



TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Kevin Hugman, City Manager

DATE: August 9, 2019

SUBJECT: Weekly Update

Sales Tax Report - Sales tax collections for June sales (August payment) shows a slight increase of 0.1% over the same period last year, with an overall decrease YTD for FY 19 sales tax collections of -1.3% compared to FY 18 sales tax revenue YTD.

STATE OF TEXAS					
COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS					
CITY SALES AND USE TAX COMPARISON					
FY19 versus FY18					
	FY19 Payments	FY18 Payments	Increase (Decrease)	% Change	YTD %
OCTOBER	\$ 808,134.72	\$ 795,078.73	\$ 13,055.99	1.6%	1.6%
NOVEMBER	\$ 761,307.93	\$ 767,921.23	\$ (6,613.30)	-0.9%	0.4%
DECEMBER	\$ 982,541.46	\$ 1,022,043.71	\$ (39,502.25)	-3.9%	-1.3%
JANUARY	\$ 751,474.37	\$ 758,469.91	\$ (6,995.54)	-0.9%	-1.2%
FEBRUARY	\$ 763,496.18	\$ 749,939.85	\$ 13,556.33	1.8%	-0.6%
MARCH	\$ 1,069,253.79	\$ 1,098,423.67	\$ (29,169.88)	-2.7%	-1.1%
APRIL	\$ 846,390.05	\$ 859,016.38	\$ (12,626.33)	-1.5%	-1.1%
MAY	\$ 879,867.74	\$ 914,446.54	\$ (34,578.80)	-3.8%	-1.5%
JUNE	\$ 1,018,284.27	\$ 1,017,289.66	\$ 994.61	0.1%	-1.3%
JULY		\$ 906,973.60			
AUGUST		\$ 871,174.23			
SEPTEMBER		\$ 1,027,247.60			
Total	\$ 7,880,750.51	\$ 10,788,025.11	\$ (101,879.17)		-1.28%
City Portion	\$ 3,940,375.26	\$ 5,394,012.56			
Property Tax Relief	\$ 1,970,187.63	\$ 2,697,006.28			
Total Gen Fund	\$ 5,910,562.88	\$ 8,091,018.83			
4B	\$ 1,970,187.63	\$ 2,697,006.28			

TxDOT Green Ribbon Grant – On August 7, 2019, the City of Duncanville received notice from TxDOT that we were awarded \$1,000,000 in FY20 Green Ribbon Grant funding for landscaping at the City's northern gateway at US 67 and Cockrell Hill. The City previously received \$486,000 in FY18 TXDOT Green Ribbon Grant funding which we will share with Cedar Hill for the gateway at US 67 and Wintergreen Rd. The city has also allocated funding for hardscape improvements in conjunction with the landscaping and these projects will commence following completion of the US 67 widening project.

Police Department – the July monthly report concerning use of force incidents, vehicle pursuits, complaints filed against officers, and police community engagements is attached.

Notes on recent activity:

- A detective in a shopping center to contact pawn shops, was alerted to a panic alarm from one of the pawn shops just as he arrived in that area. Noticing a suspicious male enter a vehicle and leave the parking lot in a hasty and erratic manner, and believing a robbery may have just occurred, the detective alerted patrol units and followed behind the vehicle. As patrol units were arriving, a brief pursuit ensued, but the suspect abandoned the vehicle in a Dallas apartment complex and fled on foot before officers could apprehend him. Ultimately, the suspect was found to have robbed the pawn shop at gunpoint with a pistol, stealing enough property that filled a backpack and a separate large box. The vehicle was impounded, the box of stolen property was recovered, as well as other evidence which aided officers and detectives in positively identifying the suspect. A warrant for the suspect's arrest is pending.
- Night patrol officers were dispatched to a burglary in progress in which two black male suspects were forcing entry into a home by kicking the front door. Clothing descriptions were provided for each suspect, and a suspect vehicle description was also provided. A very quick response time enabled one officer to see one suspect jump a back fence of the residence to which he had been dispatched. The suspect began to flee on foot through backyards, and ultimately eluded officers' apprehension. However, as other officers arrived in the area to help locate the suspects, another officer was able to locate the second suspect who was also fleeing on foot. The second suspect was apprehended near the HS football stadium. Items were found on the suspect which definitively tied him to the burglary. The homeowner was contacted and confirmed the entry was not authorized, the property had been stolen, and wanted to prosecute.
- Day officers were dispatched to a grocery store on a criminal trespass call. During the investigation, the officer confirmed the suspect had several outstanding warrants, and had been given a criminal trespass warning just the day before. However, the officer determined the suspect was being untruthful with him about her identity and had lied to the officers on scene the day prior. Ultimately, officers were able to definitively determine the suspect's identity, but due to reported

medical issues, the suspect was transported to an area hospital. A warrant will be issued for her arrest.

- A day patrol officer arrested a motorist who evaded in a motor vehicle from the officer who was attempting to stop the vehicle for a traffic stop. The motorist eluded the officer, who was able to follow the suspect vehicle at a distance while obeying traffic laws after it became apparent the motorist was not going to stop after the officer had provided both visual (emergency lights) and audible (siren) signals for the motorist to do so. When the motorist, who was the sole occupant of the suspect vehicle, stopped in front of a house, he was taken into custody. Drugs were also found in the vehicle.
- A frantic woman entered the police station lobby and alerted an officer that she had just been beaten by a male as they were traveling in a vehicle in Duncanville on I-20. The female stated they stopped at a restaurant on N. Cockrell Hill Rd where she ran into the restaurant, begging employees to call 911. She also said the male followed her into the restaurant and continued the assault by punching her in the face. The male then dragged the female by her hair, back to the vehicle. As they traveled in a residential area in Duncanville after leaving the restaurant, the female jumped from the vehicle to escape. When the male exited the vehicle, the female jumped back into the vehicle and fled to the police station, leaving the male on foot. The woman gave a description of the male and advised he should be on foot in the area of Wheatland and Freeman St. The officer receiving the information relayed the information to other officers in the field. The suspect was spotted, and a foot pursuit ensued. Ultimately, the suspect was apprehended at Reed Middle School without further incident. Once officers were able to positively identify the suspect, it was determined he was a fugitive from justice for an outstanding felony theft warrant.
- A night patrol officer towed an abandoned flatbed trailer, which was a traffic hazard, from N. Cockrell Hill Rd.
- A night patrol sergeant, while proactively patrolling businesses and running license plates, began to circle back to a vehicle which had been occupied and sitting stationary in a parking lot, due to receiving a stolen vehicle return. The sergeant noticed the vehicle was leaving at a high rate of speed. The sergeant kept sight of the vehicle and ultimately found it abandoned in Hollywood Park. The stolen vehicle, out of Arlington, was recovered and impounded. A short time later, the sergeant located a male who, based on several circumstances, was believed to be the suspected offender. While not enough to make the arrest, the sergeant identified the suspect and passed the information on to the Arlington PD.
- A day patrol officer took a report in which the victim agreed to meet a seller to purchase an iPhone for \$200.00 at a convenience store. Upon meeting, the "seller" provided a phone to the buyer (victim), grabbed the money from the buyer's hand, and fled. The phone was locked and could not be used. The buyer tried to contact the seller but was blocked.

(NOTE: Within the last couple of weeks, the PD posted a PSA on social media alerting the public of our Safe Exchange Area, which is in front of the police department. Most police departments have very similar areas, all for the purpose

of providing citizens who wish to buy or sell items through secondary market place apps such as 5 Mile and Craigslist, as safe meeting place to do so.)

- Directed Traffic Enforcement
 - W. Danieldale Rd. – 7 citations, 2 written warnings
 - E. Danieldale Rd. – one citation
 - North and South Main St. – 9 citations
 - Astaire Ave and Avenue of the Stars – 2 citations
 - East Wheatland Rd. – one citation
 - West Wheatland Rd. – one citation

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

Paramedics received continuing education this week on case studies on airway, ventilation and oxygenation.

Public Works – Water usage was 45.374 MG this week, up from 44.424 last week. The daily peak water demand occurred on Wednesday, July 31, when 7.083 MG was used. There was 0.12 inches of precipitation last reporting week (July 29 through August 4).

Mosquito testing was conducted on August 6 at five locations throughout the City with negative results.

Twenty-four properties were registered for the residential rental property program since last week's report, for a total of 624 registered properties year-to-date. Eighteen properties were inspected; thirteen passed and five failed inspection. Of those properties, a lack of GFCI protection and vacuum breakers on hose bibs were the primary reasons for failure. Fourteen residential certificates of occupancy were issued, for a total of 213 certificates of occupancy issued year-to-date.

Code Enforcement collected \$4,639.81 on 16 liens this week, for a total of \$62,268.13 since the collection program started. A total of 185 liens have been paid since the program started.

The attached monthly Code Enforcement Report compares the 2018-2019 notices of violations and citations issued for the month of July. For the month of July 2019, notices of violation are at 45.7% and citations are at 19.3% of those issued in July 2018. Year-to-date, notices of violations are at -41.8% and citations are at -4.7% of those issued as compared to the same period in 2018.

Code Enforcement Success:

Code officers began working with the property owner of 206 Woodhaven Boulevard on December 13, 2018, to have the property brought into compliance. The property owner was charging contractors for dumping dirt and debris on the property as well as charging

the mechanic shop adjacent to the property for parking of vehicles. Success was achieved on July 29, 2019, when the property was cleared of all violations.

BEFORE



AFTER



For the last two weeks, extra help was used to help facilitate brush pickup throughout the City. A total of 3,640 cubic yards of brush, or 52 truckloads weighing 338.65 tons, was taken to the Organix landfill over a 240-hour period. Republic is now back on schedule for brush pickup.

A regularly scheduled Planning and Zoning meeting will be held on Monday, August 12, at 7:00p. This meeting will consider approval of a special use permit for an event center 134 North Main Street.

Construction Update:

- The Concrete Construction crew repaired 276 sq.ft. of sidewalk at 315 Walnut Street and installed new ADA ramps at 415 Tanglewood Drive and 402 Mizell Street.

- Pipebursting crews completed work on Segments 2 and 3 in South Lincoln Drive, and Section 1 in Wheatland Road in the Presidential Estates subdivision. Street restoration on Alexander Avenue in the Flame East Subdivision and on Truman Court and Madison Court in the Presidential Estates is complete.
- On Tuesday, May 6, staff held a kick-off meeting with Dunaway Associates for the FY19 Meadowcreek Drive Drainage project. A proposed project schedule was established, the concept design reviewed, and alternate approaches and possible future conflicts were discussed.

Library - This year's Summer Reading Club program was a great success! The library presented 75 programs which brought in 3,336 attendees, nearly 1,000 more than last summer. There were over 700 readers who turned in reading logs, each indicating 20 hours of reading, and submitted an entry to win a Kindle Fire. Four lucky winners were chosen and will be on our social media pages very soon. The entire staff worked hard, but especially the youth services department, Danene Hudson and Deysi Soto, and 18 teen volunteers who contributed 244 hours of service! As always we are very grateful for our Friends of the Duncanville Library, who provided the grand prize Kindle Fires, as well as various funds for other programs and their continual support and championing of the library out in the community.

Parks and Recreation –

Parks:

- Athletics is making final preparations for DBBI, DGSA, and DSA to return to using athletic fields for the Fall 2019 season.

Fieldhouse:

- This coming week we have:
 - Metro Safe Summer Camp - Monday thru Friday 6:30a to 6:00p
 - Gym Rats Basketball Tournament - Saturday 9:00a to 9:00p, Sunday 9:00p to 4:30p x 3 courts

Senior Activity Center:

- On Tuesday, August 6, the senior received a presentation from Baylor Scott & White about dehydration and physical activity.

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

- With the Parks Department, continues to work with the Design Studio Group and the DISD on an art mural wall project on the corner of Cockrell Hill Rd. and Daniieldale Rd.

The DCEDC's next meeting will be held on August 26, 2019, at 6 p.m. in the City Council Briefing Room at City Hall.

Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Permits Issued:

- None this week

Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Applications Received:

- Fast Crab Shack; 1211 S. Main St., Bldg. A (Restaurant)

Public Information – News coverage for this week:

August 2, 2019 – [Art Unveiling for Two New Traffic Signal Boxes in Duncanville](#)

August 4, 2019 – [Duncanville High School Band Continues Exemplary Performance](#)

August 4, 2019 – [Duncanville Middle Schoolers Take “GOTIT” Stem Training in July](#)

August 5, 2019 – [How Digital Art Classes are Blazing New Trails](#)

August 5, 2019 – [Groundbreaking for Wintergreen Road Project](#)

August 6, 2019 – [Duncanville Chamber Holds Ribbon Cutting for Absolute Smile Dental](#)

August 7, 2019 – [Suspect in Duncanville Pawn Shop Robbery Remains at Large; Police Find Vehicle](#)

August 8, 2019 – [Duncanville Public Library Announces Summer Reading Club Grand Prize Winners](#)



DUNCANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Kevin Hugman, City Manager
FROM: Robert D. Brown, Jr., Chief of Police
SUBJECT: July 2019 Monthly Report
DATE: August 09, 2019

During the month of July 2019, we had –

Use of Force Incidents – 1

- Incident 1: 07/25/2019 – Suspect fled in a stolen vehicle following a traffic stop. The suspect was caught after a brief foot chase and brought to the Duncanville Police Department Jail. Administrative review determined force used was lawful and within policy.

Vehicle Pursuits – 0

Complaints Filed – 2

- Incident 1 – Internal complaint for policy violation. Complaint is currently under investigation.
- Incident 2 – Internal complaint for policy violation. Complaint is currently under investigation.

Community Meetings Held/Attended/Partnerships Developed – 3 meetings 90 Partnerships

- COP Meeting – Police Station – 35 partnerships
- Safety Talk – VA Business Offices – 35 partnerships
- Crime Watch Meeting – 800 Link Apartments – 20 partnerships

Monthly Code Enforcement Report – July 2019

	2019				2018			
	July		YTD		July		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	12	2	128	16	9	2	102	13
Driveway in Disrepair	1		1		5	10	3	
Fence in Disrepair	9	1	146	17			219	23
Installation of Illegal Driveway								
No Water Service			6	1	1		11	2
Other Violations			17	12	6	6	642	34
Parking Lot in Disrepair			3	2			2	2
Plumbing Violation Sewer Lines/Covers					6		6	
Plumbing Violation			1				3	
Substandard Building	22	12	132	36	3	2	96	18
Buildings and Geneneral Buidng Regs								
VBR			1				43	10
Nuisance Violations								
Dumpster & Dumpster Enclosure			3				3	
Graffiti	1		3		1		15	2
Growth Limitations - Plant Life	15		56	1	5		98	1
High Grass	108	24	307	37	31	3	520	23
Illegal Dumping			1	1			4	
Illegal Open Storage	47	14	887	81	21	12	963	81
Illicit Discharge	2	1	2	1			2	2
Illegal Truck	1		4		2	5	28	7
Junked/Inoperable/Illegal Vehicles	11	1	216	6	12		294	3
Junked Vehicles - Private Property or Street	1		16		3	1	20	2
Parking Trucks in Commercial Areas								
Vehicle over 1.5 tons capacity in Residential Areas	1		7		1		16	1
Visibility obstruction	1		5		1		8	
Other Violations								
Dead trees or Vegetation	1		5		2		26	4
Dumpster Screening Required					1			
Garage Sales w/o Permit			2		2		3	
Illegal Placement of Trash			6				9	
Other Violations	10	1	70	10	28		80	2
Over 5 Vehicles on Residential Prop.			2		1		25	6
Parking on Sidewalk			11		12	10	4	
Parking on Sidewalk or Unimproved Surface	9	3	127	28			230	31
Trash Containers Left Open							1	
Trash Out Early	11	5	43	8	10		43	4
Vegetation Encroachment or on Sidewalk or Curb			3	1	11		323	6
Vegetation on Sidewalk/Curb/Gutter							6	
Vehicles Displayed for Sale			2		1		4	
Sign Violations								
Banner Permit Expiring								
Banner w/o Permit			3				6	
Blinking or Flashing Sign								
Dilapidated & Deteriorated Condition	3		7	1		1	3	1
Illegal Placement of Sign		1	1	2				
Illegal Sign	1		4	2	1		7	2
Over 40% Window Signage			2					
Pennants Displayed							1	
Sign w/o Permit			5				5	1
Obsolete Sign	2	1	5	1	1		9	
Swimming Pools								
Improper Fence around Pool							5	1
Pool Not Maintained	1	1	11	3	6	5	29	12
Zoning Violations								
Containerized Storage		1	7	2			3	
Illegal Home Occupation	1		3				2	
Illegal Outside Display of Goods			1		1		6	
Illegal Use	3		19	11	4		16	1
No Current C.O.			15	1			4	
Parking Requirements								
Screening Requirements								
TOTALS	274	68	2296	281	188	57	3948	295
Compared to Same Previous Period	45.7%	19.3%	-41.8%	-4.7%				