

City of Anna Staff's Weekly Highlights March 2 – March 6

The Mission of the Anna City Government is to provide exceptional city services and facilities in a financially responsible and neighbor-focused way through a high performing, professional city team that provides results in adding value to neighbors' lives

Growing the Anna Economy



- The Development Review Committee discussed two projects this past Tuesday that involved mixed-use developments:

a. 180 acre tract located on the north and south side of future Rosamond Parkway between Throckmorton Blvd and Ferguson Pkwy. The development would be a Planned Development that would include single-family - north side of Rosamond, multifamily – south side of Rosemond, retail/office, and a nontraditional leased home neighborhood – west

side of Throckmorton. The nontraditional leased housing produced would be a NexMetro Community <https://nexmetro.com/>

- b. Centurion America's multi-family & commercial multi-use zoning request located on the westside of US Hwy 75 frontage road.



Sustainable Anna Community Through Planned Managed Growth

- On Monday, March 2, the Planning and Zoning Commission met and approved eight non-public hearing items all of which are scheduled for the March 10, 2020, City Council agenda.
- Over the last three weeks, the Building Division has conducted a total of 266 inspections (report runs from Friday-Thursday).
 - February 14 – 20 = 84 inspections
 - February 21 – 27 = 84 inspections
 - February 28 – March 5 = 98 inspections

- On Wednesday, March 4, new development projects were submitted to the Planning Department. These project will be scheduled on the April 2020 Planning & Zoning and City Council meeting agendas:
 - Anna Industrial Park - Development Plat & Minor Plat;
 - Leisure Living Estates - Development Plat;
 - Oak Briar Addition - Minor Plat ****Already approved by City but the County required additional information**** ;
 - Meadow Vista - Preliminary Plat & Pre-civils;
 - Texas Bank - Preliminary Plat & Pre-civils;
 - Children's Lighthouse Addition, Block A, Lots 1 & 2 - Site Plan, Landscape Plan, Lighting Plan, Final Plat;
 - Villages of Waters Creek - Zoning Request & Concept Plan.

Anna – A Great Place to Live

- On Thursday, March 5, a Friends of Anna Community Library meeting was held at Inc. Cube. Approximately, fifteen people were in attendance, and the Community Services Department was represented as well. Items that were discussed included:
 - Securing a temporary location to house a community library as soon as possible;
 - Ensuring a community library is on upcoming bond initiatives;
 - Support for little libraries in neighborhood parks;
 - Progress on 501(c)3 tax status;
 - Holding a Walk-A-Thon fundraiser event.

The next gathering of the Friends of Anna Community Library is scheduled for Saturday, April 4, to go on a field trip to Denison's and Celina's libraries.

- Staff is in the process of getting a survey done of Johnson Park. The survey will be used to make a site plan to bring to the Parks Advisory Board and City Council for approval. Staff is also securing quotes for improvements to Johnson Park and will be bringing a budget request to use funds from the Parks Development Fund in the very near future.
- The Community Services Department is planning a community wide clean-up event for Saturday, April 25, at Slayter Creek park. Staff is working on the TCEQ permit to take household hazardous waste materials. We will also provide computer and electronic recycling, onsite data destruction and much more.

High Performing, Professional City

- Code Compliance has completed their work for the Dude Solutions, Smart Gov program implementation. The Public Works is next in line to work on their module.
- Lieutenant Copin began a two-month executive leadership course this past week. The course is an intensive eight-week program designed to prepare senior-level law enforcement managers and administrators for leadership in the complex world of public administration.
- Officer Davis attended a one-week school on Intermediate Crime Scene Investigation. This course is a state mandated course that Officer Davis must have to advance his Peace Officer license.
- Records Administrator West continues her work on rebuilding the records division. She has been working diligently to develop new processes that will meet the needs and demands of our

neighbors as the City continues to grow. She has also taken steps to ensure proper records retention policies are in place and is developing a strategic plan for the records division that will ensure a smooth transition to the new police facility.

- The first Coffee with Cops of 2020 drew the largest crowd of neighbors since its inception. The event was hosted by Style and Curl Hair Salon in Downtown Anna. It was estimated that approximately 30 neighbors dropped by to greet and drink coffee with Anna police officers.



- We are excited to announce that the Explorer post is expanding! Late last year, the Boy Scouts of America approached the department and introduced a new program: The Youth Police Explorer Program. The program is designed to allow children in grades six through eight to participate and it operates similarly to that of the Police Explorer program; however, the younger participants are taught and mentored by the older explorers. The idea behind this program is to engage the children at a younger age to help them learn about the public safety field and to teach them how to make good choices. We have had a huge interest with nine youths attending the first meeting.
- Three new firefighter positions have been posted to the City of Anna website. This is an internal/external posting that expires March 31, 2020. Upon hiring of these positions, Fire's Operations Division will be staffed with four fulltime firefighters per shift.
- The fire apparatus design committee is now working to expand the original conceptual design for a Quint aerial device.
- Fire Command Staff has completed the 2020-2023 AFD Strategic Plan.