

City of Anna Staff's Weekly Highlights November 1 – November 5

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

- City staff met with Greater Anna Chamber of Commerce to discuss respective future events.
- Economic Development staff attended the Texas Downtown Association Conference.
- The regular meeting of the Anna EDC/CDC Board was held on Thursday, November 3.
- The Economic Development Assistant Director attended the State Comptroller's Economic Development Symposium in Coppell.
- City of Anna staff met with the consultant team to develop the Downtown TIRZ boundaries, projects, and a finance plan.

Sustainable Anna Community Through Planned Managed Growth

- Public Works staff attended NCTCOG Traffic Incident Management training.
- Staff coordinated with Project Advocates on the Anna Library project, including review of a potential scope for 720 Design (library planning expert) to provide space planning and public input/meeting processes for the city. The Anna Library Task Force will be established at the November 9 City Council Meeting and the task force will receive a presentation from 720 Design before presentation to the City Council for consideration of approval.
- Staff opened bids for the Sherley Heritage Park construction project, including the rail for the train, parking, fencing, and hardscape. One bid was received.
- **Utilities Division:**
 - Completed 15 new meter installs;
 - Completed 22 sewer camera inspections, 2 failed;
 - Completed meter reads;
 - Completed service disconnects/reconnects;
 - Inspected and repaired eye wash and chemical shower stations and all pump stations;
 - Installed fire extinguisher cabinets at pump stations;
 - Repaired shelter at West Crossing Pump Station;
 - Mowed Sherley PS, Powell PS and Hackberry EST;
 - Escorted Curro to pump stations for Q4 TCEQ sampling;
 - Began winterizing WWTP;
 - Cleared grease from multiple lift stations;
 - Pulled Green Meadows lift station pumps for inspection;
 - Hydro excavated at Brookshires to find manhole that was covered up;
 - Operated and inspected fire hydrants in Westfield;

- Assisted PW Admin Coordinator with document control; and
- Ordered repair parts for AMI collector.
- **Streets Division:**
 - Installed additional traffic control on W Foster Crossing near Highland Drive;
 - Checked drains and culverts after storms;
 - Repaired 2 streetlights;
 - Filled 18 potholes on James, Riggins, Interurban, and CR423;
 - Installed street signs at Sable Wood, Black Willow and Cedar Wood;
 - Completed utility backfill on Ferguson Pkwy;
 - Picked up trash on CR418/419;
 - Coordinated with GCEC on electrical meter location for Villages of Hurricane Creek; and
 - Completed traffic incident training.
- **Engineering & Construction Division:**
 - Approved for construction an engineering plan resubmittal for Anacapri Phase 1A;
 - Approved for construction an engineering plan resubmittal for Hurricane Creek North Phase 1;
 - Approved for construction an engineering plan resubmittal for Anacapri Phase 1B;
 - Issued comments for an engineering plan resubmittal for Anna Crossing Phase 8;
 - Issued comments for an engineering plan resubmittal for JBI Paramore;
 - Issued comments for an engineering plan resubmittal for Anna Buzz Center;
 - Issued comments for an engineering plan resubmittal for Dairy Queen;
 - Reviewed an engineering plan submittal for Popeye's;
 - Held preconstruction meeting for Suddenlink;
 - Held grading preconstruction meeting for Anacapri;
 - Met with EDC to discuss downtown TIRZ Projects;
 - Met with Pulte to discuss impact fee agreement for Anna Crossing phases that Pulte is planning to construct;
 - Attended RFP presentation by Freese & Nichols for Planning Department;
 - Reviewed traffic control plan for Foster Crossing construction phases; and
 - Completed a total of 62 ROW Inspections with 11 failed inspection.

Anna – A Great Place to Live

- The last session of Neighbor Academy was held on Thursday, November 4. Some members and liaisons of the city's boards and commissions attended the class to share experiences serving as volunteers and to encourage the soon-to-be graduates to volunteer their time as well. Graduation for this Neighbor Academy cohort will be held on Tuesday, November 9, at the City Council Meeting.
- City officials attended Rattan Elementary as part of Community Helper Week. Officials from Public Works, Police, and Fire attended as well as the Mayor.
- Staff met with West Crossing Board HOA board members to discuss ways for them to conserve water as part of their maintenance plan and to reduce utility costs.



- The Parks Crew mowed Slayter Creek Park, cleaned the drainage ditch at the disc golf course, filled curb line with topsoil in the medians and around the parking lot, removed graffiti on picnic tables at the gazebo, and re-set trash receptacles at the skate park.
- The Parks Crew mowed all city facilities, cleaned all restrooms facilities, and removed trash from 455 medians.
- A concrete curb and border that protects the telephone/electrical pole in the gravel parking lot at Johnson Park was installed.
- The Park Superintendent worked with the Park Planning and Development Manager on creating a bid on Ion Wave for the redesign of the disc golf course at Slayter Creek Park.
- The Neighborhood Services Coordinator, along with the Recreation Manager, and Administrative Assistant visited Harlow Elementary School on November 4th for a presentation about Arbor Day. The Collin County Master Gardener's association provided a speaker for this event and spoke on pollination plants.
- The Neighborhood Services Coordinator worked on graphic promotional items for recreation classes, Arbor Day, movie nights, and upcoming Christmas Program.
- The Neighborhood Services Coordinator met with the City Manager's Office to discuss Keep Anna Beautiful and taking the next steps towards affiliation.
- The Neighborhood Services Coordinator and Code Compliance officers selected three finalists for the "We Notice" campaign and will select winner and provide a yard sign next week.
- Last weekend, the Neighborhood Services Coordinator and Recreation Coordinator hosted a 10 Days of Halloween Dog Costume contest at Natural Springs Paw Park. There were nine entries for the competition and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes were handed out.

High Performing, Professional City

- Patrol officers responded to 292 calls for service and conducted 65 traffic stops. Officers made eight misdemeanor arrests and one felony arrest. Officers investigated five minor accidents and two majors.
- Detectives from the Criminal Investigations Division filed two grand jury referrals. They are following up on several open cases including several reports of vehicle burglaries that occurred in the Northpoint Subdivision this week.
- The Fire Operations Division responded to 45 calls for service from October 30 – November 5. Fire Rescue provided five mutual aid responses and received one mutual aid response.
- Anna Fire responded to two structure fires this past week. On Sunday, October 31, in the 300 block of East Seventh Street, a resident reported a fire at their neighbor's house. After the fire was extinguished, firefighters discovered a deceased person inside the home. The Collin County Medical Examiner is currently determining the cause of death. Officials with the Anna Fire Marshal's Office, assisted by the Collin County Fire Marshal's Office, are investigating the cause and origin of the fire. The second fire occurred on Tuesday, November 2, in the 100 block of Chalk Road. All occupants safely evacuated the structure, and, at this time, there are no reports of injuries. Officials with the Anna Fire Marshal's Office are investigating the cause and origin of the fire.

- Meredith Yeomans from NBC5 came to interview Fire Chief Ray Isom and previous volunteer firefighter from the 1950s, Wayne Tilley, for a story covering the old fire engine that was recovered. The story aired on Wednesday, November 3.
- The fire department relocated to the new Central Fire Station this past week.
- The Human Resource Department assisted city departments with vacancies, job descriptions, questionnaires, and employment offers.
- The Human Resource Department started work on desk manuals for Human Resource processes.
- The Human Resource Department worked with Tyler Technologies to increase use of our newly implemented financial software.
- The Human Resource Department kicked off benefits open enrollment for Flexible Spending Accounts and Dependent Care Accounts using the upgraded benefits enrollment platform.

