

Meadows PLACE

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR By Charles Jessup



Covid Update

The City of Meadows Place is subject to Federal, State and County edicts and orders. As you know the restrictions are in a constant state of flux. Now commercial entities must require that all employees or visitors to their business premises or other facilities wear face coverings when in an area or performing an

activity which will involve close contact or proximity to co-workers or the public. The bars are closed and restaurants are back to 50% capacity.

The City of Meadows Place is changing right along with them. We recently invoked Phase III of our COVID plan which states 'Visitors to the City of Meadows Place shall wear a facial covering (mask) while inside City facilities'. We also require City employees wear a mask when in non-secure areas: for example City Hall lobby, Council Chambers and Court Room. This comes after we locked the back door and cordoned off City Hall to direct traffic flow. We completely revamped our Court procedures and fog the building with disinfectant every evening at 5:15. Chief Stewart, Nick Haby and I are still getting input from the State and County to make sure we are as aware as we can be. We want to make the right decisions and want to keep you informed as well. That is why we have a Daily COVID update on our website. It shows the latest in active cases being monitored in Meadows Place and a link to the County Health and Human Services Coronavirus Information Center and Response Hub. We update that Monday thru Friday. City Council and Staff are taking this threat seriously and hope you will too.

Public Hearings July 28th

Joint Public Hearing on July 28, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at Meadows Place City Hall, One Troyan Drive, Meadows Place, TX 77477, as the date, time, and place for a joint public hearing to receive public comment regarding Electronic Signs.

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Hurricane Season is here. Make sure you and your family are prepared.

JULY 2020

CITY CALENDAR

Meadows Place

July 3	City Hall closed for Independence Day
July 4	Parade - 6:30 p.m. (Subject to Change)
July 4	Fireworks - 9:00 p.m. at McGrath Park (Subject to Change)
July 28	Joint Public Hearing - 6:00 p.m.
July 28	Regular Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m

Did You Know?...

Did You Know... the City is posting a Happy Monday posting on the official City Facebook page every Monday morning. They are Cute, funny, silly and mostly interactive . We've had some great response and it is a good way to start the day/week. Check it out. Happy, positive social interaction whether online or in the park will help keeps Meadows Place stays --.Your Place for Life!

Did You Know... one of our neighbors sent our Code Enforcement Official, Jennifer Cabello, a note stating "We purchased a boat for our Jamaica Beach beach house and we are going to have it parked in the front of our house tonight." They included their address and went on to say they were closing on the beach house in a week and asked permission to leave it in their driveway for that week. Permission was granted as The City of Meadows Place works with residents on short term issues whenever they can. It is always best to follow this example and contact Code Enforcement so you don't get in trouble and your neighbors don't get mad. The goal of the City is to provide education and offer

assistance to rectify Meadows Place code violations in a timely manner.

Did You Know... Alderman Isbell asked me to let everyone know "Did you know" that bats like to crawl up into patio umbrellas? We've had a few this year, neighbor down the street has some too so be careful opening umbrellas! " Thank You John, I sure didn't know this.

Did You Know... Kay Ewing ordered some puzzles during our shelter in place, but got her money back because they were out of puzzles! Lots of people are swapping them and exchanging them and having lots of fun with puzzles. Some of us struggle with a 300 big piece puzzle but I found out there are real puzzle experts in the Meadows Place. Have fun.

Did You Know... last month our Public Works Director, Erik Tschanz, made a short video on mosquito control in Meadows Place. We posted it on our social media outlets so you could hear what the city is doing, how often and when, etc. Hope you saw it, but if you didn't and have any questions about our mosquito control program, please contact Erik or City Hall.

Did You Know... Amaya Labrador, a member of our EDC, contacted me about the scheduled maintenance outages by CenterPoint having a much more dramatic effect with people now working at home and asked if there was anything we could do. I contacted our area representative, Dominic Robinson, about it. He talked to his counterpoint in contractors and after discussion decided to delay the testing program for now and (hopefully) wait for a time when the outages would not have such a negative effect on families at home with kids, working from home, etc. Thank You Amaya.

Did You Know... Harriett Weymon with the Meadows Home & Garden Club is working with Erickson Advertising to get the Yard of the Month winners posted every month onto the City Facebook Page. I like seeing them up there and think this is a great idea. Thank You Harriett for working with Erickson to make this happen. If you have any ideas how we can let folks know what is going on around the city, please let us know.

Did You Know... the primary function of the Ft. Bend Animal Control is to protect the human population from rabies, there are many ways they serve the residents of Fort Bend County, including neutering/spaying, vaccinating and returning un-owned, free-roaming community cats. This is a very effective long term program. If you wish to help, the City has a couple of traps we can loan you. Call City Hall.

Did You Know... is for YOU. Drop us a note or email: mayor@cityofmeadowsplace.org.

Did You Know... Live Streaming Council Meetings

By the July 28th Public Hearings and Council meeting we should have our new Swagit® Live Stream Video System in place. This has been a long time coming so Thanks to everyone who helped. Live-streaming requires a powerful internet connection, a dedicated live-streaming program, security and safeguards to manage our broadcast, as well as sophisticated audio/video equipment. Videos can be viewed on computer as well as smart phones, tablets or any mobile device capable of streaming video playback. One of the key elements of livestreaming meetings is the ability to not violate State Document Management Standards. In the future, our videos will be listed chronologically plus have the ability to be searched by keyword metadata or by Sound Search™. Meadows Place is indeed moving forward.

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Immediately after that there will be a Public Hearing on carports. Please Save the Date and – if COVID allows – please join us and be part of the discussion. Your input on these matters will help ensure Meadows Place will continue to be... *Your Place for Life!*

2020 Budget Process

Well, it's Budget Season in Meadows Place. Nick Haby, our City Administrator and I have already met with the Department Heads of Police, Parks, Public Works, Utilities, Courts and Administration. Though well versed in overall city financials, Nick learned a lot about Meadows Place as we went line-item by line-item with the Department Heads. I love that part. We have been reviewing the



"To reduce the spread of COVID-19, the following measures shall be required, effective as of 12:01 a.m., June 25, 2020, and continuing through 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2020, unless a declaration of the local disaster for public health emergency is no longer in effect."

Health and Safety Policy - Commercial Entities: All commercial entities with a physical location in Fort Bend County providing goods and services directly to the public, which shall not include churches or other places of worship, must require that all employees or visitors to their business premises or other facilities wear face coverings when in an area or performing an activity which will necessarily involve close contact or proximity to co-workers or the public. The commercial entity may also require the implementation of other mitigating measures designed to control and reduce the transmission of COVID-19 such as temperature checks or health screenings. Commercial entities must post the required mitigating measures including but not limited to those required by this Order in a conspicuous location sufficient to provide notice to employees and visitors of all health and safety requirements.

- I. All commercial entities are encouraged, as their financial limitations will allow, to provide face coverings including masks to their visitors who are unable to provide their own.
- II. Face coverings are not required to be worn in either of the following circumstances:

requests, expected expenditures and setting spending priorities based on revenue projections. This gives me, and now Nick, a chance to visit with everyone to see what is important to them and to find out what they think their department can do to improve the city.

Council had an intense and productive workshop to review long range plans and to discuss how we might be able to finance these plans. We then set dates for meetings for department by department budget review which should put us in good position to finalize the budget when we get the final values from Fort Bend County. The budget process is open to you so at the end of Budget Season, we can meet your expectations and keep the city financially secure.

The Meadows Place Police Department would like to share exerts from the Fort Bend County Judge KP George's Order Issued June 23rd, 2020.

- a. Outside facilities;
- b. When doing so poses a greater mental or physical health, safety, or security risk;
- c. While pumping gas or operating outdoor equipment;
- d. While in a building or activity that requires security surveillance or screening, for example, banks; or
- e. When consuming food and drink.

The Meadows Place Police Department and City of Meadows Place encourages everyone to remain vigilant during these challenging times by adhering to good hygiene practices such as those set forth by the CDC and rest assured we at the Meadows Place Police Department and City of Meadows Place are going above and beyond the recommendations to ensure the safety and well-being of the Community. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

Meadows Place Police Department 281-983-2900,

Fort Bend County Health & Human Services Call Center: 281-633-7795

The Meadows Place Police Department is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week (281) 983-2900



Code Enforcment

The Warmest month is upon us, so let Freedom Ring! Happy 4th of July! Please make sure you continue to take your summer precautions to protect yourself, family, yard & home:

- Drink plenty of hydrating fluids while mowing or making home repairs.
- Keep yards adequately watered and maintained.
- Stay indoors, in cooled spaces as much as possible to keep from heat stroke/ heat exhaustion.

Please refer to the *Code Enforcement Flow Chart* online: Failure to comply after first Warning, it is standard to issue a citation or set a court date. To avoid a citation or court date call me prior to Comply-By dates if you suspect you will not be able to meet them. Contact me by phone call or email.

Top Hits from June 1-22, 2020:

Violation:	Warning:
Grass/Weeds in cracks of concrete	14
Grass/Weeds in excess of 9 inches	16
Trash next to curb area (not trash day)	12
Trashcans /Recycling Bins visible from street	12
Exterior Walls/ Trims - clean	15
Overall cases YTD	482
Percentage closed	72%

Jennifer Cabello, Code Enforcement Official Office: 281-983-2938 Email: code-enforcement@cityofmeadowsplace.org



Call 811 before Every Digging Project, Large or Small

By Erik Tschanz, Public Works Director



Every digging project, no matter how large or small, Warrants a free call to 811. Installing a mailbox or fence, building a deck or landscaping are all examples of digging projects that should only begin a few days after making a call to 811. Calling this number connects you to your local one-call utility notification center. A representative from the center will come out and mark the approximate location of utility lines with flags or paint.

Digging without knowing the approximate location of underground utilities can result in damage to gas, electric, communications, water and sewer lines, which can lead to service disruptions, serious injuries and costly repairs.

Take the proper precaution while preparing to dig at your residence and place a free call to 811, this will put you on the right path to a successful project.



Dates for 2020:

August 7 & 8 November 13 & 14

Classified & Advertising

Anyone wishing to place an ad in the newsletter can contact City Hall for information. All ads are due by the second Friday of each month. The appearance of paid advertising is not an endorsement by the City.

- William Sutherland Handyman Repairs. Appliance, Electrical, Plumbing, Clean out sewer line from 2"-8" pipe. Power washing, interior/exterior, Carpentry work, Painting, Concrete, Tiles. Cell 713-384-2817.
- ONYX LANDSCAPE: Residential and Commercial total lawn care. Fertilization, flowerbeds, and mulch. Seasonal flowers, sod, tree trimming, tree removal, wood fence installation and repair. New sprinkler system installation and repair. Meadows Place resident, free estimates. Manuel 281-865-6636.
- COMMERCIAL BROKERAGE SERVICES: I can help with an office, retail, or industrial lease. I can help you if you are looking to buy or sell a building or land. Over 30+ years of commercial real estate experience. Resident, Broker. Bob (281) 415-1205
- Retired 30 year mechanic. Will fix cars and cut lawns. Very Reasonable. Maintenance before catastrophe. Call Irishman Noel 281-804-1751.
- AVON! Call me Belle. Resident 281-495-3297.
- Mary Kay Cosmetics Meadows Resident Carol Evans 281-933-8298
- Loving hands compassionate hearts. Elder-care provider. Call for part-time openings. 281-989-4170
- ROOF LEAKING? NEED GUTTERS? Call your local award-winning roofer. Affordable Quality Roof and Gutter Replacements and Repairs. Call or text (713) 464-9398 for a free estimate BBB Award of Distinction Winners 2017 2018 and 2019 "A roofer you can trust."



Home & Garden Club

By Harriet Weymon, Publicity

June 2020 Yard of the Month Winners

TaThe following Yard of the Month winners are to be congratulated for the time and resources spent on their beautiful yards. They showcase our city and make it a place to be proud of.

Section I Patrick & Terry Lindquist 11507 Scottsdale Dr. Section IV North Janice McNary 12307 Scottsdale Dr.

Section IV South

Matt & Dana Bentley

12310 Level Run St.

Section II Steve & Gloria Court 11807 Scottsdale Dr.

Stephanie Emmons 12118 Meadow Hollow Dr. *Section V* Kit Ping Ng 12210 Meadow Bend Ct.

2020 Scholarship Winners

The Scholarship Committee, headed by Norma Mitsakis has awarded this years Scholarships. Congratulation the following Meadows Place Residents.

Michael Brough Dulles HS, Math & Science Academy, Summa Cum Laude, National Honor Society, Math Honor Society, attending Case-Western Reserve University

Emily Smith Dulles HS, Marching Band Head Drum Major, National Honor Society, attending Texas A&M University studying Allied Health

More information at: www.meadowshomegardenclub.com/scholarships.html

> Contact us via e-mail at: meadowshomegardenclub@gmail.com

Visit our web site today. Meadowshomegardenclub.com



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July 2020 Parks & Recreation



Recreation programs and events are gradually opening! We are implementing standard protocols as set by the Governor. We will continue to follow directives and make additional programs, ammenities and events available as allowed. Thank you for your patience.



MEADOWS PLACE 4th OF JULY PARADE

Evening Parade at 6:30pm

Join the fun during Meadows Place Annual 4th of July Parade @ 6:30pm. There are several ways to participate in the fun. We are taking entries from those that would like to march, create a float, and decorate a golf cart, boat, or bike. We are also looking for anything unique such as unicycles, stilt walkers, musical instruments, etc.

BIKE ENTRIES

Bike riders are a big part of the 4th of July Parade. No entry form required just show your patriotic spirit by decorating your bike and join the parade in the parking lot of Sugar Grove Church at 6:00pm SHARP for judging.



Parade Line Up and Route

Line up begins at Sugar Groves Church of Christ's east parking lot, 11600 W Airport. Enter from W Airport ONLY and check in with a parade official. Cars not participating in the parade may park in the west lot.

Parade route travels from City Hall to Dorrance to Mullholland, left on Mullholland then left on Brighton concluding at McGrath Park.



FIREWORKS AFTER PARADE

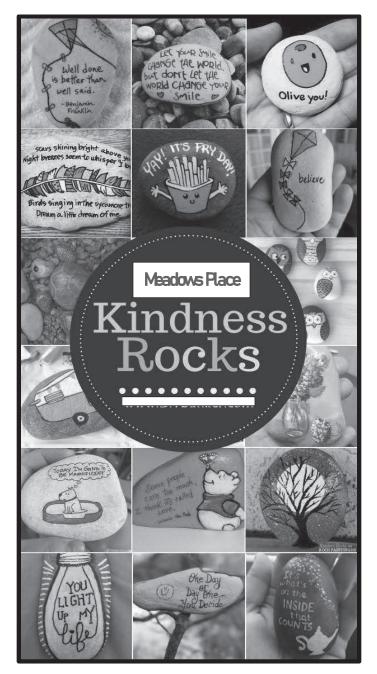
Join us @ McGrath Park after the parade ends for more July 4th fun . MP Economic Development Group will sponsor a Fireworks show for our community with festivities to begin at 7:30pm.

Bring a chair or blanket and relax while the sun sets and the show begins.

Display will begin at 9:00pm.

6ft Social distancing is encouraged. No distribution of giveaways or handouts allowed. Mask are encouraged.

All July 4 Activities are subject to change due to COVID. Please check city website / Facebook prior to attending



Take One When You Need One..... Share One With A Friend Who Needs Some Inspiration..... Or Leave One For Another

Let's encourage one another by painting Kindness Rocks and placing them in McGrath Park.

You can paint an image or a saying as long as it is encouraging to park goers of all ages.

Simply place your rock in the designated garden under the McGrath Park sign @ 12001 Brighton, **beginning July 1.**

Next watch the rock garden grow and inspire others!

July 2020 Parks & Recreation



SUMMER POOL HOURS

11:00am - 8:00pm
1:00pm – 8:00pm
Closed except for holidays
12:00pm – 7:00pm

Tues and Thur from 6-7pm (65yr and Up only)

COVID Protocals in place for entry to the pool:

- Temperature will be taken for each entry
- If a patron exceed 100 degree temp they will not be admitted.
- Chairs and tables have been removed
- Slide and water fountain will remain closed
- Facility sanitization will occur each hour
- 6ft distancing between family groups encouraged
- No more than 50 participants at any time
- No reservations required

Items to note

- Personal chairs and beverages are acceptable
- No glass containers or alcohol will be allowed
- Diving board, baby pool, lap pool and main pool will be open
- Counts will be taken as patronsenter and leave, not to exceed 50

***Please realize we are providing a service under strict guidelines. We will adjust as needed.





POOL WRISTBAND

Annual seasonal access to the City of Meadows Place Pool is available to Meadows Place residents

Requirements to purchase pool wristband:

- MP water bill and TDL showing MP residency
- Adult resident must be present to complete registration and purchase wristband.
- 1 band per family member is required.
- Resident must wear band to enter pool area

\$10 per band

Buy bands at the community pool Tues – Sun during operating hours, cash or check only.



AQUA FIT FOR 65 AND UP

This is a 45-minute cardiovascular workout in the pool, which utilizes water resistance to improve cardiovascular fitness, muscular endurance, and flexibility. You determine your own intensity level by deciding how hard to manipulate the water.

RECISTER MUST Pre-Register

7/7 - 7/30 @ 6:00-7:00 pm, T/TH. \$40/ 8 classes

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Recreation programs will begin this June while observing COVID protocols.

- Each class size will be limited
- 6ft distancing will be enforced
- Non participants will not be allowed into facility
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available
- Facility and equipment will be disinfected before and after each class
- Specialized classes for 65+



Strengthen your core muscles as well as improve stability and range of motion. Most exercises are done while sitting in a chair. All genders and ages are welcome.

RECISTER MUST Pre-Register

7/7-7/30, T/TH, 10AM Community Center \$20



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A moving meditation with 19 movements and one pose that are easy to learn and have profound effects. Benefits may include:

- Balanced physical energy and stamina;
- Improving our joint flexibility;
- Promoting spiritual serenity;

REGISTER MUST Pre-Register

7/6 - 7/31, Mon/Fri @ Community Center 10-11am, \$20 1 X per wk / \$30 2 X per wk

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July 2020 Parks & Recreation



TAEKWONDO

Sharpen your mind, strengthen your body with Master Jenny Pless. She has been teaching in Meadows Place Community Center since 2005 and teaches all skill levels from basic to advanced.

REGISTER MUST Pre-Register

7/6 – 8/26 Mon / Wed 6-7pm (12 years and adult) 8 classes for \$48 (\$30 uniform fee) 1 x wk 16 classes for \$89 (Free uniform) 2 x wk

7/6 – 8/26 Mon / Wed 5-6pm (4-11 years) 8 classes for \$48 (\$30 uniform fee) 1 x wk 16 classes for \$89 (Free uniform) 2 x wk



KARATE

American Society of Karate teaches American Karate to ages 5 – 70yr in a positive ever-changing system. Its goal is to not be the largest, but to be the best. Instructors: 4th Degree Black Belt, Steve Puma and 3rd Degree Black Belt, Michael Puma. Students may try the first class for free.

REGISTER MUST Pre-Register.

6/11 – 8/20 @ Community Center Thursday 6:30- 7:30pm (5-12yr) \$45

Thursday 7:30- 8:30pm (13-70yr) \$45 \$30 Uniform Fee to Instructor.

TENNIS COURT ACCESS



Resident Access Cards are available for purchase at City Hall, Mon – Fri / 9am-4pm.

Cards are \$50 and valid thru May of each year.

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You must show proof of residency by presenting your MP water bill and TDL.



HOW DO I REGISTER? REGISTER

Our programs require pre-registration.

Forms can be found on-line at

cityofmeadowsplace.org under the department tab / parks and recreation / programs. Make checks payable to City of Meadows Place then mail to, 1 Troyan Dr., Meadows Place, 77477

You may also register in person at City Hall, Monday thru Friday between 9am–4pm. If after hours place form & payment in the night drop box in

RENTALS

If you're looking for a location to host a celebration, lock in or family gathering, the Community Center and Garden is a great local option.

We also offer rentals of Covered Park Pavilions, Community Pool, Large BBQ Pit,& Kayaks

Email for pricing and availability parksdirector@cityofmeadowsplace.org





EVERYDAY HEROS

Dedication to Water and Wastewater Services

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Today we remind ourselves that we are thankful for all the heroes that push forward to care for our communities, thank you. Those everyday heroes include employees providing water and wastewater services 24/7. At U.S. Water Services Corporation/USW Utility Group, we are strongly committed to protecting public health.

Over the last 100 years, improvements in the health, success, and lifespan of the U.S. population can be linked to improvements in water quality. Providing safe drinking water was one of the most important public health achievements of the 20th century. Water treatment and disinfection has helped ensure access to healthy and safe water for millions of Americans.

"Our team of dedicated employees understand the vital role they play in maintaining a safe and reliable drinking water and wastewater system for our members. In the response to the Coronavirus pandemic they truly are steadfast in their efforts to protect our most valuable resources." says Chris Saliba, VP of Operations and Maintenance, U.S. Water Services Corporation/USW Utility Group.

"The appreciation of all of the water utility professionals for the hundreds water utilities in six states, is even greater during this difficult time as they work hard to defeat the spread of COVID-19.", said Gary Deremer, President & CEO, U.S. Water Services Corporation / USW Utility Group

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- ▲ 2 DAY: T & TH
- 4 3 DAY: M, W & F
- ▶ 5 DAY: M F
- A CLASSTIMES: 9:00AM 2:00PM
- ▲ EXTENDED CARE: 7:30AM 4:00PM

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EMERGENCY			
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FT. BEND COUNTY SHERIFF			
WATER AND SEWER			
ANIMAL CONTROL			
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT(281) 983-2935			
Community Center Rental			
Building Capacity 165			
Rental includes tables and chairs to accommodate events			
Food/no alcohol\$275.00 Food/with alcohol\$375.00			
(Cash deposit required)			
Community Pool Rental\$350.00 (after Community Hours, maximum rental time is 3 hours)			
Non-Meadows Place residents add \$175.00 to above rates			
Resident Community Center/ Pool Combo Rental			
Available May - August			
Meadows Place residents receive a \$50 discount when renting			
the Community Center & Pool for the same event.			
For rental reservation information, go to cityofmeadowsplace.org click on Parks & Recreation, then Community Center			
To check availability, call (346) 754-5873 or email:			

lylanan@cityofmeadowsplace.org

Storm Water Hotline

Report dumping in storm water drains. Only **RAIN WATER** is allowed 281-983-2932 or report online, see website. For updates on Public Works News visit the website. publicworks@cityofmeadowsplace.org





service@texaspridedisposal.com



Street Light Repair When calling or emailing about a street

light outage, you will need to get the pole number. You may request an email notification so Center Point can keep you apprised of the status of the repair request.

1-800-332-7143 www.centerpointenergy.com