

City of Anna Staff's Weekly Highlights

March 29 – April 2

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 EDC/CDC held their monthly meeting on Thursday, April 1.

Anna – A Great Place to Live

- The parks crew has started mowing city facilities, parks, and medians. The crew also started painting the restroom/concession building at Slayter Creek Park.
- The Parks Superintendent has met with multiple contractors at Johnson Park to get irrigation started. Staff has received the application and design from Oncor to pull wire and set meter for electricity. Staff will be working to tap for new water/sewer line.
- The Recreation Manager and Neighborhood Services Coordinator attended the third CivicRec Training. This session focused on how to create activities/programs and special event registrations. The Recreation Manager and Neighborhood Services Director met with the Finance Director to discuss a refund policy for recreation programming. The Recreation Manager also met with the Parks Superintendent to submit the needed information for the integration of our Musco lighting. CivicRec shipped the credit card reader for in-person registrations. The project is currently on pace to go live on April 20.
- The Recreation Manager along with the Management Analyst, City Secretary, and volunteers from the Diversity & Inclusion and Parks Advisory Boards passed out Easter Baskets at Slayter Creek Park on Monday, March 29, to kick-off the Easter Eggstravaganza. The Recreation Manager and Relay Hope volunteers also passed out 100 baskets to the mobile home park off Powell Parkway. On Friday, April 2, the Neighborhood Services Department hosted a Movie-in-the Park at Slayter Creek Park from 7PM to 10PM featuring activities, photos with the Easter Bunny and the movie Hop. On Saturday, April 3, there was a Scavenger Hunt from 10AM-1PM in which families visited various parks throughout the City.
- All three Recreation Coordinator candidates accepted the position and will begin on April 12. IT requests, building access codes, and uniforms have been submitted.
- The Code Compliance Division responded to 41 new complaints and addressed 33 re-inspections this week, as well as two Health inspections of food establishments. The Department has maintained its determination to keep Anna's right of ways clear and clean of trash and illegal bandit signs.
- The Animal Services calls have been on an uptick regarding loose animals such as dogs and cats.
- The Code Compliance Division has been receiving numerous calls regarding illegal vending and/or selling throughout the City of Anna. Staff has located a few people in violation of health and zoning issues via social media.

- The Code Compliance Division is gearing up for the Spring which is the beginning of the growth season. Staff has already started a sweep of the areas of concern which was reported by CARDS regarding trees and have issued notices of violation to the property owners.
- The Code Compliance Manager has started placing the finishing touches on the new Health Services software with Inspec2go. At this time, staff is running the software through trials to find or correct any errors that need to be corrected.
- The Neighborhood Services Coordinator worked on implementing the Better Impact Volunteer service, City website updates, coordinated a Neighborhood Services team meeting, social media content creation, attended Make a Connection with the Greater Anna Chamber of Commerce, and updated the Parks Board on the provisional status of Keep Anna Beautiful.

Sustainable Anna Community Through Planned Managed Growth

- A joint meeting amongst the Planning and Zoning Commission, Economic Development Corporation, and Community Development Corporation will be held on Monday, April 5, at 6:30PM. The meeting will be held in the Anna ISD Board Room. The Planning & Zoning Commission will hold its regularly scheduled meeting following this meeting.
- The end of month totals associated with new single-family permit submittals for the month of March is 139 new permits. Our current Fiscal Year total is at 665 new permits.

High Performing, Professional City

- Patrol officers responded to 228 calls for service and conducted 139 traffic stops. They made four misdemeanor arrests and one felony arrest. Officers investigated two major accidents and two minor accidents. The Criminal Investigations Division filed three misdemeanor cases and two felonies. Additionally, they obtained one grand jury indictment. Detectives also obtained a grand jury subpoena and two search warrants to further ongoing criminal cases.
- A board was held to determine an eligibility list for upcoming promotions. All candidates performed extremely well, highlighting the depth of talent that is employed here at Anna PD.
- The Operations Division responded to 33 calls for service from March 27-April 1. Sixty-seven percent of calls were of an EMS nature and 33% were Fire related calls. During this time frame, the Department provided three mutual aid responses to other agencies and received two mutual aid responses.
- A-Shift delivered a baby girl in the early morning of March 29.
- Captain Dockray completed eight fire inspections, three plan reviews, and attended one DRC meeting this week.
- All Firefighters completed the annual mask fit test through Metro-Fire, to ensure the integrity of the face seal. All respirators rely on a tight-fitting mask-to-face seal to determine whether the mask provides an acceptable fit to a wearer.
- Regional Fire Coordinators John Fugitt and Cody Perkins from the Texas A&M Forest Service stopped by on Thursday, April 1, for an inspection of our new Brush Truck, where a portion of the cost of this vehicle will be reimbursed to the City from the Forest Service.

- Early afternoon on Sunday, March 28, A-Shift responded to a structure fire in the 1700 block of Wildwood Trail. Upon arrival, an outdoor shed was fully involved, and a defensive attack was made which successfully kept the fire from spreading into the house and neighbor's house.
- Utility Billing coordinated 78 cutoffs with Public Works. This is down from 144 for the same cycle last month. All but 16 have paid and have been restored.
- Accounting staff worked on the configuration for the Incode conversion including bank reconciliation, accounts payable, pooled cash, and security.
- Finance was notified by the Government Treasurers of Texas (GTOT) that the City's Investment Policy received the organization's Certificate of Distinction. This is due to the exemplary work of Management Analyst Kimberly Winarski.
- The IT Manager has begun setting-up meetings with Department Directors about IT needs for next budget year.

