



WEEKLY REPORT

NOVEMBER 14, 2025

TO: MAYOR FLETCHER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: TOMMY LUDWIG, CITY MANAGER

I. COUNCIL SCHEDULE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION, 6 P.M.

GENERAL

- Consider and take possible action amending CSO#5974-10-2025 City of Burleson Alcohol Sales Policy for Chisenhall Sports Complex. (*Staff Contact: Eric Oscarson, Deputy City Manager*)

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. MISSED THE DRAINAGE TOWN HALL?

Residents who were unable to attend the Drainage Town Hall on Nov. 10 can now access all materials shared during the event online. The city has published the full set of resources, including informational display boards, drone video footage of drainage concerns, the Boom and Drainage Mowing Map and a fact sheet summarizing key points about the city's stormwater system and the proposed utility fee.

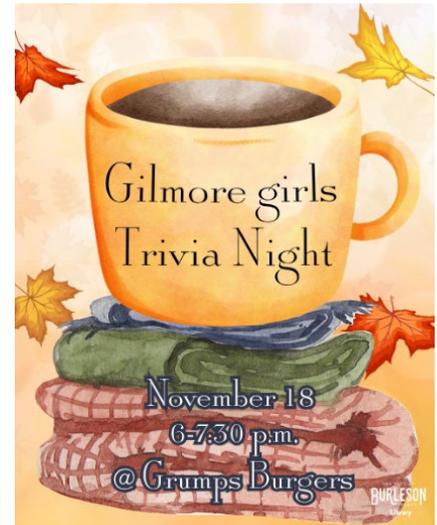
These materials provide insight into how the city is managing stormwater, areas of concern throughout Burleson and how a dedicated fee could help fund long-term improvements. Residents are encouraged to review the information and stay engaged as the city continues to explore solutions.

To view the materials, visit www.burlesontx.com/drainage

B. BURLESON PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAMMING

Gilmore Girls Trivia Night

It's time for some coffee, trivia and a little small-town charm. Join the Burleson Public Library for **Gilmore Girls Trivia Night** on **Tuesday, November 18, from 6–7:30 p.m.** at **Grumps Burgers (108 S. Main Street)**. Teams can test their knowledge of all things Stars Hollow while enjoying great food and fun. This program is suitable for ages 14 and up, and no prior registration is required—teams will be registered before the event begins. Grab your friends, channel your inner Lorelai or Rory, and get ready for a cozy night of trivia.



C. BURLESON SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER PROGRAMMING

La Loteria

Wednesday, Nov 19 | 10 a.m.

Feeling lucky? Come play La Lotería at the Burleson Senior Activity Center! This lively, fast-paced game is full of laughter, friendly competition and prizes. And, participants can even learn a few Spanish words while they are playing.

Sponsored by Freedom Palliative



Gospel Jam

Saturday, Nov. 22 | 6 - 9 p.m.

Open for All Ages, Free Entry
Donations Welcome

Come out and enjoy the uplifting gospel music you grew up with at the Burleson Senior Activity Center. Talented singers and musicians from across the area will take the stage, filling the room with soulful harmonies and joyful praise.



Some of these performers will absolutely amaze you — so grab a friend, clap along and experience an afternoon of heartfelt music and community.

Sponsored by North Texas Gospel Music Ministries

The Burleson Senior Activity Center, 216 SW Johnson Avenue, is open to individuals aged 50 and up, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come by for a tour and see for yourself why it's one of the best senior activity centers in North Texas.

D. PET OF THE WEEK

Nova is an adorable and confident 8-year-old American Pit Bull Terrier mix with a larger-than-life personality and a strut to match. This sweet girl walks wonderfully on a leash and has a deep love for treats — two of her favorite things.

She's great with people and full of charm, but Nova prefers to be in a cat-free home. With her calm confidence and affectionate nature, she's the kind of companion who brings joy and loyalty to every day.

Nova's adoption fee is waived, and it includes vaccinations, microchipping and heartworm testing. She is already spayed and ready to go home today.

The shelter is **at capacity**, so if you are thinking about adopting, make it your first stop. View all adoptable animals at burlesontx.com/adopt



E. FEEL GOOD FRIDAY

Throughout November, Burleson proudly honors Veterans with commemorative banners displayed along the poles in Old Town. Each banner features the photo and military branch of a Veteran with ties to our community.

Take a walk through Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza to see them up close—they'll remain on display through the end of the month.



A heartfelt thank you to all who have served, and to the families who support them. Your service and sacrifice do not go unnoticed.

Have a Feel Good Friday to share? Email us at newsletter@burlesontx.com

III. ROAD PROJECTS

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: ALSBURY BLVD BETWEEN CANDLER DR AND HULEN ST

City contractors continue work on S.W. Alsbury Boulevard between S.W. Hulen Street and Candler Drive for remaining improvements of the widening of the boulevard.

IV. PARKS CAPITAL PROJECTS



[Click here to stay up to date on current park projects](#)

V. EVENTS

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

- **BURLESON FARMERS MARKET**
Saturday Nov. 15 & 22, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W. Renfro St.
Free entry, items for purchase
- **RUSSELL FARM COOKING SOCIAL**
November 14, 5-7 p.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W County Road 714
\$75 per person
- **RECYCLING EVENT**
November 15, 8:30 – 11 a.m.
Municipal Service Center, 725 SE John Jones Dr
Free event, open to Burleson residents only
- **OLD TOWN PICTURE SHOW**
November 21 (*Elf & National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation*), 6 p.m.
Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W Renfro St
Fee event
- **GOSPEL JAM**
November 22, 6-9 p.m.
Senior Activity Center, 216 SW Johnson Ave.
Free event, open to all ages
- **TEXAS TRADITION CHORUS**
December 2, 6-7:45 p.m.
Senior Activity Center, 216 SW Johnson Ave.
Free event, open to all ages
- **SANTA'S BREAKFAST**
December 6, 7-11 a.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
\$5 for ages 3-12, \$7 for 13 and up
- **CHRISTMAS AT THE LIBRARY**
December 6, 9 a.m. - Noon
Burleson Public Library, 248 SW Johnson Ave.
Free event

- **BTX-MAS: CHRISTMAS IN BURLESON**
December 6, 6 p.m.
Mayor Vera Calvin Plaza, 141 W Renfro St
Free event
- **NIGHTS OF LIGHTS**
December 10-12, 6-8 p.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
Free event
- **CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR**
December 13, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Senior Activity Center, 216 SW Johnson Ave.
Free event, items for purchase
- **CHRISTMAS ON THE FARM**
December 13, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Russell Farm Art Center, 405 W CR 714
Free event

VI. ATTACHMENTS

- Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Nov. 5 Meeting Summary.....page 7



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

Wednesday, November 05, 2025
5:30 PM

Municipal Service Center - 725
SE John Jones Dr
Burleson, TX 76028

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** at 5:33 p.m.
Board Members Present: Kim Peckler, DeAnna Phillips, Lisa Chick, Trina Argo, Ashlyn Albracht.
Board Members Absent: Heathor Barker, Liriane Davis, Brianna Wilson, Dena Hooley
2. **CITIZEN APPEARANCES**
None
3. **GENERAL**
 - A. Consider approval of the minutes from the July 17, 2025 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting. (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)
 - Minutes approved.
4. **REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**
 - A. **Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' yearly reports for shelter operations from October 2024 to September 2025.** (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

Kim presented the annual report to the board, highlighting that Burleson Animal Services handled 1,590 animals during the year. Of those, 870 were strays and 279 were owner surrenders. The shelter facilitated 621 adoptions and successfully reunited 265 pets with their owners. Impressively, the shelter maintains a 99% live release rate, which is calculated based on the euthanasia of only healthy and adoptable animals.

Animal Control Officers issued 344 warnings during the reporting period. Volunteer participation continues to grow, with volunteers contributing 561 hours of service. The shelter also attended 42 outreach events and welcomed 1,661 visitors.

Unfortunately, the shelter does have to perform euthanasia for animals with severe medical issues or unmanageable behavior problems, including feral animals. During the year, 110 animals were humanely euthanized due to medical conditions, and 135 due to behavioral concerns.

Q: I know that the shelter has a staff vacancy. How are shelter staff handling that?
A: We continue to adjust schedules and everyone is picking up additional duties.
 - B. **Receive a report and discuss the adoption trailer update.** (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

The adoption trailer is still being constructed by Renown Cargo Trailers.

Q: Does it have air conditioning?

A: Yes, it has AC, heat, lights and water.

Q: Does it have an awning?

A: Yes, the doors come up and provide an awning.

Q: When you get the trailer will you go to the Farmer's Market?

A: Yes, we will. And, we were there this weekend partnering with Everman who has an adoption trailer.

Q: Did any of the animals get adopted at the Farmer's Market event?

A: Yes, we had several adoptions.

Q: How will you pull the trailer?

A: We are planning to request a public works truck to pull it.

Q: They will transfer the animals in the trailer to the events?

A: Yes.

Q: Will they have a water tank?

A: Yes.

C. Receive a report and discuss the migratory bird prevention efforts. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Kim provided an update on upcoming egret prevention outreach efforts, noting that the 2025 deterrence methods were successful. She reported that the city hosted a community event in the Shady Oaks neighborhood in September to celebrate a season without rookeries and to help residents prepare to continue deterrence efforts for the next nesting season.

Q: How does the deter methods work for apartments?

A: We have not had any issues with apartment complexes, so far. Egrets prefer large canopies which are typically found in older established residential areas.

D. Summary of animal services community outreach efforts. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Kim provided a summary of the various outreach events attended by shelter staff, including career day presentations at the BRiCK's summer camp, the "Adoptable Pet of the Quarter" presentations at City Council meetings, Fall Yappy Hour, and the "Color with Clifford" event at the Library. Staff also visited the Bureson Police Department and Dispatch Center, participated in local assisted living visits, and hosted a luau party at Mustang Creek Estates.

E. Summary of the fundraisers held for the Animal Shelter (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Kim provided a summary of the animal shelter's recent fundraisers, including the 2026 calendars that are currently on sale and the *Poorly Drawn Pets* contest held during the summer. She also

expressed appreciation to Multimedia Specialist Jessica Pound for her creativity, hard work, and dedication in developing and executing these successful fundraising initiatives.

Q: How much is it to do the Poorly Drawn Pets?

A: A donation of \$20 per pet

Q: Are we doing Clifford shirts again?

A: I'm not sure, we still have some leftover from last year.

Q: If I'm not on social media, how do I find out about these things?

A: sign up for the city's newsletter or you can still view the shelter's Facebook and Instagram pages without having an account.

5. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND REPORTS

None.

6. **ADJOURN** at 5:55 p.m.

7. **Staff Contact**

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