



# City of Duncanville

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TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Kevin Hugman, City Manager

DATE: February 15, 2019

SUBJECT: Weekly Update

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**Police Department** – Officers Devon Blackmore, Christopher Mahoney, and Christian Pinilla have completed their field training phase this week and will be assigned to their patrol shifts. These officers have shown great promise thus far in their brief careers, and all are poised to be valued members of the department for years to come. With the additional officers being assigned to patrol, Chief Brown has assigned an additional officer as a detective in the Criminal Investigation Division (CID), assigned an additional officer to Traffic Enforcement, and will reassign the Park Ranger position effective March 11.



Additionally, cadets Ambrosio Hernandez and Tiffany Manning graduated from the North Central Texas Council of Governments Police Academy on February 13, 2019. Both will begin their training with the department next Monday. Officer Hernandez was recognized as the top marksman of the academy.

**Notes on recent successes:**

- A night patrol officer arrested an individual, who was described as being verbally aggressive to customers in a convenience store parking lot when she refused to leave the property after being issued a criminal trespass warning by the store's clerk.
- A night patrol officer was dispatched to a traffic hazard early one morning on westbound I-20. Upon arrival, the officer found a stopped vehicle in the outside lane of the interstate. Further investigation revealed the driver seemed to be unconscious with the vehicle still in gear and the vehicle locked. After securing a

safe area in which to work, the officers attempted to wake the driver by several different means. Realizing morning, rush-hour traffic, was beginning to pick up making the situation even more hazardous, officers smashed a window of vehicle, quickly put the vehicle in park, and secured the driver, who had been passed out due to intoxication.

- A day patrol officer towed a vehicle, as a traffic hazard, which had been left in the outside lane of traffic in the 800 block of E. Wheatland Rd.
- A day patrol officer towed a vehicle, as abandoned, from Huntington Dr. after it had not been moved in 30 days.
- A night patrol officer towed a vehicle, as a traffic hazard, from the 700 block of W. Camp Wisdom Rd. The vehicle had been left unattended in the outside lane of traffic.

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

The Department currently has one current vacancy and a Fire Civil Service entrance exam is scheduled for Saturday, March 2, 2019.

**Public Works** – Water usage was 24.122 MG the week of February 4 through February 10, down from 25.471 MG last week. The daily peak water demand occurred on Tuesday, February 5, when 4.646 MG was used. There was no precipitation that week.

The Planning and Zoning Commission held a special joint meeting with the City Council on Tuesday, February 12, at 6:00p at the D.L. Hopkins Jr. Senior Center. Discussion included the progress of the Comprehensive Plan implementation, the Zoning Ordinance Update process and City Council goals and objectives. No formal action was taken.

Planning staff and three Planning and Zoning commissioners attended the Focus North Texas Symposium on Friday, February 8, at the Irving Convention Center. A variety of workshops provided training sessions on current and long-range planning for elected and appointed officials, urban design, mobility and transportation and redevelopment.

Seventeen properties were registered for the residential rental property program since last week's report, for a total of 132 registered properties year-to-date. Seven properties were inspected. Three inspections passed, and four failed primarily due to electrical.

The attached monthly Code Enforcement Report compares the 2018-2019 notices of violations and citations issued for the month of January.

**Construction and Maintenance:**

- Muniz Construction has completed approximately 95% of the Granada/Flamingo Way Alley Reconstruction project. The contractor is restoring homeowner driveways.

- Vortex Turnkey Solution LLC completed approximately 595 LF of pipebursting in Candlelight Avenue for the FY18 Pipebursting Program. They have begun removing and installing manholes in the Danieldale Acres, Pelt Place, J.E. Fortsons and Atkins subdivisions.

### **Parks and Recreation** –

#### **Parks:**

- The park maintenance crew spent Monday at the Fieldhouse, tidying up the flower beds and cutting the winter weeds from the entrances and medians in the parking lot in advance of the “So You Think You Can Dance” event on Tuesday.

#### **Fieldhouse:**

- Hosted “So You Think You Can Dance” event on Tuesday. Approximately 100 dancers were in attendance and the event went very smoothly. The producers told the Fieldhouse staff that should the show be renewed for next year, they want to return to the Fieldhouse in 2020.
- This coming week we have:
  - Gym Rats Basketball Tournament - Saturday 8:00a to 5:00p x 2 courts & Sunday 8:00a to 3:00p x 2 courts
  - HoopPlay Basketball Tournament - Saturday 8:30a to 3:30p
  - FUJI BBJ Jiu-Jitsu Tournament - Sunday 8:30a to 3:30p x 2 courts

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

- Working with a broker that is interested in purchasing property in Duncanville and building a residential development on it.
- Participated in the ICSC’s “The Retail Outlook” webinar. ICSC anticipates that franchised retail will continue to grow, but the businesses will have smaller locations. Millennials are still the driving factor in the market growth.

DCEDC will hold a regular scheduled meeting on February 18, 2019, at 6:00p in the City Council Briefing Room at City Hall.

### **Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Applications Received:**

- Step by Step Furniture; 910 S. Cedar Ridge Rd., Suite #A (Furniture Store)
- Orient Home Care Services, Inc.; 606 Oriole Blvd., Suite #300, Bldg. 3 (Home Health Services Office)
- Red Bird Village Apartment Homes; 803 Link Dr., Suite #1 (Apartment Complex (Change of Location for Leasing Office))
- Plush Royalty; 119 W. Wheatland Rd., Suite #F (Beauty Industry – Microblading, Shading, and Cosmetics)
- Brown & Assoc. Carpet Cleaning, Inc.; 1184 Explorer, Suite #B (Office & Warehouse for Carpet Cleaning Company)

- Main Stop C – Store; 1211 S. Main St., Bldg. A (Convenience Store – General Merchandise)
- Circle K, #2740796; 1102 S. Cockrell Hill Rd. (Convenience Store with Fuel (Change in Name))

Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Permits Issued:

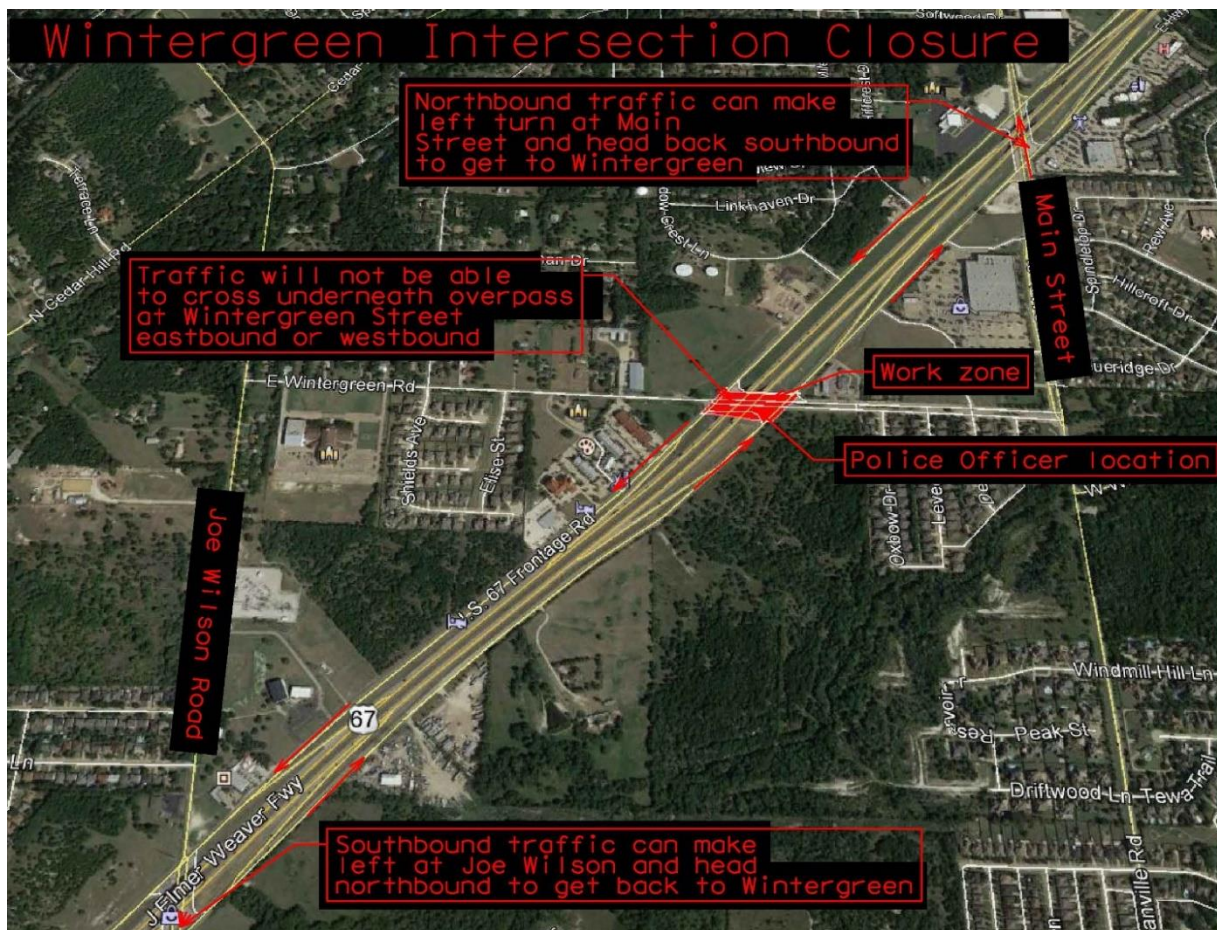
- None this week

**Public Information** – News coverage for this week:

Feb 9, 2019 – [“So You Think You Can Dance” Auditions at Duncanville Fieldhouse](#)

Feb 12, 2019 – [So You Think You Can Dance Auditions Held in North Texas](#)

- **TX DoT Closing Portion of Frontage Road, Intersection at Wintergreen and Hwy 67:** From February 15 – 22, the Texas Department of Transportation (TX DoT) will perform a bridge pour at Wintergreen and Highway 67 requiring portions of the frontage road and the intersection to be closed from 9 pm to 5 am each day. There will be a traffic detour plan for the closure.



### Monthly Code Enforcement Report – January 2019

	2019				2018			
	January		YTD		January		YTD	
	Notices of Violation	Citations	Notices of Violation	Citations	Notices of Violation	Citations	Notices of Violation	Citations
<b>Building Code Violations</b>								
Construction w/o Permit or Illegal Construction	14	3	14	3	13	1	13	1
Driveway in Disrepair								
Fence in Disrepair	14		14		25		25	
Installation of Illegal Driveway								
No Water Service	2	1	2	1	3		3	
Other Violations	5	4	5	4	193	3	193	3
Parking Lot in Disrepair	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Plumbing Violation Sewer Lines/Covers								
Plumbing Violation								
Substandard Building	6		6		8		8	
<b>Buildings and General Building Regs</b>								
VBR								
<b>Nuisance Violations</b>								
Dumpster & Dumpster Enclosure	1		1					
Graffiti					4		4	
Growth Limitations - Plant Life	4		4		38		38	
High Grass	2		2		20		20	
Illegal Dumping					1		1	
Illegal Open Storage	55	5	55	5	248	16	248	16
Illicit Discharge								
Illegal Truck					3		3	
Junked/Inoperable/Illegal Vehicles	33		33		73	2	73	2
Junked Vehicles - Private Property or Street	8		8		6		6	
Parking Trucks in Commercial Areas								
Vehicle over 1.5 tons capacity in Residential Areas					3	1	3	1
Visibility obstruction					2		2	
<b>Other Violations</b>								
Dead trees or Vegetation					6	1	6	1
Dumpster Screening Required								
Garage Sales w/o Permit								
Illegal Placement of Trash	1		1		2		2	
Other Violations	5	1	5	1	37	1	37	1
Over 5 Vehicles on Residential Prop.	1		1		5	2	5	2
Parking on Sidewalk	2		2					
Parking on Sidewalk or Unimproved Surface	13	2	13	2	45	5	45	5
Trash Containers Left Open					1		1	
Trash Out Early	4		4		3	1	3	1
Vegetation Encroachment or on Sidewalk or Curb	1		1		21	1	21	1
Vegetation on Sidewalk/Curb/Gutter								
Vehicles Displayed for Sale								
<b>Sign Violations</b>								
Banner Permit Expiring								
Banner w/o Permit					1		1	
Blinking or Flashing Sign								
Dilapidated & Deteriorated Condition								
Illegal Placement of Sign	1		1					
Illegal Sign						1		1
Over 40% Window Signage								
Pennants Displayed								
Sign w/o Permit					5		5	
Obsolete Sign					1		1	
<b>Swimming Pools</b>								
Improper Fence around Pool					3		3	
Pool Not Maintained	1		1		4	2	4	2
<b>Zoning Violations</b>								
Containerized Storage	1		1		1		1	
Illegal Home Occupation					1		1	
Illegal Outside Display of Goods								
Illegal Use	2		2		2		2	
No Current C.O.	6		6					
Parking Requirements								
Screening Requirements								
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>38</b>
	<b>-76.5%</b>	<b>-55.3%</b>	<b>-76.5%</b>	<b>-55.3%</b>				

Compared to Same  
Previous Period