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TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Kevin Hugman, City Manager

DATE: February 28, 2020

SUBJECT: Weekly Update

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**Police Department** – This Friday, Sgt. Adrian Tijerina graduated from the 130<sup>th</sup> Session of the School of Police Supervision at the Institute for Law Enforcement Administration (ILEA). This is a four-week training curriculum geared toward enhancing the leadership skills of front-line law enforcement supervisors. Congratulations to Sgt. Tijerina for continuing his professional development!

**Notes on recent activity:**

- While checking an area near a convenience store for city ordinance violations, a night patrol officer noticed an individual the officer knew to have previously been given a criminal trespass warning for the convenience store property. As the officer detained the individual in order to confirm his belief, the stopped individual became agitated and argumentative with the officer. After confirming the person had been warned to stay off the property, the officer arrested the person without any incident.
- A night patrol officer, upon stopping a vehicle which was being operated erratically, noticed the driver to be confused. The officer also noticed items consistent with drug usage in plain view. Ultimately, the officer developed probable cause to believe the driver was impaired over the legal limit and arrested the driver. Several different types of drugs/narcotics were confiscated as evidence.
- After stopping a suspicious vehicle which also had an equipment violation, a night patrol officer developed probable cause to search the vehicle, and confiscated an illegally possessed handgun, a substance which had an appearance, odor and



was packaged in a way consistent with marijuana, as well as pills believed to be dangerous drugs. All contraband was seized as evidence and two arrests were made.

- Directed Traffic Enforcement:
  - W. Danieldale Rd. – (1) citation
  - North and South Main St. – (5) citations
  - East Wheatland Rd. – (2) citations
  - West Wheatland Rd. – (3) citations
  - South Cockrell Hill Rd. – (6) citations
  - North Cockrell Hill Rd. – (3) citations

**Fire** – There have been no major EMS or fire events in the city in the past seven days. The department responded to 127 calls for service in the past week.

Fire department personnel have been in regional training all week with Desoto and Cedar Hill doing drills with the Cedar Hill AmBus (ambulance bus) for multi-patient incidents.

**Public Works** – Water usage was 23.654 MG this week, up from 23.281 MG reported the previous week. The daily peak water demand occurred on Monday, February 17, when 3.92 MG was used. There was 1.01 inches of precipitation last reporting week (February 17 through February 23).

On Tuesday, February 18, Assistant Public Works Director Jacqueline R. Culton, P.E., was honored with a Dallas County Commissioners Court Resolution for recognition and appreciation of her hard work and extra effort in helping keep the Best Southwest Wintergreen Road project on schedule and successful. Jackie was previously recognized with a 2019 Special City Partnering Award for demonstrating Dallas County Public Works' partnering principles of Trust, Commitment and Share Vision. Congratulations to Jackie!



The Planning and Zoning Commission cancelled their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, March 9, due to no business items.

Several Census activities will be held in conjunction with the Town Hall 2020 Census event on Thursday, March 26, at the D.L. Hopkins Jr. Senior Center at 201 James Collins Boulevard. At 9:00a, a Census presentation, question/answer session and breakfast will be provided for those 55 years and older. A Mommy & Me Census Fun Activity is scheduled for 10:00a. The Town Hall event begins at 6:00p with a presentation from the Census Bureau and question and answer session. Attendees are encouraged to bring their Census questionnaire with them to fill out. Computers will be available the entire day for residents to complete the Census.

Thirty properties were registered for the residential rental property program since the last report, for a total of 1,369 properties year-to-date. Twelve properties were inspected. Three properties passed inspection and nine failed. Of the properties that failed, lack of GFCI protection was the primary reason for failure. Three residential certificates of occupancy were issued, for a total of 332 certificates issued year-to-date.

Code Enforcement collected \$257.25 on two liens this week, for a total of \$200,293.39 since the collection program started. A total of 423 liens have been paid since the program started.

Construction Update:

- The City Concrete Construction crew repaired 396 sq.ft. of sidewalk at 307-433 303 West Cherry Street and installed new ADA ramps at 247 West Cherry Street and 303 West Orange Street.
- City contractor VesCorp constructed one ADA ramp in the Fairmeadows Subdivision for the FY19 Fairmeadows Sidewalk Improvements Project.
- City contractor Cam-Crete completed pavement replacement in the right and center northbound lanes for the FY20 North Duncanville Road Pavement Replacement and Lifting Program.
- City contractor Douglas Dailey is continuing work on sidewalk, curb, gutter, street, and yard restorations. Crews cut and plugged the remaining water main for the FY19 Greenbriar Addition High Ridge Drive project.
- City contractor Douglas Dailey continued installation of water line inside the Center Ridge Apartments for the FY19 Center Street Water and Wastewater Improvements project. The work is progressing towards West Center Street.
- City contractor FM Utilities continues restoration of sidewalk, curb, gutter, and driveway for the FY19 Forest Hills Addition South Alexander Avenue Water and Wastewater Improvements project. Water main installation is complete with the exception of one tie-in on South Forest Lane. New meter cans are being installed, and water services are being transferred to the new line.
- City contractor Excel 4 continued construction of the gabion baskets for slope protection on FY19 Ferguson Road Drainage and Pavement Improvement project.

## **Parks and Recreation**

### **Parks:**

- Keep Duncanville Beautiful's Annual Garden Workshop will be held at the Senior Center Saturday, March 7, 2020 from 9:00a to 12:00p. There will be information on composting, gardening with native plants, and other topics. The event is free and door prizes will be awarded.
- The electrical work for the new pavilion at Lakeside Park has been completed.

### **Recreation:**

- The City logo was installed this week in the game room. Residents will be able to see the new signage as soon as they walk inside.
- Upcoming Events:
  - Princess Tea Party – Saturday, March 28 from 10:00a – 1:00p
  - 2020 Easter Eggstravaganza – Saturday, April 4 from 3:00p – 5:00p
  - Movies in the Park: Frozen – Friday, April 17 at 8:00p
  - Movies in the Park: Jumanji – Friday, April 24 at 8:00p

### **Fieldhouse:**

- This coming week we have:
  - Champions Before & After School Program - Monday thru Friday 6:30a to 8:00a and 3:30p to 6:30P
  - HoopPlay Basketball Tournament - Saturday 9:00a to 6:00p and Sunday 9:00a to 4:00p x 3 courts

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

- Staff attended the Balch Springs Economic Development Summit where guest speakers discussed different topics that could impact economic development in the Best Southwest Area.

The DCEDC Board held its monthly meeting where they approved a Main Station Duncanville, LTD Partnership Loan for \$75,000.

### **Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Permits Issued:**

- None this week

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

- Décor Attic; 712 N. Main St., Suite #A (Home Décor Store)
- Juan's Automotive; 633 E. Hwy 67, Suite #B (Automotive Repair)
- Gye Nyame Furniture & Accents; 719 S. Cockrell Hill Rd., Suite #104 (Furniture, Accents, Appliances and Electronics Store)
- Iglesia de Dios Manantiales de Vida Eterna Filial #5 (1203 N. Cockrell Hill Rd. (Church, Religious Facility (Change of Ownership))
- A&S Supermarkets, LLC; 303 E. Camp Wisdom Rd. (Cash Saver)

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

- February 20, 2020 – [Princess Tea Party: Saturday, March 28](#)
- February 20, 2020 – [Easter Eggstravaganza: Saturday, April 4](#)
- February 21, 2020 – [May 2, 2020 General Election Information](#)
- February 24, 2020 – [Telling My Boss About My Invisible Condition Was One of the Beat Decisions I've Ever Made](#)