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WEEKLY REPORT

OCTOBER 20, 2023

TO: MAYOR FLETCHER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: TOMMY LUDWIG, CITY MANAGER

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I. COUNCIL SCHEDULE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, 5:30 P.M.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Receive a report, hold a discussion and provide staff direction regarding landscaping along Lakewood Drive. (*Staff Presenter: Errick Thompson, Director of Public Works & Engineering*)
- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff direction regarding a financial overview of the Parks Performance Fund. (*Staff Presenter: Jen Basham, Director of Parks and Recreation*)
- Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff direction regarding an update to the city's zoning ordinance. (Staff Presenter: Tony McIlwain, Director of Development Services)

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 livestream, <https://www.burlesontx.com/watchlive>

II. GENERAL AND STATUS UPDATES

A. TEXAS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION: NOV 7

On November 7, 2023, Texans will vote on 14 constitutional amendments covering a wide array of issues. On the Texas Secretary of State's website you can [view the propositions and their explanatory statements](#) and find your [early voting and Election Day polling locations](#). ****The City of Burleson is NOT a voting location****



An amendment only becomes part of the Texas Constitution if a simple majority votes in favor of the proposition. Since its adoption in 1876, the Texas Constitution has been amended 517 times.

B. SHELTERING FUNDAMENTALS

On Tuesday, October 17, Parks and Recreation and Environmental Services staff attended emergency shelter training.

The Red Cross Sheltering Fundamentals course is a basic level course that introduces the guidelines and procedures for setting up, running, and closing a shelter during a disaster. Referencing shelter checklists, staff worked through a case study that took them through four of the six phases of the Sheltering Cycle: Opening, Organizing, Operating and Closing. Staff continues to improve disaster response capabilities to ensure optimal service for the community in a time of need. In addition to sheltering training, staff also received Hands-Only CPR.

The Burleson Office of Emergency Management appreciates the city's designated Red Cross Disaster Manager, Tanya Webb, and the Red Cross volunteers for providing this valuable training.



C. OAK VALLEY NORTH PARK –DRINKING FOUNTAIN INSTALLATION

A new, four-tier drinking fountain was installed at Oak Valley North Park this week. The fountain includes a bottle filler, dog bowl, ADA accessible bowl and a standard bowl. The old drinking fountain is non-functional and scheduled to be removed in the coming weeks. The new drinker will help reduce waste and ensure patrons stay hydrated while enjoying the park and trail.

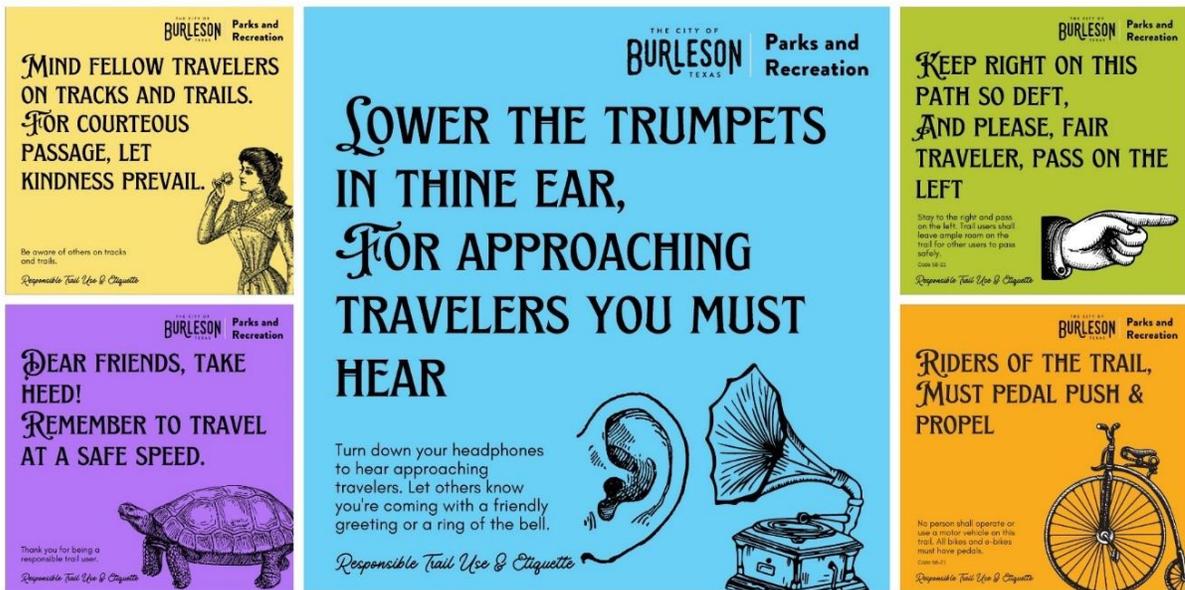


D. TRAIL ETIQUETTE SIGNAGE

Requests for rules and etiquette signage on paved trails were made by patrons concerned with trail rule violations. Although there are consolidated rules/etiquette signs posted at every trail entrance, some trail users may be missing them or have not stopped to read the list of rules while on the go. To make trail rules more conspicuous and memorable, colorful 24" x 24" signs will

soon begin making pop-up visits to city trails. Each sign will feature one individual rule with illustrations spaced throughout the trail. Rule sets will be installed for no more than 30 days per campaign to minimize sign pollution and becoming trite or ignored. Areas that receive the majority of concerns about non-conformance to trail rules will be prioritized for strategic signage campaigns. If concerning behaviors are unchanged despite educational efforts, escalated action will be required on a case-by-case basis. Should the amount of rule violations reduce or cease, the rule sets will continue on a periodic rotation throughout the trail system as an educational reminder.

Trail Etiquette Road Show Signs



E. LIBRARY NEWS

BISD ART DISPLAYS

The library is currently hosting two displays from the BISD Art Department. Kerr Middle School’s Texas Art Show will be displayed through Friday, October 20 in the library’s reading area. Student art from Hajek Elementary and Kerr Middle School are in the library’s display case through the end of this month.



F. SENIOR CENTER PROGRAMMING

Chair Beach Ball Volleyball Tournament

Join in the fun on Tuesday, October 24 at 1 p.m. as we kick off our Fall Tournament. Teams will be picked at random, and the winning team will receive prizes.

Regular chair beach ball volleyball sessions are held on Tuesdays, most Fridays, & Saturdays beginning at 1 p.m.

The Senior Center is open to people 50 years and older.

[Sign up for the Senior Center newsletter](#)



G. ANIMAL SERVICES: DID YOU KNOW?

To prepare an animal for adoption, shelter staff takes many steps to socialize them before making them available to the public. They will sit in a kennel with dogs, feed them treats and talk to them in order to gain and build trust. Some dogs are placed in the lobby when the shelter is closed to the public so they can hang out with staff. Pictured here is Prince, who was recently adopted. You can see his intake photo on the left and his photo after being properly socialized on the right. Some dogs take days, weeks or even months to become ready for adoption.



H. PET OF THE WEEK

Terrance is an adorable two-year-old Shepherd mix male. He's is a laidback, calm pup who loves nothing more than relaxing and spending time with his people. His laidback personality makes him a good fit for families with kids and you can bring your dog in to meet him anytime during business hours. You might just find your new best friend.

Terrance's adoption fee has been waived and he is available at the Burleson Animal Shelter. Adopt him today!



I. FEEL GOOD FRIDAY

Our friends over at Southern Gem Fine Jewelry shared this engagement that took place right here in our own Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza! We want to extend our congratulations to Reci & Preston on their engagement, we couldn't have selected a better place ourselves 😊

We wish you many blessings! If you have a Feel Good Friday email dphillips@burlesontx.com



III. UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION/CLOSURES

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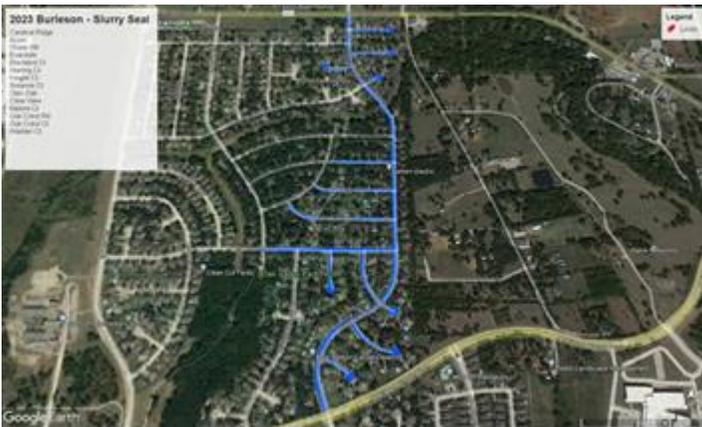


MICROSURFACE AND SLURRY SEAL PROJECT

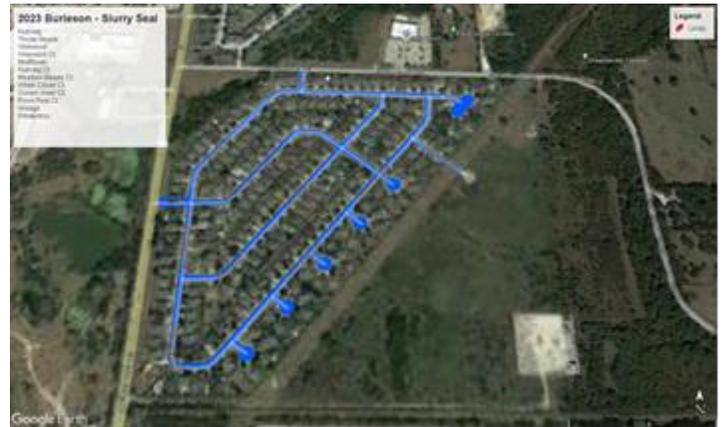
CITY PROJECT MANAGER: CLINT SUMERALL 682-312-2790 or csumerall@burlesontx.com

Intermountain Slurry Seal has been contracted with the city to perform road work in the four neighborhoods shown below, starting on October 30 and going through November 13, depending on the weather. Work will take place Monday through Friday and will require all cars or other obstructions to be removed from the roadway. Individual door hangers will be posted in the affected neighborhoods and additional reminders will be going out via social media.

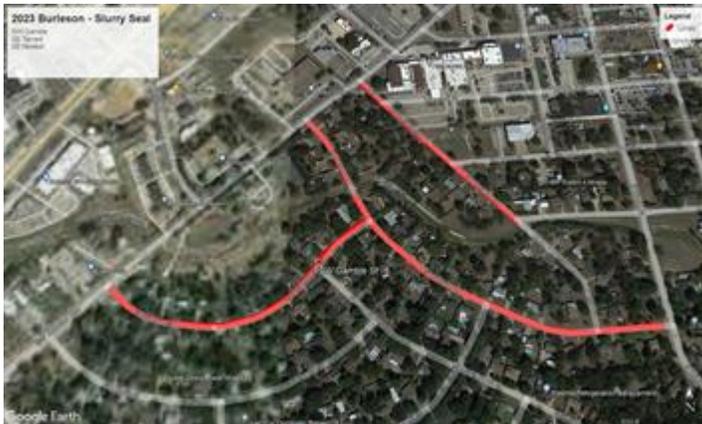
Arnold Neighborhood



Cardinal Ridge Neighborhood



Newton Neighborhood



Winepress Neighborhood



IV. PARKS CAPITAL PROJECTS

PROJECT	STATUS	TIMELINE
Bailey Lake/ Chisenhall Parking Expansions	All concrete pours completed for both sites. Landscaping and lighting underway. Temporary parking available for Bailey Lake.	Scheduled completion second week of November 2023. Chisenhall parking lot open for use during league games.
Village Creek Trail	90% plans underway - acquiring easements and TXDOT LOSA	Staff has submitted the plans for consideration for grant approval. Grant award will be announced late Fall 2023.
Bailey Lake Dredging	Drafting construction specifications and scope for contract draft.	Parks Board recommendation for November 2023 and Council consideration scheduled for December 2023. Projected to begin construction in January 2024.
Chisenhall Synthetic Infields Phase 2 (4 fields)	Drafting construction RFP specifications.	Advertise RFP in December with Parks Board and Council dates for early 2024. Target construction start date in May 2024 after spring baseball season to be completed before Fall 2024 season start.
Oak Valley South Trail Connector	Finalizing scope for construction RFP to advertise in late October 2023.	Parks Board recommendation for November 2023 and Council consideration scheduled for December 2023. Projected to begin construction in January 2024.
Meadowcrest Park	First round of Public Engagement scheduled for October 16-Nov 4	Parks Board recommendation for January 2024 and Council consideration scheduled for February 2024. Projected to begin construction in June 2024.
Oak Valley North- Restroom	Meeting with Development Services for permitting requirements October 12. Requesting quotes from vendors for restroom building design and install.	Parks Board recommendation for January 2024 and Council consideration scheduled for February 2024.

V. EVENTS

Event Information can be found at www.burlesontx.com/events

- **DATE NIGHT EXPERIENCE: WESTERN THEME**

October 20, 6 - 8 p.m.

Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714

\$45 per couple

- **THE GREAT PUMPKIN PLUNGE**

October 21, 9 a.m. - Noon

BRiCk, 550 NW Summercrest Blvd

\$10 per person with Pumpkin or \$5 per person NO pumpkin

- **BOO BASH**

October 21, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Chisenhall Sports Complex, 500 W Hidden Creek Pkwy

Free event

- **DRUG TAKE-BACK PROGRAM**

October 28, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Walmart parking lot, 951 SW Wilshire Blvd

Free event

- **FAR OUT FAMILY CAMPOUT**

October 28-29, 1 p.m. - 8 a.m.

Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714

Pre-event: \$25 per family of 5

Day of: \$30 per family of 5

- **DOGS AND DONUTS: HALLOWEEN EDITION**

October 28, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Burleson Bark Park, 616 Memorial Plaza

Free event

- **RECYCLING EVENT**
November 4, 9 – 11 a.m.
Municipal Service Center, 725 SE John Jones Dr
Free event, must be a Burleson resident
- **MILITARY VETERANS TRIBUTE**
November 11, 10 a.m. Ruck March and Car Show; 2 p.m. ceremony
Veterans Memorial Plaza, 298 E Renfro St.
Free event
- **RED CHAIR LECTURE SERIES**
November 11, 11 a.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
Free event
- **FALL FEST AT THE FARM**
November 17, 5 - 8 p.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
Free event

VI. ATTACHMENTS

- Keep Burleson Beautiful Oct. 11 Meeting Summary.....page 10-11



Keep Burleson Beautiful Meeting Summary

Wednesday, October 11, 2023
4:30 PM

City Service Center - 725 SE John Jones Drive
Burleson, TX 76028

On Wednesday, October 13, 2023, The Keep Burleson Beautiful Board met for its regularly scheduled meeting at 4:30. The Board had 10 members in attendance and the following items were discussed and acted on:

➤ **Welcome**

➤ **Administrative Items:**

- Treasurer's report: September \$ 4,267.99 October \$ 3,970.15
- Board member Mary Goldsberry made a donation of \$370.00 to cover the cost of pizzas at the Fall Trash Bash on 9/23/2023.

➤ **Ongoing/New Business**

- Fall Trash Bash Wrap-Up:
 - 272 participants and an estimated 4,080 lb trash collected
 - Huge shout-out to members Heidi Garbe, Donna Confessore, Mary Goldsberry, Channing Hanzel, and the Neighborhood Services team for their help!!!
 - What went well: good number and variety of raffle prizes; seed ball kit was a hit with kids
 - What could be improved next time: increase the number of activities available for groups who return early to help fill the time before the food and raffle
- City Reorganization: Going forward, KBB will be led by the Parks Department, with David Lopez as the liaison. Kristen Tanz will continue to assist with KBB through the transition.
 - Anne Heberle Award Nominations for November:
 - McNarin Plaza – 832 SW Wilshire Blvd
 - Burleson Honda – 632 N Burleson Blvd
 - Cowboy Express Car Wash – 236 Loy St
 - The Spears Team – 125 N Wilson St
 - 6 votes for Burleson Honda, 3 votes for McNarin Plaza, and 1 abstained
 - Kristen Tanz will reach out to Burleson Honda to coordinate the award
- Founders Day (October 14)
 - Insufficient volunteers available to staff the table during the whole event
 - Kristen Tanz will reach out to Neil to cancel the KBB booth registration
- The perennials at the Library Pollinator Garden were accidentally mowed by Parks Department staff. The Parks Department has offered to rectify the situation by replacing perennials, taking down the current "No Mow Area" sign, and replacing it with a metal sign that shows the garden is maintained by KBB
- 2023 Litter Index – Part of our annual Keep Texas Beautiful affiliate requirements
 - Scheduled for 9 a.m., November 2, 2023. Meet at City Service Center.
- Voted to change the monthly meeting time to the second Wednesday of the month at 4:45 p.m.
- Adopt-A-Spot Update: Suburban Wild has finalized their adoption of the trails behind Oak Valley North Park. Community 4H is working on their application to adopt Warren Park.

- 2024 T-Shirt Design Competition – suggested themes so far include recycling and pollinators. Please continue to submit ideas!
 - HEB – “Our Texas, Our Future” Films Screening opportunity
 - Discussed that the Burleson Public Library would be an ideal venue. Library liaison Amanda Cadenhead will check available dates for Saturday afternoons between October 21 and December 9 and send to Kristen Tanz.
- **Upcoming events**
- Founders Day: October 14, 2023, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 - Burleson Fall Recycling Event: November 4, 2023, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- **Upcoming Meetings**
- November 8th
 - December 13th
 - January 10th
- **Open the floor to Board/members/Close Meeting**
- Board Member Maryann Mathews requests that we schedule a maintenance day for the Pocket Prairie at Bailey Lake on a weekend and invite Master Naturalists to contribute. Scheduled for November 5, 2023 at 1 p.m.