



**Meadowcrest Park**

# WEEKLY REPORT

JANUARY 17, 2025

TO: MAYOR FLETCHER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: TOMMY LUDWIG, CITY MANAGER

## **I. COUNCIL SCHEDULE**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 21**

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, 5:30 P.M.**

### **REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- *None*

All meetings will be held at Burleson 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>

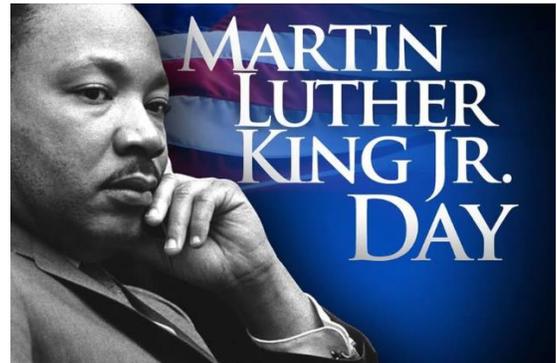
## **II. GENERAL AND STATUS UPDATES**

### **A. MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY CITY CLOSURES**

Trash and curbside recycling will be collected on Monday, January 20, but most City facilities will be closed in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday.

City Hall, including water utility billing, along with the library, animal shelter, and Senior Activity Center, will all be closed. The BRiCk will be open during its regular hours, 4:30 a.m.

- 10 p.m. Weather permitting, Hidden Creek Golf Course will be open regular hours as well.



The regularly scheduled city council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 21.

## **B. MERITORIOUS AWARD RECIPIENT**

Please help us congratulate the most recent meritorious award recipient, Zach James.

### **Zach James - Athletics Supervisor**

Zach was recognized for his exceptional response to a safety concern at Bailey Lake. A resident praised his swift action in addressing exposed wiring and an unprotected concrete culvert. Zach immediately assessed the hazards, installed steel wire fencing at the culvert, and added high-visibility cable covers to ensure safety. His prompt and professional handling of the issue not only resolved the problem but also left a positive impression on the resident, reinforcing community trust and showcasing his dedication to public safety.



## **C. FIRE WINS AWARD**

At the annual Lifeguard Your Child Kick-Off event hosted by Cook Children's, Burleson Fire/EMS was awarded 2nd place for 2024 in recognition of their outstanding efforts in promoting water safety and drowning prevention. Their dedication, demonstrated through numerous events and collaborations with community partners, earned this prestigious honor. Along with the accolade, Cook Children's presented a \$500 award to support Burleson Fire/EMS's Community Risk Reduction initiatives, further bolstering their commitment to protecting residents.

## D. LIBRARY PROGRAMMING

### **Play-Doh® Playdate**

**Saturday, January 18, 10-11:30 a.m.**

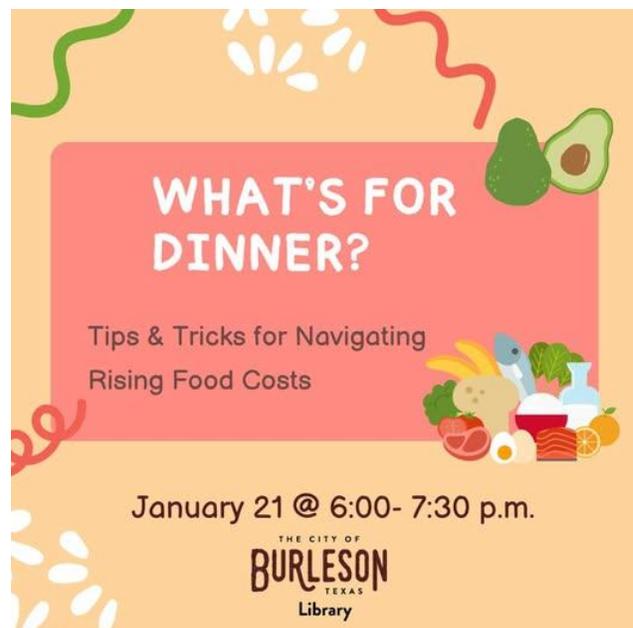
Spend the morning building, sculpting, and creating with Play-Doh®—a fun way to spark creativity and maybe even make a new friend or two. This program is best suited for ages 2-8, but older siblings are welcome to join the fun.



### **What's for Dinner? Tips and Tricks for Navigating Rising Food Costs**

**Tuesday, January 21, 6-7:30 p.m.**

Join us for a free program designed to help you save money on groceries and make the most of your food budget. Learn practical tips on budgeting, meal planning, food storage, and money-saving hacks to navigate rising food costs. No registration is required.



**Human Trafficking Awareness Program  
Wednesday, January 22, 6-7 p.m.**

Learn what individuals can do to help stop human trafficking from a guest speaker with the Department of Homeland Security. This important program is brought to you by the City of Burleson Police Department and Burleson Public Library. No registration is required.



**E. SENIOR CENTER PROGRAMMING**

The Senior Games

Thursday, January 23, 11:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Play games, have fun, win prizes and bragging rights as the Senior Activity Center holds their third annual Senior Games. Enjoy Ping Pong Bounce, Corn Hole, Basketball, Golf, and other 'sports' as you work your way through their collection of games. Please call 817-295-6611 to register.



For those interested in learning more about the center's offerings, tours are available. The Senior Activity Center, located at 216 SW Johnson Avenue, is open to individuals aged 50 and up.

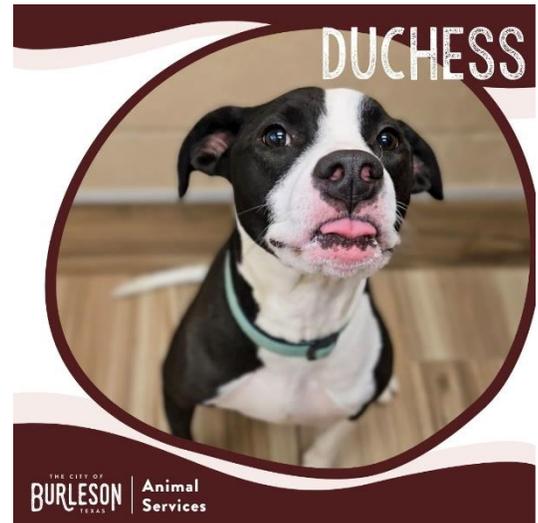
## F. PET OF THE WEEK

Duchess has been patiently waiting for her forever home since July 17, 2024. She's a wonderful dog who deserves a loving family to call her own.

She is a three-year-old American Staffordshire Terrier mix with a smile that could melt your heart. This energetic girl is looking for an active family to keep up with her playful spirit.

While Duchess is a sweetheart, she needs to be the only dog in the home as she is not fond of others. Her adoption fee is waived and includes shots, microchipping, and heartworm testing, and spay.

The shelter is currently at capacity for dogs. View all adoptable animals at [burlesontx.com/adopt](https://burlesontx.com/adopt)



## G. FEEL GOOD FRIDAY

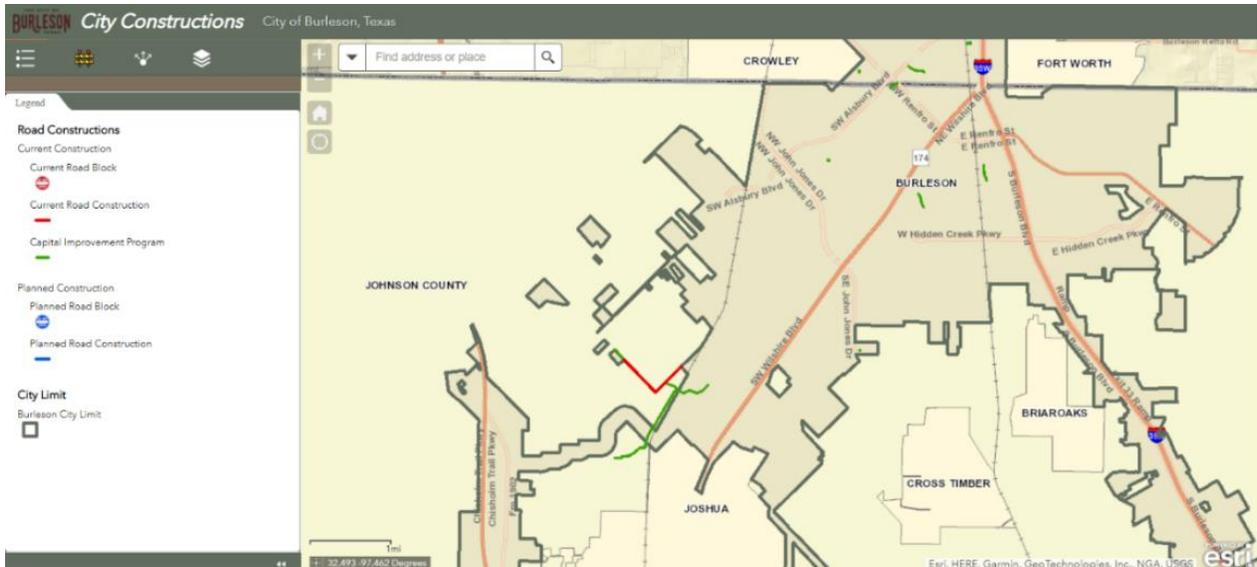
Behind every emergency response is a true hero: our Public Safety Communications 911 Operators. These dedicated professionals stay calm amidst chaos, ensuring help reaches those who need it most. They are the first, first responders, and their precision and dedication save lives every day.

This week, we celebrated the well-earned promotions of six exceptional operators: Chad Daniel, Caroline De La Cerda, Jessica White, Sheyen Winkle, Dakota Oglesby, and Kobe Reeves.



### III. UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION/CLOSURES

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### IV. PARKS CAPITAL PROJECTS

PROJECT	STATUS	TIMELINE
<b>Oak Valley South – Scott Street Trailhead Improvement</b>	Construction in progress	<b>Anticipated completion:</b> January 2025
<b>Chisenhall Turf Conversion (7 fields)</b>	Construction in progress	<b>Anticipated completion:</b> March 2025
<b>Centennial Park</b>	In production to be delivered – January 2025	<b>Anticipated completion:</b> March 2025
<b>Parks Master Plan</b>	Engagement	<b>Anticipated completion:</b> April 2025
<b>Shannon Creek</b>	Design / Bidding Goal	January 2025
<b>Green Ribbon</b>	Finalizing design in coordination with TxDOT	Ongoing

Community Park	Design	Ongoing
<b>BRiCk Renovation</b>	Equipment package approved on September 9, 2024. Interior Renovation & Pool Resurface approved on October 21, 2024.	November 2024 – Lobby Renovation construction started August 2025 – Pool Renovation construction start September 2025 - HVAC construction start

## **V. EVENTS**

Event information can be found at [www.burlesontx.com/events](http://www.burlesontx.com/events)

- **THE GREAT GIVEBACK**  
 January 25, 9-11 a.m.  
 Burleson Public Library, 248 SW Johnson Ave  
 Free event
- **CITYFEST**  
 February 6, 4:30 – 7 p.m.  
 BRiCk, 550 NW Summercrest Blvd  
 Free event
- **DATE NIGHT EXPERIENCE**  
 February 15, 6-8 p.m.  
 Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714  
 \$55 per couple
- **BTX OFF ROAD**  
 March 1, 8 a.m.  
 Chisenhall Sports Complex, 500 Chisenhall Park Ln  
 \$20 per vehicle
- **DOGS & DONUTS MARDI PAWS**  
 March 1, 9:30 – 11 a.m.  
 Bailey Lake Park, 280 W Hidden Creek Pkwy  
 Free event

## VI. ATTACHMENTS

- Keep Burleson Beautiful January 8 Meeting Summary.....page 9-11



## Keep Burleson Beautiful

Wednesday January 8, 2025  
4:45 PM

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

**Welcome: 4:48 PM**

### Committee Members Present:

Jessica Martinez  
Kristen Tanz  
Dagmar Higgins  
Donna Confessore  
Heidi Garbe  
Pat Dexheimer  
Cynthia Turner  
Bailey Campbell

### Administrative Items:

Treasurer's report: **December-** \$2,651.89 **January -** \$2,651.89

Tax status - responsibility this year (Kristen submitted last year)

**Kroger** sent a check for \$77.82, which Donna will deposit in the bank. Independent Bank is no longer charging a monthly fee to the account.

Kristen will show Jessica how to submit the 501(c)(3) taxes.

Vision meeting - Jessica (date and time options below)

- Tuesday, January 28 or Thursday, January 30 (5pm-7pm)

Tuesday, January 28, works best for everyone's schedule at Alley Cats.

### Ongoing/New Business

Committee Chair Reports – responsible for specific areas, projects, and report outs

Adopt a Spot - **Kristen**

- Taylor Elementary: Cleanup at Centennial Park December 13
- Willis Hustlers: Performed cleanups December 17, 24, 31, and January 7
- Suburban Wild: Cleanup at Oak Valley North Park on December 21
- A teacher at Norwood Elementary is interested in adopting a spot

Ann Heberle Committee – **Pat/Donna**

*Action item / goal for next month – Scout for next Quarterly winner (find options)*

Presented Dec 20 to Spears Team - photo provided to Heidi to schedule FB

Bailey will add the Spears Team photo to the weekly report for next week.

Communications Committee - **Heidi**

Concepts: Quarterly newsletter content, Event metrics, Program wrap ups, Volunteer Outreach (Bailey sent mass communication)

Burleson Now - Future: spring article on KBB

FB posts - continue with 1-2/week – (Social media plan)

Action item / goal for next month –Trash bash

Since Ann Heberle nominations are now open for the next business, creating a graphic to encourage people to nominate their business was discussed.

Heidi will follow up with our contact to determine when we can move forward with the Spring article.

Heidi will start featuring each KBB member on our Facebook page as an introduction. In the KBB member features, Kristen suggested adding what got you interested in joining KBB.

Finance Committee – Financials and sponsorship opportunities – **Mary/Donna**

Action item / goal for next month – Update on identifying a community contact list for sponsorships

Update on digitizing financials and creation of KBB expense chart (Kristen/Donna)

Decide on sponsorship trifold fundraising criteria  
what's listed

decide on website (what to post and how)

T-shirts discussion in Trash Bash section

The sponsorship and t-shirt discussion will be reserved for the vision meeting on January 28 at Alley Cats. The meeting will also focus on funding sources, setting goals, and discussing current and upcoming initiatives.

City Chair – will assist with reporting/admin duties as well

Action item: Assist with sponsorship program

There are annual affiliate reporting requirements for both Keep Texas Beautiful and Keep America Beautiful, each taking approximately two hours to complete. One report requires a litter index, which could also be used to identify potential cleanup locations for the Spring Trash Bash. The reports provide information about events held, the number of participants, impacts, etc. If annual reports are not submitted, it will not put the affiliate in “bad” standing, but it may mean KBB will not be eligible to apply for grants and supplies.

Jessica will take the lead on determining the due dates for the reports. Kristen has records of event dates and can provide that information if needed.

Planting Committee – **Mary Ann Matthews**

Action item – Arbor Day established – Centennial Park; Grant process began for Municipal Forester

BISD Partnerships (Potential Pollinator Gardens) – updates?

April 25—Arbor Day at Centennial Park—planting trees. KBB is welcome to assist at this event.

The meeting with BISD was rescheduled.

Event Committee (Trash Bash, etc.) – **Heidi/all**

Trash bash

April 5 - meaning we have 2 meetings after this is all!

tshirts/theme - dragonflies decision

Tshirts discussion (document sent 12.29 by HG)

Trash Bash digital goals discussed/sent to Jessica

Deadlines to set - tshirt design announcement, order, and open registration

Trashion show?

Fall September Trash Bash date options:

It was suggested to include a questions on the form: 'Do you already have a shirt?' 'Would you like one?' 'If you answered yes, what size do you need?'

Kristen will research how other non-profits handle payment processing for us to incorporate, and design a flyer **for the t-shirt contest** and send it to Heidi for posting on Facebook.

**Trashion Show** – Reframe the event as an "upcycling" challenge, encouraging contestants to reuse materials that can be repurposed and put to good use (i.e., something you're proud to wear!).

**Spring Trash Bash** – It would be great if there were a way for groups to report the number of trash bags collected and the bulk items they picked up. We should also reach out to group leaders for photos taken during the event.

**Selecting Trash Pickup Sites** – Kristen recommends identifying at least 15 sites to send volunteers. Double check locations 5-10 days before the event to allow for proper planning and coordination.

**Fall Trash Bash** – The date will be shared via email, aiming for the third week in September.

Upcoming Events Opportunities:

Great Give Back Jan 25 – Kristen and Heidi volunteered to set up a table for KBB.

General Parks update

Russell Farm Updates

## Upcoming events

## Upcoming Meetings

Feb 12, 2025

**Open the floor to Board/members/visitors  
Adjourn**

**Meeting was adjourned at: 5:54 PM**



Congratulations to the Cassie Spears Team, nominated for the Ann Heberle Business Beautification Award! Thank you for Keeping Burleson Beautiful!