

City of Anna Staff's Weekly Highlights August 24 – August 28

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

- A ribbon cutting was held on Thursday, August 27, for [ER at Anna](#).
- The EDC will be a sponsor at the [REDNEWS Industrial and Logistics Event](#) on September 1.
- Staff sent out three Letters of Intent (LOI) to Business Park Prospects.
- Staff met with two landowners to discuss development opportunities on their properties.



Sustainable Anna Community Through Planned Managed Growth

- This week the Building Department received a total of 29 new single-family permits. For the month of August, as of Friday, August 28, the City has received a total of 69 permits. The current fiscal year total is 750 new single-family permits.
- This week the Development Review Committee met with a property owner of Anna Ranch to discuss rezoning a portion of the Planned Development to allow for Industrial and Commercial zoning next to the City of Anna industrial park and along the Collin County outer loop. Additionally, the owner would like to include SF-60 zoning, MF-2 multifamily zoning, and a Planned Development townhome product.
- Anna2050.com now provides the availability of neighbors to participate in the ['virtual room'](#) as part of the community engagement process. The virtual rooms are open to anyone.

Anna – A Great Place to Live

- CARDS Dallas' recycling and garbage cans were delivered to neighbors this past week and on Saturday, August 29. Neighbors who requested extra cans will continue to receive those throughout the day on Sunday, August 30. Garbage and recycling service begins in Zone 1 on Monday, August 31. A route map of each zone was distributed with each can and is readily available online at the City's website and on the City's Facebook page.
- The Neighborhood Services Team met with a representative from OrangeBoy to review a proposal to engage our neighbors on the potential future library project and recreation programs. This firm specializes in helping community organizations understand community dynamics and connect with neighbors by cross referencing several data sources in real time

through creative market segment designations for strategic planning and responsive service delivery through a weekly updated portal page.

- The Neighborhood Services Team met with the developer at West Crossing who began the installation of a City playground adjacent to Banbury Drive this week. The installation is expected to be completed by September 12.
- The Neighborhood Services Team met with representatives from the Burditt firm regarding a potential future feasibility, market analysis, O&M projection, and cost recovery model study for a sports complex.
- The Neighborhood Services Director had lunch with neighbors from the Anna Area Historical Preservation Society and attended the society meeting held at First Christian Church. The society discussed plans for opening the Anna Depot and Museum. The facility use agreement between the City and AAHPS was approved by the City Council on Tuesday evening at the regularly scheduled Council meeting.
- The Neighborhood Services Director met with the President/CEO of the Greater Anna Chamber of Commerce to discuss options for the Christmas Tree Lighting and Parade.
- The trail and drainage repairs at Natural Springs Park have been completed earlier than expected both behind Brookshires and on the north end section by the “dog house.”
- Preparations are being made at Sherley Heritage Park to complete the sidewalk connection adjacent to the south end of the playground. The area is being secured, and the work will be completed early Saturday morning. The concrete will be brought in via a buggy so as not to hinder the enjoyment of the park by our neighbors this weekend.
- The Code Compliance Manager issued 70 notices of violation related to the International Property Maintenance Code and 10 notices of violation for the rental registration program. In the public right-of-way, 12 signs were removed.
- Officers responded to 320 calls for service including 3 DWI arrests, 1 public intoxication arrest, 2 major vehicle accidents (no injuries), 2 mental health detentions, and 2 juvenile curfew complaints.
- The Criminal Investigations Division filed 10 misdemeanor cases, 7 felony cases, and 3 juvenile cases with the Collin County District Attorney’s Office.
- A reception was held for outgoing Chief of Police Jeff Caponera. We want to thank him for his years of dedicated service to the City of Anna and wish him the best in his future endeavors.
- A Police Department staff meeting was held at the Anna ISD Board room. City Manager Jim Proce and Chief Isom engaged with officers to discuss the current status of the executive police chief search and future plans for the department. Special thanks to AISD officials for allowing the City to utilize their space for the meeting.



High Performing, Professional City

- The Director of Human Resources trained with a Part-time Administrative Assistant on Laserfiche, the City's current financial software, and departmental budgets. The PT Administrative Assistant will be serving in an administrative support role for Human Resources, EDC/CDC, Information Technology, and Neighborhood Services when needed.
- Staff (the Director of Human Resources, Assistant City Manager, and the City Manager) met with the assigned recruiter from SGR to review applications for the Chief of Police vacancy. As of date, SGR has received approximately 90 applications for the position.
- The Director of Human Resources worked with the City's auditing firm to assist with city payroll functions and interim audit.
- The IT Manager held a meeting with GCEC, Greg Peters, and Justin Clay to discuss proposed improvements to internet speed and network infrastructure for the new Fire Department, City Hall, and existing facilities. GCEC is currently working on quotes for these proposed improvements.