

Mayor's message

Each of us create opportunities to be leaders, even if in a small way-in our families, churches, communities and companies but only if we step up to the plate and take a swing. I am humbled and honored you have given me the opportunity to lead and serve each of you as the Mayor of Dalworthington Gardens. I will do my best to serve you and our city with integrity and distinction. I value the truth, keeping my word, and always doing what is right even if no one else will ever know. I believe great leaders listen and hear everything. Your concerns are my concerns.

We do not accomplish anything in this world alone. I am committed to serving you and improving the quality of life in our city by working together. I believe it is important to look to what unites us, not divides us, and build upon that strength. There is always room for improvement if one is willing to put forth the effort and hard work required to achieve excellence. I know you share with me a spirit of great anticipation and hope for all that lies ahead. Focused on a common vision and fueled by a common passion, together we can improve the quality of life that exists here for our families. I seek to represent you in that pursuit, to be fully present, creating opportunities to interact and share ideas. I welcome the viewpoints and insights each of you has to offer.

Thank you for your show of trust. I pledge to enthusiastically and honorably represent you and devote myself to the betterment of our wonderful community. I look forward to the bright future which lies ahead for us all and to working with each of you along the way as we strive to achieve it.

Mayor Tedder

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE: THIS IS YOUR BOND MONEY AT WORK. STREET CONSTRUCTION AT THE MOMENT INCLUDE SOUTH SIDE OF ELKINS DRIVE BRIDGE AND THE SOCCER FIELD ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE PARK. IF YOU HAVE ANY INCONVENIENCE OR QUESTIONS DURING THESE PROJECTS, PLEASE CALL ME AT HOME.

Park Board News-

The park board would like to thank the following individuals for their work in Garden's Park:

Brewer Johnson completed a National Honor Society service project by spreading chips on the Prairie Trail. He is currently repairing the Nature Trail sign/birdhouse at the entry to the DWG Wildscape.

Daniela Fernandez, a resident of Dalworthington Gardens, picked up trash around the lake for a Girl Scout community service project.

Cathy Stein continues to help maintain some of the beds around city hall.

Mary Webster adopted the beds at the entry to the DWG Wildscape.

Malcolm James completed his Eagle Scout Project by building 2 benches along the Woods trail and installing the hardscape border around the entry bed of the DWG Wildscape.

!!!!!!!!!!!! THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Make sure to take a walk through the park and enjoy the work of these volunteers. Council approved the submission of a grant application to Texas Parks and Wildlife for a recreational trails grant for Gardens Park. If received the grant funding would allow us to build the perimeter sidewalk from the corner of California Drive along Roosevelt to Elkins and along Elkins to Park Dr. This project would complete over half of the perimeter sidewalk as defined in the 10-year plan. Keep your fingers crossed.

Playground equipment has been ordered for improvements at the Stevenson Playground in Garden's Park. Watch as we progress on this project.

The Park Board is hopeful that an individual may have saved a copy of the information sheets that were available in the Nature Trail/birdhouse #1 box a few years ago. If you have a copy, please forward it to a Park Board member. We would like to know what the initial thoughts behind the nature trail stations were.

The next regular park board meeting is Thursday, June 8, 2006, 7:00PM in the council chambers of city hall. Come join us as we work together to improve our park.

Gardens Gathering Steering Committee:

DWG Community: Mark your calendars now for the 2006 Gardens' Gathering. It has been slated for Sunday, October 1 from 2:30 p.m. till 6:30 p.m.

The Gardens Gathering Steering Committee (GGSC) is working on ways to put together a great community event with something of interest for everyone.

Building on last year's success of having neighborhoods come together to sponsor an activity for the Gathering, each neighborhood will be encouraged to coordinate and implement an activity to share at the event. Mary Webster is the Activities/Neighborhood Coordinator. She can be contacted at marywebster50@yahoo.com or 817-468-6901.

Willing workers are needed for the event and can contact Cathy Stein, the general chairperson, at csteindwg@yahoo.com or 817-265-3439.

City Council News

The following items were approved and discussed at the May 18, 2006 Council Meeting:

Departmental Reports and April Financial Reports- approved

Minutes of the April 20, 2006 Council meeting- approved

Action on vacancy of Alderman Place 5- Council appointed Steve Loe to Alderman, Place 5

Computer network and desktop support service agreement- approved

GRIP filing by Atmos Energy-Denied

TXU Settlement benefits-approved

Resolution setting date and time for Gardens Gathering- approved

Eagle Scout Project- approved
Replace/Repair Public Works Tractor-approved
Employee Insurance & Health Savings Account – Staff will prepare a presentation and present it to Council next month.

DPS News

We are in the process of converting to a new monitoring station for receiving alarms. Please call dispatch to schedule a time to test and verify your information. The Dalworthington Gardens DPS will be participating in the “Click It or Ticket” campaign in association with the Texas Department of Transportation May 22, 2006-June 4, 2006, Buckle Up!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! DAY WITH THE LAW is Saturday, June 10, 10am-2pm. For more details, check out the city’s website, www.cityofdwg.net, look on the community calendar.

Crossing Guards Needed

The DPS is taking applications for Crossing Guards at Key Elementary; there is one position to be filled. Please contact the Dalworthington Gardens DPS dispatch for details or you can call and ask for Samantha @ 817-275-1234.

STAGE 1 DROUGHT CONTINGENCY/EMERGENCY WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

The stage 1 drought contingency/emergency water management plan has been implemented.

Because of unseasonably warm temperatures, Fort Worth has reached a trigger for implementing Stage 1 of its Drought Contingency/Emergency Water Management Plan. In addition, the city is close to using its annual allotment of water from the West Fork reservoirs- Lake Bridgeport, Eagle Mountain Lake, and Lake Worth. The limitation does not impact water supplied by from Cedar Creek Reservoir and Richland Chambers Reservoir.

Customers are asked to voluntarily use water as efficiently as possible in hopes of averting the need for mandatory restrictions in the coming months. The first stage also restricts city government’s use of water.

The Fort Worth area is seriously deficient in rainfall for the year- 11 inches below average according to the National Weather Service. The below average rainfall and increased water usage has resulted in low levels in some area lakes. Without significant rainfall this winter and spring, the Fort Worth Water Department wants customers to know that next summer the trigger conditions for implementing Stage 2 of the City’s Contingency/Emergency Water Management Plan could be reached.

The Drought Contingency/Emergency Water Management Plan includes a five-day lawn- watering

Schedule, which is voluntary in Stage 1. The water department encourages its customers to water their grass the following five-day schedule.

The five-day schedule is tied to the last digit of the customer's address with no watering on the 31st.

Addresses ending in one and six may water on days of the month ending in one and six- 1, 6, 11, 16, 21 and 26. Those ending in two and seven may water on the dates 2, 7, 12, 17, 22 and 27. Addresses ending in three and eight may water on the dates 3, 8, 13, 18, 23 and 28. Those ending in four and nine may water on the dates 4, 9, 14, 19, 24 and 29. Addresses ending in five and zero may water on the dates 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30.

A copy of Fort Worth's Emergency Water Management Plan is available at all Fort Worth Public Libraries and on the web at <http://www.fortworthgov.org/water/EducationInfo/newsinfo.htm>.

Water Tips

Be aware of how much water you use, being aware and cautious is the first step in conservation. Here are some examples of how an average person uses 50 gallons a day:

Toilet-	19 gallons per day
Laundry-	8 gallons per day
Bathing and Hygiene-	15 gallons per day
Kitchen-	7 gallons per day
Housekeeping-	one gallon per day
Total	50 gallons per day

Water Conservation helps all of us!

New Way to Pay Your Water Bill

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.

New Businesses

S3- 3100 W. Arkansas Ln., suite F

Grand Nails- 2510 Pioneer Pkwy.

Mad Science of Tarrant County- 2880 W. Pioneer Pkwy, suite E

Reyes Remodeling LLE- 2137 Corzine

Composite Strategies- 2620 W. Pioneer Pkwy, B-2 or 102-B

Fitzhugh Enterprises- 2805 W. Arkansas Ln., suite 103

Coronado Construction- 2880 W. Pioneer Pkwy., suite F

Amphenol TCS- 2102 Roosevelt, suite H

Habitat Appraisal- 2104 Roosevelt, suite H

Stay In Touch Mail- 2300 Michigan Ct.

May Meeting Dates

Planning and Zoning- June 6, 2006, 7:00pm

Park Board- June 8, 2006, 7:00pm

City Council Meeting- June 15, 2006, 7:00pm