

Calendar

March 5 - Filing deadline for all candidate applications

March 11 - Daylight Savings Time begins / Warrant Roundup ends

March 12 - 10am Ballot Drawing

March 12-16 - Spring Break

March 13 - Community Lunch
Noon - 1pm
Payment windows closed for lunch

March 13 - City Council at 7pm.
Pre-Council preceding.

March 20 - Spring Begins

Lunch Guest Speaker

Athlete Colby Bannister
with
Deputy Rhonda Bannister



Special Olympics

Colby will update us on his success from this past year and brief us on the Special Summer Games that will be held in Arlington, Texas in May.



Babe's Chicken Dinner House will cater fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, cream corn, green beans, salad, and rolls.

Please bring your favorite dessert.

Sponsored by the CCPD

MAY 2012 GENERAL and SPECIAL ELECTIONS

A drawing to determine the order in which the names of the General Election candidates are to be printed on the ballot will be held at the Municipal Complex on Monday, March 12, 2012 at 10:00am. Candidates and citizens are welcome to attend. The General Election will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2012 to allow qualified voters to elect Council Places 2, 3, and 4. These positions carry two year terms. The filing deadline is Monday, March 5.

A Special Election for Proposition #1 to re-authorize the 1/4% street maintenance sales tax to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets for four more years will also be held.

If you need further information, please call the City Secretary at 817-710-2526.

NEW CITY LOGO and WEBSITE

We are proud to introduce our new City logo and website. The new designs redefine our commitment to improve the City's image and progressive development. Please visit our new website at www.cityofwestworth.com.

PAY YOUR FINES - AVOID JAIL

State and City Law Enforcement Agencies are searching for those with outstanding warrants. The last day to pay your fine and avoid arrest is March 11. If this concerns you, contact Court Clerk Melissa Westen at 817-710-2507.

SET YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD

Daylight Savings time is early morning of March 11. Set your clocks forward one hour.



THIS MONTH IN TEXAS HISTORY

On March 2, 1836, the Republic of Texas was created when the Texas Declaration of Independence was signed in a small farm house known as Washington-on-the-Brazos Independence Hall. For more historical and exciting tour information, please visit www.birthplaceoftexas.com or call 1-888-BRENHAM.

MAYOR'S CORNER
City of Westworth Village
WHY CODE ENFORCEMENT??

The Westworth Village City Council, in conjunction with the Ordinance Committee, is in the process of modernizing the City's ordinances to be more reflective of citizen desires and current laws. Many of the ordinances have been amended in an attempt to improve the quality of life for the residents of the Village. We are trying to improve the visual aesthetics of the City by ensuring that homes and businesses do not appear un-kept as a result of un-mowed lawns or clutter visible from public areas, including the streets, sidewalks, and alleys. Many of our ordinances also deal with safety related issues such as dangerous tree limbs, vehicles parked on or over sidewalks, oversized vehicles parked on our streets in an unsafe manner; or nuisance related issues, such as unmaintained vehicles.

The City hired a code compliance officer last summer who immediately began working with residents to ensure compliance with our ordinances. The response from the majority of our residents has been very positive. Most of our residents have immediately taken steps to rectify any problems when notified of a code violation. In fact, voluntary compliance has exceeded 95% of residents once they were made aware of a violation. The City's goal is to receive 100% voluntary compliance. As a last resort, a citation may be issued. I appreciate this level of voluntary compliance and want to thank you for working with the City for the betterment of all residents.

On February 14th, the City Council completed the revision to the traffic and parking ordinance. By state law, it is illegal to block a city sidewalk; however, because of ambiguities in our prior ordinance, this particular provision was rarely enforced. Due to the negative safety aspects of blocking a sidewalk, the City will begin notifying residents when a car parked in a driveway is blocking a sidewalk. The ordinance also addresses illegal parking on unimproved surfaces (non-asphalt, non-concrete, non-paving stones, etc). Initially, residents will simply be notified of the problem and given an opportunity to correct the issue by relocating the car onto the driveway or moving it to the street. Sometime this spring, as foot traffic increases, the City will begin to issue warnings to residents who are blocking sidewalks with their vehicles. As has occurred to this point, we anticipate the majority of residents will accommodate the request to relocate their vehicles, freeing up the sidewalks for pedestrian traffic.

Once again, I want to thank you, our residents, for your support and compliance with the City, as we work to maintain the high standard of living that we all have come to expect in Westworth Village. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at City Hall.

Sincere regards, Your Mayor, Tony Yeager

STREET CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The Tanny Street construction is nearing completion with only a short segment of the main lanes yet to be paved. There will be ongoing work to complete driveway approaches, sidewalks, and other miscellaneous work until sometime in April. We anticipate work to begin in April on the reconstruction of Carb and Holloway Drives. We have also contracted for the design work to begin on the reconstruction of Aton west in anticipation of beginning this project next fall. We apologize for the inconvenience caused by all of the street construction but once completed, the appearance and functionality of our streets will be greatly improved. Thank you for your patience.