



# WEEKLY REPORT

NOVEMBER 5, 2023

TO: MAYOR FLETCHER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: TOMMY LUDWIG, CITY MANAGER

THE CITY OF  
**BURLESON**  
TEXAS

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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)*

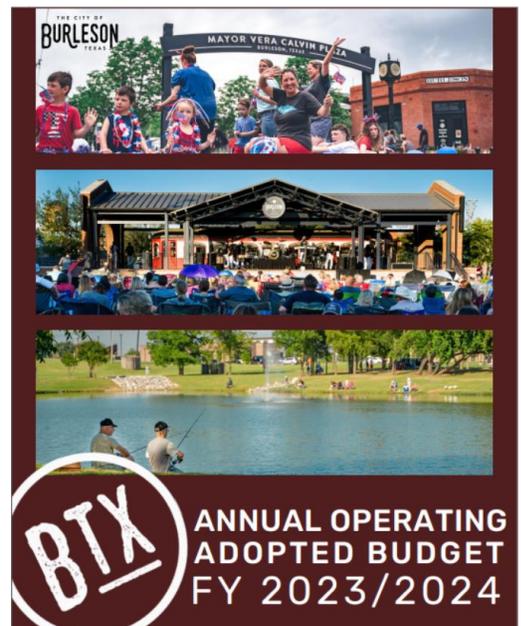
All meetings will be held at City Hall Council Chambers, 141 W. Renfro St. The meeting will be conducted in the council chambers and is also available via live stream, <https://www.burlesontx.com/watchlive>

## II. GENERAL AND STATUS UPDATES

### A. FY 23-24 ANNUAL OPERATING ADOPTED BUDGET

The FY23-24 Annual Operating Adopted Budget is now available on the city's website, [view the document](#).

The finance team would like to thank all of the departments for their collaborative effort with the development and completion of the budget.



## B. FIRE/EMS HOST 'PUSH-IN' CEREMONY FOR NEW APPARATUSES

Mayor Chris Fletcher, Mayor Pro-Tem Dan McClendon, and Councilmembers Victoria Johnson, Larry Scott, Ronnie Johnson, and Adam Russell, along with Fire Chief K.T. Freeman, members of the Burleson Fire and EMS staff, and the community, celebrated a special "push-in" ceremony, marking the arrival of the department's new ladder fire truck and ambulance at Fire Station 16 on Nov. 1.



[View News Release](#) | [View More Pictures](#)

## C. CURRENT PARK RENOVATION SURVEYS

The Parks and Recreation department is looking to make upgrades to two city parks in the near future and need your input. Upgrade considerations include replacement of the existing play structures at Cedar Ridge Park and Meadowcrest Park. Take the surveys today by following the links below to send your feedback. Round one surveys close on November 12.

**Cedar Ridge Park, 716 Cumberland Drive**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BTXCedarRidgePark>

**Meadowcrest Park, 1050 Barracuda Drive**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BTXMeadowcrestPark1>

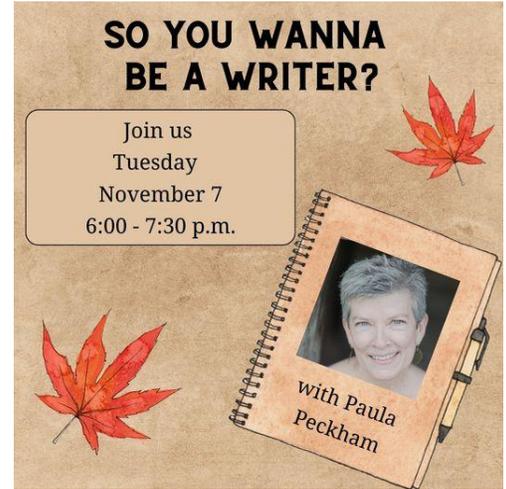


**D. LIBRARY PROGRAMMING**

**SO YOU WANNA BE A WRITER? WITH PAULA PECKHAM**

**Tuesday, November 7, 6 p.m.**

Come hear award-winning author Paula Peckham, a Burleson native, speak about the most commonly made mistakes beginning (and not so beginning) authors make with their writing. Learn self-editing tips that will lift your manuscript from the mediocre middle and make it shine.



**E. EMPLOYEE ATHLETICS WELLNESS PROGRAMMING**

The Parks and Recreation Department will be launching lunchtime sports leagues and open play employee wellness offerings beginning on November 8. This is an opportunity to assemble a team, have some mid-day fun, and get some exercise at the same time. You will also earn four wellness points for each game or open play session attended when you record your points in the Gym/Exercise Groups section of the Wellness Log.

[To register or for more information](#)

**Lunch Crunch Pickleball League**

**START DATE**  
**08 NOV. 2023**

GAMES ARE ON WEDNESDAYS AT 12 PM  
📍 BRICK | ON COURT 2

An 8-week league will be conducted with the top 4 teams advancing to the playoffs in the following week. Each game will have a duration of 15 minutes.

A maximum of 16 teams can participate. Each team consists of two players.

**FREE and open to all city employees!**

SCAN ME

SCAN CODE WITH YOUR DEVICE TO REGISTER

THE CITY OF BURLESON TEXAS | Parks and Recreation

**LUNCH CRUNCH BASKETBALL KNOCKOUT**  
FOR ALL CITY EMPLOYEES

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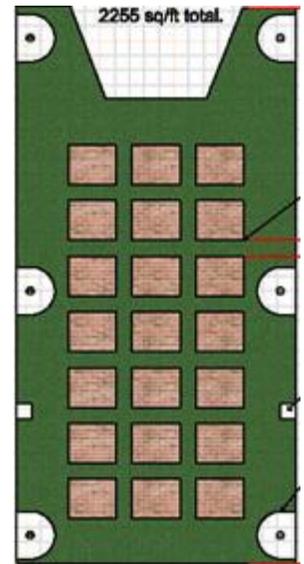
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**NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

THE CITY OF BURLESON TEXAS | Parks and Recreation

**F. VETERANS MEMORIAL PLAZA**

Installation of synthetic turf began at the Veterans Memorial Plaza on November 1. The project is anticipated to take nine days and should be completed prior to the Veterans Day Event on November 11.



**G. SENIOR CENTER PROGRAMMING**

**It's a busy week at the Senior Center!**

In addition to the center's normal activities, on Wednesday, November 8, the Senior Activity Center is teaming up with the Burleson Animal Shelter for the first-ever Adopt-a-Pet Event. Adoptable animals will be on-site, along with vendors and a dessert truck. The public is welcome to join the fun and maybe find that special pet your life has been missing.



Then, on Thursday, November 9, the center is holding its annual Fall Festival. It starts at 11:30 a.m. with green chili enchilada soup, bread, and dessert (please call 817-295-6611 to register for lunch). Then, from noon to 1:30 p.m., participants will play games for a chance to win prizes and chat with a variety of senior-centric companies and services.



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

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

## H. DOGS AND DONUTS: HALLOWEEN EDITION RECAP

The winners of Parks and Recreation's Dogs and Donut Halloween pet costume contest are pictured below. The contest was originally slated to be part of the Dogs and Donuts: Halloween Edition event on 10/28, but the event was cancelled due to rain. There was a total of 55 submissions.



## I. PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAM/EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

A variety of fun programming offerings were held in October for the community.

October offering highlights include:

- **Hispanic Heritage Month's Cool Sounds of Fall Concert:**
  - October 13, 2023 – Estimated 500 attendees
- **BTX Founder's Day:** October 14, 2023 – Estimated 2,500 attendees
  - View additional photos, [here](#)
- **Russell Farm Date Night Experience:** October 20, 2023 – 18 couple registered
  - View additional photos, [here](#)
- **Boo Bash Festival:** October 21, 2023 – Estimated 8,500 attendees
  - View additional photos, [here](#)
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**J. PET OF THE WEEK**

When you adopt Rowdy, you're giving him a chance to be his awesome self with you. You'll have loads of fun with this energetic boy and make a new friend. It's a good idea to have a meet-and-greet with your dog and Rowdy. That means they get to know each other and see if they can be pals. It's like a playdate for dogs. Rowdy needs a little time and patience to become less anxious - or maybe just a change of scenery. The shelter can be overwhelming for some dogs, and we think being here makes him a little nervous. Come spend some time in the play yard with Rowdy today and see if he's the one for you.



**PET OF THE WEEK**  
**Rowdy**

THE CITY OF **BURLESON** | **Animal Services**  
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**K. FEEL GOOD FRIDAY**

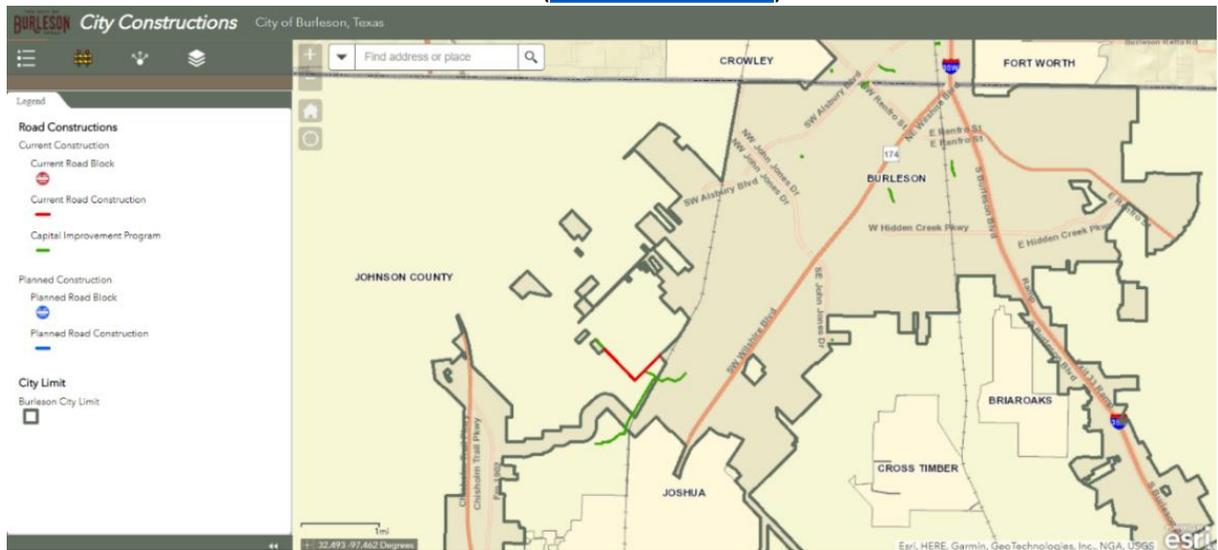
Russell Farm Art Center recently received a donation of \$10,000 from H-E-B Grocery Company. Pictured receiving the donation from H-E-B representatives are Mayor Chris Fletcher, Mayor Pro Tem Dan McClendon and Councilmember Larry Scott, along with Russell Farm Art Center Supervisor Mary Ann Spaun. Russell Farm Art Center is incredibly grateful for this generous support and funding. The donation will significantly contribute to the center's growth and assist in allowing staff to continue providing classes, events, and special programs for the community.



If you have a Feel Good Friday email [dphillips@burlesontx.com](mailto:dphillips@burlesontx.com)

**III. UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION/CLOSURES**

[\(click to view map\)](#)



#### **IV. PARKS CAPITAL PROJECTS**

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>STATUS</b>	<b>TIMELINE</b>
<b>Bailey Lake/ Chisenhall Parking Expansions</b>	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.
<b>Village Creek Trail</b>	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.
<b>Bailey Lake Dredging</b>	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.
<b>Chisenhall Synthetic Infields Phase 2 (4 fields)</b>	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.
<b>Oak Valley South Trail Connector</b>	Finalizing scope for construction RFP to advertise in late October 2023.	Parks Board recommendation for December 2023 and Council consideration scheduled for January 2023. Projected to begin construction in January 2024.
<b>Meadowcrest Park</b>	First round of Public Engagement scheduled for October 30-Nov 19	Parks Board recommendation for February 2024 and Council consideration scheduled for March 2024. Projected to begin construction in June 2024.
<b>Cedar Ridge Park</b>	First round of Public Engagement scheduled for October 30-Nov 19	Parks Board recommendation for February 2024 and Council consideration scheduled for March 2024. Projected to begin construction in June 2024.
<b>Oak Valley North-Restroom</b>	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](http://www.burlesontx.com/events)

- **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

- **FAR OUT FAMILY CAMPOUT**

November 11-12, 1 p.m. - 8 a.m.

Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714

Tickets required

- **FALL FEST AT THE FARM**

November 17, 5 - 8 p.m.

Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714

Free event

- **SANTA'S BREAKFAST**

December 2, 7 - 11 a.m.

Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714

Ticket required

- **BTX-MAS: CHRISTMAS IN BURLESON**

December 2, 6 - 9 p.m.

Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W Renfro St

Free event

- **NIGHTS OF LIGHTS**  
December 6 - 9, 6 - 8 p.m.  
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714  
Free event
- **CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR**  
December 9, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Senior Activity Center, 216 SW Johnson Ave.  
Free admission
- **CHRISTMAS ON THE FARM**  
December 9, Noon - 8 p.m.  
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714  
Free event

## VI. ATTACHMENTS

- BPD Monthly Top 10 Most Wanted.....page 11

**CRIME  
STOPPERS**  
817-469-8477  
TARRANT COUNTY

# BURLESON POLICE DEPARTMENT

1161 SW Wilshire Blvd, Burleson TX, 76028  
Call Burleson PD 817-426-9903 or Crime Stoppers 817-469-8477



## TOP 10 MOST WANTED

**AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2023**

The Burleson Police Department is seeking the community's help in locating these wanted subjects. If you have any information on their location, please contact **BPD** at **817-426-9903** or [top10@burlesontx.com](mailto:top10@burlesontx.com). If you would like to remain anonymous, you can call **Crime Stoppers** anytime 24 hours a day at **817-469-TIPS (8477)**. These subjects may be armed and dangerous. **DO NOT** attempt to apprehend these individuals yourself.



**Taylor BURCH**  
Engage In Org. Crime



**Tyreil CARR**  
Engage in Org. Crime



**Monice GONZALES**  
Engage in Org. Crime



**Randal GRIZZLE**  
FORGERY



**Marcos GUERECA**  
ASSAULT



**Juanrico GUEVARA**  
Fail to Reg. Sex Offd



**Courtney SEYLER**  
FRAUD



**William SLATER**  
STALKING



**Kimberly WALKER**  
FRAUD



**Todd WILLIAMS**  
ASSAULT

The Burleson Police Department Top 10 Most Wanted is updated on the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month and available online at [www.burlesontx.com/bpdmotwanted](http://www.burlesontx.com/bpdmotwanted)