# Place for Life



**FALL 2025** 

## COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR By Audrey St. Germain



## **Building Our Budget**

Meadows Place is, by design, a bedroom community. We don't have sprawling commercial districts to boost our tax base. The vast majority of our revenue comes directly from residential property taxes. This year, Fort Bend County saw a significant

drop in property values, particularly in homes built before the 1990s; which, as you know, is most of Meadows Place.

We knew back in the spring that these lower values would have a major impact on our revenue. Before we even began the budget process, I asked every department head to take a hard look at their budgets and identify where we could cut expenses without sacrificing essential services. You'll notice that this year's budget reflects some changes to our community events, a direct result of these careful adjustments.

Despite our best efforts to prepare, the drop in property values hit harder than projected. The No New Revenue tax rate provided by the state came in higher than the proposed tax rate Council approved in July. That means our budget is balanced at a rate lower than even the lowest rate set by the state, a clear sign of our commitment to keeping taxes as low as possible while still meeting the needs of our community.

## Prioritizing Infrastructure in the Capital Improvement Plan

Our City Council has made one thing clear: repairing and maintaining our aging and, in some cases, crumbling infrastructure is a top priority. The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) lays out both short-term (0–5 years) and long-term (5–15 years) projects to ensure that Meadows Place remains safe, functional, and prepared for the future.

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## **CITY CALENDAR**

## **SEPTEMBER**

Sept. 1	Ci+	, Hall	Closed	lahar	Day
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Sept. 1 Last Day the Pool is Open

Sept. 18 EDC Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

Sept. 23 Regular Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

#### — Fort Bend ISD ———

**Sept. 1** Holiday - Labor Day

**Sept. 15 Regular Board Meeting** - 6:00 p.m.

Sept. 25 Elementary Early Release - 12:10 p.m.

Sept. 26 Student Holiday

## **OCTOBER**

Oct. 7 National Night Out

Oct. 18 Fall Festival & Bazaar - 10:00 a.m.

Oct. 28 Regular Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

## — Fort Bend ISD —

Oct. 13-17 Holiday

Oct. 20 Student Holiday – Diwali

Oct. 27 Regular Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

## **NOVEMBER**

Nov. 11 City Hall Closed – Veteran's Day

**Nov. 20 EDC Meeting** - 6:00 p.m.

Nov. 25 Regular Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

Nov. 27 City Hall Closed – Thanksgiving

Nov. 28 City Hall Closed

## — Fort Bend ISD —

Nov. 17 Regular Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

Nov. 24-25 Holiday – Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 5 Christmas Memories

# Did Ton Know?...

**Did You Know...** the City meets each hurricane season to go over plans and be sure we are ready should a storm come our way. One way we prepare residents is with our Emergency

Information Center on the City website.

During an emergency, this webpage is updated to keep residents informed. We also use the CodeRed emergency notification system, which allows us to send emergency and general information alerts to residents via phone call, text, and email. To sign up for CodeRed, head to the City website. Make sure you and your family are prepared for hurricane season. Follow us, stay informed, and stay safe!

**Did You Know...** earlier this year, one of our residents made the news, not just the news, the news in Indiana. Our own Chuck McClurkin was featured on WTHR because he loves the Indianapolis 500. Chuck visits there every year and hasn't missed a race since 1977. A local family in Indianapolis bought a house not knowing Chuck came with it. Chuck has been parking in the former owners' yard for decades to attend the race. Lucky for Chuck, the new owners welcomed him with open arms. The family says everyone there knows him as their "Texas dad." What a great way to spread our wonderful Meadows Place vibes all the way up north.

**Did You Know...** Meadows Place is getting an AutoZone. The store will be located at the corner of W. Airport Blvd. and S. Kirkwood Rd., near Starbucks. AutoZone has been around since 1979 and was originally called Auto Shack. The first store was opened in Arkansas. Today they have stores in all 50 states plus the District of Columbia,

Puerto Rico, Mexico, and Brazil. They hope to open their Meadows Place location sometime in October. We are excited to have them!

**Did You Know...** the City has a new online Utility Bill Payment System. This updated payment system includes a new customer portal with improved tools for residents. If you are

currently enrolled in recurring credit card payments, you must log in to the new portal and re-enter your credit card information. You can find directions on how to access the new portal and what steps you need to take on the City Website. If you pay your bill by mail or drop off payment at City Hall, you can continue to do that. The new system will not impact those options.

Staff have been in contact with CenterPoint Energy regarding the power outages some residents are experiencing. CenterPoint sent out their Vegetation Management team and they were able to find areas around town that needed attention. Crews then began the work of clearing vegetation near power lines. CenterPoint urges residents to continue to alert them to issues by opening tickets on their website or calling 713-207-2222.

**Did You Know...** our Meadows Place PONY Baseball league had a team make it to the PONY South Zone Tournament in Scott, Louisiana! They represented Meadows Place as the 2025 Mustang Houston Region Champions! We are so proud of their effort and representation of our one square mile of wonderful all the way in Louisiana. Way to go gentlemen and thank you to all the volunteers behind- the-scenes making this possible!

**Did You Know...** the Meadows Marlins wrapped up another great season. They had 145 swimmers with 81 going to Meet of Champs and 20 to All Stars. It was a season full of success and rain delays. Thank you to all the coaches and volunteers who make it all possible.

To get something in **Did You Know** send us e-mail before the 10th of November to: communications@cityofmeadowsplace.org.

### **Short-Term Priorities Include:**

- Replacing and upgrading critical water and sewer lines.
- · Improving drainage systems to reduce flooding risks.
- Repairing streets, sidewalks, and curbs based on a citywide condition assessment.
- Making targeted upgrades to city facilities and parks to keep them accessible and well-maintained.

## **Long-Term Goals Include:**

- Continuing phased street and utility rehabilitation.
- Modernizing municipal facilities to serve future needs.
- Ensuring ongoing maintenance cycles to avoid costly emergency repairs.

We are using a combination of General Fund cash, Utility Fund Cash, Fort Bend County Bonds, ARPA funds, and grants to finance these improvements, stretching every dollar as far as possible while tackling the most urgent projects first.

## **Expanding Our Sales Tax Base to Relieve Pressure on Homeowners**

While residential property taxes are our primary source of

revenue, we are working hard to diversify that base. I, along with city staff, have been working closely with our commercial property owners and the Meadows Place Economic Development Corporation to attract and retain quality businesses.

By maximizing our sales tax revenue potential, we can help relieve some of the pressure currently placed on residential property owners. This means actively recruiting businesses that align with our community's character, supporting existing businesses so they can thrive, and ensuring our commercial properties remain attractive and competitive in today's market.

## **Looking Ahead**

This year's budget and CIP reflect a balance between fiscal responsibility and the critical need to invest in our future. While the numbers may be tighter than we'd like, the priorities are clear: maintain essential services, strengthen our infrastructure, and seek new ways to support our financial stability without overburdening our residents.

Thank you for your continued trust and support as we work together to keep Meadows Place strong, vibrant, and prepared for the years ahead.





Rod Hainey Public Works Director

## **Controlling Mosquitos Around Your Home**

The City of Meadows Place currently sprays mosquitoes on a weekly basis. With the rainy weather, the standing water has been a major issue. As we in a wet weather rain cycle, please be vigilant about removing standing water in your yard, which will greatly help with the control of the mosquito population.

Mosquitoes range from being a nuisance to carriers of diseases such as malaria, West Nile Zika, and more. There are many ways to get rid of mosquitos, but they are not all equally effective. Personal chemical repellents include DEET, but most people would rather use a natural repellant with the use of essential oil sprays.

In the yard you can use yellow lights, burn Citronella candles, use a Thermacell, use Cedar mulch in the flower beds, consider a bug Zapper, keep your yard trim, and tidy, (Mosquitos love long grass and rest in dark, humid places). Set mosquito traps, eliminate standing water, attract natural predators like purple martins, swallows, and migratory songbirds to name a few.

Consider natural plant deterrents, the following flora can help keep the pers away. Lavender, Marigolds, Citronella, Catnip, Garlic, Peppermint, Rosemary, Geraniums, and sage.

By eliminating the resting places around the yard and keeping the grass trimmed is half of the battle. Killing them on the ground can be accomplished with the use of a spray application of herbicide that can be readily purchased at the local hardware store, this will interrupt the growth cycle of the pests.

Mosquitos lay a hundred eggs at a time so populations of this pest can get out of control quickly. When eliminating mosquitos, it is key to use multiple methods, since not all approaches kill mosquitos at every stage of the life cycle. The City will continue to spray mosquito control until the cooler weather is upon us. When the nighttime temperatures are below 70 degrees, these pests start to go dormant. High winds also affect the spraying for mosquitos.

If your mosquito problem is too serious to tackle on your own, hire a professional pest control company to banish the bloodsuckers.





Gary Stewart

## **Hurricane Season is Here: Are You Prepared?**

As the weather gets warmer and we look forward to fun celebrations (especially the 4th of July), we wanted to send a friendly reminder about the City of Meadows Place ordinance regarding fireworks. Our goal is to ensure everyone can enjoy a safe and

peaceful environment in our wonderful community.

Hurricane season is upon us, running from June 1st through November 30th. The Meadows Place Police Department and our Emergency Management Team are actively monitoring conditions daily and want to ensure our community is fully prepared for any severe weather events. Your safety is our top priority.

We encourage all residents to be proactive and make the necessary preparations for your family and pets. As the saying goes, "It's better to look ahead and prepare than to look back and regret."

Here is an updated list of valuable resources to help you prepare.

## **Priority Information: Stay Informed with Code Red**

The most critical step you can take is to sign up for Code Red. This service provides vital, real-time notifications from the City of Meadows Place, including emergency alerts, severe weather warnings, and evacuation notices.

If you have not already, please sign up today.

Sign Up for Code Red Here:

http://cityofmeadowsplace.org/departments/police/codered/

#### **Before the Storm: Essential Preparations**

Beyond making a plan, here are some practical steps you can take to protect your family and property.

- Review Your Insurance: Check your homeowner's and flood insurance policies to ensure you have adequate coverage. Remember, standard policies often do not cover flood damage.
- Secure Your Home and Yard: Trim trees and remove any dead branches that could cause damage. Secure all loose outdoor items such as patio furniture, trash cans, and decorations. Clear gutters and drains to prevent water from backing up and causing flooding.
- Build an Emergency Kit: Put together a basic emergency kit with essentials like water, non-

perishable food, flashlights, extra batteries, a first-aid kit, and copies of important documents.

#### **Additional Resources**

 Emergency Evacuation Assistance: If you are a Texan living in an evacuation zone and require special assistance to evacuate—including the elderly, people with disabilities, or those who need a ride—please call 2-1-1 to register.

Visit 211 Texas https://www.211texas.org/

• Hurricane Preparedness from the Office of the Governor: Find comprehensive information on how to prepare for a storm, build an emergency kit, and create a family emergency plan.

Learn More https://gov.texas.gov/hurricane

 Disaster Preparedness for Your Pets: The ASPCA offers excellent resources on how to include your pets in your emergency plan.

ASPCA Pet Preparedness http://www.aspca.org/pet-care/disaster-preparedness/

 American Red Cross: The American Red Cross provides a wealth of information on safety tips, storm preparedness, and how to find local shelters.

Red Cross Texas Gulf Coast Region https://www.redcross.org/local/texas/gulf-coast.html

 National Weather Service: Stay up-to-date with the latest weather forecasts and warnings.

National Weather Service http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/water/tadd/

#### After the Storm

In the event of a storm, the Meadows Place Police Department and Emergency Management Team will provide instructions on debris removal and how to report damage. Follow all official guidance for a safe and swift recovery.

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



## **Things To Remember:**

#### Sec. 130.03. - Littering/illegal dumping:

A person commits an offense if the person disposes or allows or permits the disposal of litter or other solid waste at a place that is not an approved solid waste site, including a place on or within 300 feet of a public highway, on a right-of-way, or on other public or private property.



#### IMPC 304.3 (F) Premises Identification:



Buildings shall have approved address numbers placed in a position to be plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. These numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numerals or alphabet

letters. Numbers shall be a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) in height with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch (12.7 mm).

## Sec. 130.09: Refuse prohibited at or near streets and curbs: (A):

It shall be unlawful and in violation of this code and punishable to the maximum extent permitted by law for any resident, citizen or inhabitant of the city to keep, store or to maintain rubbish of any type upon or adjacent to public streets or public street rights-of-way in the city except for the purpose of depositing for a normal and customary trash pickup, which shall only be permissible not more than 18 hours before a scheduled trash pickup.



### Sec. 91.039. Limitation on height of grass and weeds. (B):

The requirements of this section apply to any public rightof-way or easement or portion thereof located on the real property or portion thereof required to be cut, including specifically the areas of any real property that extend to or abut upon any curb or paved portion of a public street, the area between a public sidewalk and a public street or highway, and ditches and drainage channels located thereon.



Top 4 Violations	Code of Ordinances		
Littering/Illegal Dumping	130.03		
Premises Identification	IPMC 304.3		
Trash Next to Curb (Not Trash Day)	130.09		
Grass Over the Curb	SEC. 91.039		

If you are having trouble meeting the comply-by date for a violation let me know at least <u>3 business days before that date</u> listed. I am here to help you.

#### Angie Hernandez, Code Enforcement Official

Office: 281-983-2938 / Cell: 832-689-7377

Email: code-enforcement@cityofmeadowsplace.org



Scan this for helpful Code Enforcement links on:

- Ordinances
- Permits

This same QR Code is also at the bottom of every yellow door notice.







Brought to you by Meadows Home & Garden Club

Thanks to everyone who decorated their yards for the 4th of July. Seeing all the red, white, and blue in our small city was awesome.



Look for us at the city Fall Festival in October. Bring your kiddos by for Face painting where the funds raised go to our Annual Scholarship Award. It's great way to contribute to our award.

Our next YOM judging will be for Halloween. Our judges will be out in the evenings of October 28th, 29th, and 30th. Let's get spooky!

The Home & Garden Club will be resuming the monthly meetups in September. Our first get together will be on September 9th and will be an open house. Please come by for some yummy munchies, a door prize, and good conversation. We look forward to meeting some of our neighbors.

All of our club meetups are open to the public with no obligation to join. Our next meeting will be on March 11th, 7pm, at the Nature & Discovery Center. Please watch Facebook, "Meadows Place - What's Happening" for more details.

Club membership is open to anyone 18 years of age and over. Individual membership fee is \$25 and the Family fee is \$35 and does not require monthly meeting attendance.

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

Visit our web site today.

Meadowshomegardenclub.com

# GARAGE SALE

**Remaining Dates** 

November 14 & 15

# MEADOWS PLACE PARKS & RECREATION

SEPTEMBER 2025 – NOVEMBER 2025



## **OUR SERVICES**

#### **Register for Programs**

The City of Meadows Place has made it easy for you to register for the program of your choice. Program minimums must be met for a program to begin. There are two ways for you to submit your registration.

- Online
   Cityofmeadowsplace.org
- Walk In
   M-F 8:30 4:30pm

## Rent a Pavilion or Facility

You are welcome to use any of our park pavilions on a first come first serve basis but, if you'd like to reserve a pavilion for exclusive use, we can help!

Looking for indoor space we have you covered.

For more information contact us **281-983-2950** or come by City Hall located at 1 Troyan Dr.

## September

## **Registration is OPEN**

Fall programs are available online

\*Kayaking

\*Western Wine Night

\*Fall Baseball Camp

\*Braiding

\*Crochet

\*Taekwondo

\*Martial Arts

\*YAC

\*Sunprinting

## October

Fall Festival and Bazaar
Oct 18
Food Trucks
Craft Show
Rides
Live Music
10am -2pm

## **November**

Write a letter to Santa
Drop it in the North Pole
mailbox beginning
11/24 through 12/20
at the Discovery
and Nature Center

## **NATURE & OUTDOORS**



## **Come Discover Nature**

Exploration Zone / Tree House / Animal Encounters

11938 Amblewood Dr., Meadows Place

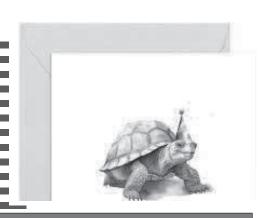
Tuesday/ Wednesday/ Saturday 10am - 3pm
Thursdays 4:00 - 6:00pm
Daily Fee \$2 child / \$5 adult
Annual Membership \$20 child / \$30 adult Fee

## **BIRTHDAY PARTIES**

Birthday Party packages are available at the Discovery & Nature

Center to include animal encounters and Exploration Zone.

Call for pricing and availability: 281-983-2950 recreation@cityofmeadowsplace.org



## September - November Nature Center Events.....

#### Ongoing - Children's Community Garden

Fall planting has begun. Come learn about crops and monarch migration.

9AM / 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at Community Garden in McGrath Park for More Info. 713-447-6144

#### Ongoing – SWAP Shop Fall Nature Quest

Bring a nature artifact. Tell us about it and swap for a punch card. This is an ongoing program. Each time you swap you'll receive a punch. 8 punches equal a nature related prize. (Please No living critters, feathers, or eggs)

Available during operating hours.

#### 9/30 – Monarchs and Milkweed

Explore the life of a monarch. We will talk about its diet, migratory patterns, and how this little insect plays a role in our ecosystem.

10am – 12pm / All Ages (Minors must be accompanied by an adult) / FREE

## 10/28 – Pumpkin Carving

Design your own spooky squash, just in time for Halloween. 1-3pm / 3yr+ accompanied by an adult Cost \$5 per child

#### 11/5 – Sunprinting and Photography Process

Come learn about a classic way to capture images without using a camera. You will create one – of -a – kind nature photos. Pick your favorite leaf, fern, flower or other item to photograph.

10am – 12pm / All Ages / \$5 each



OCTOBER 18, 2025 10AM - 2PM MCGRATH PARK 12001 BRIGHTON LANE

CRAFT SHOW

MUSIC
BEER

STEINHOLDING CONTEST
FOOD TRUCKS
PETTING ZOO

KIDS RIDES & ACTIVITIES

TO PARTICIPATE AS A CRAFT VENDOR OR FOR DETAILS EMAIL: MEADOWSHOMEGARDENCLUB@GMAIL.COM



## YOUTH



Do you want to have FUN while earning volunteer hours for school or college?

Come be a part of a national organization while making a difference in your own community.

9/6 Initial Mtg. Come find out more 10-11:30am

10/18 Fall Festival Volunteering

10/24 Provide game night and childcare

11/7 Outdoor Movie in NC backyard 7:30-9:30pm

11/22 Shop -N- Drop Holiday event childcare

For more info TEXT Will at 281.642.7701



## **Daughter and Me Braiding Class**

Learn foundational techniques of hair braiding with your daughter. Create hairstyles with a focus on twists, box braids, cornrows, and knotless braids. Each parent child couple will take home a mannequin head, extensions, a braiding rack and more. Lunch will be provided.

11/29 | 10am - 3pm | Discovery Center Minimum attendees 4 / \$95 per couple / 8yr+

## Kayaking 101

Learn the fundamentals of kayaking. We will cover paddle strokes, guiding your kayak, self-rescue, water safety, and end with open kayaking in Lake Jessup.

9/20 / 10am / Meet at Community Center then walk to lake / 7yr+ (adult must accompany 14yr and under) / \$15 / Bring sunscreen, water bottle and water shoes





## Fall Kickoff Baseball Camp

Make sure your athlete is up to snuff for the upcoming season by participating in this 2 day skills and fundamentals camp. We will focus on sharpening their skills and priming their minds for the competition ahead. Camp t-shirt provided.

Contact Jesse Ramirez at <u>jesse@jramproductions.com</u> for more info. 9/14 – 9/15 / \$100 Shetland (4-6yr) / \$125 Pinto (7-8yr) / \$150 Mustand & Bronco (9 – 12yr) / McGrath Park

## **FITNESS**

## TAE KWON DO

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

SEASON	DAY	TIME	FEE .
9/3-10/29	Monday and Wednesday	5PM (Ages 5-9)	\$49 (8 classes 1 per week) <u>OR</u>
	Monday and Wednesday	6PM (Ages10+)	\$92 (16 classes 2 per week)
11/3 – 12/17	Monday and Wednesday	5PM (Ages 5-9)	\$40 (6 classes 1 per week) <u>OR</u>
	Monday and Wednesday	6PM (Ages10+)	\$69 (12 classes 2 per week)
Uniform fee pai	d to instructor \$35		

## **PICKLEBALL**

Small group lessons for beginner – intermediate

4 players for 90 min or private / semiprivate available

To register or for more info, Sharon Meyer 281-380-7013

Coachshmeyerpickleball.com

# TENNIS COURT ACCESS

Membership card required for entry.

Purchase at City Hall M – F / 8:30 – 4:00

\$75 Resident / \$250 NR

#### CYPRESS WARRIORS MARTIAL ARTS

Cypress Warriors has been offering classes in Houston and surrounding areas since 2015. Our instructors have been certified and constantly train to keep techniques, self-defense, and forms up to date. Our goal is to give our students a strong sense of community while offering them a safe and structured environment to learn, grow, and develop in Martial Arts and other aspects of their lives. Our instructors are here to give you the best experience in American Karate with the motto of STRENGTH. DISCIPLINE. RESPECT.

Instructors: 5th Degree Black Belt, Steve Puma and 3rd Degree Black Belt, Ben Van Avery.

SEASON	DAY	TIME	FEE	
9/11 – 11/20	Thursdays	6:30pm	\$60	

Uniform fee paid to instructor. You can try the first class for free.

## COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS





Come experience some of our animal friends during this hands-on encounter. We will have different animal at each location. Please pre-register to attend.

Contact recreation@cityofmeadowsplace.org

## Children's Garden Pumpkin Patch

Pick a pumpkin to take home, take pictures, and explore the Nature Center while enjoying the holiday atmosphere.

10/11 Nature Center 12pm – 3pm All Ages 10/18 Fall Festival & Bazaar 10am – 2pm All Ages

\*Proceeds benefit the Children's Garden starting at \$5





# Friday, December 5 6PM / McGrath Park

Come enjoy the sites and sounds of the season!

Snow Hills
Rides
Petting Zoo
Santa
Live Band
Lighted Trail
Food Trucks
Meadows Elementary Choir

## **SENIORS**

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Bring a dish to share at this yummy, themed event beginning at 11:30

9/11 - Remembrance Brunch

9/22 – Tailgatin' Good Times

10/20 - Spooky Supper

11/17 - Harvest Feast



If you are 55 or older, this group is for you! Our goal is to enhance the lives of active adults through physical, mental, educational and social programs.

Monday & Thursday 10am - 1pm

## LUNCH BUNCH / Reserve your spot with Will 1 week prior

9/15 – Avalon at 11:30am

10/13 - Torchy's Tacos at 11:30am

11/10 - Lazy Dog at 11:30am

Transportation Available / Must Reserve in Advance 281-642-7701



Bring your quarters and a game day snack. The fun begins at 10AM.

9/29 10/27 11/24

## CRAFTS at 10:30AM ..... RSVP 1 week prior

9/18 – Fall Wreath - \$5 for supplies

10/16 - No-Sew blanket - \$7 for supplies

**10/30** – Embossing Picture Frames - \$3 for supplies

11/16 – Sunprinting

### SPEAKERS at 11:00AM

9/25 - Tech Help Thursday

## **Book Club**

1st Monday of the month / contact recreation@cityofmeadowsplace.org

#### **GAMES & CONTESTS**

9/4 – Learn to play Phase 10

10/2 – Mexican Train Tournament

11/6 - Uno Tournament

FIELD TRIPS - Reserve your spot 1 week prior

5 minimum for trip to make

**10/9** – Houston Museum of Natural Science Sugar Land / \$13 / Lunch at McCallister's afterwards

**10/23** – Schulenberg Painted Churches / \$25 (If more than 5 need a ride we will rent a van for an additional fee of \$15)

11/20 – Asia Society Center and lunch at café / \$8

## ADULT PROGRAMS



Throw on your cowboy boots and grab your partner, 'cause we are getting ready to have a right good time!

Come out and enjoy wine tasting followed by an evening of country-western dancing with instruction. Childcare for ages 5+ provided

Must Register by 10/20 / \$15 per couple / \$8 individual / Ages 21+ / 7-10pm / Community Center / Childcare at Nature Center ages 5-12

## LINE DANCE ..... NO CLASS 12/23 and 12/30

Beginner or advanced we have classes for you. Come and enjoy the music and learn how to dance with the group led by Linda our veteran instructor. No fee to participate.

Tuesdays

Beginner

9AM Community Center No Fee

Tuesdays

Advanced 10AM Community Center No Fee

#### SHOP -N- DROP

Need time to get your holiday shopping done? Let us help. Drop your kids off with us for a fun evening of holiday activities and dinner.

11/22 / Ages 5+ / 6-9pm / DNC / \$5 per child Must register by 11/19



Learn to crochet a pumpkin in the round and practice increasing and decreasing with step-by-step guidance.

10/25 / Ages 12+ / 10am-12:30pm / DNC \$30 (Adult must accompany anyone under age 12)

#### KIDS BEGINNER CROCHET

In this one-day workshop, your child will learn basic crochet skills while making a festive holiday ornament to hang on the tree or as a keepsake. No experience necessary. For more info contact Katy littlelemonsttitches@gmail.com

11/24 / Ages 7-15 / 10am-12:30pm/ Community Center / \$25 child / \$10 parent or guardian participation





The Meadows Place Economic Development Corporation (MPEDC) is charged with attracting new businesses, promoting business retention and coordinating economic development efforts in our city. These are the foundational basics used by our EDC to strengthen the economic environment and future of The City of Meadows Place.



## SHOP LOCAL

- What happens with the sales tax I pay when I shop local? Basically, the City portion of your sales tax stays home! Our EDC is funded almost completely by sales tax, much of which comes from visitors, however, by shopping locally we all contribute to the growth and well being of Meadows Place and every little bit helps.
- Sales Tax is regulated by the State but there are some local options. Here's how the combined Texas sales tax rate breaks down: Texas State sales tax is 6.25%, and Texas allows a Local Sales Tax rates that range of up to 2%. The City of Meadows Place retains 1.5% while our EDC gets 0.5% of the 2%, or a half-cent.
- What can the sales tax earned by EDC be used for? Meadows Place EDC is a Type B. In Texas, a Type B
   Economic Development Corporation (EDC) can use sales tax revenue for a variety of commercial and in dustrial developments as well as certain regulated projects that contribute to the community's quality of
   life, such as parks and Infrastructure projects. These must be approved by the EDC and City Council.
- What has the sales tax earned by EDC been used for? EDC contributions are wide and varied in our little
  One Square Mile of Wonderful. They include portions of the 59 Expansion, the Sound Walls, Water Wells,
  South Kirkwood, the ongoing Dorrance Lane revitalization and repair project, seasonal banners, hanging
  baskets, landscaping certain areas, the Sensory Park Installation, benches in Helfman Park, new wrought
  iron fencing and other Park Installations.

Our EDC encourages you to Shop Locally. Shopping Locally strengthens our community's economy, develops our unique character and offers personalized experiences with our friends, neighbors and business owners. The contributions may be small, but they benefit everybody. Thank You.

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Interested? MPEDC is looking to fill positions on the EDC Advisory Council. These non-voting positions allow you to be at the table and fully participate in the meetings. Anyone may apply but those with retail, business or commercial real estate experience are asked to consider serving.

MPEDC meets at 6:30 pm on the 3rd Thursday of every month at the Discovery Center. Join us.



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## **Community Center Rental**

Building Capacity 165

Rental includes tables and chairs to accommodate events

Food/no alcohol.....\$395.00 Food/with alcohol.....\$495.00

(Cash deposit required)

Community Pool Rental.....\$350.00 (after Community Hours, maximum rental time is 3 hours)

Non-Meadows Place residents add \$180.00 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 281-983-2950 or email: utilities@cityofmeadowsplace.org

For water/sewer issues after hours call:

281-940-2955

## **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





(281) 342-8178

M-Th: 8:00-5:00 F: 8:00-4:00

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When calling or emailing about a street light outage, you will need to get the pole number. You may request an email notification so CenterPoint can keep you apprised of the status of the repair request.

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