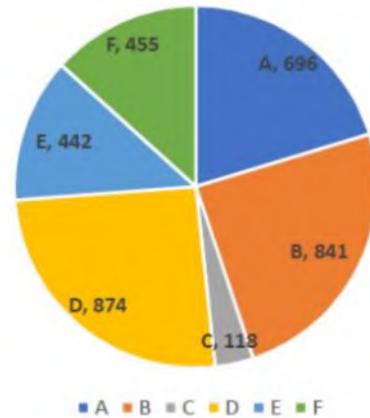
Question 3 Responses



Q4. Please select 3 amenities from the photos below you would like to see included in the Burleson splash pad.



Question 4 Responses



Phase II Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/burlesonsplashpad>

**C. Hidden Creek Golf Course names General Manager**

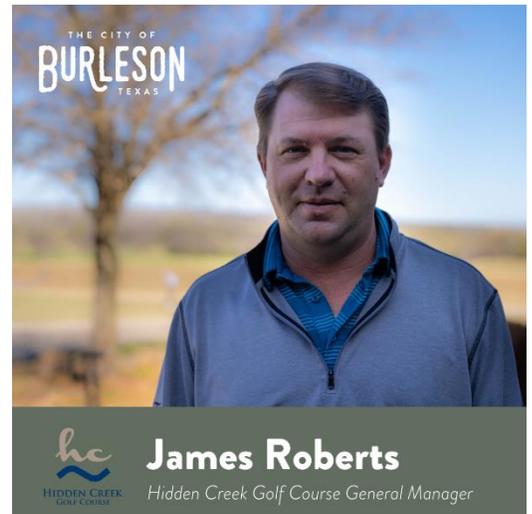
Join us in welcoming James Roberts to the Burleson community. Roberts, a PGA Class “A” member with 19 years of experience managing municipal and daily fee golf courses, was named Hidden Creek Golf Course general manager.

Roberts is a DFW native who most recently served as general manager of Twin Creeks Golf Club. He began his duties on March 15, 2021.

“We received quite a few talented applicants for the general manager position at Hidden Creek,” said Jen Basham, Burleson parks and recreation director. “James stood out as both incredibly qualified and excited for the opportunity to champion this new season at the golf course. We are thrilled to watch his leadership provide clear direction and grow the quality customer experience for our patrons.”

As the Hidden Creek general manager, Roberts will be responsible for managing the pro shop, Terrace Restaurant, and maintenance and operations of the course.

“Joining the Hidden Creek and Burleson team is an incredible opportunity,” said Roberts. “Hidden Creek is a very nice property with a great team and is committed to providing a quality experience to the community. I am excited to build on prior successes while also creating new guest experiences and enhancing current offerings.”



**D. Feel Good Friday**

Environmental staff planted several trees Thursday, March 25 as part of the department’s Urban Canopy Revitalization and Corridor Beautification program – a joint effort with Keep Burleson Beautiful. The goal of the program is to improve the urban tree canopy in areas that are lacking by planting trees in the front yards of properties. The first trees were planted along Summercrest Boulevard north of Alsbury. As part of the program, the resident signs an agreement to water and care for the tree. There are many benefits to urban tree canopy including the reduction of air temperatures, filtration of the air, windbreaks, beautification, property value increases, and reduced utility bills. The criteria for the program are living on a street with more than 50% of homes without trees in the front yard and/or living on a stretch of street with four or more consecutive houses without a tree in the front yard.



**E. Vindication Series filming at Chisenhall**

The series, Vindication, is back for a second season and will be filming a short scene at Chisenhall Fields next Friday, April 2 from 4 - 7 p.m. in a remote corner of the parking lot.

**F. Recreation Update - Adult Softball**

Staff is working with our Burleson Youth Association to explore the option of moving adult softball league play to the Chisenhall Sports Complex. Staff and BYA are working together to confirm logistics and scheduling accommodations in order to ensure all programming can have continued success and co-exist without conflict. Our Spring Adult Softball league is set to begin March 29, 2021 and will remain at Hidden Creek Softball Complex until logistics and scheduling accommodations are set and confirmed.

**G. Winter Storm Utility Bill Adjustments**

During the March 15 city council meeting, the city council voted unanimously to provide relief measures for Burleson residents and businesses impacted by the recent severe weather storm event.

Burleson residents will be offered the following adjustments:

**Water Adjustments:** All accounts (commercial and residential) will be given a 1,000 gallon adjustment for water used by dripping faucets. The average credit amount for 1,000 gallons of water is \$4.76. This will be reflected on the resident’s April utility bill statement.

**Solid Waste Adjustment:** Due to the delay in solid waste collection, both residential and commercial accounts will receive an adjustment on their April statement. The residential amount is \$4.55, the commercial minor collection is \$5.50 and the commercial major collection will be adjusted by \$8.19.

**Winter averaging:** The city utilizes a winter quarter averaging method to determine the sewer rate for each customer. These months are January, February and March. The city will drop the month with the highest consumption and average the two remaining months. This adjustment will also be reflected on the April utility bill statement.

**Leak adjustments:** The city is offering an adjustment for anyone who had a leak due to the winter storm. The homeowner must provide a repair receipt showing a repair was made, and the dates must correspond to the storm. The adjustment will only be applied to the bill that included February 13 - February 19 in the service period, mailed from February 22 to March 10. The adjustment will utilize the customer's 12-month average to determine the credit. Any amount over the 12-month average will be the amount of the credit. Leak adjustments should be submitted to utility billing via email at [utilitybilling@burlesontx.com](mailto:utilitybilling@burlesontx.com) or in-person at City Hall, 141 W. Renfro, by April 30.

Questions can be directed to Utility Customer Service at 817-426-9601.

### III. Upcoming Road Construction/Closures

UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION / CLOSURES			
Projects & Limits	Current Status	Traffic Affected	Estimated Completion
Turkey Peak Ground Storage Tank Construction & Brushy Mound Tank Demolition at existing City Facilities	General Contractor is at both Turkey Peak and Brushy Mound Sites.	Intermittent construction traffic to and from both sites. Anticipated Routes include: NW Renfro, SW Brushy Mound Rd, SW Alsbury Blvd, NW Summercrest Blvd, Nicole Dr & NW Jayellen Ave.	Fall 2021
Traffic Signal at Hidden Vistas / Hidden Creek Parkway Intersection	Traffic Signal installation substantially complete. Signal scheduled to go active this week.	None anticipated	April 2021
Fire Station #16	Work on building on-going	None anticipated	

Elk Drive Pedestrian Mobility	Work underway. Pedestrian bridge under construction.	No lane closures scheduled	May 2021
Irene/Gardens Safe Routes to School	Construction underway	Outside lanes of Gardens, Irene & Johnson Ave will be closed in areas of construction. Closures to move with construction progress	November 2021
SH174 (Wilshire) Landscape Enhancements	Construction scheduled to begin week of April 12. Flashing message boards are scheduled to be up next week.	Construction will require temporary daytime lane closures as necessary. These closures will only affect the inside lanes. Remaining lanes, including left turn lanes will remain open at all times.	July 2021

**IV. Events**

- **Aqua Egg Hunt**  
March 27, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the BRiCk
- **Easter Egg Hunt at Russell Farm**  
March 27, 9 a.m. At Russell Farm Art Center
- **Bunny Daze**  
April 3, 12 - 3 p.m. at Chisenhall Fields
- **National Walking Day**  
April 7, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the BRiCk
- **Vietnam Veterans Celebration**  
April 10, 2 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Plaza

**V. Attachments**

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March 25, 2021

## **Burleson Police announce department honors**

### **Officer of the Year**

The 2020 Officer of the Year is Jay Davis, a 15-year veteran assigned to the Operations Support Bureau.

Officer Davis has served in various extra duty assignments, including field training officer and crash investigator. Officer Davis takes these additional responsibilities very seriously and understands the importance of his contributions to the Burleson Police Department.



In 2020, Officer Davis trained four new officers.

As a senior field training officer (FTO), Officer Davis often receives the new officer in their first training phase. He recognizes the importance of laying the foundation for the other FTO's to build upon. Officer Davis capitalizes on this opportunity to make a trusting rapport with the new officer so they can learn and thrive. One of his strongest characteristics is his patience, as demonstrated while training one of the new officers that was struggling. His tenure as a training officer affords him the ability to adapt his teaching style to ensure he motivates them toward their goal of a solo officer. Officer Davis takes pride in this role as he understands his efforts shape our newest officers' career.

Officer Davis has served on the crash investigation team for many years. Again, his tenure places him in a position to train new members and excels in this role. This team is on-call for major crashes, so they must be available at any given time. Officer Davis's dedication and commitment to this role are vital to training new team members successfully.

Officer Davis is one of only three officers in the department that speaks Spanish, and for many years he was the sole Spanish-speaking officer in the department. He uses his skills to translate for citizens to ensure their needs are met. His willingness to assist the department reflects his commitment to ensuring that quality service is provided to non-English speaking citizens.

Officer Davis's work ethic places him in a position to be recognized as the officer of the year. He goes about his work without an expectation of recognition, just a simple goal of doing what needs to be done. This award recognizes Officer Davis's outstanding daily routine of making the department better, helping his teammates succeed, and exceptionally serving the citizens of Burleson.

## Rookie of the Year

Officer Roy Denbow was selected as the 2020 Burleson Police Department Rookie of the Year. Officer Denbow has been with the department for two years. After graduating from the regional academy, he spent almost six months in field training before achieving solo status on January 6, 2020.

Since completing field training, Officer Denbow continued to excel as a rookie police officer. He is eager to learn, accepting of criticism, and often seeks feedback in order to better himself. Officer Denbow has shown to be a real team player, evidenced by his statistics since his release to solo status. Officer Denbow is quick to help both the citizens and his fellow employees. He understands the seriousness of the job that we do and trains mentally and physically, both on and off duty, to ensure he is up to any task. Officer Denbow is polite, compassionate, and serves as a great representative of the Burleson Police Department.



## Supervisor of the Year

The 2020 Burleson Police Supervisor of the Year is Sergeant Tim Mabry. Sergeant Mabry, a 12 year veteran of BPD, has been a sergeant for three and a half years, serving the last two and half years leading the Criminal Investigation Division.

Sergeant Mabry made quite the impact on the criminal investigation section during 2020. His leadership and oversight of several high-profile investigations throughout the year ensured the integrity of the cases were maintained and resources were available to investigate thoroughly.

Sergeant Mabry coordinated a murder investigation and other high-profile cases to include sexual assaults, shootings, and a stabbing.

In addition, Sergeant Mabry updated several procedures and protocols to improve the efficiency of the investigative team. He worked diligently on a five-year strategic plan, outlining future needs and direction for his team. His research and thoroughness of the strategic plan led to expanding the plan departmental-wide. He closely reviews, monitors, and provides guidance for all cases assigned to his staff. He maintains oversight of thirteen staff members.



Sergeant Mabry maintains a close and professional relationship with surrounding law enforcement agencies, the Johnson and Tarrant District Attorney's offices, judges, and the community he serves. Besides the tremendous amount of work Sergeant Mabry does every day, he always makes time to stop and check on his co-workers. His positive words of encouragement motivate those around him, and his willingness to help with any task is appreciated.

### **Civilian of the Year**

Burleson Police Department's civilian staff works diligently behind the scenes in support of the department's mission. The department is proud to recognize Stephanie Colson.

Stephanie began her Burleson Police Department career in the Records Division in October of 2019. In early 2020, the Criminal Investigations Section (CIS) found themselves with a vacancy at the clerk position and solicited help from Records.

Stephanie volunteered to take on the overwhelming task of filing numerous cases, organizing files, and learning a new job while fulfilling her duties in the Records Section. Stephanie made quick order of the objectives at hand and completed the task at an expedient pace. Through Stephanie's contribution, CIS was able to catch up on case files while maintaining its present workload. It cannot be emphasized enough how much her assistance contributed to this department's success during that time.



Stephanie was selected for the vacant position in May 2020 and has played an instrumental role in the unit's success. Her self-motivation allowed her to streamline several processes that have led to overall efficacy within the section. She mastered several techniques to simplify case filing, maintains logs for case follow-up, and provides supplemental information to the prosecutor's office. The checks and balances system she implemented has ensured the department complies with providing all Brady material to the appropriate prosecutor's office. It should be noted 1,494 cases and 642 supplemental packets were filed in 2020, and all of these cases funnel through Stephanie. Further, Stephanie has trained Records personnel to ensure her duties can be accomplished in her absence. Finally, Stephanie assists detectives with case packets for arrests and warrants, leading to an overall reduction of rollover caseload within the section.

Stephanie is most certainly the right person for her position and she continuously exhibits a teamwork mentality. She prides herself on being a contributing member of this department and does so with a positive attitude every day. To say Stephanie is a valued member of the team would be an understatement.

## **Ofelia Blair Character Award**

The Ofelia Blair award is in honor of former Burleson Police employee Ofelia Blair, whose actions exemplified outstanding character in the service of others. Her compassion, empathy, and professionalism reflect the traits defined by this award.

The 2020 honoree for the Ofelia Blair award is Detective Mark Pate. Mark has been a member of the Burleson Police Department since June 2010 and is currently assigned to the Criminal Investigations Section. In addition to his primary assignment, he is a SWAT Medic, Crash Reconstructionist, and Shooting Reconstructionist. Detective Pate is a dedicated member of this department and has exhibited his ability to be a team member and a leader within the roles held during his tenure. His dedication does not stop at the police department's doors. Outside of work, Detective Pate serves as an Assistant Scout Master for a local Boy Scout Troop. Mark leads training related to first aid, firearms safety, fingerprinting, and other criminal justice processes in this capacity. Detective Pate earned his Eagle Scout during his youth and expressed he is driven to help develop future leads through Scouting.

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## Concept 1 - Overview



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# Concept 1 - Perspective Views



# Concept 2 - Overview



## Concept 2 - Perspective Views



# Concept 3 - Overview



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**Burleson BRiCk SplashPark**  
Burleson, TX

Project 25199  
Option 6

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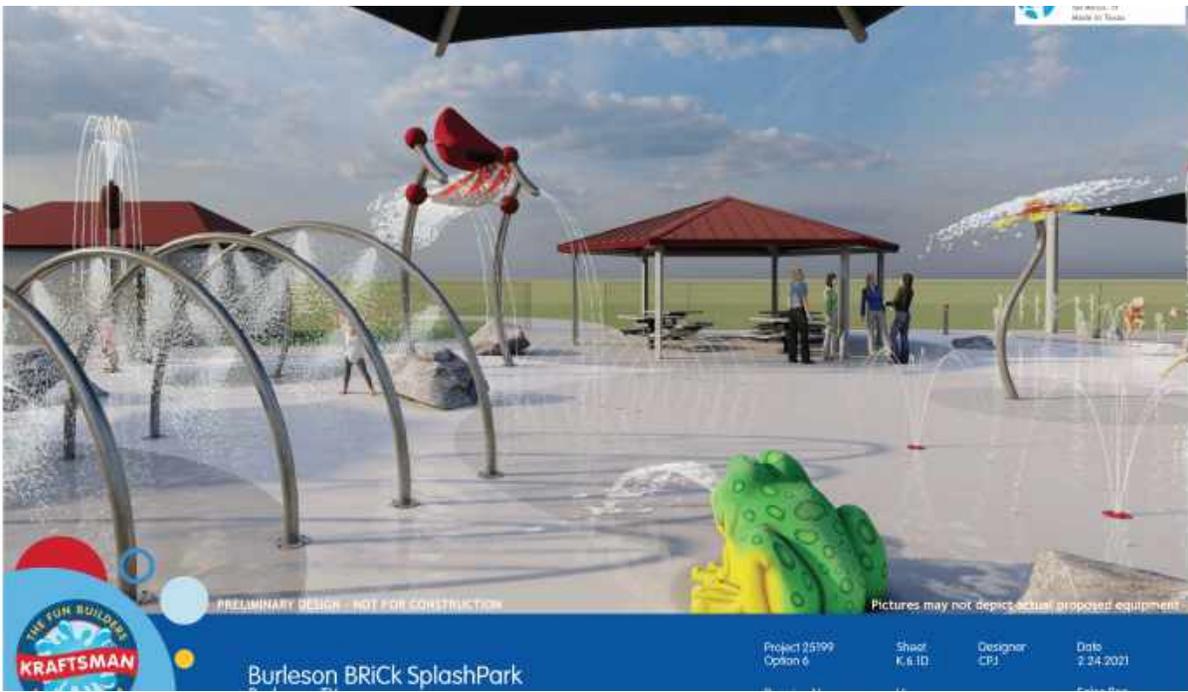
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# Concept 3 - Perspective Views



# Option 4 - Overview



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Burleson, TX

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# Concept 4 - Perspective Views

