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WEEKLY REPORT

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TO: MAYOR FLETCHER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

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I. COUNCIL SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MARCH 24
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, 5:30 P.M.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Receive a report, hold a discussion and provide staff direction regarding the city’s Capital Improvement Program. *(Staff Contact: Randy Morrison, P.E., Director of Capital Engineering)*

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. MIXED BEVERAGE USE TAX

| Mar 2024 | Mar 2025 | Diff \$ | Diff % | FY2024 YTD | FY2025 YTD | Diff \$ | Diff % |
|-----------|-----------|----------|--------|------------|------------|-----------|--------|
| \$ 14,724 | \$ 17,297 | \$ 2,573 | 17.47% | \$ 86,090 | \$ 98,100 | \$ 12,010 | 13.95% |

Note: March 2025 mixed beverage tax amount represents sales occurred in January 2025.

B. MERITORIOUS AWARD RECIPIENT

Please help us congratulate the most recent meritorious award recipients.

David Murphy, Facilities Maintenance Specialist & Darin Parle, Facilities Operations Superintendent
(Darin Parle not pictured)

Darin and David were recognized for exceptional efforts in working to address the HVAC issues at the library on Wednesday, February 19, 2025. Their quick action and dedication ensured the comfort



and safety of everyone in the building during a challenging situation.

When the temperature dropped, they took the initiative to purchase space heaters and test circuits throughout the building to ensure safety. Their proactive response attempted to alleviate discomfort and minimized potential hazards.

Despite the brutal wind chill, they also went onto the roof to inspect the units and assist the repair vendor, demonstrating an unwavering commitment to resolving the issue. Throughout the day, they consistently checked in on staff, showing not only technical expertise but also genuine care for their colleagues' well-being. Their teamwork and persistence reflect the values the city of Burleson strives to uphold.

C. JOIN THE SPRING CERT COURSE

Severe weather season is here—are you ready to help your community when disaster strikes? Start 2025 strong by taking the Burleson Fire/EMS CERT Basic Training this spring!

This FREE, nationally recognized training will empower you with lifesaving skills to assist during emergencies, including:

- Disaster Preparedness – Know what to do before, during, and after a disaster
- Fire Safety – Learn how to safely use a fire extinguisher
- Light Search & Rescue – Locate and assist those in need
- Medical Operations – Provide basic first aid when first responders are delayed
- Teamwork & Leadership – Work effectively in high-stress situations



Spring Course 2025

Learn how to prepare for emergencies and assist your community during disasters! This free, hands-on Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) class covers basic disaster response skills, including fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

Register today and be ready to make a difference!

More Information:

- ✉ cert@burlesontx.com
- 🌐 burlesontx.com/cert-program
- 📘 facebook.com/BTXCERT

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COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

No experience? No problem! All you need is a willingness to learn and a desire to make a difference.

Training Dates & Location

Burleson STA 16 EOC, 250 E Hidden Creek Pkwy, Burleson, TX 76028

March 28, 2025: 6 – 10 p.m.

March 29, 2025: 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

March 30, 2025: 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Taught by highly skilled instructors, this award-winning program isn't just for those looking to join CERT—it's for anyone who wants to be better prepared. However, if you complete the course and want to take your training further, you'll have the opportunity to become part of Burleson's award-winning CERT team and serve the community when it needs you most.

How to Register:

1. Get a FEMA Student Identification Number (SID): <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>
2. Create a Blackboard account:
<https://tdem.geniussis.com/PublicWelcome.aspx>
3. Register for the course here:
<https://tdem.geniussis.com/Registration.aspx?aid=395>

Questions? Contact jlaster@burlesontx.com

D. SPRING/SUMMER COMMUNITY GUIDE

The all-in-one guide to classes, events and programs is now interactive, making it easier than ever to explore and register with just a click.

[Check it out now](#) and stay connected to everything happening in Burleson Parks & Recreation this spring and summer.



E. LIBRARY PROGRAMMING

Craft Supply Swap: Give, Take, Create!

The Burleson Public Library invites the community to explore a new hobby or find a home for unused craft supplies at the Craft Supply Swap.

Gently used, good-condition craft supplies can be dropped off at the library from March 17-26 during regular hours.

Participants can then "shop" the swap on March 29 from 9 a.m. to noon, with no donation required to take part.

Whether decluttering or looking for creative inspiration, this event offers a great opportunity to trade supplies and discover something new.



F. SENIOR CENTER PROGRAMMING

Join the Burleson Senior Activity Center for a \$3 lunch at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25. Enjoy a meal of lasagna, garlic bread and dessert. Reserve your spot by paying in cash ahead of time.

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



G. EGRET OUTREACH, EDUCATION AND PREVENTION METHODS

Below is weekly information in regard to egret sightings and prevention methods as well as any outreach or education that has occurred.

| Date & Time of Sighting | Location | Follow-Up Actions by Animal Control |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| March 13-March 19 | No reports made | |
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Proactive Egret Patrol and Education by Animal Control Officers

| Date & Time of Patrol | Location | Observations |
|----------------------------------|---|---|
| 03.12.2025 6:45 a.m. | Shady Oaks area, Brushy Mound (Browns Mountain) area and Redhaw area. | No egrets observed. <i>*Officers are using a high-powered flashlight to see into the trees when it is dark</i> |
| 03.12.25 6:07 p.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed. |
| 03.13.25 6:45 a.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed. |
| 03.13.25 6:12 p.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed. |
| 03.14.25 06:45 a.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed. |
| 03.14.25 5:58 p.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed. |
| 03.15.25 2:51 p.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed. |
| 03.16.25 2:58 p.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed. |
| 03.17.25 6:50 a.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed. |
| 03.18.25 09:50 a.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed |
| 03.18.25 5:45 p.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed |
| 03.19.25 06:40 a.m. | Same areas | No egrets observed |

H. PET OF THE WEEK

Buddy, a bright-eyed 3-year-old Siberian Husky mix, is one smart and energetic companion.

He is already mastering basic commands and is always eager for a training session. His social nature shines through with happy tail wags and a love for being around people.

Buddy needs an active family who enjoys adventure and can keep up with his playful spirit. His adoption fee is waived and includes shots, microchipping, heartworm testing and neuter.



The shelter is currently at capacity for dogs. View all adoptable animals at burlesontx.com/adopt

I. FEEL GOOD FRIDAY

When Momma arrived at the shelter with her five puppies, she was the best mom but was also terrified. She wouldn't make eye contact, wouldn't walk on a leash and had to be carried everywhere. But the shelter staff never gave up on her. With patience, love and plenty of encouragement, they showed her she was safe.

Then something amazing happened—Momma chose to trust. She took her first brave steps on a leash. She made eye contact. She leaned in for pets. It was a transformation that had the entire shelter cheering.



But her story doesn't end there. A family searching for the perfect pup—one who wouldn't jump up and would be comfortable around a wheelchair—came to

meet her. And just like that, it was meant to be. Momma found her family, and they found their perfect dog.

From a scared stray to a beloved pet, Momma’s journey is a testament to the compassion and dedication of the shelter team. [Watch Momma’s amazing transformation video.](#)

III. UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION/CLOSURES

New map coming soon!

IV. PARKS CAPITAL PROJECTS

| PROJECT | STATUS | TIMELINE |
|--|--|---|
| Chisenhall Turf Conversion (7 fields) | Construction in progress | Anticipated completion: March 2025 Ribbon cutting scheduled: April 3, 2025 |
| Centennial Park | Construction in progress | Anticipated completion: Ribbon cutting scheduled: March 26, 2025 - 6PM |
| Parks Master Plan | Draft In-Review | Anticipated completion: June 2025 |
| Shannon Creek | Design / Bidding Goal | April 2025 |
| Green Ribbon | Finalizing design in coordination with TxDOT | Anticipated completion: May 2025 |
| Community Park | Design | Ongoing |
| BRiCk Renovation | 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 |

INSTALLATION OF ADA CONNECTOR PATH AT PRAIRIE TIMBERS

The parks and recreation department has begun construction on an ADA-compliant connector path at Prairie Timbers Park to enhance accessibility. This new pathway will provide a direct and inclusive route from the existing trail system to the park's pavilion.

Construction began on March 18 and is scheduled for completion by March 24. The project includes:

- A concrete pathway built to ADA standards, ensuring smooth and safe access for individuals with mobility challenges.
- Improved connectivity between key park amenities, enhancing overall usability.
- Compliance with accessibility guidelines to support inclusive outdoor recreation.



V. EVENTS

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

- **BURLESON FARMERS MARKET**
Every Saturday, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W. Renfro St.
Free entry, items for purchase
- **RED CHAIR LECTURE SERIES**
March 22, Noon
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W. CR 714
Free
- **GOSPEL JAM**
March 22, 5 - 8 p.m.
Senior Activity Center, 216 S.W. Johnson Ave.
Free entry, all ages welcome

- **VIETNAM VETERANS CELEBRATION**
March 29, 10 a.m.
Veterans Memorial Plaza, 298 E. Renfro St.
Free event
- **GRANNYS VS BURLESON FIREFIGHTERS BASKETBALL ANIMAL SHELTER FUNDRAISER**
March 29, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Hughes Middle School, 300 SW Murphy Road
\$5 at the door, ages 6 and up
- **TRASH BASH**
April 5, 8 a.m. - Noon
Warren Park, 301 S.W. Johnson Ave.
Free event, pre-registration required
- **SHOW ME HOW FESTIVAL**
April 5, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W. CR 714
Free event
- **BUNNY DAZE**
April 5, Noon – 3 p.m.
Chisenhall Fields, 500 Chisenhall Park Lane
Free event, pre-registration open now
- **AQUA EGG HUNT**
April 19, 9 a.m. – Noon
Burleson Recreation Center (BRiCk), 550 NW Summercrest Blvd - Indoor Pool
\$2 per participant (Requires purchase of day pass to swim after 1 p.m.)
Parents are free