

City of Anna Staff's Weekly Highlights

September 6 – September 10

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 Anna Economic Development team met with five development groups including the development firm that is purchasing the Business Park.
- Economic Development updated the Community Resource Guide. The redesigned guide will be going to print soon.
- Staff added the comprehensive plan, downtown plan, and parks plan to EDC website.
- Economic Development staff spent time the prior week preparing for meetings with downtown property owners.
- Economic Development will be updating advertisements for FY22.

Sustainable Anna Community Through Planned Managed Growth

- This week (Friday, September 3 – Thursday, September 9) the Building Division received 12 new single family permit submittals. The current total for the month of September is 19. The current fiscal year total is at 1,167.

Anna – A Great Place to Live

- The Neighbor Academy kicked-off this week with an introduction to the City Manager's Office, City Secretary's Office, and the budget process. Neighbors learned how a council-manager form of government operates and participated in group exercises related to the city budget process. Next week, the class will learn about Anna's public safety operations.
- The Park Superintendent completed the striping of the handicap parking at Johnson Park. Parks staff met with the contractor for the park to do the final walkthrough and create a punch list to complete the pavilion/restroom.
- Parks crews installed the entrance sign at Johnson Park and installed handicap signs all in preparation for the opening of the park this week.
- Parks crew mowed city facilities, medians and ROW, Natural Springs Park, and the front of Slayter Park.
- The bids for the Christmas tree and Christmas light are currently open. Both will close on September 17. Staff expects to have at least three bidders for each bid.
- The Parks Planning and Development Manager continued work on parking lot plans at Natural Springs Park.
- The Parks Planning and Development Manager attended two DRC meetings this past week.
- Code Compliance responded to 23 new cases and 89 re-inspections while closing 119 cases.

- Mosquito Surveillance has been successful in identifying areas of concern and for the past three weeks have furnished several specimens to the State of Texas labs for results. So far, no positive traps have been identified. Staff will continue to monitor the City of Anna's mosquito population.
- The Code Compliance Division is excited to announce the addition to the team. Anjanette Osborne will be joining Code Compliance on Monday, September 13. Code Compliance will now consist of two officers and one manager. This addition will provide better response time, city coverage, and visibility.
- The Neighborhood Services Coordinator attended a Keep Texas Beautiful Training in San Marcos.
- The Neighborhood Services Coordinator and Recreation Manager met with the Communication Manager to finalize the Neighborhood Services Fall Guide.

High Performing, Professional City

- Patrol officers responded to 244 calls for service and conducted 198 traffic stops. Officers made two misdemeanor arrests and investigated four minor accidents.
- Detectives from the Criminal Investigations Division filed four cases with the Collin County District Attorney's Office. Detectives investigated a fight that led to several gunshots being fired into the air. The suspects were identified, and charges are pending. Additionally, detectives attended training and completed a background investigation for a new police officer.
- The Anna Police Department partnered with Grace Place on a successful Coffee with Cops event on Thursday. It was well attended and made for a fantastic morning of conversation. Sincere thanks to Grace Place for hosting us.
- The Anna Fire Department held a 9/11 Memorial Ceremony on Saturday, September 11. The ceremony, as it has every year since 2001, remembered the fallen public safety who gave their lives to duty twenty years ago.
- The IT Department closed 13 Helpdesk tickets.
- The City of Anna installed internet at the train depot at Sherley Heritage Park.
- IT has scheduled the installation of communication equipment in two of the Police Department Tahoes.