

GARDEN'S GAZETTE

April Newsletter

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Mayor's Message

I encourage the citizens of Dalworthington Gardens to vote on May 10, 2008 or during the early voting period. This is your chance to participate in your local government process. For your convenience, a list of important dates and the Early Voting schedule are listed below.

Early Voting Schedule

City of Dalworthington Gardens will be an early voting location on **May 5 ONLY, from 7:00a.m. - 7:00p.m.** We will be a voting location on May 10. Early voting will be held at Pantego Town Hall. DWG residents may vote early in Pantego on the following dates:

April 28-30	Monday- Wednesday	8:00am-5:00pm
May 1-2	Thursday- Friday	8:00am-5:00pm
May 3	Saturday	7:00am-7:00pm
May 4	Sunday	11:00am-4:00pm
May 5-6	Monday –Tuesday	7:00am-7:00pm

For more early voting locations you can visit the Tarrant County Early Voting website, go to www.tarrantcounty.com and click on "Tarrant Votes". You may also find election information on the League of Women Voters website at the following website: www.lwvarlington-tx.org.

City Council News

The following items were approved and discussed at the April 17, 2008, City Council Meeting:

Minutes of March 20, 2008 meeting- approved

Departmental Reports & March financial reports- approved

Solid Waste Disposal Agreement with Duncan Disposal- approved

Amendment to Chapter 3.3 of City Code concerning sanitary sewer rates and solid waste collection rates- approved

Engineering for Pond Aeration- approved

Water Conservation Ordinance- approved

Joint Election Agreement for Election Services with Tarrant County- approved

Appoint hearing judge for Automated Traffic Enforcement- approved

Three way contract for JMA Arkansas Lane Commercial Buildings- approved

Municipal Setting Designation 924 East Park Row Drive- approved

Fire Engine Equipment Purchase- approved

NOTICE: NEW SEWER AND TRASH RATES

Due to the increase in the cost of fuel and transportation, and no changes in the rates in the past 5 years, Duncan Disposal has increased the City's trash rates. You will see the new rates beginning in the May billing cycle. Sewer rates are increasing as a mid-year budget adjustment.

	<u>Residential Rate</u>	<u>Commercial rate</u>
<u>Sewer:</u>		
First 2000 gallons (minimum)	\$13.00	\$26.00
Over 2000 gallons (per 1000 gallons) (Maximum 13000 gallons charged)	\$1.95	\$1.95

Trash :

Residential pickup, per month per dwelling unit	\$7.02
Residential subscription recycling, per month, per dwelling	\$3.29
Commercial hand pickup	\$11.43

DPS News

**Mark your calendar! It's the 16th Annual Day with the Law, celebrating 20 years of Public Safety service in the City of Dalworthington Gardens. This year's Day with the Law will be held on May 31, 2008 from 10:00am-2:00pm in Elkins Park
We hope you will all join us for a day of food, fun and celebration.**

Dalworthington Gardens DPS would like to remind everyone to drive safely, buckle up, and don't drink and drive. The next STEP Wave will begin May 19.

May Meeting Dates

Zoning Board of Adjustments- May 5, 2008, 7:00 pm
Planning and Zoning- May 6, 2008, 7:00 pm
City Council Meeting- May 15, 2008, 7:00 pm
Park Board- May 29, 7:30pm