

GARDEN'S GAZETTE

September Newsletter

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Mayor's Message

I am pleased to inform you that the city has been able to keep our current tax rate in effect. I would like to thank the City Staff and City Council for their hard work in keeping our expenses under control and finding ways to maximize the use of our tax dollars. They spent a great deal of time making sure that our city continued to maintain a high level of service while preserving our hometown gardens atmosphere.

The right hand turn lane at Roosevelt Drive and Bowen Road is progressing nicely and should be completed very soon. I want to thank you all for being patient during this ongoing development. This will make traffic flow onto Bowen Road more efficient when school is in session.

On another note, the city has not yet received an application for a drilling permit. We have been asked by several citizens what the current status is for this matter. Unfortunately, I cannot give any further details as to this matter as we too are patiently waiting.

I would also like to thank our citizens for volunteering on our Boards and Commissions. Mr. Clay Ellis has been appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission as a vacancy was available, thank you Dr. Ellis for volunteering for this position. As for all of our other Zoning Board members and Planning and Zoning Commission members we thank you for your continued service to our community. The following Board and Commission members remain in their positions:

Zoning Board of Adjustments: Mr. Ned Webster, Mr. Seth Tibbetts,
Mr. John Anton, Mr. Charles Miller, and Mr. Ken Kiser

Planning and Zoning Commission: Mr. Lee Brown, Mr. Graham Schadt,
Mr. Brett Hall, Mr. Ed Motley, and newly appointed Mr. Clay Ellis.

City Council News

The following items were approved and discussed at the September 18, 2008, City Council Meeting:

Minutes of August 21, 2008 meeting- **approved**

Departmental Reports & August financial reports- **approved**

Board & Commission Appointments- **reappointments and one appointment approved**

Donation of Building for Historical Purposes-**denied**

2008-2009 Budget- **approved**

2008-2009 Tax Rate- **approved**

2007-2008 Budget amendments- **approved**

Amendment to Title 3.3 adjusting sewer rates- **approved**

ATMOS Rate Review Mechanism Filing- **approved**

Texas Traffic Safety Program Grant Agreement- **approved**

NOTICE: UPDATED WATER CONSERVATION IS NOW YEAR-ROUND, NOT SEASONAL

Except for hand watering and the use of soaker hoses, a person commits an offense if that person irrigates, waters or causes or permits the irrigation or watering of any lawn or landscape located on premises owned, leased or managed by that person between the hours of **10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.**

That violation of the provisions of this ordinance by failure to comply with any of its requirements (including violations of conditions and safeguards established in connection with conditions) shall constitute a misdemeanor; and, that any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be punished in accordance with the provisions of Section 1.1.26 of the City Code: By a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars. For each day that a violation shall continue or be permitted to exist, there shall be deemed a separate violation. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the City from taking such other lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation.

DPS News

Dalworthington Gardens DPS would like to thank everyone for driving safely, remembering to buckle up, and not drinking and driving during the Labor Day Holiday.

Water Conservation Tips

- Fix any water leaks
- Wash only full loads of dishes and laundry
- Avoid watering sidewalks and streets

October Meeting Dates

Zoning Board of Adjustments- October 6, 2008, 7:00 pm

Planning and Zoning Commission- October 7, 2008, 7:00 pm

City Council Meeting- October 16, 2008, 7:00 pm