



City of Duncanville

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Kevin Hugman, City Manager

DATE: April 18, 2019

SUBJECT: Weekly Update

Operation Clean Duncanville – After we had to cut short the previous event on Saturday, April 6 because of weather, staff has been looking at several dates throughout the summer to reschedule. However, due to conflicts with previously scheduled events, we have been unable to find an acceptable date. The next event will be in the fall on Saturday, October 12, and includes document shredding, electronics recycling, Goodwill and dumpsters for bulk trash. The fall event is called ‘Sweep It Out Saturday’. If the October 12 event is forced to cancel due to severe weather, the makeup day is scheduled for November 2.

Rodeway Inn Fire -- On Thursday, April 17 around 4:45 pm, room #252 inside the Rodeway Inn caught fire due to faulty wiring inside an electrical outlet. The entire structure was evacuated due to heavy smoke and the Fire Marshal deemed the structure temporarily closed until Monday, April 22 due to extensive smoke infiltration. Hotel guests were allowed back inside on a room by room basis to gather personal essential belongings. The guests were then advised to return Monday to collect the remainder of their property. Hotel management secured all downstairs windows and doors, including all the entrances that were previously not functioning properly. Police Department will conduct extra patrols at the location.

Police Department – After the Dallas incident on July 7, 2016 when five police officers were killed, Dickies BBQ has made it their mission to provide rifle rated armor to police departments in the metroplex. This week, Dickies BBQ donated fifty-six (56) rifle rated ballistic plates for the new concealable armor the department is issuing – saving the City \$20,500. We greatly appreciate the generosity of Dickies BBQ and their



concern for officers' safety in making this contribution to the Duncanville Police Department!

Officer Doug Sisk and Lieutenant Matt Stogner will attend the Whataburger Honoring Neighborhood Heroes event this Thursday from 6:00p – 8:00p. The event will be held at the Whataburger located at 311 W. Camp Wisdom Road. The Rescue Truck, SWAT equipment, and Police Department giveaways will be at the location.

Arise Church brought food to the Police Department on Tuesday, April 16 and Wednesday, April 17 for the Alpha and Bravo day and night shift officers to say “thank you” for the police officers' service to the community. We appreciate their thoughtfulness and generosity!

Training and Personnel staff is working diligently to fill the vacancies with exceptional candidates. We have hired three from the current eligibility list. The next scheduled entrance exam will be mid to late June.

Notes on recent successes:

- The Duncanville SWAT and Narcotics units executed a high-risk search warrant for illegal narcotics last week at a residence in the southeast part of the city. Marijuana illegally possessed prescription medication, a firearm, and other evidence of narcotics distribution were seized.
- Directed Traffic Enforcement
 - West Daniieldale Rd. – (9) citations
 - East Daniieldale Rd. – (1) citation
 - North Main St. – (1) citation
 - South Main St. – (7) citations
 - South Cockrell Hill Rd. – (8) citations
 - North Cockrell Hill Rd. – (1) citation
 - Middale Rd. – (4) citations (directed enforcement due to a citizen's complaint)
 - Cedar Hill Rd. (near Village Tech and neighborhoods west of there) – (2) citations

Fire Department – As previously noted, the department responded to a structure fire this week at the Rodeway Inn.

Public Works – Water usage was 25.732 MG the week of April 8 through April 14 down from 27.867 MG the previous week. The daily peak water demand occurred on Wednesday, April 10, when 4.218 MG was used. There was 1.98 inches of precipitation that week.

There will be no Planning and Zoning Commission meeting held on Monday, April 22, 2019 due to no agenda items.

On Monday, April 15, the Building Inspections Division performed an annual apartment inspection for the Redbird Village Apartments located at 803 Link Dr #11. No deficiencies were noted on the exterior of the buildings. In the vacant units inspected, fixtures needed to be secured, repaired or replaced, and smoke detectors installed or replaced. The property manager was given 30 days to ready the property for reinspection. One complex will be inspected per week until the annual inspection program has been completed. Six apartments have been inspected year-to-date and a total of 13 apartments remain.

Fifteen properties were registered for the residential rental property program since last week's report, for a total of 449 registered properties year-to-date. Fifteen properties were inspected. Thirteen inspections passed and 2 failed. Of the properties that failed, lack of carbon monoxide detectors, GFCI protection, and vacuum breakers on hose bibs were noted. Five residential certificates of occupancy were issued, for a total of 87 certificates issued year-to-date.

The attached monthly Code Enforcement Report compares the 2018-2019 notices of violation and citations issued for the month of March. For March 2019, notices of violation are at -43.1% and citations are at -16.2% of those issued in March 2018. We have been short one code enforcement officer for the past month following a resignation. We are working to fill the vacancy as soon as possible.

Construction and Maintenance:

- The concrete construction crew repaired 552 sq. ft of sidewalk at 403, 414, 415, 418, 427, and 503 Mizell as well as 330 Harman.
- The Street Division continued maintenance activities on Main St in preparation for microsurfacing later this year.
- Vortex Turnkey Solution LLC continues the FY18 Pipebursting project in the Flame East Addition. Crews also completed street restoration in the Candlelight Addition.

We are currently in mosquito season and continued use of an insect repellent containing DEET and removal of standing water in all areas is recommended. Residents should report dirty pools at abandoned homes where mosquitoes are likely to breed to Code Services at 972-780-5040.



Parks and Recreation –

Parks:

- There was a vehicular accident over the weekend that took out several crepe myrtles on Daniieldale west of Main Street. A police report was filed, and an estimate of damage costs was provided to PD.

Fieldhouse:

- This coming week we have:
 - Champion After School Program - Monday thru Friday 6:30a to 6:30p
 - B.O.S.S. Spring Basketball League - Monday 6:00p to 9:00p; (3) courts
 - Dallas ShowTyme Basketball Tournament - Friday 6:30p to 10:00p, Saturday 8:00a to 10:00p & Sunday 8:00a to 5:00p; (6) courts
 - Fieldhouse Youth Basketball League - Sunday 5:00p to 9:00p; (5) courts

Senior Center:

- On Tuesday, April 16, the senior center hosted a special Volunteer Banquet to thank each of our senior volunteers who volunteer at the center and throughout the community. Certificates were presented, and food and music were provided.

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

- Continues to work with a developer interested in property located on Hwy 67.

The DCEDC will have a regular scheduled meeting on April 22, 2019, at 6:00p in the City Council Briefing Room located at City Hall.

Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Permits Issued:

- Buy and Ride #5; 103 S. Cedar Ridge Dr. (Change of Ownership Only – Convenience Store with Gas)
- DFW Radiology Associates, PLLC DBA Fibroid Institute; 1010 E. Wheatland Rd., Suite #200 (DFW Radiology Associates – Medical Office)
- LG's Chicken and Rice; 630 Oriole Blvd. (Fast Food Restaurant)
- Circle K #2740796; 1102 S. Cockrell Hill Rd. (Convenience Store with Fuel - Change in Name)
- BBF Worldlink, LLC; 714 Spaceway Dr. (Car Storage and Home Remodeling Supplies)
- Cox Farms Nursery; 110 Azalea Ln. (Plant Nursery)

Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Applications Received:

- Texas Pain Relief Group; 407 W. Daniieldale Rd. (Medical Consultations Office)
- Strands of Love; 603 E. Hwy. 67, Suite #103 (Retail – Sale of Hair, Salon with Hair Braiding Only)
- RB Auto Body Repair; 106 E. Red Bird, Suite #102 (Body Shop Repairs and Body Work Only)

Public Information – News coverage for this week:

April 16, 2019 – [Duncanville Public Library Prepares to Upgrade Patron Online Interface](#)

Monthly Code Enforcement Report – March 2019

	2019				2018			
	March		YTD		March		YTD	
	Notices of Violation	Citations	Notices of Violation	Citations	Notices of Violation	Citations	Notices of Violation	Citations
Building Code Violations								
Construction w/o Permit or Illegal Construction	29		68	8	27	3	55	4
Driveway in Disrepair					1		1	
Fence in Disrepair	23	2	73	4	61		130	
Installation of Illegal Driveway								
No Water Service			5	1	3		6	
Other Violations	4	2	12	7	70	3	385	11
Parking Lot in Disrepair			3	1			1	1
Plumbing Violation Sewer Lines/Covers								
Plumbing Violation					1		2	
Substandard Building	16	4	29	5	19	4	43	4
Buildings and Geneneral Bulding Regs								
VBR					2	10	43	10
Nuisance Violations								
Dumpster & Dumpster Enclosure			3				1	
Graffiti					1		7	
Growth Limitations - Plant Life	6		14		4		79	1
High Grass	17		19		22		50	
Illegal Dumping					1		4	
Illegal Open Storage	141	13	266	29	184	14	664	35
Illicit Discharge								
Illegal Truck	1		2				3	
Junked/Inoperable/Illegal Vehicles	45		123		50		209	2
Junked Vehicles - Private Property or Street	2		15		1		8	
Parking Trucks in Commercial Areas								
Vehicle over 1.5 tons capacity in Residential Areas			4		7		12	1
Visibility obstruction	1		1				3	
Other Violations								
Dead trees or Vegetation	1		1		5		13	1
Dumpster Screening Required								
Garage Sales w/o Permit								
Illegal Placement of Trash			1		3		5	
Other Violations	6	4	33	5	3		49	1
Over 5 Vehicles on Residential Prop.			1		4	1	16	3
Parking on Sidewalk	3		5					
Parking on Sidewalk or Unimproved Surface	21	2	48	5	55	2	129	8
Trash Containers Left Open							1	
Trash Out Early	2	2	17	3	2		5	1
Vegetation Encroachment or on Sidewalk or Curb			1	1	30		101	1
Vegetation on Sidewalk/Curb/Gutter								
Vehicles Displayed for Sale			1		1		1	
Sign Violations								
Banner Permit Expiring								
Banner w/o Permit					1		5	
Blinking or Flashing Sign								
Dilapidated & Deteriorated Condition			2				2	
Illegal Placement of Sign			1					
Illegal Sign		1	3	1	3		4	1
Over 40% Window Signage	1		1					
Pennants Displayed								
Sign w/o Permit			4				5	1
Obsolete Sign					2		7	
Swimming Pools								
Improper Fence around Pool							4	
Pool Not Maintained			4		2		6	2
Zoning Violations								
Containerized Storage	2		6		1		3	
Illegal Home Occupation							2	
Illegal Outside Display of Goods					3		4	
Illegal Use	2		8	3	2		7	
No Current C.O.	2	1	14	1			4	
Parking Requirements								
Screening Requirements								
TOTALS	325	31	788	74	571	37	2079	88
Compared to Same Previous Period	-43.1%	-16.2%	-62.1%	-15.9%				