



WEEKLY REPORT

NOVEMBER 18, 2022

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

THE CITY OF
BURLESON
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Weekly Report | November 18, 2022

I. Council Schedule

Meetings

Monday, December 12, City Council Regular Session, 3:30 p.m.*

All meetings will be held at City Hall Council Chambers, 141 W. Renfro St. The meeting will be conducted in the council chambers and is also available via live stream, <https://www.burlesontx.com/watchlive>

*The City Council will not discuss or take action on any public hearings, or items listed under “Public Presentations”, “Citizens Appearances”, or “Development Applications” prior to 5:30 p.m.

II. General and Status Updates

A. Thanksgiving Closures and Trash Collection

City of Burleson facilities, with the exception of public safety, will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24-25, in observance of Thanksgiving. There will be no trash or curbside recycling collection on Thursday, Nov. 24. If you are on the Monday-Thursday route, your trash will be collected on the next Monday, Nov. 28. Curbside recycling will be collected on your next scheduled day. Friday, Nov. 25 will be a regularly scheduled collection day for solid waste, recycling and bulk/brush. Thanksgiving is one of the three holidays when trash is not collected, the other two are Christmas Day and New Year’s Day.

Hidden Creek Golf Course and the Burleson Recreation Center (BRiCk) will be open normal hours Friday, Nov. 25. The animal shelter, library, senior activity center will be open regular hours Saturday, Nov. 26, along with Hidden Creek Golf Course and the BRiCk.

Also, there will be no weekly report next week.

B. No Grease down the Drain

As a reminder, you should not pour grease down your drain (or your toilet). It will cause major plumbing issues.

So what should you do with your grease?

- Put Grease in a Container and Toss It in the Trash.

Wait until the grease has cooled a bit so you don't burn yourself, and then put it into a container—preferably one, like a milk carton, that will slowly decompose.

- Use Old Paper to Absorb Grease, Then Throw It Away.

If you use paper towels in your kitchen, start saving the used ones to absorb the grease before throwing it in the trash. That way, you won't need to use a container that could be recycled instead.



C. Apply and Pay for your Permit Online

City of Burleson has launched a new way to expedite the building permit process by launching an online portal for some of the most common city-issued permits. After an account is created residents and contractors can apply for a variety of permits, pay fees and schedule inspections at www.burlesontx.com/permitonline without having to come into city hall or call the permits division.



Available online permits include:

- Accessory Structures (storage buildings, pergolas, patio covers, etc)
- Certificate of Occupancy

- Demolition (residential / commercial)
- Fence
- Fire Prevention
- Freestanding Sign
- Garage Sale (No fee)
- Irrigation
- Miscellaneous (driveways / sidewalks, window replacement, special events, seasonal permit, etc)
- One Trade (plumbing, electrical, mechanical)
- Residential (New, remodels, additions)
- Swimming Pool and Spa (in-ground, above-ground, manufactured spas)
- Wall Sign

D. Congressional Visit to Fire Station 16

Congressman Roger Williams has requested to visit Station 16 on Nov. 21. He will bring a turkey for the firefighters to enjoy over the Thanksgiving holiday.

E. BTX Focus

The winter edition of the city’s quarterly city newsletter, BTX Focus, will be mailed to all residents in the upcoming week. You can see a copy of the newsletter on page 9.

F. Library News

Looking to give back this holiday season? The Burleson Library is a drop off site for three great causes.

You can drop off Toys for Tots until November 30, items for Harvest House through December and donations for the Burleson Animal Shelter from Dec. 3 – 10.



 **Toys for Tots**
Now Until November 30

 **Harvest House**
November 14- December

 **The Animal Shelter**
December 3- December 10

All Donations will be accepted at: 

G. Senior Center Programming

The Fall Festival at the Senior Center had a great turnout. Participants played games and learned about resources for seniors in our community.



UPCOMING PROGRAM:

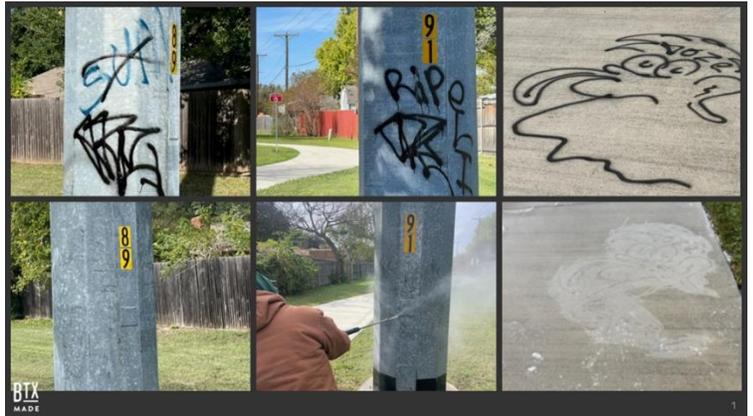
Gospel Jam Session

November 26, 6:30 p.m.

Come to play along, sing or just listen!

H. Graffiti Incident – Heberle Trail

A resident reported multiple spray-paint taggings along Heberle Trail. Parks staff removed all graffiti the same day and reported the incident to the police department.



I. Cindy Park - Ornamental Fence

The installation of the ornamental buffer fence for Cindy Park is complete. The park was reopened as scheduled on Tuesday, November 15 despite a rain delay.

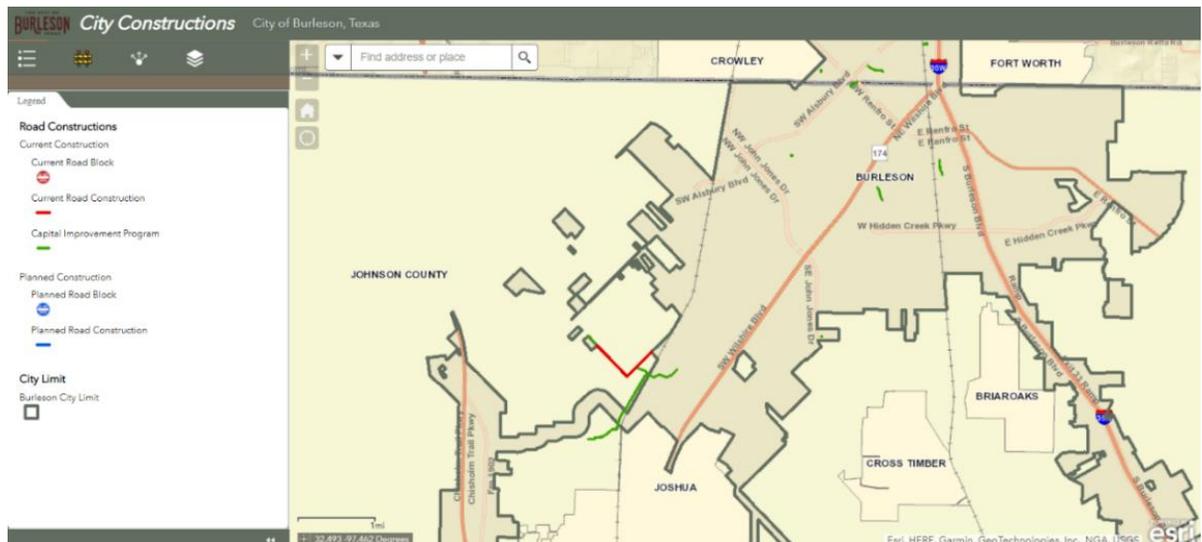


J. Feel Good Friday

Burleson PD was featured on NBC 5 last week when they hosted students from the Regional Day School Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, last Friday. You can watch the story [here](#). And, view photos from the event on the [city's Flickr account](#).



III. Upcoming Road Construction/Closures ([click to view map](#))



IV. Parks Capital Projects

| ESTIMATED TIMELINE | | | | |
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| Projects & Limits | Current Status | Reason for Delay | Original projected completion | Adjusted expected Completion |
| Claudia Park Improvements (New playground, furnishings, fitness area, and shade structures) | Awaiting delivery of components to begin installation | Supply chain lead time changes | Summer 2022 | Winter 2022 |

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| Cemetery Expansion | Construction Underway | Columbarium, memorial books, infrastructure complete. Shelter 90% complete. Landscaping, electrical connection and finishes remain. | May 2022 | December 2022 |
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V. Events

- **Old Town Picture Show: Holiday Edition featuring "Elf"**
 6 p.m. **December 2** at Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W Renfro St
 Admission: Free
[For more information](#)
- **Breakfast with Santa**
 7 - 11 a.m. **December 3** at Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
 Admission: \$5 per child (ages 2 - 12) and \$7 per adult. Children under 2 are free.
 Registration: [Purchase tickets online](#) or in person at the BRiCk, 550 NW Summercrest Ave
[For more information](#)
- **Christmas at the Library**
 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. **December 3** at Burleson Public Library, 248 SW Johnson Ave
 Admission: Free
[For more information](#)
- **BTX-MAS: Christmas in Burleson**
 6 - 9 p.m. **December 3**, Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W Renfro St
 Admission: Free
 Time Details: 6 p.m. Parade of Lights
 7:30 p.m. Entertainment on the Plaza stage
 8:00 p.m. Tree Lighting in the Plaza and Holiday Drone Show
[For more information](#)
- **Nights of Lights**
 6 - 8:00 p.m. **December 7 - 10** at Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714

Admission: Free
[For more information](#)

- **Christmas Craft Fair**
9 a.m. – 2 p.m. **December 10** at the Senior Activity Center, 216 SW Johnson Ave
[For more information](#)
- **Strolling Characters in the Plaza**
10 a.m. - 1 p.m. **December 10 & 17**, Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W Renfro St
Cost: Free
- **Drop-n-Shop**
Kids ages 6 - 12
11 a.m. - 5 p.m. **December 10**, BRiCk, 550 NW Summercrest Blvd.
Cost: \$25
[Register online](#)
- **Christmas on the Farm**
12 - 8 p.m. **December 10** at the Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
[For more information](#)
- **Carriage Rides in Old Town**
10 a.m. - 1 p.m. **December 17**, Old Town Burleson
Admission: Free

VI. Attachments

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City of Burleson Newsletter
WINTER 2022-23



YOUR BURLESON CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS



MAYOR

Chris Fletcher



PLACE 1

Victoria Johnson



PLACE 2

Rick Green



PLACE 3

Jimmy Stanford



PLACE 4

Tamara Payne



MAYOR PRO TEM

Dan McClendon



PLACE 6

Ronnie Johnson

City Council Meetings are held at 5:30 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month, unless otherwise noticed, at Burleson City Hall, 141 W. Renfro St



VIEW AGENDAS

City Council agendas are posted at least 72 hours before a scheduled meeting and can be viewed at burlesontx.com/agendas



WATCH MEETINGS

Livestream the meeting or view after at burlesontx.com/watchlive

UPCOMING EVENTS

December

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Santa's Breakfast

7 - 11 a.m. at Russell Farm Art Center | Tickets required

Christmas at the Library

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Burleson Public Library | Free Event

BTX-MAS: Christmas in Burleson

6 - 9 p.m. in Old Town, 141 W. Renfro | Free Event

December

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Nights of Lights (Dec 7 - 10)

6 - 8 p.m. at Russell Farm Art Center | Free Event

Christmas Craft Fair

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Senior Activity Center | Free Entry

Christmas at the Farm

Noon. - 8 p.m. at Russell Farm Art Center | Free Event

Parent's Night Out: January 20 & February 17

Parents get to enjoy a night out without the kids. Kids will get to swim, play games, create art projects, watch a movie, and eat pizza at the BRiCk.

CityFest: February 2

4:30 - 7 p.m. at the BRiCk | Meet with city officials and learn about upcoming projects, FREE EVENT

Family Valentine Dance: February 4

4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the BRiCk. Tickets are required.



Event Information

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Weekly E-news



News Releases



Emergency Alerts



Website



burlesontx.com/getconnected

ALLEY CATS ENTERTAINMENT BREAKS GROUND IN BURLESON

Alley Cats Entertainment, along with city officials, broke ground on their 40,000-square-foot family entertainment venue at 1258 SW Alsbury Boulevard Thursday, September 22, 2022.

The amenities will include an arcade with virtual reality, 24 lanes of bowling, 1950s-themed miniature golf, batting cages, laser tag and new to Alley Cats Entertainment, electric go-karts and pickleball.

The project is hopeful of completing construction by the end of summer 2023.



BURLESON RECEIVES CREDIT RATING UPGRADE



Moody's Investors Service has upgraded the city of Burleson's general obligation bond rating to Aa2 from Aa3. For the most recent bond issuance, the upgrade will provide approximately \$75,088 in debt service savings over the life of the bonds. Moody's Investors Service rates 22,789 cities throughout the country and only 1,090 cities are at or above Aa2 rating.

Therefore, this rating puts the City of Burleson in the top five percent of the country. The city of Burleson has held a bond rating of Aa3 since 2013.

Where do I take my Household Hazardous Waste?



Residents of Burleson can take their household hazardous waste to the Environmental Collection Center (ECC) in Fort Worth. The ECC is open Thursdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is located at 6400 Bridge Street in Fort Worth. For directions, call 817-392-EASY (3279).

What's accepted?

- Automotive fluids
- Batteries
- Cleaners & chemicals
- Cooking oil
- Lawn/garden/pool chemicals
- Light bulbs
- Paint & painting supplies

What's NOT accepted?

- Ammunition & explosives
- Appliances & electronics
- Building materials
- Bulk trash & yard waste
- Butane/propane cylinders
- Medicines & Medical waste
- Tires Asbestos/PCBs/radioactive items

There is no fee for dropping off household hazardous waste. However, residents must take a City of Burleson water or solid waste bill as proof of residency. More information: www.burlesontx.com/hhw or call (817) 426-9841.

CITY PERMITS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Starting Nov. 11, residents and contractors will be able to apply for a variety of permits, pay fees and schedule inspections at www.burlesontx.com/permitonline without having to come into city hall or call the permits division.

Available permits include: storage buildings, patio covers, certificate of occupancy, demolition, garage sale, irrigation, fence, swimming pool and spa. For a full list of permits visit the above website.



HELMETS: HOTTEST ACCESSORY ON THE TRAILS



If a new bike is on your radar for a holiday present or to get fit in the new year, make sure you also pick out a perfect-fitting helmet and show it off on Burleson streets and trails. All family members should wear helmets (we are looking at you, Dad!). Helmets can provide a 66 to 88% reduction in the risk of head, brain and severe brain injury for all ages of bicyclists.



WHAT TO DO, SEE AND EAT IN BTX

The Economic Department team has launched Explore Burleson, a place to find all things to do, see and eat in our community. Follow them on Facebook and Instagram.



PUBLIC HEALTH DISCONTINUES COVID-19-RELATED SERVICES

Burleson Public Health Authority ceased providing COVID-19-related services, including testing and vaccine administration, on October 28, 2022. The closure was due to persistently low demand for COVID-19 vaccination and testing, along with a lower severity of the disease and infection. COVID-19 services are widely available and easily obtained through local pharmacies, personal physicians, and medical clinics.



DID YOU READ THIS?

We want to make sure the quarterly newsletter is an effective way to inform our residents. If you are reading this, scan the QR code to the left and enter a drawing to win a \$100 gift card to the Burleson business of your choice.



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City of Burleson Newsletter

BTX-MAS: Christmas in Burleson | December 3

Join us in Old Town for the community holiday event that features the Burleson Rotary Parade, music, Christmas tree lighting, a drone show and more.

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Burleson, TX 76028
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**Look inside
for more
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