



To: Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Aretha R. Ferrell-Benavides, City Manager
Date: March 19, 2021
Subject: Weekly Update

Public Works

Operational Updates:

Building Inspections

- A total of 1,638 single-family rental properties are registered to date; two properties were registered since the last update. Twelve inspections were completed since the last update, eleven passed while one failed. Lack of a privacy lock, a CO detector, smoke detectors, vacuum breakers on hose bibs, and GFCI protection were the reasons for the failure. Eleven residential certificates of occupancy were issued for a total of 491 certificates of occupancy issued since inception of the Single-Family Rental Registration Program.
- Since the start of active lien collection, \$247,043.79 has been collected. \$429.82 was collected since the last update.

Utilities Division

- Water usage was 27.96 MG this reporting period, March 7 - 14 2021, down from 28.28 MG the previous week. The daily peak water demand occurred on Monday, March 8, 2021, when 4.41 MG was used. There were 0.003 inches of precipitation this reporting period. There was one service leak and one water main break this week. Solid Waste collection resolved a total of twelve Bulk Collection complaints from residents this week.

Traffic Division

- The City's Signal Contractor completed work on the traffic signal located at Danieldale and Larry. This work is part of our normal maintenance plan. The City rewires traffic signals at four intersections per year. The intersections at Danieldale and Greenstone, Clark and Big Stone Gap will also be re-wired this year.

Street Division

- Street Division crews combined to complete routine street maintenance deferred due to recent winter weather.
- Sweeping Services of Texas, the city's sweeping contractor, continued sweeping and removing ice chat from bridges and intersections sanded during the recent winter weather event.

Planning and Zoning Division

- Predevelopment meetings conducted on 03/18:
 - 311 E Danieldale Rd – church
 - 1422 W Danieldale Rd – childcare
 - 103 N Cedar Ridge – restaurant
- The new City Planner, Skye Thibodeaux, will start on 03/22/2021. Skye previously worked for the Cities of Frisco, Plano, and Little Elm.

CIP Construction

- Meadowcreek Drainage Improvements – La Banda (Stormwater Pipe Contractor) removed the bagwall and a few segments of the existing 48" RCP. Knight Erosion Control (Bagwall Contractor) will tentatively begin bagwall footer construction this week.



- FY21 Pipe Bursting – Vortex is pipe bursting in Skyline Haven Estates along Softwood Dr.

- Madrid-Granada Alley Improvements – The alleys and driveways have been paved from San Juan Dr. to just upstream of the storm sewer improvements. The contractor is placing forms and rebar for the alley and driveways in the section above the storm sewer improvements.
- Green Tree Ln Water & Wastewater Improvements - Construction will commence on March 29, 2021.
- E. Danieldale Rd. Reconstruction & Utility Improvements (Main St. to US-67) – Construction will commence on April 5, 2021. The northern three lanes will be closed, and all traffic moved to the southern lanes. The city recommends all traffic from north or east of the intersection at Main & Danieldale to use S Main St to access US-67.
- The Danieldale Tank Project – Preconstruction meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 26, 2021.
- I-20 Service Rd project - Fluor and TxDOT are working on Oriole Blvd intersection with Wren. A portion of Oriole Blvd north of Wren is closed during construction 03/04-03/28/2021.

Police Department

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOLADES

Sergeant Joseph Emmett was awarded the Ten Years of Service Bar, Ten Years Perfect Attendance Bar and the Five-Year Safe Driving Bar. Congratulations Sgt. Emmett and thank you for your dedicated service to the city of Duncanville!

PERSONNEL

The five patrol cadets currently in the NCTCOG academy continue to do well and are tentatively set for graduation dates in April and June (two classes which began on different dates).

Training and Personnel will hold a civil service entry examination for potential candidates on April 3rd in hopes of hiring two solid candidates. In the event unlicensed candidates make the subsequent civil service list, the goal would be to process and hire them so they could attend one of the basic police academies held at the NCTCOG in mid-May or June. Interest cards for the April 3, 2021 test must be turned in by Friday, March 26, 2021 at 3:00 pm.

COVID-19

There are no employees out with COVID-19 at this time.

Parks and Recreation

Parks:

- All playgrounds, basketball, tennis, and volleyball courts are opened. Drinking fountains are all open for use now.
- Park pavilion rentals have resumed with the reopening of Texas by the governor.
- The Horticulture crew has cut back pampas grass in landscape beds.

- It is planned to have substantial completion of Lakeside Park new pavilion beautification efforts (trees, perennials etc.) and parking lot striping by Easter weekend, weather permitting.
- The parking regulation sign for Pyburn Park has been installed.



Top row: Pampas grass removal at Armstrong Park; Bottom row from left: Parking sign regulation at Pyburn Park; Bed maintenance at Memorial Park.

Fieldhouse:

- Upcoming Events:
 - D -Town Magic Basketball Camp – Mon., Wed. & Thurs. 2p - 4p (2 courts)
 - Heads-up Basketball Camp – Tues., Wed. & Thurs. 12p - 2p (1 court)
 - D -Town Magic Basketball League – Tues. & Thurs. 7p - 9p (3 courts)
 - TB5 Reports Basketball Tournament – Fri. 5p - 9p, Sat. 8:00a - 8:00p & Sun. 9a - 4p (6 courts)

Senior Center:

- Senior Center continues to serve curbside meal pick up and deliveries.
- Staff continues to make wellness calls throughout the week. Crossword puzzles and trivia games are being provided via the newsletter and handed out with meals.
- Upcoming Drive-thru Events:
 - Parking Lot Bingo (Postponed Valentine's Day) – Wednesday, March 24, 2021



Curbside Pickup at D.L. Hopkins Jr. Senior Center

Recreation Center:

- Effective Wednesday, March 10, 2021, all indoor rentals are now at 50% capacity. Facility COVID protocols (masks, gloves and social distancing) will still be required.
- Staff continues to routinely sanitize the facility and equipment.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Easter Drive-Thru Eggstravaganza – Saturday, March 27, 2021
 - Movies in the Park – Saturday, April 17, 2021



Upcoming Event Flyers

Fire Department

Duncanville has 42 reported positive cases of COVID-19 from March 11 through March 17th.

Duncanville is reporting a total of 56 deaths (data from NBCDFW dated March 17th) contributed to COVID-19 since it was declared a pandemic.

The Department currently has 1 vacancy. Two rookies are in the process of orientation and training, but they are not yet counted in the staffing of equipment. Two members are in paramedic school. The Department had a physical agility test on March 6, 2021. Six candidates participated in the test with four completing the evaluation under the required time. The four candidates are completing their Personal History Statements for the Department to evaluate to setup an interview. Unfortunately, the Department has one of our staff who have tested at Grand Prairie FD and has turned in his two-week notice. His last shift will be on March 26. The Department will have two vacancies after the 26th. Another one of our staff has tested with Fort Worth FD and has a place on their eligibility list.

Economic Development

Certificate of Occupancy – Applications Received – WEEKLY (EDC):

- Candy Shack: Daiquiris to Go; 103 N. Cedar Ridge Dr., Suite #100 (QSR drive thru restaurant with limited indoor seating)

- Anthony's Upholstery; 534 E. Wheatland Rd. (furniture, upholstery and covering)
- Abswot African Store; 1426 S. Clark Rd. (selling prepackaged groceries and premade fabrics, traditional jewelries, and hair extensions in the future)

Certificate of Occupancy – Certificates Issued – WEEKLY (EDC):

- Sky Quad Auto Repairs; 1350 N. Main St., Suite #19 & 20 (auto repair)

Public Information Office



Wednesday, March 17, 2021

[Paul Frederiksen, Duncanville Assistant City Manager, Died March 12](#)

Focusdailynews

The unexpected death of Duncanville Assistant City Manager Paul Frederiksen March 12 sent shockwaves through city hall Friday. Mayor Barry L.

[Dallas County reports 10 COVID related deaths and 311 new cases today, Tuesday](#)

Sachse News

A man in his 80's who was a resident of the City of Duncanville. He had been hospitalized and had underlying high risk health conditions. The city of ...

[Duncanville High Basketball Coach David Peavy Says Seeing Son Micah Lead Texas Tech Into ...](#)

CBS Dallas / Fort Worth

Watch Keith Russell's report on CBS 11 at 10pm. DUNCANVILLE, Texas (CBSDFW.COM) – Duncanville High basketball coach David Peavy can put ...

[High school basketball rankings: Montverde Academy remains atop MaxPreps Top 25 after ...](#)

MaxPreps

6 Duncanville (Texas) solidified its spot in the rankings after defending its 6A state title Saturday with a 66-53 victory over No. 21 Westlake (Austin ...

[Drew Medford Memorial high school baseball tournament scores and scholarship winners](#)

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

... three days and 49 high school baseball games across the Fort Worth area. ... Arlington Heights 1, Duncanville 0. Nolan Catholic 6, Duncanville 1.

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

[Super Texas DE could be next Chase Young type for Larry Johnson at Ohio State](#)

247Sports

DUNCANVILLE, Texas - 247Sports southwest recruiting insider Billy Embody recently made a stop at Duncanville High School in Duncanville,.

[All-KCAC Basketball 2020-21](#)

Newton Kansan

Keyaun Hoskin, York, so., G, Duncanville, Texas. HONORABLE MENTION. Bryant Mocaby, BETHEL, jr., F, Wichita. Isiah Saenz, Bethany, sr., G, San ...

[An early look at the Utes quarterback options, and Whittingham talks about vaccines as spring ...](#)

Salt Lake Tribune

Charlie's the upperclassman, the senior. ... like Brewer, has a huge pedigree as a four-star recruit out of Dallas-area power Duncanville High School.

[Duncanville safety feeling the push from SMU](#)

247Sports

2022 Duncanville (Tex.) safety Pierre Goree is one of the most impressive athletes you'll find with a 10.62 100-meter time on his resume... ">247Sports.

[Super Texas DE could be next Chase Young type for Larry Johnson at Ohio State](#)

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Monday, March 15, 2021

[Duncanville pulls away late to beat Westlake in 6A final, wins back-to-back titles](#)

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

They don't call Duncanville the 'City of Champions' for nothing. The Panthers righted the ship and secured the program's second straight Class 6A ...

[Duncanville defends 6A boys basketball state title with late run against Austin Westlake](#)

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Zhuric Phelps (0) celebrates after his dunk during the 6A state final between Duncanville and Austin Westlake at the Alamodome in San Antonio Texas ...

[Long ready to fight on 'Golden Boy' card](#)

Johnson City Press

Kalkreuth, from Duncanville, Texas, is a two-time USA Boxing national champion with over 100 amateur fights. He has comparable height and reach ...

 [3 seasons, 2 titles, 0 playoff losses: Duncanville's latest basketball run has been one for the record ...](#)

The Dallas Morning News

About half a century later, Duncanville might've had the chance to join ... state champions on the same banner when they put it up at the high school.

 [Texas high school basketball scoreboard: Duncanville defeats Westlake to repeat as Class 6A ...](#)

MaxPreps

Texas high school basketball scoreboard: Duncanville defeats Westlake to repeat as Class 6A state champions. Terrance Arceneaux knocks down a ...

 [Duncanville Boys Basketball Team Wins State Championship](#)

Focusdailynews


Last season the Duncanville Panthers were stopped short of successfully defending their 2019 Class 6A state basketball championship. They weren't ...

 [DeSoto Girls Basketball Wins First State Championship: Area Recap](#)

Focusdailynews


Duncanville – Second in District 11. State rank, 3. Defeated Killeen Ellison in bidistrict, 104-32; defeated Mesquite Horn in area, 82-52; defeated Cedar ...

Sunday, March 14, 2021

 ['We're built for this': Duncanville wins second straight 6A boys basketball state championship](#)

The Dallas Morning News

Get the scoop on hot topics, story lines, stats, photos and more about Texas high school sports. By signing up you agree to our privacy policy ...

 [Texas high school basketball scoreboard: Duncanville defeats Westlake to repeat as Class 6A ...](#)

MaxPreps

6 Duncanville defended their Class 6A state title with a 66-53 victory over No. 19 Westlake (Austin) behind a game-high 27 points from SMU signee ...

 [High school basketball scoreboard: No. 24 Millard North outlasts No. 16 Bellevue West to capture ...](#)


MaxPreps

6 Duncanville defended their Class 6A state title with a 66-53 victory over No. 19 Westlake (Austin) ... 6 Duncanville (Texas) vs. No. 19 Westlake ...

 [Westlake basketball playing in state championship game Saturday for first time in school history ...](#)

KXAN.com

AUSTIN (KXAN) — Is Westlake a football or a basketball school? ... largest classification, and the last team to even play for it was Austin High in 1960. ... 1998-99 Duncanville team as the just the third school in state history to win both ...

 [High school basketball scoreboard: No. 1 Montverde Academy defeats No. 3 Sunrise Christian ...](#)

MaxPreps


6 Duncanville and No. 19 Westlake (Austin). Both teams have one loss coming into the monster showdown, while the Chaps look to avenge their only ...

Saturday, March 13, 2021

 [Texas high school basketball scoreboard: Duncanville, Austin Westlake battle in 6A showdown](#)

MaxPreps

Texas high school basketball scoreboard: Duncanville, Austin Westlake ... The Chaps look to avenge their only setback, a 77-67 loss to Duncanville ...

 [High school basketball scoreboard: No. 1 Montverde Academy faces No. 3 Sunrise Christian ...](#)

MaxPreps

6 Duncanville and No. ... while the Chaps look to avenge their only setback, a 77-67 loss to Duncanville back on Nov. 25. ... 6 Duncanville (Texas) vs.

 [Collin's Corner: 4-star OL Jaylen Early gives quick OU update](#)

247Sports

On a loaded Duncanville High School squad, one standout is 2022 lineman Jaylen Early. The versatile front-liner is coming off a strong... ">247Sports.

 [A long road back: After last year's cancellation, state title game 'can't come soon enough' for ...](#)

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The Dallas Morning News

Duncanville Panthers head coach David Peavy listens to Caleb Ford (3) as he describes a play during a 2nd half timeout in their game against ...

 [Michael January - Duncanville - 2020 Freshman Season Highlights](#)

247Sports

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 [Tittletown: Westlake looks to follow football title with basketball title](#)

KVUE.com

They'd become just the third high school in Texas history to win both in the same year at the UIL's highest classification, joining Duncanville in ...

Friday, March 12, 2021

 [2021 UIL boys state basketball tournament: Championship game previews for Duncanville, Kimb](#)

The Dallas Morning News

The Dallas Morning News previews state championship games featuring local schools. Duncanville (left), Kimball (...)

 [Recruiting Rumor Mill: ACC, SEC and Pac-12 rising for Shawn Murphy](#)

UCFSports.com | Rivals.com - Alabama

... have been recruiting him the hardest but there is still time for others because the Duncanville, Texas, standout is still thinking about when to commit.

 [Primer: Under Armour Camp Series Dallas](#)

247Sports

Deer Creek Jacob Sexton and Duncanville (Texas) High four-star OL Cameron Williams also prominent players on the roster. Others To Keep An Eye ...

Thursday, March 11, 2021

 [This Week in TXHSFB Recruiting presented by Chicken Express](#)

Dave Campbell's Texas Football

This week we shine the spotlight on new Oklahoma State LB commit Jordan Crook (Duncanville), Texas High DE Derrick Brown, Arlington Martin CB ...

 [2022 Duncanville OL Jaylen Early likes the Aggies as he narrows his options](#)

TexAgs

Duncanville (TX) 2022 offensive lineman Jaylen Early is a busy man. ... Texas A&M, Ohio State, Florida State, USC, Baylor and Oklahoma are all ...

Four-star Texas OL says Buckeyes' recruiting him hard and his interest is high - 247Sports Full Coverage

 [Westlake boys make history, reach state championship basketball game](#)


Austin American-Statesman

2 Duncanville Saturday at 7 p.m. in San Antonio's Alamodome. ... Westlake will try and become the first Austin-area school to win a boys basketball ... Austin High in 1960 to play for a championship in the state's largest classification.

 [GALLERY: Duncanville shuts down Richardson; advances to 6A Championships](#)

VYPE

Now, that's not to say dynasties cannot happen in the high school ranks. With programs like IMG Academy (Florida and Mater Dei (California) or Oak Hill ...

 [DeSoto isn't fazed by the undefeated record or All-Americans of Cypress Creek — they're fearless ...](#)

The Dallas Morning News

DESOTO — DeSoto senior guard Kendall Brown wasn't being cocky or ... Duncanville is the team that handed Cypress Creek its only loss over the last 74 ... than 2,000 points in their first three years of high school (according to UT), ...