



City of Duncanville

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Kevin Hugman, City Manager

DATE: March 2, 2018

SUBJECT: Weekly Update

Police Department – Earlier this week, a traffic accident in the 1000 block of W. Wheatland caused the loss of electrical power to a number of homes in the area. The accident occurred just down the street from Byrd Junior High School. Oncor responded to restore the lines, and during restoration, had to shut off power to a larger feeder line, causing a power outage that affected about 1200 customers, including some of the schools in that area. Power was restored in a matter of hours. We posted information concerning the accident and power outage on the Police Department Facebook page, the city's Facebook page, Nextdoor and Twitter.

Fire Department – The Department has not had any major fire or EMS events in Duncanville this week.

Public Works – Water usage was 23.041 MG the week of February 18-24, down from 23.984 MG the prior week. The daily peak water demand occurred on Saturday, February 24, when 3.707 MG was used. There was 8.44 inches of precipitation that week.



Dallas County did not report any positive West Nile traps this week. Even so, continued use of an insect repellent containing DEET and removal of all areas of standing water is recommended. Residents should report dirty pools at abandoned homes where mosquitos are likely to breed to Code Services at 972-780-5040.

Construction Updates:

- Rain prevented the concrete construction crew from performing any removal or replacement of concrete sidewalks this week.
- The FY18 Water Improvements project being performed by LaBanda Contractors is substantially complete. A preliminary walkthrough is scheduled for next week.
- The North Main Street Pump Station Phase II Improvements construction project is pending completion of punch list items. Staff continues to work with the designer for a solution to the elevated storage tank lighting issue. The plumbing contractor will install a new drain line from the chlorine building to the sanitary sewer manhole once the construction contractor completes the punch list items.

Parks and Recreation

Parks:

- Parks staff is preparing the sports fields for practices that begin this weekend. There is a USSSA baseball tournament scheduled for Harrington Park this weekend if the fields dry in time from all the rain we have experienced over the past two weeks.
- As part of his duties with the Keep Texas Beautiful Board of Directors, Timothy Hamilton was in Austin on Thursday to judge the GCAA award submittals. As always, Keep Duncanville Beautiful applied for the award and we are hopeful to get some good news. Timothy does not judge that population category.
- Upcoming next week: Installation of the shade canopies for the bleachers at the DBBI baseball fields begins. Trees will be installed in Armstrong Park to replace the trees removed for the parking lot. The mowing schedule for Terracare begins. The Music House in Armstrong Park will be painted white to match its original color.

Recreation:

- Registrations are being taken now at the Recreation Center for Spring Break Camp to be held March 12-16.
- Staff began internal special events meetings for the Juneteenth and July 4th celebrations this week. Juneteenth will be hosted by Duncanville on June 16 and will be from 6:00 - 10:00p. Marketing



planning for both events is well underway and will begin distribution later this month.

Fieldhouse:

- With the hiring of the three new full-time positions at the Fieldhouse, we have implemented some organizational changes which should provide for a more effective reporting and oversight structure.
- We will need to formally bid the signage improvements for the Fieldhouse since they exceed \$50,000 collectively. We will begin that process immediately.

Senior Center:

- Councilmember Dr. Ron Dotson and Ms. Gale Sliger, who have assisted greatly with design input on the Senior Center renovations, met with staff this week to select colors for the exterior of the building.

Economic Development – ED staff is providing support and working on the following projects:

- Assisted an existing local business in finding a new location in Duncanville to expand their business and not relocate to Cedar Hill.
- Assisting the Best Southwest Partnership with planning for the R.E.D Summit event and economic development round table discussions.
- Received and researched a manufacturing business lead from the Dallas Chamber of Commerce however, the business needs five acres to build a new processing plant. Duncanville does not have the required acreage available.
- Preparing for the Flavor of Duncanville event, which is being held March 15, 2018. The DCEDC will survey residents at the event to further understand what types of businesses they would like to see in Duncanville.

City Council, DCEDC Board Members, and city staff attended the VIP Pre-Opening Reception and Store Tour for the new McDonald's. The photo is of one of their walls with Duncanville-specific themes, places, and points of interest.



Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Permits Issued:

- Main Stop Convenience Store; 1211 S Main St. Bldg. A (Convenience Store and Restaurant)
- Service Master Auto Collision; 1303 S Alexander Ave. Ste. # B (Vehicle Repair)
- SAF II Image Photography; 402 W Wheatland Rd. Ste. # D (Photography Service)

Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Applications Received

- Pure Heavenly Esscents Fragrances; 514 N Main St. (Retail Store – body oils and lotions)
- Re/Max Ambassadors; 150 Hwy 67 Ste. # 200 (Real Estate Office)
- Desirae's Prep Site; 207 E Camp Wisdom Rd. Ste. # E (Catering Kitchen)

Public Information – News coverage for this week:

Duncanville announces head basketball coach Corey Chism has resigned

Link: <https://sportsday.dallasnews.com/high-school/high-schools/2018/02/26/duncanville-announces-head-basketball-coach-corey-chism-resigned>

Source: Dallas Morning News SportsDay

Date: February 26, 2018

City of Duncanville Seeks Artists For Public Art Project

Link: <http://www.focusdailynews.com/2018/03/01/city-duncanville-seeks-artists-public-art-project/>

Source: The Focus Daily News

Date: March 1, 2018

Duncanville Presents Ten Hagen Excavating, Inc. with Grant

Link: <https://www.bestsouthwestguide.com/duncanville/407-news-stories-du/7494-duncanville-presents-ten-hagen-excavating-inc-with-grant>

Source: Best Southwest Guide

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