

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Sylvia Carrillo, City Manager
Date: October 28, 2022
Subject: Weekly Memo, October 24 – October 28, 2022



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Personnel Updates

Caleb Smith began his employment as a Sergeant for the Bastrop Police Department on Monday, October 24. Welcome to the team!

Special Events

Bastrop Chamber Luncheon

The Convention Center will host the November Chamber Luncheon on November 2, at 11:15 am. This month's luncheon will be honoring First Responders.

Farm Street Opry

Next month's Farm Street Opry will be held Thursday, November 3, and will feature guest performances by Doug Boggs and our very own Recreation Manager, Terry Lyne Moore.

Lost Pines Fall Festival

The Lost Pines Art Center is having their Fall Festival 2023, Bastrop Art Fest, on Saturday, November 5. There will be opportunities to shop from regional arts and crafts vendors, watch artist demonstrations, and enjoy food from Southside Market and BBQ. Brazilian music from Paula Maya & Bossa Nova Plus will be featured from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Admission is free.

2022 Veterans Day Car Show

The 15th Annual Heroes and Hot Rod's Veterans Day Car Show will take place November 11-12, in Downtown Bastrop. The Bastrop Area Cruiser's Car Show is honoring American Veterans with its classic car display and Veterans ceremony.

Anice B. Read Award of Excellence in Community Heritage Development

We are pleased to announce that former Main Street Manager, Nancy Wood is being honored by the Texas Historical Commission with the Commission's Anice B. Read Award of Excellence in Community Heritage Development. After approval by the Main Street Advisory Board, ACM Gleason submitted the nomination outlining Ms. Wood's zealous dedication to community revitalization. Winners of the 2022 Texas Historical Commission (THC) Preservation Awards will be honored at the THC Awards Banquet as part of Real Places 2023 Conference. The Banquet will take place at the Doubletree by Hilton Austin on Thursday, February 2, 2023, commencing at 6:00 pm. If you are interested in attending the celebration, please let Ann know so we can purchase tickets for the event. The Main Street Advisory Board will also be invited to attend. Below please find a snip of the nomination form.

Since before the City of Bastrop's Main Street Programs' inception in 2007, Ms. Nancy Wood has served Downtown Bastrop with a zealous dedication to community revitalization through community building. The idea of the City of Bastrop becoming a Texas Historical Commission Accredited Main Street was championed by a small, passionate group of volunteers, the Bastrop Downtown Business Alliance of which Ms. Nancy Wood was a member. She was hired on as Bastrop's first Main Street Manager in 2007 and humbly served the community until her retirement in 2015. Since that time, she has continued to volunteer at downtown events, mentor the Main Street Managers that served after her, and be a champion for small businesses. Today, Downtown Bastrop is a thriving destination hosting over 300,000 visitors a year and close to 200 businesses strong. Even while experiencing unprecedented growth, the City has retained its strong community feel as newcomers and current Bastropians have banded together to continue to love, honor, and protect our historic downtown. That fact has most recently been recognized by the Texas Municipal League through their Town & City magazine as well as Texas Highways Magazine. The success that Downtown Bastrop is experiencing today is because of the initiatives and traditions that Ms. Nancy Wood championed during her time as the Main Street Manager. Whether the project was investment in downtown infrastructure, or the hosting of a holiday parade that today hosts over 15,000 attendees, Ms. Nancy Wood continues to make a significant impact on Downtown Bastrop through the tenets of community revitalization.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Board

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Board had their first meeting on Monday, October 24, and is pending data from City staff, including the City Manager, to review before making a determination on future initiatives it will pursue.

Ad Hoc Advisory Group

An ad hoc advisory group composed of local developers met with the City Manager to discuss improvements to the B3 Code. The dialogue will continue through frequent meetings and a solution-oriented approach will be developed including both the customer and staff.

Solid Waste Survey

Next week we will open our solid waste survey questions through the link, <https://bit.ly/BastropSolidWaste>. The survey will be published on utility bills going out next week, placed on a web banner on our homepage, as well as pushed through our social media channels. We plan to keep the survey open for thirty days to gather input.

Police Department

In preparation for the trick-or-treat crowds on Monday, the Police Department has increased patrol's staffing by ten. Like last year, Pecan Street's closure for Halloween has been extended one additional block to include Cypress Street north to Elm Street. Residents along Pecan Street and other addresses that may be impacted have been notified twice of this closure. Map attached.

Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings

October 25 at 12:00 pm *Bastrop County Republican Party*. Location is 443 W. Hwy 71

November 3 at 11:30 am *JOL Healthcare*. Location is 102 Commercial Dr., Ste. 300

November 9 at 4:00 pm *Bastrop Kids Teeth*. Location is 622 W Hwy 71, Ste. 101

November 15 at 4:00 pm *HOTWORX*. Location is 494 Hwy 71, Ste. 108

November 17 at 4:00 pm *RE/MAX Bastrop Area*. Location is 807 Main St.

Future Agenda Items

November 8, 2022

- 2022 Tax Roll and Tax Levy
- Ordinance Amendment, First Reading – “Utilities”
- Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2023, First Reading
- Proposed Employee Count Amendment
- FY2022 Quarterly Report: July – September 2022
- Fairview Cemetery Section 9 Development Update and Recommendations
- Texas Community Development Block Grant – Administration Service Contract
- Potential Kimley Horn Engineering Contract for Quiet Zone study, design, and construction administration
- Electric Cabs Contract
- Veterans Day Proclamation
- Executive Session – Electronic Billboards
- Executive Session – Property discussed at last session

December 13, 2022

- Financial Report
- Ordinance Amendment, Second Reading – “Utilities”
- Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2023, Second Reading
- FY2024 Strategic Planning Calendar Presentation
- Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Ad Valorem Tax, Surplus Revenues
- Focused Advocacy Contract
- Public Works Building Rehabilitation
- Sewer Line Replacement and Tunneling for Bastrop Police Department
- Parks Riverwalk Outlooks Rehabilitation
- 2023 Uniform Submittal Dates Ordinance, First Reading

Attachments

- Halloween Street Closures - Map
- City of Bastrop Community Engagement Newsletter
- TML Legislative Update Number #42

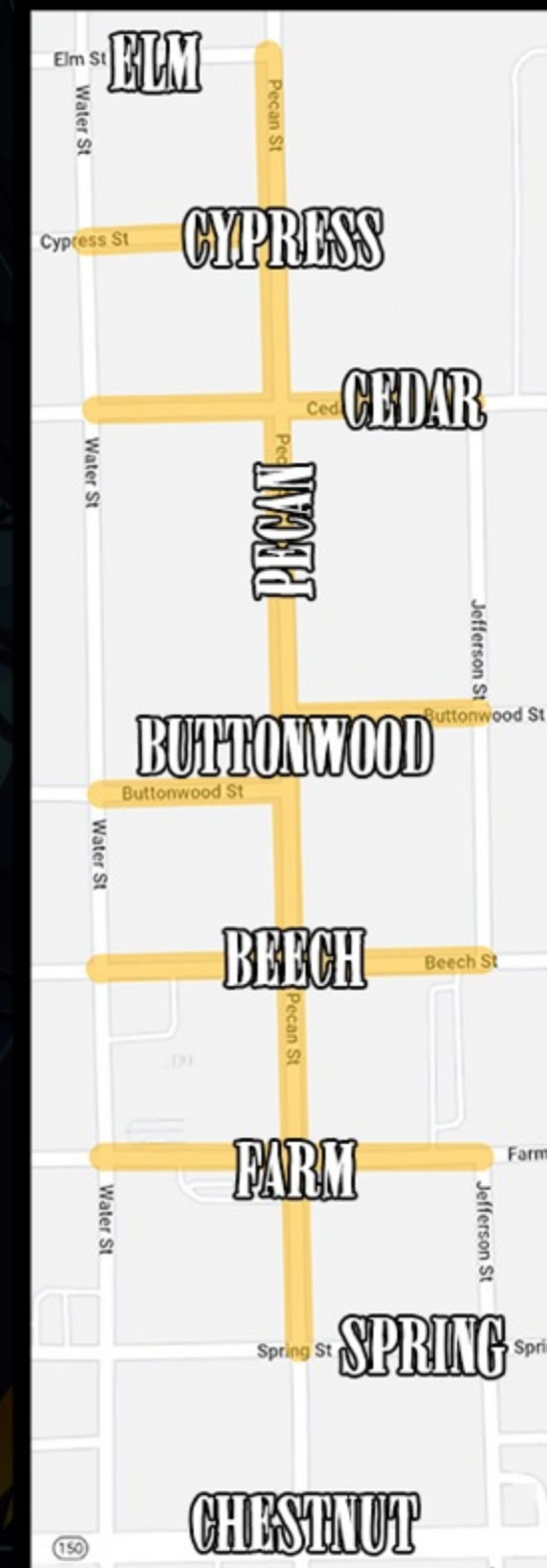
PECAN STREET HALLOWEEN NIGHT CLOSURES

For public safety reasons, Pecan Street from Spring to Elm Streets will be closed to **ALL** vehicular traffic and not available for parking starting at 6:00 PM and ending at 8:00 PM on October 31st (Halloween Evening).

Cypress, Cedar, Buttonwood, Beech, and Farm Streets will be closed to all but residential traffic in a one block area east and west of Pecan Street during this time.

Pecan Street Residents: Please make parking arrangements during these hours if the entrance to your home is on Pecan Street.

We apologize for any inconvenience.





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City of Bastrop Community Newsletter

The City of Bastrop's newsletter helps keep residents and businesses connected to all that is going on in and throughout the City. You can connect with us and learn more about our community, cultural events, celebrations, and important news. Keep up to date with all the exciting happenings by reading this newsletter, visiting our website at cityofbastrop.org, and following us on our social media channels listed at the bottom of this email. We look forward to connecting with you!

New Membership Category at City of Bastrop Recreation

City of Bastrop 

RECREATION

MEMBERSHIP FEES
(MONTHLY)

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP	
RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
\$30	\$35
SENIOR / MILITARY / DISABLED PERSON(S)	
RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
\$20	\$25
MILITARY FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	
RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
\$40	\$45
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	
RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
\$50	\$55

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The City of Bastrop Recreation Center is happy to announce a new category of membership! Beginning

Fiscal Year 2022 3rd Quarter Report





FY2022
THIRD QUARTER REPORT

WWW.CITYOFBASTROP.ORG

Want a status update from a particular project the City is working on? Check out the third Quarter Report for Fiscal

October 1, 2022, military families can now join and participate at a discount rate. Military families, which includes two adults and any children that live in the household, may join the recreation center for \$40 (Resident) if they live in the City of Bastrop. Those living outside the city limits have a rate of \$45 (Non-Resident).

The center is located at 1008 Water Street. The building has quite a history with it being built in 1974 to serve as the public library. Since that time, the building has evolved and been used for many different purposes such as a Senior Center and now our very first Recreation Center.

Membership at the City of Bastrop Recreation Center is open to everyone. And with membership, everything is included. There are no extra fees. Opportunities offered at the recreation center include wellness, fitness, youth, senior and family programs. The center offers not only group exercise classes but also programs for youth development, healthy eating, and more. Also included with membership is a workout area with treadmills, exercise machines, and free weights.

Hours for the center are Monday through Saturday, 8am to 1pm, and Monday through Thursday, 4pm to 7pm. The building is also available to members afterhours between 6am and 7pm.

For more information about the programs offered, go to www.cityofbastrop.org/recreation or give the center a call at [512-332-8805](tel:512-332-8805).

Year 2022. This report gives a status update on all City projects during April through June 2022.

These reports are updated and presented to council quarterly. **Click the graphic to read more.**

Need a ride within the City of Bastrop?
Call an Electric Cab!
The rides are FREE and fun!



Electric Cab operates 7 days a week:
Monday-Thursday: 3pm-9pm
Friday-Saturday: 2pm-10pm
Sunday: 10am-6pm

TO REQUEST A RIDE CALL
(254) 340-0348

ECABS PASSENGER SURVEY

The Electric Cab (eCab) team is seeking feedback from Bastrop residents and visitors regarding the service (whether they've used the service or not) since the summer of 2021.

Previous feedback has resulted in changes to the eCab service, so the survey responses are impactful!

Also, the eCab shuttle service has been funded by the US Department of Energy, and they would like to know what our community thinks of the service. Please take a few moments to complete the survey by clicking the button below.

November Events



Docent Tours

Monday 12:30pm - 4:00pm
 Thursday 2:00pm - 4:00pm
 Saturday 12:30pm - 3:00pm
 Bastrop Museum & Visitor Center
 904 Main Street



Museum Scavenger Hunt

Monday - Saturday
 Bastrop Museum & Visitor Center
 904 Main Street



Coffee With Catherine

every Wednesday
 4:00pm - 6:00pm
 Bastrop Public Library
 1100 Church Street



Storytime

Wednesday & Fridays
 10:30am
 Bastrop Public Library
 1100 Church Street



Teen Thursdays

Thursdays
 4:15pm - 6:15pm
 Bastrop Public Library
 1100 Church Street



Lost Pines Christmas

November 25 - January 2
 Downtown Bastrop



River of Lights

November 25 - January 2
 Dusk - 10:00pm
 June Hill Pape Riverwalk



The Farm Street Opry
 November 3, 2022
 (Every 1st Thursday)
 7:00pm
 Bastrop Convention Center
 1408 Chestnut Street
 \$7.50 Admission



**Main Event's First
 Friday Art Walk**
 November 4, 2022
 6:00pm - 8:00pm
 Main Street



Bastrop Art Fest
 November 5, 2022
 Lost Pines Art Center
 1204 Chestnut Street



**Movies in the Park -
 Homeward Bound**
 November 5, 2022
 6:00 pm
 Fisherman's Park
 1200 Willow Street



**16th Annual "Heroes &
 Hot Rods" Veterans
 Day Car Show**
 November 11-12
 Downtown Bastrop



Lego Club
 November 15, 2022
 (every third Tuesday)
 3:00pm
 Bastrop Public Library
 1100 Church Street



**City Friends Storytime
 - City Engineer**
 November 16, 2022
 10:30am - 11:30am
 Bastrop Public Library
 1100 Church Street



**Wassail Fest & Small
 Business Saturday**
 November 26, 2022
 11:00am - 3:00pm
 Downtown Bastrop



**City of Bastrop
 Christmas Tree
 Lighting**
 November 26, 2022
 6:00pm - 7:00pm
 Fisherman's Park
 1200 Willow Street

For more events, go to www.visitbastrop.com/events/.

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TML LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



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BDO Hosts Monthly Local Government Roundtable

The comptroller's Broadband Development Office (BDO) is hosting a monthly roundtable discussion for local governments on broadband readiness and funding. The next roundtable will be on November 3 at 10:00 a.m. The last roundtable focused on the proposed rules governing the BDO and an overview of broadband efforts. The roundtable provides an opportunity for city officials to engage directly with the BDO on any broadband concerns. Subsequent meetings will be the first Thursday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

Interested city officials can join the discussion using this [meeting link](#). City officials can send broadband questions or future agenda ideas to broadband@cpa.texas.gov.

Reminder: TML Survey on General Fund Revenues and Expenditures

TML recently sent out a survey related to general fund revenues and expenditures. The League is requesting your assistance in providing this data so that the results will be as comprehensive as

possible. The full survey can be found [here](#). You can also complete the survey online [here](#). TML requests that the survey is completed by the person best suited to respond to the questions. Please complete the survey questionnaire no later than **October 31, 2022**.

If you'd rather fill out a paper copy of the survey instead of responding online, please email JJ Rocha the completed survey at jj@tml.org.

The Texas Municipal League has several motives in asking for your help on this survey. First, of course, is TML's concern for the financial well-being of Texas cities. By collecting and analyzing information on revenues and expenditures, we can best serve the interests of the cities in our advocacy efforts.

In addition, we use software applications that will enable us to look at data from different perspectives; for example, comparing population levels with types of revenues. The results of this analysis will help cities, legislators, and others understand the complexities of municipal government.

NLC Seeks Input to Improve 2030 Census

The National League of Cities (NLC) is seeking input from cities on ways to reshape and improve the 2030 Census. The U.S. Census Bureau recently issued a [notice seeking input](#) from stakeholders on the development and implementation strategies that improve the way people participate in the 2030 Census. NLC will be providing comments to the Bureau on this topic and is currently collecting feedback from cities on the following issues: reaching and motivating people, technology, contacting and providing support to the public. A recent [NLC blog post](#) provides a more in-depth description of the issues the Bureau is hoping to solve. Cities may provide input to NLC [here](#).

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