

GARDEN'S GAZETTE

May Newsletter

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Mayor's Message

It's that time of year again! The Cub Scout Camp that has taken place over the past few years is scheduled to do so again. The camp is scheduled for Sunday June 6- Saturday June 12, 2010. Please use caution when driving around City Hall as there will be lots of little ones in the park and around City Hall.

Good News: The much anticipated traffic signal light at the corner of Roosevelt Drive and Arkansas Lane should be completed in the next couple of weeks.

Notice: Spring Clean-up Day Saturday, June 12, 2010: 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Reminder: Water Restrictions are year round!

The city has received several calls regarding sprinkler systems running during the "no watering" restriction times. Please remember the NO watering restrictions are year round. No watering from 10:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. except for hand watering and the use of soaker hoses. Residents with sprinkler and irrigation systems found watering during these hours will be fined.

May City Council News

The following items were approved and discussed at the May 20, 2010, City Council Meeting:

Departmental and April Financial Reports- **approved**

Minutes of the April 22, May 4, & May 11, 2010 City Council Meetings & work sessions- **approved**

ZBA Board Vacancy- **tabled**

Equipment Acquisition- **approved**

Public Hearing- Lot 5 & 1C, Block B, Garden's Industrial Park- **tabled**

DPS News

STEP Wave enforcement is in full swing, May 18- June 1, 2010. Remember to Watch Your Speed, Buckle Up (even in the back seat) and Don't Drink & Drive. Your efforts make our city streets safer.

Census Jobs Currently Available

The US Census needs DWG residents to work the 2010 census. Most jobs are part time with flexible hours, ideal for students and retirees. All of the jobs are temporary, but it is a good way to earn extra cash over the next two or three months. You will earn excellent pay while performing a civic service right in your own neighborhood. Simply call 1-800-861-2010 to find out how to get started.

Pay your water bill online

To pay your water bills by credit card, Call Government Payment Service, 1-888-604-7888 24 hours or go to: www.governmentpayment.com. Have the Pay Location Code when paying: 1019.

A fee of 5% of the total amount for this service will be added to the total amount charged. Credit Cards accepted include: Discover, Mastercard, Visa, and American Express.

REMINDER: No watering from 10:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. except for hand watering and the use of soaker hoses, this is year round. Residents with sprinkler and irrigation systems found watering during these hours will be fined. There is an exemption for sodding, but the exemption must be applied for and approved by the city. It is unlawful for any person to irrigate, water, or cause or permit the irrigation or watering of any lawn or landscape between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

Water Conservation Tips

- Please adjust your sprinkler system accordingly with the watering restrictions. Also, remember to monitor your sprinkler system during this rainy time of year. Correctly adjusting sprinkler heads can reduce waste and costs.
- Turning off the water when brushing your teeth or shaving saves more than 5 gallons a day.
- Taking a quick shower (less than 5 minutes) saves an average of 20 gallons of water.

June Meeting Dates

Planning and Zoning Commission- June 1, 2010, 7:00 pm

Zoning Board of Adjustments- June 7, 2010, 7:00 pm

City Council Meeting- June 17, 2010, 7:00 pm