

Storytime at Russell Farm Art Center



WEEKLY REPORT

MARCH 24, 2023

TO: MAYOR FLETCHER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: BRYAN LANGLEY, CITY MANAGER

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I. Council Schedule

Meetings

Monday, April 3, City Council Regular Session, 4 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>

Reports and Presentations

- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on the preliminary financial overview of the general fund, upcoming budget process and receive any additional direction from City Council regarding the annual budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.

(Staff Presenter: Martin Avila, Finance Director)

II. General and Status Updates

A. Library News

The library's Spring Break programming brought 306 attendees to events during the week of March 13-18. Families enjoyed events like scavenger hunts, Pi Day Pi-K, Chocolate Olympics, a button craft, Family Game Night, Teen Builder Challenge, a Vacation Movie Marathon and Teen World Record Challenges.



B. Senior Center News

On Friday, March 17 the Senior Activity Center organized a tour of Russell Farm Art Center and held the first meeting of their new Garden Club. They enjoyed a sack lunch, a tour of the fantastic artwork, then a tour of the gardens. The Garden Club claimed their raised beds with great enthusiasm.



C. Parks - ISA Certified Arborist

We are pleased to announce that Parks Crew Leader, TJ Arthur, has successfully passed the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) exam to become a Certified Arborist. This is the most sought-after accreditation to demonstrate that an individual is trained and knowledgeable in all aspects of arboriculture. TJ will use his training to continue enhancing the department's forestry program by providing expertise in health analysis, maintenance plans, integrated pest management, and care for trees in Burlinson parks.



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D. Tree City USA

Last week, Mayor Fletcher received a congratulatory letter from the Arbor Day Foundation recognizing Burleson as 2022 Tree City USA. As Arbor Day Foundation's Chief Executive, Dan Lambe, stated in the letter, "Burleson should be proud to live in a community that makes the planting and care of trees a priority." A proclamation for Arbor Day 2023 is scheduled for April as well as an Arbor Day tree planting event at Centennial Park.

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



IV. Parks Capital Projects

Project	Status	Timeline
Clark Parking Lot	Under construction	Scheduled completion: early May 2023
Oak Valley Playground and Parking Lot	Parking lot construction to begin 4/3/23 during which time the playground will remain open. The playground installation will begin after the parking lot is completed at the end of May 2023.	Parking lot construction to begin 4/3/23 thru the end of May 2023. Playground scheduled to begin in early June to be completed by the end of June 2023.
Cemetery Expansion	Finishes and final landscaping underway.	Project completion: early-April 2023
Elk Ridge Playground and Trees	Playground parts delivered to installer. Tree planting event preparation in process.	Playground installation to begin early April thru end of April. Tree planting event scheduled for 04/15/2023
Wakefield Playground	Shipment date April 4 (1-2 weeks ship time); To begin installation at the end of April 2023	Project completion: mid-May 2023
Monument Sign	Construction documents complete - currently seeking bids for construction.	Project completion: Spring 2023
Claudia Playground	Project under construction	Project completion: early April 2023 Ribbon cutting: 04/15/2023
Bailey Lake/ Chisenhall Parking Expansions	Construction bids close 03/27/2023	Contracts tentatively scheduled for award consideration 4/17/2023
Village Creek Trail	90% plans underway - acquiring easements and TXDOT LOSA	Partial construction to begin Summer 2023
Parks Building	Steel beams including roof installed.	Project Completion: early June 2023
Bark Park Lighting	Project complete.	COMPLETE
Chisenhall Turf Conversion	Under construction	Project completion: End of April 2023
Shannon Creek	Phase 1 construction plans in process	Begin construction Fall 2023
City Gateway Signage	Initial renderings under review	
Bartlett Soccer Complex Field Renovation	Under construction	Complete construction 4/30/23 with grow-in period thru 6/30/23

V. Events

- **Show Me How Festival**
March 25, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
Free event
- **Vietnam Veterans Celebration**
March 25, 2 p.m.
Veterans Memorial Plaza, 298 E Renfro St.
Free event
- **Trash Bash**
April 1, 8 a.m. - noon
Warren Park, 301 SW Johnson Ave
Free event
- **Easter Egg Hunt at Russell Farm**
April 1, 9 a.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W. CR 714
for children 4 and under only
Free event
- **Bunny Daze**
April 1, noon – 3 p.m.
Chisenhall Fields, 500 Chisenhall Park Ln
Free event
- **Aqua Egg Hunt**
April 8, 9 a.m. - noon
Burluson Recreation Center (BRiCk), 550 NW Summercrest Blvd
Tickets: \$2 per participant
- **Coyote Loop Clean Up**
April 15, 9 – 11a.m.
Coyote Loop Trail | Jennifer Trailhead, 504 Jennifer Dr
Free event

- **Drug Take-Back Day**
April 22, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Walmart Supercenter Parking Lot, 951 Wilshire Blvd
Free event
- **Earth Day Celebration**
April 22, 10 a.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
Free event
- **Arbor Day Celebration**
April 28, 10 a.m.
Centennial Park, 1100 Scarlet Sage Pkwy
Free event
- **Dare to be Square**
April 29, 6 – 8 p.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
\$10 per person
- **Far Out Family Campout**
April 29 - 30, 1 p.m. – 8 a.m.
Bailey Lake Park, 280 W Hidden Creek Pkwy
Pre-event: \$25 per family of 5
Day of: \$30 per family of 5