



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 3, 2020
TO: The Honorable Mayor Watts and Council Members
FROM: Todd Hileman, City Manager
SUBJECT: Friday Staff Report

I. Council Schedule

A. Meetings

1. **No** - City Council Luncheon on **Monday, January 6, 2020**.
2. **No** - Committee on the Environment Meeting on **Monday, January 6, 2020**.
3. Traffic Safety Commission Meeting on, **Monday, January 6, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.** in the City Council Work Session Room.
4. Work Session of the City Council on **Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.** in the City Council Work Session Room followed by a Regular Meeting in the Council Chambers at **6:30 p.m.**
5. Agenda Committee Meeting **Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.** in the City Manager's Conference Room.
6. Work Session of the Planning and Zoning Commission on **Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.** in the City Council Work Session Room, followed by a Regular Meeting at **6:30 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers.
7. Committee on the Environment Meeting on **Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 11:30 a.m.** in the City Council Work Session Room
8. Special Called Public Art Committee Meeting on **Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.** in the City Council Work Session Room.

II. General Information & Status Update

- A. Pending Council Requests Work Session Topics – The following item will be discussed during the January 7 City Council work session. Each week, the topics that will be presented during the next week's agenda will be included in the Friday Report the prior week. Staff contact: Rachel Balthrop Mendoza, City Manager's Office

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1. Tree Survey

- Requestor: Council Member Meltzer
- *Council Member Request:* Provide a report of a cursory sizing of tree coverage on all City and Denton ISD owned parcels. Would want staff to identify any trees or stands of trees that might be candidates for landmarking.
- *Information from Staff:* Staff could complete this request in 3 hours using a GIS layer from the 2016 tree study. However, this data would be based on 2014 aerial photos so would be approximately 5 years old at this point. This survey however did not identify the age or species of trees which are required to determine whether a specific tree can be landmarked. In order to determine whether trees could be landmarked on City-owned or DISD property a tree survey would be required. For reference of cost for a survey, the 2016 Tree Study used primarily satellite images to perform the analysis and cost approximately \$93,000. The Urban Forester could conduct a targeted approach in survey trees that would be likely candidates for landmarking in areas with larger trees and species. For example, staff could survey trees in the area of City Hall which have larger, older trees and would be more likely to meet the criteria for landmarking. We could determine multiple areas like this and determine the approximate time to survey these areas in a future informal staff report.
- Date Requested: December 19, 2019
- Requested Format for Response: Informal Staff Report

2. Tree Ordinance Revisions

- Requestor: Council Member Briggs
- *Council Member Request:* Work Session to discuss and give staff direction to revise the current Tree Ordinance.
- *Staff Information:* Council Member Briggs requested that this topic be broad so that it can inclusive of any other input that Council would like to include in the discussion. The current Tree Preservation and Landscape requirements is available [here](#), and was adopted by the City Council on March 19, 2019.
- Date Requested: December 13, 2019
- Requested Format for Response: Work Session

3. Ethics Ordinance Revision

- Requestor: Council Member Davis
- *Council Member Request:* Work session on amending Chapter 2, Article XI (Ethics), Sec. 2-269 (Definitions), to add the words “discussions, conversations, correspondence, or” and “polling places” to the definition of “Deliberations,” to read as follows: “Deliberations: Discussions at the dais; voting as a member of the board or commission; or presentations as a member of the audience before any city board or commission; conversing or corresponding with other city officials or staff. This term does not apply to discussions, conversations, correspondence, or a general vote on a broad, comprehensive, or omnibus motion, such as approval of the city budget or polling places.”
- *Staff Information:* The Ethics Ordinance is available [here](#).
- Date Requested: December 16, 2019
- Requested Format for Response: Work Session

- B. Rules of Procedure Revisions Update – Staff continues to make progress on the Council-requested Rules of Procedure Revisions that were most recently discussed at the December 3 City Council meeting. The ordinance revisions remain under staff review. Staff plans to present the revised ordinances at the January 14 City Council meeting followed by Council consideration on January 28. All Rules of Procedure revisions require a presentation to City Council prior to Council consideration. Staff contact: Rachel Wood, Development Services
- C. Police Department Online Reporting System – On December 28, the *Denton Record-Chronicle* published information about the Police online reporting system in the “Hugs and Shrugs” column. Please see the **attached** response memo from Chief Dixon. Technology Services is working diligently with the online reporting system vendor and should have the jail online access online by mid-January. This was a challenging project as staff move towards this newer technology platform. The project required collaboration and integration with various vendors during the holidays which caused some delays. Staff apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate patience as they work towards getting this crucial service back online. Staff contacts: Chief Frank Dixon, Police Department, Melissa Kraft, Technology Services
- D. Proposed Concrete Crushing Plant – Staff will present a work session on January 7 to discuss the proposed concrete crushing plant to be located at 5120 East McKinney. As you may recall, Ken Banks received a notification last week that Mutual First LLC of Celina, Texas, recently applied for a standard air quality permit through the TCEQ which would authorize a permanent concrete crushing plant. This property is not within the City limits, but is in the City’s ETJ. At this time, the property can only be accessed from University Drive through two other properties owned by CCR Equity Holdings Four, LLC – the parent company of Blue Star Recycling. You may recall that in July 2019, the property caused some controversy because it had roofing shingles stored on it by Blue Star Recycling. Blue Star Recycling was also responsible for “shingle mountain” in Dallas, which is an operation that has stored and processed recycled asphalt shingles. The TCEQ permit process requires a 30-day public comment period after a notice is published in the local newspaper. The public notice was published in the *Denton Record-Chronicle* on December 25. Therefore, the comment period will conclude on January 24, 2020.

As of January 3, there have been several comments posted on the TCEQ public comment section for this permit. Please click on the link to view the comments posted so far.

[https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eCID/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.detail&item_id=504337492019350&detail=protestants&StartRow=1&EndRow=1&Step=5&requestimeout=5000](https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eCID/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.detail&item_id=504337492019350&detail=protestants&StartRow=1&EndRow=1&Step=5&requesttimeout=5000)

Staff contacts: Ken Banks, Utilities and Mario Canizares, City Manager’s Office

- E. Council Requests for Information – Stuart Birdseye, Assistant to the City Manager, will be out of the office January 6 through January 31 on paternity leave. In his absence, when making requests for information please copy Todd Hileman, Sarah Kuechler, and Rachel Balthrop Mendoza to ensure that requests are logged and that staff follow up with responses. Staff contact: Sarah Kuechler, City Manager’s Office

- F. Civic Center Parking Lot – The Civic Center parking lot repairs will begin the week of January 6. The parking lot will remain open during the repairs, although some areas may be inaccessible. The repairs are anticipated to take a week; bad weather could shift the schedule. Staff contact: Maria Denison, Parks and Recreation
- G. Revamped Citizen Connection – The Citizen Connection, the City’s mini-newsletter stuffed in utility customers’ monthly bill, has been reengineered to provide more relevant, and timely utility and residence-based information to customers. The newsletter will feature articles, infographics, charts and important reminders from departments such as DME, Water, Solid Waste & Recycling, Sustainability and Community Improvement Services. Seven out of ten residents on average rate this newsletter as a top source of information, so ensuring that content like holiday closures, utility changes, and community events are included in this channel guarantees that our most important information reaches residents. See the **attachment** for the January 2020 issue of the Citizen Connection. Staff contact: Ryan Adams, Public Affairs
- H. New Library Classes and Events Flyer – Each program season, the library puts out a classes and events booklet containing class schedules, holiday closures, and upcoming events. The latest spring flyer, covers classes from January-April 2020 and advertises the library’s many services, including the new ebook and digital audiobook platform, Cloudlibrary, and the new fine-free policy for late returns. To see all the programs and services the library has to offer, view the **attached** flyer. Staff contact: Jennifer Bekker, Library

III. Upcoming Community Events and Meetings

A. Events

1. Senior Center Open House – **Saturday, January 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Denton Senior Center, 509 N. Bell Ave.** Celebrate being 50 and older by seeing what the Denton Senior Center has to offer. Different activities and exercise classes will be available to sample for free during the event. Participants receive 10 percent off all activities and classes if they register at the Open House. Staff contact: Megan Thomas, Parks and Recreation
2. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – **Monday, January 20 from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at MLK Jr. Rec Center, 1300 Wilson St.** “We Still See the Promised Land.” Celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with the community. A full schedule of events for the day can be found at www.dentonparks.com. Staff contact: Bobby Givens, Parks and Recreation
3. State of the City – **Thursday, January 23 from 6 to 8:30 p.m.** at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Denton Convention Center (3100 Town Center Trail). Staff contact: Rachel Balthrop Mendoza, City Manager’s Office

B. Community Meetings

1. Urban Forestry Master Plan Public Input Meeting – **Thursday, January 9 from 6 to 7 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers, 215 E. McKinney St.** The

City of Denton is hosting a public input meeting to receive feedback on the Urban Forest Master Plan. The Master Plan will guide the management of Denton’s urban forest resources over the next 20 years. Staff contact: Haywood Morgan, Parks and Recreation

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MEMORANDUM

Denton Police Department *Office of the Chief of Police*

TO: Mayor Chris Watts and City Council

FROM: Frank Dixon, *Chief of Police*

DATE: December 28, 2019

SUBJECT: Denton Police Department Update

COPY: Todd Hileman, City Manager
Aaron Leal, City Attorney

Mayor and Council,

I wanted to take a moment to address the attached article in the “Hugs and Shrugs” portion of the Denton Record Chronicle that referenced the Denton Police Department having ongoing issues with giving the public access to police reports, and the 1975 Appeals Court decision surrounding public records. The column states that “City officials announced a system change nearly two months ago,” giving the impression that we are either intentionally restricting access, or are failing to address the issue, both of which being false. We worked with city staff and provided a public release upon the initiation of the new systems, and have continued to provide updates, in person, to DRC staff.

It is incredibly disingenuous for the DRC to make broad statements that continue to attempt to drive a wedge between our police department and our community. We have continuously remained transparent and gone above and beyond to physically sit with a DRC reporter seven days a week to manually give them information requested. We continue to update them on the progress of the technology upgrades. Every business or public safety organization that implements new technology, faces challenges. Implementing two major technological projects that were desperately needed for our police department, presents a lot of other challenges.



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While our Technology Services group continues to proactively and very aggressively attempts to solve the challenges currently presented, most notably those impacting our Municipal Courts, internal processes, and our external portals, we remain committed to continuing to provide the best service to our community available.

Our Technology Services under the direction of Melissa Kraft should be commended for their availability and their dedication to providing the best customer service to get all our public safety agencies fully functional as quickly as possible. While there is no set timeline for completion, Director Kraft said that she will have an update in the next week.

As always, please feel free to reach out directly if you would like to meet and discuss any issues concerning to you.

With Gratitude and Respect,
Frank

Hugs & Shrugs



SHRUGS go to ... the ongoing problems with public access to Denton police reports. City officials announced a systems change nearly two months ago and disabled online access. A public monitor in the Denton Police Department lobby for jail records

remains offline, as is web access to the same records. Incident reports have been considered a public record since a 1975 appeals court decision in *Houston Chronicle Publishing v. City of Houston*. Public information officers answer questions, but the department is no longer producing those daily incident reports for public access. Less public access means the public is less informed — an unacceptable situation that must be rectified soon.



HUGS go to ... the Guyer and Ryan football teams for finishing second in the state in Class 6A Division II and Class 5A Division I, respectively.

The Wildcats ended the year 14-2 overall, and the Raiders finished 15-1. The two teams are the only schools from the same school district to play for state titles in the same year since 1962. They have now done it twice this decade (2010 and 2019).



HUGS go to ... Denton drivers on Christmas day; the police department reported there were no DWI arrests on Dec. 25, something we can all be thankful for.

Humanitarian Award. Ellen M. Painter will receive the special award during the United Tribute gala, an annual event benefiting United Way of Denton County.

Ellen, who has worked with Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Denton for years, has served on numerous boards from the Denton Chamber of Commerce to the Texas Woman's University Founder's Day luncheon committee, not to mention her 25 years with our local United Way.

It was an honor to spend time with her recently at Hannah's, where I had the privilege to let her know about the award. To say she was surprised is an understatement.



Bobbie Mitchell

"I'm touched. A week before Bettye died, we had lunch together at her favorite place, Hannah's," explained an emotional Painter. "With her giving and all she's done in this community; it humbles you to think you were even considered."

Ellen has long been known for her commitment to excellence, her passion for helping the community and for being a fun person to have around.

The Dr. Bettye Myers Humanitarian Award was established by the board of directors and lifetime members of United Way of Denton County in 2014 to recognize the highest level of community leadership and philanthropy. Past recipients include Dr. Bettye Myers, Janet

with your networks and donate \$5 gas or grocery gift cards that are provided to survey participants.

The Point-in-Time Count provides a snapshot of those who experience homelessness throughout the year. It helps our community understand what is happening with the homeless and allows United Way of Denton County to apply for funding to increase available resources.

Ring in new year with important resolutions

As a new year and a new decade begin, it is important to take stock of what goals we would like to achieve.

Denton County continues to manage the challenges of being one of the fastest growing in the country. Therefore, it is important for us not only to increase services for our residents but also to do it while keeping our tax rate low. It is the low tax rate that helps attract more development — and potentially more high-paying jobs — but also keeps it manageable for our residents.

In 2020, we also want to continue to make our county services more accessible to everyone — whether it is our veteran services for the more than 40,000 who live in Denton County or ensuring that residents can easily register their motor vehicles. Accessibility is key to making sure your county government serves the needs of all residents.

We will also continue to improve on our Denton County roadways, and this year, I'm looking forward to completing road projects for Hickory Creek and Lake Dallas. In particular, we'll be working on Shady Shores Road, which has been damaged by

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CITIZEN CONNECTION

January 2020 City of Denton



6th Annual Honey Run

On Feb. 15, the City of Denton will host its 6th Annual Honey Run at Clear Creek Natural Heritage Center. All ages may sign up for the race, but due to limited trail space, all participants will need to register ahead of time for this free event. Individuals and families may run the 1-mile fun run, 5K, or 10K. On the day of the race, check-in will be from 8-8:45 a.m., and the race will begin at 9 a.m.

After the race, the public can learn more about how to support and protect local honey bee populations. Samples of honey will also be available from local beekeepers.

At 11 a.m., the Introduction to Beekeeping Class will be taught by the Denton County Beekeepers Association. This free workshop will teach participants the basics of beekeeping and inform them about which native plants help to attract honey bees.

Bee-sure to register for the Denton Honey Run by visiting www.sustainabledenton.com. We hope to see you there!



Receive Rebate Incentives for Energy Efficiency Updates

Through a rebate program, Denton Municipal Electric (DME), in partnership with Sustainable Denton, rewards customers who perform qualifying energy efficiency and conservation improvements to their properties. All customers, including residential (single family and multifamily) and commercial businesses, are eligible to receive rebates and incentives.

In addition to providing customers with incentives, this program helps reduce energy consumption, promotes energy conservation, reduces customer utility bills, decreases the load of the City's electric system, and lessens the emissions produced from energy consumption.

See the table below for the types of efficiency upgrades that are eligible to residents through this program and the correlating rebates provided by the City of Denton. For a list of commercial upgrades and rebates, visit www.dmepower.com.

Rebate applicants may call (940) 349-7733 or email rebates@cityofdenton.com. For more information, visit www.dmepower.com.

Residential Energy Efficiency Rebates

Upgrade	Requirement	Incentive
Central HVAC	1.0 – 2.5 Ton Units	\$200
	3.0 – 5.0 Ton Units	\$400
Smart Thermostat	Remote Management Capable	50% up to \$50
Radiant Barrier	More than 80% Reflective	20% up to \$300
Attic Insulation	More than 49 R-Value	50% up to \$400
Air Duct	Repair & Replacement	30% up to \$200
Solar Screens	On Conditioned Spaced Windows	30% up to \$200
Windows	Less than 0.29 U-Factor & < 0.22 SHGC	30% up to \$500
Solar Water Heater	Accommodate Family of 4	30% up to \$300
Weatherization Supplies	Do-it-Yourself Repairs	50% up to \$50
Electric Vehicle	Request	\$300

Covering Outside Storage in the Winter

In North Texas, we are lucky to enjoy a long growing season, which provides leafy coverage for residences. In warmer months, many of us are accustomed to having our backyards screened from view by trees and brush. However, in late fall through the winter, that natural screening is greatly diminished, revealing items that must remain screened.

During this season, it is important to make other provisions to screen items that are not allowed to be in public view. Any items that are for indoor use such as appliances and furniture should be kept indoors or screened. Ladders, tools, lawnmowers, wheelbarrows, etc. must be stored out of view when not in use. Other small items may be kept in well-maintained storage boxes, on shelving, or neatly stored against the walls of a carport. The use of tarps to conceal items stored outdoors is not allowed.



To see what can and cannot be stored in public view, visit the Community Improvement Services (CIS) page at www.cityofdenton.com/CIS.

You may also call the CIS office at (940) 349-7486 to talk with a staff member who can answer your questions and assist you in finding some short-term screening options.

Benefits of the City of Denton's Dyno Dirt

As you look forward to spring planting, keep in mind the many benefits of using a nutrient-rich compost on your lawn and garden:

- It improves both the chemical and physical properties of existing soil through the addition of organic matter and micro/macro nutrients.
- It increases soil water holding capacity by improving soil porosity, which means less watering!

Scout Day 2020

Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020 from 1 – 3 p.m.
North Lakes Recreation Center

See how Denton conserves resources, and enjoy free hands-on activities for the whole family. This year's theme will be "creating a healthy planet." (You don't have to be a scout to attend.)

Denton Municipal Landfill Plans to Expand

To adequately plan and provide for the future of Denton, the City is moving forward with a process to amend the current landfill permit to allow for expansion of the Denton Municipal Landfill. The proposed expansion increases the permitted space by 104.64 acres and extends the life of the landfill by approximately 60 years.

The current landfill is estimated to have approximately 17 years of landfill life available. While the City works diligently to maximize diversion and effectively use landfill space, current waste tonnage and future growth projections indicate that the space permitted for disposal may be depleted as early as 2036.

The land marked for the expansion is owned by the City, and the boundaries were selected based on property lines, floodplain considerations, an Atmos gas line to the north of the site, and other geographic restrictions.

As of Nov. 26, 2019, the expansion permit application (Permit #1590-B) was deemed technically complete, and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has issued a notice requesting public comment within a 30-day period by Jan. 17, 2020. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at 1527 S. Mayhill Road. Upon completion of the comment period, the permit process is expected to be complete by March 2020.

Learn more and see how to submit a public comment at www.cityofdenton.com/landfill.



Collectively, all these properties make using compost a win-win! Be sure to use a nutrient rich compost like the City of Denton's Dyno Dirt for your next project. Learn more at www.cityofdenton.com/dyno.



Denton
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Classes & Events

January - April 2020



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library.cityofdenton.com

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Denton Public Library Closings

Tuesday, Dec. 31

All Libraries Close at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 1

All Libraries Closed

Monday, Jan. 20

All Libraries Closed

Friday, Feb. 7

All Libraries Closed for Staff Training

Sunday, April 12

All Libraries closed

Friday, Apr. 24 - Sunday, Apr. 26

Emily Fowler Central Library:

Closed for Arts & Jazz Festival

North and South Branch:

Open Regular Hours

Friends of the Libraries Book Sale



Saturday, Feb. 1

At North Branch Library
from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Volunteer Orientation Sessions

Teen Volunteer Orientation

Are you a teen who needs community service hours or just wants to start gaining job experience? Come volunteer with us at the library! Attend an orientation session to learn more. Ages 11-17.

Sat 2/1, 3/7 **South Branch** **3 p.m.**

Mon 4/6 **South Branch** **7 p.m.**

Volunteer Orientation for Adults

Join us for a session to learn about volunteering at the library. All volunteers must pass a background check. These sessions are not for court-ordered community service.

Wed 1/8 **South Branch** **7 p.m.**

Sat 2/22 **Emily Fowler** **2 p.m.**

Thurs 3/26 **North Branch** **10 a.m.**

Fri 4/3 **South Branch** **4:30 p.m.**



Free Tickets

Tickets have replaced online registration for classes and events. Ticketed classes are the ones with an asterisk (*) in front of the title. If there is no asterisk before the title, a ticket is not needed to attend the class.

Free tickets will be handed out at the reference desk 30 minutes before the beginning of the class. Tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Reading Resolution

Reading can strengthen your brain, reduce stress, and expand your vocabulary. If reading is one of your resolutions for the new year, sign up for the online Reading Resolution to see how many books you can read between 1/1 and 2/29. Track what books you read and cultivate a habit of reading that could last the whole year. Read three books and you will get an electronic certificate of recognition. If you want to read more than three books, you can keep tracking the books you read until you reach your personal goal. The Reading Resolution is open to all ages. Happy reading!



Sign up starting January 1 at denton.readsquared.com. The Reading Resolution will end on February 29.

For All Ages

Chess Night

Improve your skills, or just play a casual game of chess. Players ages 7 and up at all skill levels are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Mon 1/6, 2/3, 2/17, 3/2, 3/16, 4/6, 4/20
North Branch 6-7:30 p.m.



Homework Buddies

Drop-in homework help for grades K-12. Subject availability is based on tutor roster. Interested in becoming a tutor? Visit <http://bit.ly/dplteens>. Will not meet on March 10 & 11 or April 7 & 8.

Tues 2/4 - 4/28 North Branch 6:30-8 p.m.
Wed 2/5 - 4/29 South Branch 5-6:30 p.m.

Spring Break Make 'n Take

Stop by the library each day during Spring Break and grab a special Do-it-Yourself make 'n take craft. All ages are welcome to participate at any time during open hours while supplies last.

World Map Magnets

Mon 3/9 South Branch 12-9 p.m.

Paper Monster Puppets

Tues 3/10 South Branch 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Emoji Masks

Wed 3/11 South Branch 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Pipe Cleaner Bead Animals

Thurs 3/12 South Branch 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Mermaid Tail Bookmarks

Fri 3/13 South Branch 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

For Families

Display of Topographical and Physical Maps

South Branch Library is displaying 11 maps which, when viewed through red and cyan lensed glasses, appear in stunning 3-D. The maps are from the collection of local geologist Jim Flis and were produced by the National Center for Earth-Surface Dynamics. The collection includes area, regional, and world maps and shows detailed geological features.

1/2 - 2/15 South Branch During Open Hours

Family Brick Build Challenge

LEGO® loving families are invited to sharpen their engineering and problem-solving skills with these exciting building challenges. The library provides the LEGO® bricks, and you provide the imagination. For the whole family.

Wed 4/29 North Branch 7-8:30 p.m.

No more overdue fines for late returns!

As of Oct. 1, 2019, the library no longer charges fines for overdue items. All past late fines will also be forgiven, just bring your overdue item back.

Fees associated with lost or damaged items will remain.



Weekly Programs for Children

Jan. 14 - April 18

**Baby StoryTime**

Bring your baby to these classes promoting infant and caregiver bonding through stories, songs, and activities. For infants as old as 18 months and their caregivers.

Thursdays South Branch 9:30 a.m.
Fridays North Branch 9:30 a.m. (Except 2/7)

Toddler Time

Participate with your toddler in these special classes that promote literacy and social interaction through stories, songs, and toddler-appropriate activities. For children ages 1-3 and their caregivers.

Tuesdays South Branch 10 & 11 a.m. (Except 3/3)
Wednesdays Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.
Thursdays North Branch 9:30 a.m.

**StoryTime**

Join us for interactive preschool classes that use stories, songs, and puppets to build early literacy skills and prepare children to learn to read. For children ages 1-5 and their caregivers.

Wednesdays Emily Fowler 11 a.m.
Thursdays South Branch 11 a.m.
Fridays North Branch 11 a.m. (Except 2/7)
Saturdays South Branch 10 a.m.

Family Night StoryTime

Bring out the family to this evening StoryTime to enjoy songs, books, and rhymes with your little ones. Designed for children ages 1-5 with caregivers, but children of all ages are welcome.

Wednesdays North Branch 7 p.m.

Monthly Programs for Children

January - April

Build It With Bricks!

Do you like to build creatively with LEGO® bricks? Explore STEM with LEGOs® at the library. (All LEGOs® are provided by the library). Ages 5-10.

Fri 1/10, 2/14, 3/13, 4/10 Emily Fowler 4:30 p.m.
Tues 2/18, 3/24 North Branch 4 p.m.

Read to Rover

Give your child an opportunity to practice reading one-on-one with a trained, certified therapy dog. Read to Rover is made possible by a partnership with the Therapy Pals of Golden Triangle.

Wed 2/5, 3/4, 4/1 Emily Fowler 3:30 p.m.
Sat 1/11, 2/8, 3/14, 4/11 North Branch 10 a.m.
Sat 1/11, 2/8, 3/14, 4/11 South Branch 10:30 a.m.

Elementary Adventure Time

Read a book, learn something new, and most importantly, have fun! This program features a different hands-on activity each time. Ages 5-8.

Hot Air Balloon Challenge

Tues 1/21 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

The Human Skeleton

Tues 2/18 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

Building with Bloxels

Tues 3/17 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

Volcano Explosion

Tues 4/21 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

DASF Pet Stories

Join the Denton Animal Support Foundation (DASF) and puppet friends for an interactive StoryTime! DASF members will read stories about pets and how to be a responsible and loving pet guardian.

Sat 1/11, 4/11 South Branch 1 p.m.
Sat 2/8 Emily Fowler 1 p.m.
Sat 3/14 North Branch 1 p.m.

Twilight Toddler Time

Come hear stories, sing songs, and participate in activities in this evening StoryTime for toddlers and their caregivers. Ages 1-3.

Tues 1/14, 2/11, 3/10, 4/14 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

Spanish StoryTime

¡Hablamos español! Join us for a fun-filled Spanish StoryTime where children will hear stories, songs, and learn new words in Spanish. Led by native speaker Myra Ronquillo, this StoryTime is designed for speakers of all languages. Ages 2-10.

Fri 1/17, 2/21, 3/20, 4/17 Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.

***Sensory StoryTime for Children with Special Needs**

This StoryTime is designed for young children with autism or sensory processing challenges, we will engage the senses through music, movement, stories, and play. Space is limited to ensure a positive experience for all. Ages 3-7.

Thurs 2/6, 3/5, 4/2 North Branch 11 a.m.

Toddler Dance

Explore the fundamentals of modern dance with local dance educator Lily Sloan. Together, caregivers and children will explore rhythm, songs, movement games, gross-motor learning, and creative play that can be used at home and in future dance classes. Ages 1-3.

Fri 1/3 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.

Intellichoice Math Tutoring

Intellichoice math tutoring can help your child improve their math skills. Mathematics experts from the University of North Texas provide free math tutoring for children in grades K-12. Students can register online at www.intellichoice.org. No class 3/21. Ages 5-18.

Sat 1/11 - 5/9 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Gingerbread Fair

Explore the history of gingerbread, read about the Gingerbread Boy and his many adventures, and make gingerbread crafts. Ages 6-9.

Thurs 1/16 South Branch 3:30 p.m.



Winter Crafts for Kids

Take a break from the cold weather and join us for some winter crafting fun. From snowflakes to penguins, children can get creative with a variety of winter-themed crafts. Ages 4-10.

Tues 1/21 North Branch 4 p.m.

Weather Wonders

Come learn about the different factors that control the weather outside through various STEM activities. Ages 6-9.

Thurs 1/23 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

Big Denton Playdate

Come to play and leave ready to turn ordinary household objects into your child's new favorite toy. See hands-on examples of easy to make, engaging activities. For ages 5 and under and their caregivers.

Sat 1/25 North Branch 10-11:30 a.m.

What a Disaster: Earthquakes

Learn how earthquakes impact our world through books and hands-on activities. Ages 5-9.

Thurs 1/30 South Branch 3:30 p.m.



Montessori Skill Builders

From zero to approximately 7 years old, learning happens through the five senses. Hand-on tasks such as puzzles, blocks, and water works build skills and knowledge as well as hand strength and hand-eye coordination. Ages 7 and under.

Sat 2/1 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.



Police Officer StoryTime

Join us for a special StoryTime to read about police officers and learn about bicycle and pedestrian safety from our local police officers. Ages 1-5.

Thurs 2/6 South Branch 11 a.m.

Gardening for Kids

We will plant seeds and learn what they need to survive.

Thurs 2/6 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

Valentine's Day Crafts

Valentine's Day is just around the corner and it's time to spread the love! Make heart-shaped collages and Valentine cards for your loved ones. Ages 4-10.

Tues 2/11 North Branch 4 p.m.

Chocolate Factory

We will make chocolate creations and play M&M games. Ages 5-10.

Thurs 2/13 South Branch 3:30 p.m.



Brick Build Challenge

Your children will have the chance to sharpen their engineering and problem-solving skills with these LEGO® building challenges. We will provide the bricks. Ages 6-11.

Tues 2/18, 3/24 North Branch 4 p.m.

Sign Language StoryTime

Join us for a fun-filled StoryTime where children will hear stories, songs, and learn sign language. Led by Educator of the Deaf, Rachel Vaught, this StoryTime is designed for speakers of all languages. Ages 1-5.

Wed 2/19, 3/18, 4/15 South Branch 10 a.m.

Pajama StoryTime

Get cozy with us for bedtime-themed stories, songs, and puppets. Kids can wear pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal. Ages 1-6.

Wed 2/19 North Branch 7 p.m.

Peacocks

Discover fascinating facts about peacocks! We will read stories and create crafts in this informative program. Ages 5-9.

Thurs 2/20 South Branch 3:30 p.m.



Science Saturday

Explore science through hands-on learning stations about biology, physics, and robotics. Ages 6-12.

Sat 2/22 South Branch 3 p.m.

Wildlife Tracks!

Join Ranger Rick, Texas State Park Interpreter, to learn about one of the coolest critter clues that animals leave behind—tracks! Learn about wildlife tracks and make your very own animal track to take home! Ages 5-10.

Tues 2/25 North Branch 4 p.m.

Birthday Bonanza

Learn the history of birthdays and how this fun tradition started. Ages 5-9.

Thurs 2/27 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

UNT Instrument Petting Zoo

Come meet the instruments! Members of the North Texas Student Music Educators will let children explore how to play different kinds of instruments from flutes to saxophones to tubas. All children must be accompanied by parent or guardian. Ages 8-12.

Sat 2/29 North Branch 2:30 p.m.



Art Explorers: Frida Kahlo

Explore the world of Frida Kahlo and create your own self-portrait. Ages 5-9.

Thurs 3/5 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

The Buzz about Bees

Learn about bees, how they are an important part of our food chain, and how they help the environment. Michelle Boerst, Master Beekeeper of Bursting Bees Apiary, will bring an observation hive for safe, up-close viewing. Ages 5-10.

Tues 3/10 North Branch 4 p.m.

Spring Wildlife Babies

Join Ranger Rick, Texas State Park Interpreter, for a look at the adorable baby critters born in the spring. Ages 5-9.

Thurs 3/12 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

St. Patrick's Day Crafts

May the luck of the Irish be with you! Join us for fun crafts celebrating Saint Patrick's Day. From shamrocks to leprechauns, children can get creative with a variety of holiday-themed crafts. Ages 5-10.

Tues 3/17 North Branch 4 p.m.

*Homeschool Animal Club

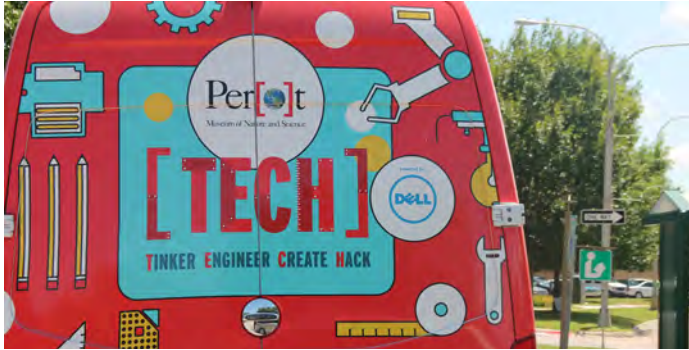
Join author, Deborah Johnston, in a multi-week, non-fiction book club for children to research animals, develop critical thinking skills, and learn public speaking. Children will use their research to develop a "Hunting Trip in the Classroom" event at the library and must attend all six sessions. Future class information will be provided during the initial class. Ages 6-10.

Thurs 3/19 South Branch 1:30 p.m.

Water Bugs

Check out some water bugs collected from local streams here in Denton. Kids will get an up close look at various bugs and we will discuss the important roles they play in our ecosystem. Ages 5-10.

Thurs 3/19 South Branch 3:30 p.m.



Perot Museum's TECH Truck

Engage in hands-on, maker-based science, engineering, technology, art, and math (STEAM) experiences that foster creativity and confidence. The TECH Truck will bring interactive discovery directly to the library by providing free science-based experiences to the public. Ages 6-11.

Sat 3/21 Emily Fowler 2-4 p.m.
Thurs 3/26 South Branch 3:30-5 p.m.
Tues 4/14 North Branch 3:30-5:30 p.m.



Teddy Bear Parade

It's time for the Teddy Bear Parade! Bring your teddy bear for a bear-y fun StoryTime. Then, join the parade around the library and the park (weather permitting). Ages 1-5.

Wed 3/25 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Rainbow Family StoryTime

Celebrate International Transgender Day of Visibility, which is on March 31. Enjoy stories, rhymes, crafts, and fun while celebrating diversity and inclusion at this special StoryTime for LGBTQ+ families and their allies. Ages 3-9.

Mon 3/30 North Branch 7 p.m.

Young Architects

Children interested in buildings and architecture will discover soaring skyscrapers and unique abodes, then practice their architectural skills with unusual materials. Ages 5-9.

Thurs 4/2 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

Snakes

Meet local Texas Master Naturalist and Snake Expert, Chuck Swatske. This presentation includes LIVE snakes and an art activity. Ages 5-10.

Thurs 4/9 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

Sssslitherin' Snakes

Cold-blooded killers or misunderstood reptiles? Join Ranger Rick, Texas State Park Interpreter, and learn all about snakes. Those brave enough will get to meet one of our live and friendly, non-venomous snakes up close! Ages 6-11.

Fri 4/10 Emily Fowler 2 p.m.

Hip-Hip-Hippo!

Did you know that hippos can be more dangerous than lions? Read about hippos and learn more fun facts. Ages 5-9.

Thurs 4/16 South Branch 3:30 p.m.

Spring Crafts for Kids

Spring is in the air! Join us for some fun, fantastic crafts for the spring season! From flowers to insects, children can get creative with a variety of spring-themed crafts. Ages 4-10.

Tues 4/21 North Branch 4 p.m.

Preschool Dance Party

Bring your toddlers and preschoolers to shimmy, shake, and dance their hearts out. We will provide shakers, scarves, and bubbles for a fantastic musical experience! Ages 1-5.

Fri 4/24 North Branch 10 a.m.

Creepy Crawly Bug Safari

Join Ranger Rick, Texas State Park Interpreter, to explore the wonderful world of bugs. Learn about insects and arachnids and go on a short observational walk to see insects in their natural habitat. Ages 5-10.

Tues 4/28 North Branch 4 p.m.

Mystery Animal Hunt

The Homeschool Animal Club will lead us on an imaginary journey as we read and learn about animals. Ages 5-9.

Thurs 4/30 South Branch 1:30 p.m.





Monthly Programs for Teens



Teen Advisory Board

Boss us around! Join the Teen Advisory Board and tell us what you want to see at your library. Help plan teen events and meet new people, all while earning volunteer hours. Ages 11-17.

Tues 1/7, 2/4, 3/3, 4/7 North Branch 4 p.m.

Wed 1/8, 2/5, 3/4, 4/1 South Branch 6:30 p.m.

Homeschool Chess Club

Homeschool students are invited to practice their chess skills. We will have chess sets on-hand, but participants are encouraged to bring their own if they have them. Ages 9-14.

Tues 1/7, 2/4, 4/7 South Branch 2 p.m.

Teen Writers Group

Do you have a story to tell? Join the Teen Writers Group, where we'll explore all different types of writing and share tips to help get your voice on paper. No pressure, no rules, no experience required. Ages 11-17.

Wed 1/8, 2/12, 3/25, 4/29 North Branch 4 p.m.



Nintendo Switch Tournaments

Can you beat the competition? Enter the tournament to find out! 1st-3rd place winners get a prize. Ages 11-17.

Super Smash Bros Ultimate

Fri 1/10 North Branch 4-5:15 p.m.

Mario Kart 8 Deluxe

Mon 4/27 North Branch 4-5:15 p.m.

Intellichoice Math Tutoring

Mathematics experts from the University of North Texas provide free math tutoring for children in grades K-12. Register online at intellichoice.org. No class 3/21.

Saturdays 1/11-5/9 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Anime Club

Do you watch anime? Read manga? Draw fan art? Come hang out with other fans to discuss your favorites, draw, and watch anime while you enjoy some snacks. Anime shown may be rated T for Teen. Ages 11-17.

Sat 1/11, 2/8, 3/14, 4/11 North Branch 2-3:30 p.m.

Play With Your Food

Don't worry about having good manners while playing these crazy food games! Ages 11-17.



Keep, Pass, Eat- Wed 1/15 North Branch 4 p.m.

Doritos Challenge- Wed 2/26 North Branch 4 p.m.

Oreo Curling - Fri 3/20 North Branch 4 p.m.

Popcorn Toss - Fri 4/17 North Branch 4 p.m.

After School Cinema

Relax with your friends in the Teen Room after school while you watch a movie. Movies may be rated PG-13. Ages 11-17.

Fri 1/17, 2/14, 3/6, 4/3 North Branch 3:45-5:45 p.m.

DIY Lanyard Keychains

Express your creativity and design your own lanyard keychain. Ages 11-17.

Tues 1/21 North Branch 4 p.m.

Brain STEMs

Think like an engineer to tackle a new building challenge every other Wednesday! The UNT Society of Women Engineers hosts this exciting and popular event. Snacks provided. Ages 8-14.

Wed 1/22, 2/5, 2/19, 3/4, 3/18, 4/1, 4/8

North Branch 4:30 p.m.

Color and Chill

Treat yourself to some downtime to color, socialize, and relax after school. Ages 11-17.

Fri 1/24, 2/21, 3/27, 4/24 North Branch 3:45 p.m.

National Puzzle Day

Celebrate National Puzzle Day by working on different kinds of puzzles in the teen room. Can you finish them all?

Wed 1/29 North Branch 3:45 p.m.

Project LIT

Project LIT is a book club on a mission to make a difference. We will discuss great teen books while we work on short service projects that benefit our community. All teens attending will earn volunteer hours, and you will not need to read the books beforehand. Ages 11-17.

Wed 1/29, 2/12, 3/18, 4/22 South Branch 6 p.m.



After School Tabletop Gaming

Come play board games with your friends! We'll have over 30 games to choose from including Twister, Exploding Kittens, and UNO. Ages 11-17.

Fri 1/31 North Branch 3:45-5 p.m.

Mon 3/23, 4/20 North Branch 3:45-5 p.m.

Teen Food Lab: Chocolate Candy

Calling all chocolate lovers! We will be experimenting with different chocolates and molds to create the perfect sweet treats. Ages 10-17.

Sat 2/8 South Branch 3 p.m.

Werewolf

It's a full moon; watch out for werewolves! Come play this hair-raising party game with your friends!

Ages 11-17.

Mon 2/10 North Branch 4 p.m.



*Songwriting Workshop

This introductory course will teach students both the process and techniques for writing/recording a song. Topics covered will include lyric writing, song structure, and beat production. Teens will be able to record their song and bring it home on a USB! Ages 11-17.

Sat 2/15 The Forge at North Branch 3-4:30 p.m.



*Art Journaling

Learn the basics of art journaling and begin your own project! No previous art experience or talent required; all supplies will be provided. Ages 11-17.

Sat 2/22 North Branch 3-4:30 p.m.

Creative Souls: Japanese Street Fashion

Learn about different types of Japanese street fashion and style at this fun workshop. Ages 11-17.

Sat 2/29 North Branch 2-4 p.m.

Magic: The Gathering Meet-Up

Newbies and expert players alike are invited to meetup and play this classic card game. We will spend 30 minutes going over basic rules and strategies, followed by an hour of game time. A few decks will be on-hand but players are encouraged to bring their own. Ages 10-17.

Sat 3/21 South Branch 2:30-4 p.m.

You Belong: LGBTQIA+ Hour

A safe place for LGBTQIA+ teens to socialize, enjoy snacks, and learn about what Denton Public Library offers to their community. Ages 11-17.

Sat 4/4 North Branch 3 p.m.

*Teen Chopped

Compete in the library's version of the TV cooking show Chopped. Participants will be divided into teams and given a mystery basket of ingredients, which they will transform into delicious snacks. All skill levels welcome and sadly, there will be no open flame. Ages 10-17.

Sat 4/18 South Branch 3 p.m.

National Jelly Bean Day

Celebrate National Jelly Bean Day with fun games and activities. Ages 11-17.

Wed 4/22 North Branch 4 p.m.

Sharpie Art Buttons

Accessorize with this come-and-go button-designing event. We'll have sharpies, buttons, and blank templates. Ages 10-17.

Sat 4/25 South Branch 2-4 p.m.



Book Clubs

Non-Fiction Book Discussion Group

Read and discuss a wide variety of non-fiction titles.

- 1/8 Reader's Choice: Bring your favorite non-fiction titles from the past year to share with the group.
- 2/5 *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption* by Bryan Stevenson
- 3/4 *Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know About the People We Don't Know* by Malcolm Gladwell
- 4/1 *Ungrateful Refugee: What Immigrants Never Tell You* by Dina Nayeri

First Wednesday of the month. North Branch 7 p.m.



Services and Support Groups

Denton ISD ESL & GED Classes

For more information, call (940) 369-0400.

Breastfeeding Support Group

Wed 2/5, 3/4, 4/1 North Branch 10 a.m.

Alzheimer's Association

Caregiver Support Group

Tues 1/7, 2/4, 3/3, 4/7 Emily Fowler 12:30-2 p.m.

English Conversation

A casual space to practice speaking English, ask questions, and learn about American culture. For anyone who already knows English, but wants to get better at speaking the language.

Tues 1/7, 2/4, 3/3, 4/7 Emily Fowler 7 p.m.

Exploring Western Philosophy

Explore the foundations of Western thought from its earliest beginnings in an interactive class with Dr. Eva H. Cadwallader Ph.D., Emerita, in philosophy.

Thurs 1/9 - 4/30 North Branch 4-5:30 p.m.



Seed Starting

Save money and increase the variety of plants in your garden or home. Jeff Davis, with the Agrilife Extension Service, will teach us how to start and nurture all types of plants.

Sat 1/11 South Branch 10 a.m.-12 p.m.



Corpses, Clues, and Crime: A Short History of Detective Fiction

Learn about the history of detective fiction with true crime scholar, Dr. Jeanette Laredo. Participants will have the chance to solve a murder mystery for a very special prize!

Sat 1/11 Emily Fowler 2 p.m.

Professor's Corner: A Discussion Group Devoted to Literary Texts

- 1/13 Dr. Jenny Caneen (UNT), *Comic Dialogue and Action in Shakespeare*
 - 2/10 Dr. Johanna Davis-McElligatt (UNT), *Afrofuturism and the Black Speculative Arts*
 - 3/23 Dr. Rick Joines (UNT), *Poetry at the End of Faith-Wallace Stephens and Phillip Larkin*
 - 4/13 Dr. Devin Garofalo (UNT), *Our Historical Contemporaries-the Romantics & Victorians*
- South Branch 7-8:30 p.m.**

Alzheimer's Association: Dementia Live 2020

Do you know of someone who has a form of dementia? Experience how a person with dementia perceives the world. Participants will experience unfocused sight, difficulty performing tasks, and the inability to hear correctly. This is a come-and-go program.

Thurs 1/16 North Branch 2-4 p.m.



Book Lovers Repair Workshop

This is a monthly meetup for people who have a book that needs minor repair or would like to learn how to repair books. If you have questions about what you can bring, call (940) 349-8762 or email Leslie.Couture@cityofdenton.com. All supplies provided. For ages 14+.

Thurs 1/16, 3/26 Emily Fowler 6-8 p.m.

Sat 2/15, 4/11 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

*Dungeons and Dragons Players

Traverse a fantasy world using your imagination, pen, paper, and dice rolls, as our Dungeon Masters lead your group to adventure! Players meet once a month. Snacks and lunch will be provided.

Ages 11 and up.

Sat 1/18, 2/15, 3/21, 4/18 North Branch 10 a.m.-5 p.m.



Meditation for Beginners (4-part class)

Meditation is a state of profound, deep peace that occurs when the mind is calm and silent. Join Dorota Mularczyk, certified meditation coach, as she guides you through meditation sessions that will help you to achieve that state.

Wed 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12 North Branch 7-8:30 p.m.

Creating Living Soils

Soil, as a living ecosystem, is the most important element of creating sustainable gardens. Learn how to create soils that are alive with the organisms that support plant health, our planet, and ultimately all life. Taught by NCTC Horticulture Instructor, Ashley Hartman.

Sat 1/25 Emily Fowler 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Book Buzz

Always searching for a good book to read? Having trouble keeping track of what new books are coming out? We will cover everything from award winners, bestselling authors, genre fiction (mystery, romance, sci-fi and more) and nonfiction.

Wed 1/29, 2/19, 3/25, 4/29 Emily Fowler 2 p.m.

Top 100 Plants

Create a lush and vibrant landscape with the top 100 native and adapted plants, ideal for your North Texas landscape. We'll also dig in to proper soil preparation, proper planting, and tips on how to choose the right plant for your landscape. Presented by Agrilife Water University.

Thurs 1/30 Emily Fowler 6-8 p.m.



Trivia Afternoon (2-hour Program)

Test your knowledge against others at our Trivia Afternoon. There will be six rounds of eight questions from eight different categories. Free snacks and drinks will be provided. Ages 18 and up.

Sat 2/1, 3/7, 4/4 South Branch 2-4 p.m.

Saturday 60s at South Branch

Join fellow movie fans for refreshments and an afternoon movie from the 1960s. Ages 16 and up.

Casino Royale (1967) (NR)

Sat 2/15 South Branch 2-4:30 p.m.

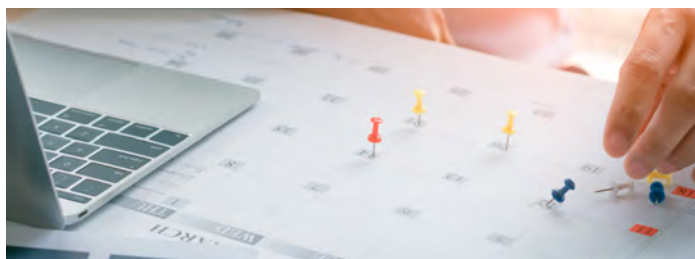
Odd Couple (1968) (G)

Sat 4/4 South Branch 2-4 p.m.

Birding 101

Scott Kiestler, Elm Fork Chapter, Texas Master Naturalists, will explain how to identify, appreciate, and enjoy birds in our area.

Wed 2/19 South Branch 6-8 p.m.



Organize Your Totally Out of Control Time

Time management is key to getting and staying organized. The goal is to schedule time to organize spaces and organize spaces to save time. Presented by Lorraine Brock, founder of *Get Organized!*

Fri 2/28 Emily Fowler 2 p.m.



Water-Efficient Landscape Design

Learn basic design principles, plant placement, and the newest hardscape trends so you can "do it yourself" and save big from the ground up! Transform your landscape into a beautiful low-maintenance, water-efficient paradise.

Thurs 3/19 Emily Fowler 6-8 p.m.

Sub-Irrigated Planter

Sustainable Denton welcomes you to an introductory workshop on how to make your own sub-irrigated planter. This class will teach the basics of sub-irrigated gardening and best practices. Taught by Master Gardener, Brigid Corbett.

Sat 3/28 North Branch 10 a.m.-12 p.m.



Fair Housing Workshop

As a kick-off to Fair Housing Month in April, North Texas Fair Housing Center and Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas will host a free workshop about tenant rights, evictions, reasonable accommodations, and housing discrimination.

Tues 3/31 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Fruit Trees

Whether you're planning to grow fruits, nuts, or berries at home, this class can help! Learn about water efficiency, what plants work best in our area, pest control, pruning methods and other ways to increase production. Taught by Agrilife Water University.

Thurs 4/16 Emily Fowler 6-8 p.m.

Munchies and Melo-Drama

Join us for cookies and chips, and a viewing of the 1936 melodrama/morality tale *Reefer Madness*. Ages 16 and up.

Mon 4/20 South Branch 6:30-8 p.m.



Rest Instead of Stress

Learn tips on how to handle challenges in your life with Beth Honeycutt, certified Transpersonal Hypnotist and Energy Practitioner. Learn to move beyond stressors and to calm underlying emotions.

Tues 4/21 North Branch 7-8:30 p.m.



Graphic Novels and Social Justice

Learn the history of tackling social justice issues through graphic novels and comics, from UNT Professor of English Joanna Davis-McElligatt. Read the graphic novel *The Strange* by J. Ruillier (available for checkout), and join the discussion about the experience of an undocumented immigrant in a Western country.

Tues 4/28 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

Arts & Crafts

Crafters' Corner & Finish It Friday

Bring your favorite craft, exchange patterns, and get to know others in the local crafting community. These are come-and-go programs. No meeting 2/7.

Thursdays Emily Fowler 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Fridays North Branch 9:30-11:30 a.m.

***Wire Weaving 101 Heart Pendant**

Learn the different types and sizes of crafting wire, along with the necessary tools to create wire jewelry. Participants will create a heart pendant.

Mon 2/10 North Branch 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Wire Ring Workshop

Learn how to design simple but lovely wire rings for yourself, your family, and friends.

Tues 2/25 Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

***Wire Weaving: Tree of Life**

Use skills learned in Wire Weaving 101 to create the tree of life.

Tues 3/24 North Branch 6:30-8:30 p.m.

***Macramé Workshop**

Join local artisan Mary Cresson and learn the two basic knots used in macramé work. You'll leave with that knowledge and two keychains to take home.

Sat 3/28 North Branch 2-4 p.m.

***Acrylic Painting**

Join Shay Haas of Indigo Easel for a class on basic painting techniques and art principles. No experience is necessary and everyone will create the same painting. Supplies provided. Ages 18 and up.

Tues 1/28, 3/24 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Genealogy

Denton County Genealogical Society

Meet fellow genealogists, share tips, and learn new information. Non-members welcome.

1/9 Eureka, Epiphany, and Serendipity: Members' Round Table Discussion & GenPen presentation

2/13 Southern Manuscript Collections by Ari Wilkins

3/12 Proving Your Lineage to a Patriot of the War of the Revolution by Jane Sanzone and Donna Spears

4/16 Using Genealogy in Criminal Investigation by Chris Womack

Thurs 1/9, 2/13, 3/12, 4/16 Emily Fowler 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Beginning Genealogy

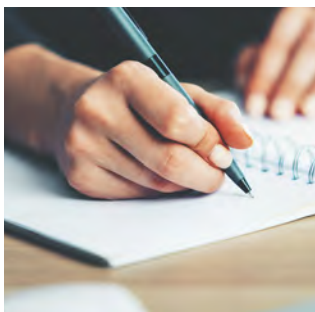
Learn the basics of genealogy research in this introductory class. Topics include gathering family information, using genealogical forms, accessing vital records, locating census records, and using the resources available in the Emily Fowler Special Collections.

Sat 1/18 Emily Fowler 3-5 p.m.

GenPen

Turn your genealogy research into family history narratives with GenPen. Share your writing and give and get feedback from writers of all levels. Get the encouragement you need to get family stories out of your research files and onto the page.

Sun 1/19, 2/23, 3/22, 4/19 Emily Fowler 2-4 p.m.

**Save Your Memories**

Learn about the digital conversion equipment, which can be used to preserve your family history by converting your photos, home videos, and paper documents to digital formats. Discover the equipment and software in The Legacy Lab.

Thurs 1/23 Emily Fowler 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Beyond Ancestry.com

Learn search techniques to access free genealogical and historical websites that may contain the answers to your most difficult family history questions.

Sat 2/8 Emily Fowler 10-11:30 a.m.

Researching Land Records

Land records are some of the most underutilized, yet most useful records available in genealogy and are available for most locations in the US.

Sat 3/28 North Branch 10-11:30 a.m.

Uncovering Denton History

Receive an overview of the Denton County Newspapers on the Portal to Texas History and learn to use it for your own research interests.

Sat 4/18 Emily Fowler 3-5 p.m.

Career & Business

Introduction to Business Resources

Attend this come-and-go event to learn more about the resources the library has for businesses. See a live demonstration of Reference USA and Lynda.com.
Sat 1/25 The Forge at North Branch 10 a.m.-12 p.m.



SCORE

SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) provides free and confidential business mentoring tailored to meet the needs of entrepreneurs and small businesses. By appointment only—contact Kerry Montz at **(940) 349-8757** to make an appointment.

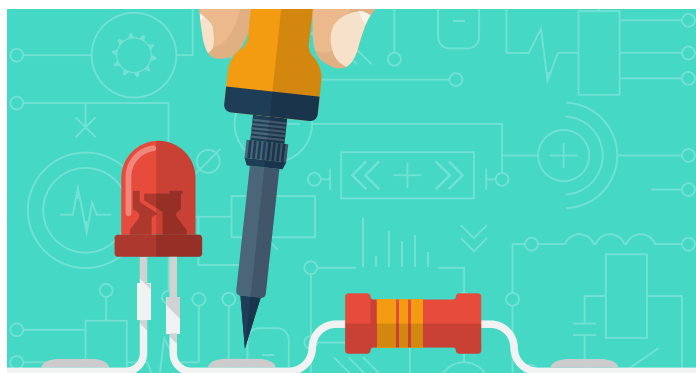
ReferenceUSA is free with your library card.

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- Find resident information



To learn more, contact Kerry Montz at Kerry.Montz@cityofdenton.com

Technology



***Learn How To Solder**

Learn the basics of soldering in this hands-on class. You'll learn by creating a light-up badge that you can take home.

Mon 1/6, 3/2 The Forge at North Branch 7 p.m.



3D Printer Orientation

Learn about 3D printing and get certified for using the Library's 3D printers.

Mon 2/3, 4/6 The Forge at North Branch 7 p.m.

Using Pivot Tables in Excel

A pivot table is a powerful tool for quickly finding specific data in a large Microsoft Excel spreadsheet. In this session, we will look at the ways pivot tables can help Excel users extract useful information from their data. Participants must be able to use Excel.

Sat 2/29, 4/11 South Branch 2-3:30 p.m.

***Program Tiny Computers: Intro to Microcontrollers**

Learn how to program a microcontroller (the BBC micro:bit) to react to input, flash lights, and display messages. Great for adults, kids, and families who are interested in electronics or programming.

Ages 10 and up.
Mon 3/16 The Forge at North Branch 7 p.m.

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Programas Semanales para Niños

enero 14 - abril 18

Hora del Cuento para Bebés

Traiga a su bebe a estas clases que promueven el vínculo afectivo a través de cuentos, canciones, y actividades. Para los bebes hasta 18 meses y sus cuidadores.

Los jueves South Branch 9:30 a.m.
Los viernes North Branch 9:30 a.m.

Horas de Cuentos para Niños Pequeños

Participe con su niño en estas clases especiales que promueven la alfabetización y la interacción social a través de historias, canciones, y actividades apropiadas para niños pequeños. Para las edades de 12-36 meses y sus cuidadores.

Los martes South Branch 10:30 a.m.
Los miércoles Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.
Los jueves North Branch 9:30 a.m.

Hora de Cuentos Español

¡Hablamos español! Acompáñenos para una hora de cuentos divertida con hablante nativa Myra Ronquillo. Los niños oirán cuentos, cantarán, y aprenderán vocabulario nuevo en español. Este programa está diseñado para hablantes de todos los idiomas. Edades 2-10.

Vie 1/17, 2/21, 3/20, 4/17 Emily Fowler 9:30 a.m.

Desfile de Oso de Peluche

Es hora del desfile de oso de peluche! Trae tu osito de peluche para un oso divertido Storytime. Luego, únase al desfile alrededor de la biblioteca y el parque (si el tiempo lo permite). Edades 1-5.

Mié 3/25 Emily Fowler 11 a.m.

Día Nacional del Rompecabezas

Celebra el Día Nacional del Rompecabezas trabajando en diferentes tipos de rompecabezas en la sala para adolescentes. ¿Puedes terminarlos todos?

Mié 1/29 North Branch 3:45 p.m.

Clases de GED y ESL

El Departamento de Educación de Adultos de Denton ISD ofrece muchas clases gratis en los condados de Denton y Collin. Las clases incluyen inglés como Segundo Idioma (ESL), la ciudadanía, educación básica para adultos, y GED. Por favor llame al **(940) 369-0400** para más información.

Conversación de inglés

Un ambiente informal para practicar hablar inglés y aprender la cultura estadounidense. Para hablantes de inglés como segundo idioma que desean practicar y mejorar sus habilidades.

Los martes 1/7, 2/4, 3/3, 4/7 Emily Fowler 7 p.m.

Hora de Cuentos

Acompáñenos para las clases preescolares interactivas que usan historias, canciones, y títeres para construir habilidades de alfabetización temprana y preparar a los niños a aprender a leer. Para los niños de 1-5 años y sus cuidadores.

Los miércoles Emily Fowler 11 a.m.
Los jueves South Branch 10 y 11 a.m.
Los viernes North Branch 11 a.m.
Los sábados South Branch 10 a.m.

Hora de Cuentos Familiar en la Noche

Traiga la familia a esta hora de cuentos en la noche para disfrutar canciones, cuentos, y rimas con tus niños. Para las edades 1-5 con sus cuidadores, pero niños de todas edades están invitados.

Los miércoles North Branch 7 p.m.

Días de Cierre de Denton Public Library

miércoles, 1 de enero

Las bibliotecas estarán cerradas.

lunes, 20 de enero

Las bibliotecas estarán cerradas.

viernes, 7 de febrero

Las bibliotecas están cerradas para un día de capacitación del personal.

domingo, 12 de abril

Las bibliotecas estarán cerradas.

viernes, 24 de abril - domingo, 26 de abril

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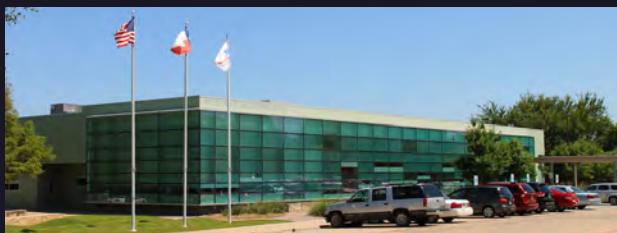
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Wed: 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Sun: 1-5 p.m.

North Branch Library



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Sun: 1-5 p.m.

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INFORMAL STAFF REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT:

Provide information on the Denton Christian Women's Interracial Fellowship (DCWIF) and their contributions to the City of Denton.

BACKGROUND:

At the Oct. 8, 2019 City Council work session meeting, the pending requests work session item included a request presented from Council Member Meltzer for a discussion to recognize the DCWIF. City Council requested additional information on the history of the DCWIF in order to determine what would be the best path forward to engage the public and develop options for recognition.

Summary of the History and Work of DCWIF

The DCWIF emerged in the early 1960s in response to the challenges of strained race relations in Denton, particularly as they related to newly integrated schools. The shared experience of motherhood strengthened the bond among the group members and propelled them to act to challenge stereotypes and further interracial cooperation.

The efforts of DCWIF members had a significant impact on the lives of black Denton residents. After Denton High School was integrated and Fred Douglass/Fred Moore High School was closed in 1963, the members helped transport black children to and from the newly integrated high school, because the high school was far away from where most black residents lived. The members also held tutoring sessions for black students who were struggling in the new school. These efforts led to higher and higher enrollments of black students at Denton High School.

Additionally, the DCWIF made it a priority to increase black political participation in all levels of government. Periodically, they would send black and white pairs of fellowship members door to door to assist residents in registering to vote. They also volunteered to drive black residents to and from polls to increase turnout. This commitment to increase black political participation led to more and more black candidates running for local and state positions and increased the trust black Dentonites had in the political system.

Fellowship members also focused on the conditions of daily life that separated black and white Denton residents. Basic services like paved streets, sidewalks, and water or sewer systems had been long absent in black areas of the City. Through regular door to door canvassing, exposure of the racist practices of certain white landlords and the circulation of petitions, the DCWIF was able to secure the improvement and enlargement of existing water and sewer systems and the paving of all streets in predominantly black areas of the City. Through these concerted efforts, members of the DCWIF worked to ensure that black residents received the same services as white residents.

Staff had the chance to connect with Betty Kimble, an original DCWIF member. She was excited about the opportunity to discuss the work of the DCWIF and about the potential to work with the City further if they wished to memorialize the DCWIF.

REFERENCES:

Byrd, R. W. (1991). Interracial Cooperation in a Decade of Conflict: The Denton (Texas) Christian Women's Inter-Racial Fellowship. *Oral History Review*, 19(1), 31–53. doi: 10.1093/ohr/19.1.31

STAFF CONTACT:

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Budget Manager
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REQUESTOR:

Council consensus during the October 8 pending Council requests work session for an informal staff report.

PARTICIPATING DEPARTMENTS:

City Manager's Office

STAFF TIME TO COMPLETE REPORT:

2 hours

**INFORMAL STAFF REPORT
TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

SUBJECT:

Provide information about the Cross Timbers upland habitat environmentally sensitive areas (ESAs) in the Cole Ranch and Hunter Ranch master planned communities (MPCs).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Council member Armintor requested staff information about the regulations protecting trees located at Pilot Knob and the protection granted under the Cole Ranch and Hunter Ranch MPCs.

BACKGROUND:

The Pilot Knob area is designated as a Cross Timbers upland habitat, one of the four types of environmentally sensitive areas (ESAs) protected in Denton. The protected habitat at Pilot Knob is presumed to cover approximately 99 acres. However, field assessments are needed for verifying this information. Denton Development Code (DDC) Section 7.4.8 regulates the protection and permitted activities within this area. Current regulations require the preservation of 50% of the contiguous habitat (this includes both trees and understory vegetation) for residential land uses. This comprises all housing arrangements within the residential use spectrum. For all non-residential uses, the preservation is set at 30%.

The proposed Hunter Ranch and Cole Ranch master planned communities have modified some of the regulations pertaining the protection of Pilot Knob, and any Cross Timbers upland habitats located throughout the MPCs.

Hunter Ranch has set different preservation targets for the four areas currently identified on the ESA map as Cross Timbers upland habitats, including Pilot Knob. These four areas, depicted as A through D on Exhibit 1, are aligned diagonally west of the I-35W corridor. Pilot Knob is identified as area C on the map. The cumulative preservation efforts throughout Hunter Ranch would result in 56.9% of the Cross Timbers habitat being preserved.

Cross Timbers Upland Habitat Area	Estimated Existing Acreage*	Proposed Preservation	% of Preservation
A	136.3	56.0	41
B	26.2	18.3	70
C (Pilot Knob)	98.7	73.0	74
D	3.0	3.0	100
Total	264.2	150.3	56.9

**Based on current DDC regulations, depending on land use (residential or non-residential) between 30% to 50% of the existing habitat acreage would be preserved.*

In addition, parks, open space, recreational uses, trails, walkways, and bike paths have been added as permitted activities within areas designated as Cross Timbers upland habitats. Currently DDC Section 7.4.8 does not list recreational activities as a permitted use.

Although Cole Ranch has adopted the same language for Cross Timbers upland habitat ESAs, based on field assessments performed in 2008, Cross Timbers upland habitat is not present in the Cole Ranch.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional information.

CONCLUSION:

This ISR has been provided for informational purposes.

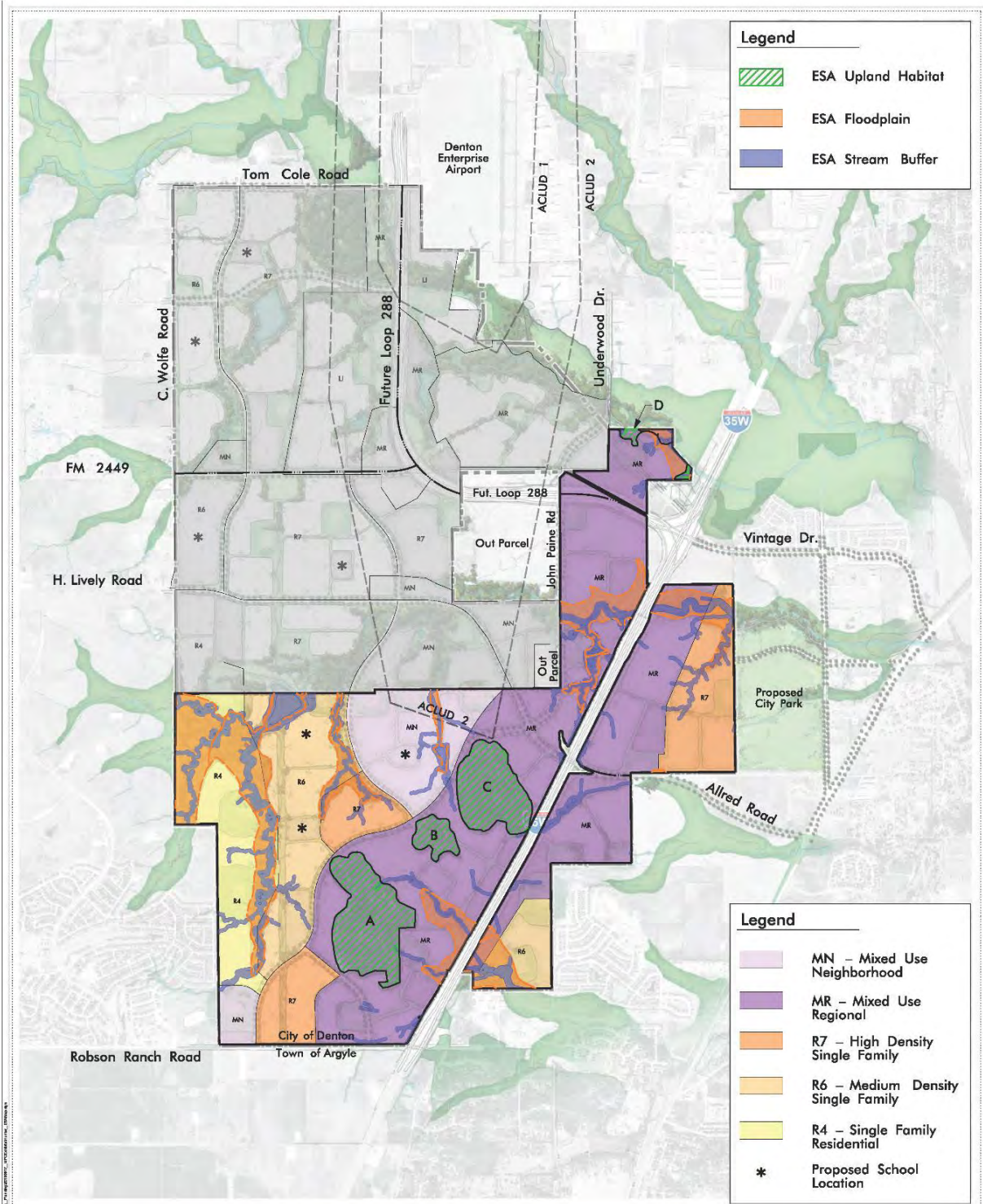
ATTACHMENT(S):

Hunter Ranch ESA Map

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ATTACHMENT



Environmentally Sensitive Area Map

Hunter Ranch

November 19, 2019

Council Requests for Information

	Council Member Requestor	Date	Service Request	Summary of Request	Time Sensitivity	Preferred format for response	Staff Assigned	Department	Comments
1	Council Member Meltzer	08/01/19	Policy	Review the use of the Historic Tax Abatement Incentives to encourage redevelopment in the area.		Informal Staff Report	Rogers	Economic Development	Staff is collecting data and finalizing report; pending other departmental priorities
2	Council Member Briggs	10/27/19	Policy	Work session on smart city led applications discussion on what we need to do next steps	Depends on if necessary before installed	Work Session	Lutrick	DME	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
3	Council Member Davis	11/05/19	Policy	Large-Scale Mural on Post Office Building. This is a left-field request, so and ISR or even a polite email to tell me it's impossible is just fine. I'd like to work with the Postal Service or the GSA or whatever the appropriate federal agency is to use City public art funds (and perhaps community raised fund) to paint a large-scale mural on the East wall of the post office (the one that faces the City Hall parking lot)	N/A	Informal Staff Report	Rogers	Economic Development	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
4	Council Member Briggs	12/04/19	Service Request	Can staff address the concerns of a resident regarding dangerous traffic on Vine St., Texas St., and Schmidt near TWU		Friday Report	Jahn	Capital Projects	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
5	Council Member Davis	12/06/19	Clarification	Todd E. is all over this, and is already pulling some info together for me. But it'd be a good ISR for the whole council to have. I'd like to see a summary of the mobility improvements (streets and sidewalks) that we are making in connection with construction of the new Denton High School. I'm especially interested in pedestrian and bike connectivity with nearby neighborhoods, and on the Western side of the campus. Thanks!	When available	Informal Staff Report	Estes	Capital Projects	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
6	Council Member Briggs	12/13/19	Policy	Need to revise our tree ordinance	Extremely	Work Session	McDonald	Development Services	Council Member Briggs will present during the pending items work session on January 7.
7	Council Member Armintor	12/14/19	Service Request	Can staff look at the new sidewalks in front of QT on Eagle for ADA accessibility?		Email	Estes	Capital Projects	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
8	Council Member Briggs	12/15/19	Service Request	When is the slide at Eureka scheduled to be replaced? Report that kids were climbing on, over boarded up slide.		Email	Packan/Huffman	Parks and Recreation	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
9	Council Member Davis	12/16/19	Policy	I am requesting a work session on amending Chapter 2, Article XI (Ethics), Sec. 2-269 (Definitions), to add the words "discussions, conversations, correspondence, or" and "polling places" to the definition of "Deliberations," to read as follows: "Deliberations: Discussions at the dais; voting as a member of the board or commission; or presentations as a member of the audience before any city board or commission; conversing or corresponding with other city officials or staff. This term does not apply to discussions, conversations, correspondence, or a general vote on a broad, comprehensive, or omnibus motion, such as approval of the city budget or polling places."	ASAP - i.e., January 7th worksession	Work Session	Dalal	Internal Audit	Council Member Davis will present during the pending items work session on January 7.
10	Mayor Pro Tem Hudspeth	12/16/19	Service Request	Can staff look at the signage on the frontage road of I-35 E (southbound) and Teasley Dr.		Email	Estes	Capital Projects	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
11	Mayor Pro Tem Hudspeth	12/17/19	Policy	I believe that citizens should be able to park on public streets without a permit. Please research and let me know if there is an agreement with UNT and your analysis of that agreement. It seems they would be using public streets for income. Secondly, how can we make adjustments to allow citizens to park there for a limited time.		Email	Deshmukh	Capital Projects	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
12	Council Member Briggs	12/19/19	Service Request	Can staff look into report of several days of no hot water at Kingswood Apartments?		Email	Bentley	CIS	Communication with property manager, resident, and CM complete
13	Council Member Briggs	12/20/19	Clarification	Can staff check on the notice that residents in the Preserve at Pecan Creek received about the upcoming Planning and Zoning meeting?		Email	McDonald	Development Services	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
14	Council Member Meltzer	12/29/19	Clarification	What is the status of Upland Habitat environmentally sensitive areas in Denton? Why is this habitat important? About how many acres did we originally have? About how many acres remain? About how many of the remaining acres are slated for destruction due to known development plans?		Informal Staff Report	Banks/McDonald	Environmental Services/Development Services	Information will be included in a future Friday Report
15	Council Member Meltzer	01/02/20	Service Request	Separately for Police and for Fire for each of the two budgets: • New facilities built or funded (including from the bonds) •Major new equipment purchases •Number of full time positions added.		Friday Report	Dixon/Hedges	Police/Fire	Information will be included in a future Friday Report

January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Year's Day Holiday	2	3	4
5	6 NO - 11:30 am Council Luncheon NO - COE 1:30 Traffic Safety Commission 5:30 pm	7 12:00 pm CC Work Session 6:30 pm CC Regular Session	8 2:30pm Agenda Committee 5:00pm P&Z Work Session 6:30pm P&Z Regular Session	9 8:30 DEDC Special Called- Cancelled 11:00 EDPB Special Called- Cancelled COE 11:30 4:00pm Public Art Committee	10	11
12	13 PUB 9am	14 10:30am Audit/Finance 2:00 pm 2nd Tuesday Session Mobility Committee Meeting 9:00 am	15 2:30pm Agenda Committee	16 6:00pm Committee on Persons with Disabilities HABSCO 4pm	17	18
19	20 MLK Day Holiday	21 No Council Meeting	22 12:00 TIF Board (TIRZ) 2:30pm Agenda Committee 5:00pm P&Z Work Session 6:30pm P&Z Regular Session	23	24	25
26	27 PUB 9am ZBA 5:30pm	28 10am Council Airport Committee 2:00 pm 4th Tuesday Session	29 2:30pm Agenda Committee	30 5:30PM Board of Ethics	31	

February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 11:30 am Council Luncheon COE 1:30 Traffic Safety Commission 5:30 pm	4 2:00 pm CC Work Session 6:30 pm CC Regular Session	5 2:30pm Agenda Committee 5:00pm P&Z Work Session 6:30pm P&Z Regular Session	6 8:30 DEDC 4:00 Public Art Committee	7	8
9	10 PUB 9am	11 2:00 pm 2nd Tuesday Session Mobility Committee Meeting 9:00 am	12 11:00 EDPB 2:30pm Agenda Committee 5:30 Airport Advisory Board	13 HOT & Sponsorship Tentative 10:00	14	15
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23	24 PUB 9am ZBA 5:30pm	25 10am Council Airport Committee 2:00 pm 4th Tuesday Session	26	27 5:30PM Board of Ethics	28	29

FUTURE WORK SESSION ITEMS MATRIX
As of January 3, 2020

Meeting Date	Currently Slated Work Session Items						
CANCELLED 6-Jan Lunch	CANCELLED						
7-Jan Start @ 12p	Main Street Association Partnership 19-2764	Sagebrook Annexation Development (TBD) 19-2369	City Hall West 19-2840	Fine Arts Theatre 19-2739	Mutual First LLC/TCEQ 20-109		Review of Council Requests 20-001
14-Jan	Cole Hunter Ranch ³ 20-106	Landfill Expansion Permit 20-023	Mobility Plan Update ² 19-2883	Polling Locations 19-2914			Review of Council Requests 20-002
21-Jan	No meeting; MLK Holiday on 1/20						
28-Jan Start @ 2 p.m.	KDB Annual Report	Mobility Plan Update ³ 19-2884	Annual Gas Well Summary 19-2843	Economic Development Audit 19-2723	Annual DME Risk Policy Approval	Gas Wells - Public Hearing @ 6:30 p (Council Chamber)	Review of Council Requests 20-003
3-Feb Lunch	Fire Standards of Coverage	Police Construction Elevations Review					
4-Feb	Green Tree Estates	Thriving Earth Exchange	Pay-As-You-Go Program Overview	Accessory Dwelling Units, Walls, Fences, and Screening DCA19-0011	2020 Mobility Plan Update ⁴ 19-2885 Delegated Authority	Hold for Housing Tax Credit applications (if received)	Review of Council Requests 20-004
11-Feb	Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team 19-2338	Airport Guiding Documents	Construction Code Review	Water & Wastewater Rates			Review of Council Requests 20-005
18-Feb	Credit and Collections	Economic Development Incentive Policy	Integrated Pest Management Plan Review				Review of Council Requests 20-006
25-Feb	TIF Grants for Accessibility						Review of Council Requests 20-007
Work Sessions Planned - Date TBD	Outdoor Noise	Right of Way Ordinance Follow-up	Purchasing Manual Update	DME GreenSense	Sustainability Plan Update	Affordable Housing/ Housing Assistance	Review of Council Requests Mar 03 20-008
	Group Home Code Amendment	Gas Well Update & Closed Session Item (pulled from 10/8/19 WS)	Utilities Management Study	Public Art			Review of Council Requests Mar 17 20-009
		Electric Vehicle Charging Stations	Doorbell Monitoring Technology 19-2959				Review of Council Requests Mar 24 20-010
							Review of Council Requests Apr 07 20-011
Work Session Requests Determined by Council - Date TBD	Community Public Art and Community Tree Grants			Veteran Source of Income Housing Discrimination Ordinance	Quakertown Park Drainage Channel	Anti-Discrimination Ordinance	Plugged Gas Wells



Street Closure Report

Upcoming Closures

Week of January 6, 2020 - January 12, 2020



Street/Intersection	From	To	Closure Start Date	Closure End Date	Description	Department	Upcoming Info/Notes	Public Meeting	Other Communication	Department Contact
Hickory Creek Rd.	Teasley	Riverpass	TBD	TBD	Street Widening (Temporary Lane Closures)	Engineering	Franchise utility relocations have progressed to the point where Jagoe can deploy to the site soon and begin work on at least a portion of the site (the portion west of the Montecito intersection). We are awaiting an updated schedule of completion from CoServ Gas and Atmos, which we will provide Jagoe so that they in turn can update their mobilization and construction schedule. At this point it looks like the lane closures along Hickory Creek Rd. will not start until at least late January.			(940) 349-8910
I35E northbound service road	located	500 ft west of Bonnie Brae	TBD	TBD	Wastewater Improvements (Temporary Lane Closures)	Wastewater				(940) 349-7128
Robson	East Side of RR	35W	TBD	TBD	Wastewater Main Install (Temporary Lane Closure)	Wastewater				(940) 349-7128
Rockwood Ln.	Royal	Mistywood	TBD	TBD	bundle	Engineering	this will be part of bundle		Door Hangers	
Roselawn Dr.	Bonnie Brae	Kansas City Southern RR	TBD	TBD	Drainage and Roadway Construction Bonnie Brae Phase 1 (One Lane traffic control)	Engineering	Part of Bonnie Brae Ph. I Capital Project			(940) 349-8910
Royal Ln.	Royal	Rockwood	TBD	TBD	bundle	Engineering	this will be part of bundle			
S. Elm St.	Prairie St.	Maple St.	02/01/20	02/28/20	Installation of new water main along Elm St. as part of the Pec-4 Ph 1&2 Project.	Engineering			Direct business contact, Door hangers	(940) 349-7112
S. Elm St.	Prairie St.	Maple St.	01/18/20	01/31/20	Installation of new water main along Elm St. as part of the Pec-4 Ph 1&2 Project	Engineering			Direct business contact, Door hangers	(940) 349-7112

Street/Intersection	From	To	Closure Start Date	Closure End Date	Description	Department	Upcoming Info/Notes	Public Meeting	Other Communication	Department Contact
Shady Oaks Dr.	Teasley	Woodrow	TBD	TBD	Base Repairs (Temporary Lane Closure)	Streets	Crews will move here after work on Kerley St. is complete		Meet with Business Owners	(940) 349-7146
Thomas St.	Panhandle	Oak	TBD	TBD	Streets Construction	Capital Projects	Part of 2019 Street Bundle			(940) 349-7104
Westheimer	Gessner	Fondren	01/13/20	02/14/20	Concrete Sidewalk repair. The process starts with barricading the failed sections of Sidewalk, remove and install new concrete.	Streets			N/A	(940) 349-7146
Total										9



Street Closure Report

Current Closures

Week of January 6, 2020 - January 12, 2020



Street/Intersection	From	To	Closure Start Date	Closure End Date	Description	Department	Upcoming Info/Notes	Public Meeting	Other Communication	Department Contact
950 Masch Branch Rd.	University Dr.	Jim Christal Rd.	01/06/20	03/13/20	4. Concrete Street repair. The process starts with barricading the failed sections of pavement, remove the pavement and subgrade, and install new concrete pavement.	Streets			N/A	(940) 349-7146
Ave B	Underwood	Eagle	12/23/19	01/29/20	We are replacing the water main, all fire hydrants, and all water services on Ave B from Underwood to Eagle	Water			We will be distributing flyers to affected customers.	(940) 349-7332
Beechwood	County Club Rd.	Wintercreek	12/09/19	02/14/20	Concrete Street panel and Sidewalk repair. The process starts with barricading the failed sections of concrete pavement, remove the pavement and subgrade, and install new concrete pavement	Streets			Door Hangers	(940) 349-7146
Bent Creek	Kappwood	Spring Creek	01/06/20	03/13/20	Concrete Street panel and Sidewalk repair. The process starts with barricading the failed sections of concrete pavement, remove the pavement and subgrade, and install new concrete pavement.	Streets			N/A	(940) 349-7146
Blagg Rd.	N. Mayhill Rd.	Geesling Rd.	03/18/19	01/31/20	Mayhill Project (Temporary Street Closure)	Engineering, Traffic, CIP	Part of Mayhill Rd. Widening Capital Project		Website & Nextdoor Notification	(940) 349-8925
Bonnie Brae St.	Roselawn	Corbin	10/21/19	01/10/20	Water Transmission Main Installation (closed to thru traffic)	Engineering	Part of North South Water Main Ph. II Capital Project (Bonnie Brae from Roselawn to I35E);			(940) 349-8910
Collier St	Eagle Dr	N. Interstate 35	12/14/19	01/10/20	Carriage Square Public Utility Improvement: Water, Wastewater, Drainage, and Paving	Public Works Inspections			Door Fliers	(940) 205-9230
Elm St.	Oak	Parkway	09/23/19	01/18/20	Sidewalk Improvements	Engineering	Part of Downtown TIF Sidewalk & Lighting CIP			(940) 349-8425
FM 2181	City of Denton/Corinth City limits	Lillian Miller	11/18/19	TBD	Street Widening	TxDOT	TxDOT Project - New contractor selected and starting to mobilize. Various lane closures possible starting 11/18/19.			(940) 349-8425

Street/Intersection	From	To	Closure Start Date	Closure End Date	Description	Department	Upcoming Info/Notes	Public Meeting	Other Communication	Department Contact
Fry	Oak	Hickory	12/16/19	01/31/20	Signal reconstruction	Traffic			Direct business contact	(940) 349-7486
Ft. Worth Dr. (US 377)	IH 35E	Mission St	10/17/19	11/27/20	Infrastructure Safety Upgrades (temporary closures)	TxDOT				(940) 349-8938
Ft. Worth Dr. (US 377)	IH 35E	0.26 mi south of FM 1830	12/03/18	12/12/20	Street Widening (Temporary Lane Closures during non-peak traffic)	TxDOT		10/08/19		(940) 387-1414
Hinkle Dr.	Headlee	Windsor	07/03/19	01/18/20	Street and Drainage Improvements Magnolia Drainage Ph. II (Street Closure)	Engineering	Road open to local traffic only.		Hinkle/Windsor closed starting 11/11/19.	(940) 349-8910
IOOF Street	Eagle Drive	Sycamore Street	01/06/20	03/27/20	Atmos Energy temporarily closing IOOF and Highland Street to through traffic for replacement/ upgrade of existing gas main and services along IOOF Street, north of Eagle Drive.	Atmos, Public Works Inspections			Atmos Energy to notify apartment complex's in area at least three business days in advance.	(940) 205-8278
John Paine Road	Southwest Pump Station	John Paine Road at John Paine Road near IH 35W	01/06/20	05/31/20	Road will be closed as needed. Project includes installation of water main along Old John Paine and Allred Road between the Southwest Pump Station on John Paine Road near Parkplace Dr. on and South Bonnie Brae St.	Water			NextDoor	(940) 349-8925
Johnson Lane	John Paine Road	Just west of first driveway	01/06/20	05/31/20	Road closure will begin no sooner than 1/6/20 for the installation of new water main along Old John Paine Rd. and Allred Rd. between the Southwest Pump Station on John Paine Rd. near Parkplace Dr. and South Bonnie Brae St.	Water			NextDoor	(940) 349-8925
Lantana Drive	Plumbago	Cul v Sac	01/06/20	01/27/20	Concrete Sidewalk repair. The process starts with barricading the failed sections of Sidewalk, remove and install new concrete.	Streets			Door Hangers	(940) 349-7146
Locust St.	Oak	McKinney	12/14/19	01/31/20	Sidewalk Improvements	Engineering	Part of Downtown TIF Sidewalk & Lighting CIP			(940) 349-8910
Mayhill Rd.	US 380 (E. University Dr.)	Edwards Rd.	09/01/17	02/01/20	Street Widening (Temporary Lane Closures)	Engineering, Traffic, TxDOT, CIP			Door Hangers	(940) 349-8925
Mistywood Ln.	Woodhaven	Jamestown	10/07/19	02/06/20	Water Main, Services, and Fire Hydrant Replacements (Temporary Lane Closure, Reopen at 6 pm daily)	Water	Part of Mistywood Water Project			(940) 349-7181

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Oak at Jagoe St. Signal	Intersection of	Jagoe	09/09/19	01/31/20	Signal Construction (Intermittent Lane Closures)	Traffic				(940) 949-7486
Oak St. at Fry St. Signal	Intersection of	Fry	11/04/19	01/31/20	Signal Construction (Intermittent Lane Closures)	Traffic				(940) 349-7486
Parvin	Jacqueline Drive	Westwood Drive	11/06/19	01/15/20	Denia Parking Lot will be reconstructed.	Streets			Direct business contact	(940) 349-7146
Rockwood Ln.	Royal	Mistywood	10/07/19	02/06/20	Water Main, Services, and Fire Hydrant Replacements (Temporary Lane Closure, Reopen at 6 pm daily)	Water	Part of Mistywood Water Project			(940) 349-7181
Royal Ln.	Mistywood	Rockwood	10/07/19	02/06/20	Water Main, Services, and Fire Hydrant Replacements (Temporary Lane Closure, Reopen at 6 pm daily)	Water	Part of Mistywood Water Project			(940) 349-7181
S. Elm St.	Sycamore	Eagle	01/01/20	02/29/20	Sewer main improvements along Elm St. as part of the Pec-4 Ph 1&2 Project.	Engineering			Direct business contact, Door hangers	(940) 349-7112
S. Locust St.	Warren Ct.	Highland St.	12/16/19	02/29/20	Drainage Improvements as part of the Pec-4 Ph 1&2 Project.	Engineering	West side lane closure		Direct business contact, Door hangers	(940) 349-7112
Sagewood St.	Meadow	Pear tree	10/01/19	01/31/20	Streets Reconstruction	Streets				(940) 349-7160
Smith St.	Johnson	Dallas	11/18/19	02/14/20	Wastewater Main Install (Temporary Lane Closure; Will reopen at 6 pm daily)	Wastewater	Construction date delayed from 09/30/2019.			(940) 349-7128
US 380 (E. University Dr.)	1200' East of N. Mayhill Rd.	1200' West of E. Mayhill Rd.	11/01/19	02/01/20	Signal Upgrade and Installation	Engineering, Traffic, TxDOT, CIP	Outside lanes of US 380 will be closed at the intersection of Mayhill Rd. for intermittent work and signal upgrades.		Additional outreach not needed	(940) 349-8925
W. Mulberry St.	Locust St.	Elm St.	01/06/20	01/17/20	Installation of new water main along Mulberry as part of the Pec-4 Ph 1&2 Project.	Engineering	Northside lane closure.		Direct business contact, Door hangers	(940) 349-7112
Warren Ct.	Wainwright St.	Locust St.	12/16/19	02/29/20	Drainage Improvements as part of Pec-4 Ph 1&2 Project	Engineering	Closed to thru traffic		Direct business contact, door hangers	(940) 349-7112
Welch Street	Oak St.	Hickory St.	12/09/19	02/21/20	Street reconstruction with sidewalk improvement.	Streets			door hangers	(940) 349-7146
West Windsor Drive	Parkside Drive	Mesquite Street	11/11/19	02/08/20	Installation of new storm drainage line, sanitary sewer line, and pavement replacement along Windsor as part of the Magnolia PH II Project.	Streets, Drainage, Water, Waste Water			NextDoor, Email Notification	(940) 349-8425
Total										34



Street Closure Report

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7704 Mirror Rock	White Dove	Montecito	12/16/19	12/23/19	Concrete Street Panel Repair . The process starts with barricading the failed sections of concrete pavement, remove the pavement and subgrade, and install new concrete pavement.	Streets			Door Hangers	(940) 349-7146
Ave C	W Oak	W Hickory	11/07/19	12/20/19	Signal Reinstallations (Street Closure)	Traffic	Weather delay			(940) 349-7486
Bell Ave	Texas	Schmitz	12/02/19	12/05/19	Asphalt trench on Bell	Public Works Inspector			NextDoor	(940) 205-9230
Bonnie Brae St.	Intersection of	Scripture	06/13/19	11/05/19	Roundabout Bonnie Brae Ph. IV (Intermittent Closures)	Engineering	The closure was re-opened on 11/5/19.		Website, Nextdoor Notification	(940) 349-8910
Bonnie Brae St.	Highland Park	Willowwood	05/13/19	11/14/19	Water Main Replacement North South Water Main Ph. II (Temporary Street Closure)	Engineering	Part of North South Water Main Ph. II Capital Project (Bonnie Brae from Roselawn to I35E);		Website, Nextdoor Notification	(940) 349-8910
Brinker Rd.	Loop 288	Quail Creek	07/08/19	11/22/19	Storm Drain Demolition (Temporary Lane Closure)	Drainage			Website, Nextdoor Notification	(940) 391-6299
Brinker Rd.	Intersection of	IH 35E	09/25/19	11/29/19	No additional closures planned for this construction, potentially only lane closures.	Traffic				(940) 349-7486
Chipping Campden	Argyle Lane	Winthrop Hill Road	12/02/19	12/16/19	Base Failure Repairs	Streets			door hangers	(940) 349-7146
Clydesdale Dr.	Wheeler Ridge	Spanish	10/07/19	12/20/19	Concrete Panel & Sidewalk Repair (Temporary Lane Closures)	Streets	delayed completion date due to weather			(940) 349-7160

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Crestwood	Linwood	Greenwood	11/18/19	11/21/19	Curb and Gutter Repair	Streets	Need to close Crest Wood St. from Linwood to Greenwood to put in a Concrete Valley Gutter across the Street. This was originally going to only be a lane closure because they were going to do half of the valley gutter at a time. Due to the elevation and angle this one needs to be poured all at once so it will have to be a full closure. Weather permitting we'll be Closing it on Monday 11-18-19 and opening it on Thursday 11-21-19.		door hangers	(940) 349-7160
Cross Timber	Mill	Wye	12/20/19	12/31/19	Street Repairs (Road Closure)	Streets				(940) 349-7146
E. McKinney St.	Grissom	S. Fork	03/11/19	12/01/19	Storm Drain Installation and Street Widening (Temporary, Intermittent Closures)	Engineering	Part of McKinney Rd. Widening Capital Project			(940) 349-8910
Edgewood	Crestwood	Northwood Terrace	11/11/19	12/13/19	Curb and Gutter Repair	Streets			Door Hangers	(940) 349-7160
Edwards Road	S. Mayhill	Camino Real Trail	11/11/19	12/19/19	Base Failure Repairs	Streets			door hangers	(940) 349-7146
Elm St.	Stroud	Prairie	11/13/19	11/22/19	Sewer Main Replacement (partial lane closure; western lane)	Engineering			Direct business contact, Other	(940) 349-7112
First Street	Bolivar Street	Elm Street	11/18/19	12/23/19	Atmos Energy replacing 150ft of gas main (maintenance). Intermittent closures required to complete repairs and paving restoration.	Atmos			Direct business contact	(940) 205-8278
Forrestridge Dr.	Hobson	Timbergreen	08/19/19	11/21/19	Concrete Replacement/Mill and Overlay (Temporary Lane Closure)	Streets	Completion delayed from 11/01/2019.			(940) 349-7160
Fry	Scripture	Oak	11/04/19	12/20/19	Traffic Signal Improvements	Traffic			Direct business contact	(940) 349-7486
Greenwood	Sherman	Cherrywood	10/21/19	11/04/19	Street Repairs (Road Closure)	Streets				(940) 349-7160

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Greenwood	Crestwood Pl	intersection	11/11/19	12/06/19	Curb and Gutter improvements (temporary closures)	Streets	delayed due to weather			(940) 349-7146
Hinkle Dr.	US 380	Headlee	05/23/19	11/30/19	Street and Drainage Improvements Magnolia Drainage Ph. II (Temporary Lane Closures)	Engineering	Part of Magnolia Drainage Capital Project (Hinkle from University to Windsor and Windsor from Hinkle to Elm)		Ongoing temporary construction closures. No full road closures planned for this section. Most access currently open.	(940) 349-8910
Hollyhill Ln.	Ticonderoga Dr.	Lafayette Ln.	12/09/19	12/11/19	Drainage department will be repairing the storm drain in front of 2245 Hollyhill Ln. the work is expected to last no longer than two days. Traffic will be detoured to Lynhurst Ln.	Drainage			Door hangers t affected residents	(940) 349-7197
Jagoe St.	Scripture	W Oak	10/03/19	11/07/19	Signal Reinstallations (Street Closure)	Traffic	Weather delay			(940) 349-7486
Jim Christal	Western Blvd.	Jim Christal	12/16/19	12/21/19	U.S Cold storage drainage	Public Works Inspections, Private Development			Melvin.evans@cityofden ton.com	(940) 218-3562
Jim Crystal	IH 35	Western Blvd	10/22/19	11/26/19	Base Repairs (Temporary Lane Closure)	Streets	delayed completion date due to weather			(940) 349-7160
Linwood	Crestwood Pl	intersection	11/11/19	12/06/19	Curb and Gutter improvements (temporary closures)	Streets	delayed due to weather			(940) 349-7146
Locust St.	Eagle	Highland	08/12/19	11/07/19	Drainage Improvements Pec 4 Ph. I & II (Temporary Lane Closures)	Engineering				(940) 349-8910
Locust St.	Walnut	Mulberry	12/16/19	01/17/20	Water Main Improvements (East Side Parking Lane Closures)	Engineering	Part of PEC-4 Ph. 1 & 2 Drainage Capital Project		Speaking with property owners; doorhangers	(940) 349-8910
Maple Street	Elm Street	Locust Street	10/28/19	12/09/19	Atmos Energy/ Driver Pipeline relocating gas main and services in preparation for PEC4 drainage capital project. ROW Permit.	Atmos, Public Works Inspections			Direct business contact	(940) 349-8910
Morse St./Mayhill	Mayhill at Morse	Mayhill at Morse	09/01/17	12/19/19	Traffic Signal Install (Temporary Street Closure)	Engineering, Traffic, CIP	Signal Installation is complete. Intersection will be opened with the partial traffic opening on 12/19/19			(940) 349-8925
Northwood Terrace	Edgewood	Cul v Sac	11/11/19	12/13/19	Curb and Gutter Repair	Streets			Door Hanger	(940) 349-7160
Oakland St	Locust St	Austin	12/17/19	12/18/19	Striping on street parking stalls we will not close the road but will not allow parking.	Traffic			N/A	(940) 349-7156
Oakridge St	Edgewood Pl	intersection of	11/11/19	12/06/19	Curb and Gutter improvements (temporary closures)	Streets	delayed due to weather			(940) 349-7146

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Orr	Elm	Locust	09/04/19	11/15/19	Wastewater Main Replacement (Street Closure)	Wastewater	Completion date delayed from 10/01/2019			(940) 349-7128
Poinsettia Blvd.	Manten	Harvest	10/07/19	12/20/19	Concrete Sidewalk Repair (Temporary Lane Closure; Will reopen at 5 pm daily)	Streets				(940) 349-7160
Prairie St.	Elm	Pierce	11/04/19	12/20/19	Water and Wastewater Main Improvements (street closed to thru traffic)	Engineering	Part of Pec 4 Ph. I & II Drainage Capital Project		Speaking to property owners; door hangers	(940) 349-8910
Quail Ridge	Cooper Branch	La Paloma	10/14/19	12/20/19	Water Main and Service Replacements, (Temporary Lane Closure)	Water				(940) 349-7181
Rockwood Lane	Royal Lane	Emerson Lane	12/02/19	12/20/19	Replace damaged storm drain pipe and inlets. The process starts with barricading the section of street to be removed, remove and replace the damaged storm drain pipe and inlets and repair the street cut with new asphalt pavement.	Drainage			Other	(940) 349-7197
Sheraton Rd.	Hercules	north	10/01/19	12/18/19	Streets Reconstruction	Streets				(940) 349-7160
Spring Creek	Winter Creek	Bent Creek	10/25/19	12/13/19	Concrete Panel & Sidewalk Repair (Temporary Lane Closures)	Streets				(940) 349-7160
Tahoe Ln.	Ottawa	Saranac	09/30/19	12/13/19	Concrete Panel & Sidewalk Repair (Temporary Lane Closures)	Streets	delayed completion date due to weather			(940) 349-7160
Texas	Bell Ave.	Oakland	12/16/19	12/20/19	SS pipe installation	Public Works Inspection			Email Notification	(940) 205-9230
W. Mulberry St.	Locust St.	Elm St.	12/16/19	12/20/19	Water main improvements as part of the Pec-4 Ph 1&2 Project.	Engineering			Direct business contact, door hangers	(940) 349-7112
Walnut St.	Elm	Austin	09/30/19	12/13/19	Atmos Utility Relocation (Street Closure)	Engineering	Atmos relocated gas main and services (in preparation for Pec 4 Drainage Capital Project), and is now restoring paving.		Atmos Energy making in person/ verbal contact with businesses on square	(940) 349-8910

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Wind River	Lillian Miller	Teasley Ln.	12/09/19	12/26/19	Concrete Sidewalk repair at intersection of Wind River at Teasley Ln. The process starts with barricading the failed sections of Sidewalk, remove and install new concrete.	Streets			Door Hangers	(940) 349-7146
Wintercreek Dr.	Kappwood	Greenbend	10/07/19	12/20/19	Concrete Panel & Sidewalk Repair (Temporary Lane Closure; Will reopen at 5 pm daily)	Streets				(940) 349-7160
Total										46