

Storytime at Russell Farm Art Center



WEEKLY REPORT

MAY 14, 2021

TO: MAYOR FLETCHER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS
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I. Council Schedule

Meetings

Monday, May 17: 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

May 17

- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an overview of Public Improvement Districts (PID) and the City's PID Policy. (Staff Presenter: Mandy Clark, Development Services Director)
- Receive a report, hold a discussion and give staff direction regarding development standards for the Chisholm Summit Master Planned Community. (Staff Presenter: Mandy Clark, Development Services Director)
- Receive a Strategic Overview report for Burleson Fire & EMS, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an update on Fire operations. (Staff Presenter: K.T. Freeman, Fire Chief)
- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an update on the Public Safety Communications Department. (Staff Presenter: Paul Bradley, Public Safety Communications Manager)
- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the expansion of the animal shelter. (Staff Presenter: Aaron Russell, Public Works Director)
- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on the Quarterly Update to City Council. (Staff Presenters: Martin Avila, Director of Finance; Collin Gregory, Communications Coordinator; Aaron Russell, Director of Public Works and Jen Basham, Director of Parks and Recreation)

II. General Information and Status Updates

A. Runoff Election Early Voting Dates & Times

The runoff Election Day for Place 3 is set for June 5. Early voting dates and times are as follows: May 24 – 28, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., May 31 – June 1, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Election Day on June 5 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. All voting takes place at Burleson City Hall, 141 W Renfro.

All registered voters can vote in the election, you did not need to vote in the May 1 election to vote in this election.

In Place 3, four candidates filed for the seat. Incumbent Katherine Reading garnered 45.21 percent of the vote during the May 1 election. Jimmy Stanford received 44.85

percent. In order to win the seat outright, the person with the highest number of votes would have had to earn 50 percent of the total vote, plus one.

The top two candidates will be the only options on the ballot for council place 3. During the regularly scheduled city council meeting on Monday, May 17, 2021 Victoria Johnson (Place 1) and Dan McClendon (Place 5) will be sworn in.

B. May Sales Tax Information

Below is the information from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts in reference to the City of Burleson Sales and Use Tax Collections for the most current period.

May 2020	May 2021	Diff \$	Diff %	FY 2020 YTD	FY2021 YTD	Diff \$	Diff %
\$1,742,284	\$2,455,249	\$712,965	40.92%	\$8,627,429	\$ 9,766,776	\$1,139,347	13.20%

Note: May sales tax amount represents sales incurred in March 2021.

C. Bailey Lake Disc Golf Expansion

Bailey Lake Disc Golf course expansion will add 9 holes to the existing 9 holes making it a full 18-hole course. The project was initially scheduled for completion by mid-May 2021. However, due to the increased popularity of disc golf since the pandemic, the proposed disc golf baskets to be used in the expansion project are on back order. The baskets will not be available until the end of June. There was an option to purchase an alternative basket style for the back 9 holes and a poll was taken by *Burleson Disc Golf – Bailey Lake* Facebook page to get user feedback:

Question: Would you prefer to get 9 red Veteran baskets that could ship within the next couple weeks? Or wait 4-8 weeks to get matching white Patriot baskets?

- Total votes received = 94
- Answer 1: 9 Red Veterans (alternative style) - Votes = 30
- Answer 2: 9 White Patriots (original) with a 4-8 week backorder - Votes = **64**

The majority of votes were in favor of waiting for the backorder to keep the play consistent across the course. The new projected date of completion for the project is **mid-July 2021**. To date, course paths have been cleared, prepped and marked for tee pads as well as basket installation.

D. Burleson Recreation Center – Exercise Room Floor Update

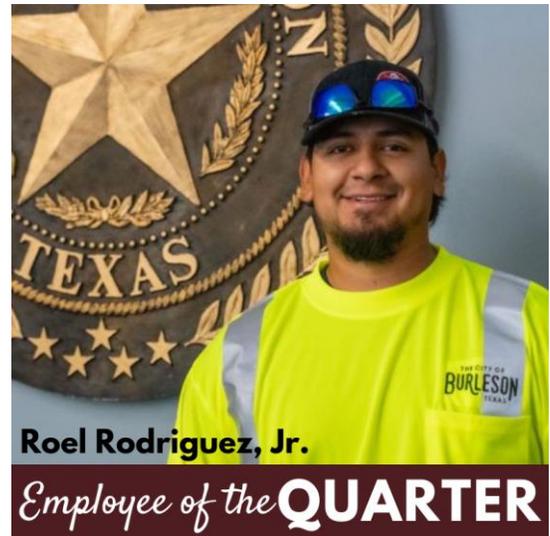
The BRiCk’s exercise room flooring is scheduled for install on Monday, May 17, 2021. All group exercise classes will move from the basketball courts, back into that room on Monday, May 24, 2021.

E. Employee of the Quarter

Roel Rodriguez, Jr. (Junior), the City of Burleson's Employee of the Quarter, was nominated and selected for his outstanding work during multiple crises and for his positivity.

Junior was nominated this quarter for the work he did during the extreme winter storm that affected our city in February 2021.

"He worked almost 150 hours during that short timeframe," states his nomination form. "He took a large portion of the calls working long days in extreme freezing temperatures, including being submerged in freezing water to repair a water main break. Junior maintained positivity toward all citizens and co-workers around him and just kept going."



He was also nominated last year for how much he contributed during the pandemic when schedules were adjusted. He was noted as always being willing to help in whatever way he can, whether it was with work or personal, and never expects repayment of his kindness.

"COVID created childcare issues for some, and he took calls when others didn't have anyone to watch their children," states his nomination form.

Junior was also integral on a significant water main break on Renfro Street last year, where he worked day and night to get the repair done. Again, he does so without complaint.

"It is evident that these are not isolated events for Junior. He is someone who steps up, works hard, and stays positive day-to-day," states Rick DeOrdio, Human Resources Director.

He was honored during the May 3, 2021, City Council meeting. The city's employee of the quarter award is based on an employee's efficiency, transparency, honesty, innovation and customer service, all of which make up the city's ethics statement.

F. Feel Good Friday

From Reyka Smith and Girl Scout Troop 3412:

"We just want to thank the Burleson Animal Shelter for welcoming our Girl Scout Troop into the shelter this weekend for their scavenger hunt. They had so much fun and enjoyed swapping stories of the animals they got to pet while they were there. Thank you for being such a wonderful part of our community. We appreciate all you do."



G. Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza Dedication

On Saturday, May 8, the city officially dedicated the opening of the Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza in Old Town. We were honored to have Mayor Vera Calvin in attendance as well as Mayor Fletcher, city council members, city staff, and contractors who made building the Plaza possible. Thank you to all who were involved in creating this beautiful addition to Burleson.



For more photos: <https://flic.kr/s/aHsmVyCNCA>

H. Burleson Recreation Center – New Divider Curtain

Replacement of the Burleson Recreation Center court divider curtain was approved as a budget supplemental for the amount of \$22,000 for fiscal year 20-21. The current court divider is worn, has rips and holes, and does not close properly (see pictures below). The new divider will roll up from the bottom, which will help preserve the life of

the curtain as it will remain rolled up unless in use. The low quote for this project came in at \$20,766.59, which is within the budgeted amount of the budget supplemental. The expected completion for this project completed in the end of July 2021.

Current Divider



Rendering of New Divider



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
Fire Station #16	Work on building at finish-out stage.	None anticipated	May 2021
Irene/Gardens Safe Routes to School	Construction underway	Outside lanes of Gardens, Irene, Gregory & Johnson Ave will be closed in areas of construction. Closures to move with construction progress	November 2021
SH174 (Wilshire) Landscape Enhancements	Construction underway Flashing message boards are in place.	Construction will require temporary daytime lane closures as necessary. These closures will only affect the inside lanes. Remaining lanes, including left-turn lanes, will always remain open.	July 2021

IV. Events

- **Community Job Fair**
May 24, 2 p.m. at Burluson Recreation Center
- **Hot Sounds of Summer – Le Freak**
May 28, 7:30 p.m. at Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza