



Weekly Report

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City of Lago Vista
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City Manager's Office

This week, the City Manager joined Public Works for a demonstration of a brush grinder, which is under consideration in the FY24-25 proposed budget. This demonstration provided staff with a valuable opportunity to observe the machinery's capabilities and ask questions from the representative. Additionally, the City Manager met with the Mayor Pro Tem, the Economic Development Advisory Committee Chair, and a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission to discuss housing issues in Lago Vista.

The City Manager and Finance Team worked closely this week to deliver a balanced budget to the City Council on July 31, 2024. The City Council then held its first budget workshop during the regularly scheduled meeting on August 1, 2024. The next budget workshop is scheduled for a Special Meeting on August 6, 2024.

As many of you know, Friday marked Roy Jaymbor's last day with the City of Lago Vista. Roy, who has been with the City since 2017, was always the consummate professional, diligently working late evenings and weekends to ensure timely responses to emails and the publication of packets. We wish Roy the best of luck as he begins his next chapter.

Public Works

Public Works staff attended a horizontal wood grinder demonstration organized by the Street Superintendent. This equipment is expected to enhance safety and efficiency at the Green Center and prove invaluable following inclement weather events. Additionally, the team participated in the bi-monthly comprehensive plan update meeting and met with a potential developer interested in annexing land for high-end homes. They also engaged with the contractor and design engineer for the 18" force main project to discuss the significant groundwater encountered beneath the road failure on Lakeshore during the road closure. The team will propose a solution to Public Works to address this issue. Further discussions were held with the design team for the Effluent Pond upgrades, focusing on finalizing details before the project goes for public bidding. Moreover, the Director, City Engineer, and Utility Superintendent met with the design team and contractor to plan the lift station start-up procedure for the Lift Station Expansion in Tessera, with a tentative start-up date set for mid-September. The team also attended the

weekly development meeting with the Chief of Police, ESD, Code Enforcement, and Development Services.

Service installations were completed on Cedar Ridge Drivee and Highland Lakes Drive. Right-of-way clean-up was finished at the intersection of American and Parliament, as well as Ticonderoga Avenue. A sewer leak on Continental Drive was repaired, while a water leak at the POA Campgrounds was resolved and work is ongoing at the POA Fitness Center. An effluent leak on Country Club Drive was also successfully repaired.

The Streets Department cut down a dead pine tree on Seminole Drive and trimmed trees along the right-of-way on Blueberry Circle, First Street, and Avenida Ann. They also removed a fallen tree on Newton. Mowing and edging were completed on City property near the police station, the median on Lakeshore Dr, and along the curb on Highland Lakes Drive near Eisenhower. Additionally, the team reinstalled a pole for a knocked-over “End School Zone” sign on Deer Run and repaired four knocked-over signs on Lohman Ford. Brush was cleared, and dumpsters were filled at the Green Center.

At Water Treatment Plant #1, all daily water laboratory tests, tank testing, weekly sample submissions, and chlorine residual sampling were completed. General maintenance and upkeep were performed, and the barge was adjusted to accommodate rising lake levels.

At Water Treatment Plant #3, similar daily and weekly testing and maintenance were conducted. A leak in the LAS system discovered early Wednesday morning has been stopped, and parts have been ordered for repairs. The barge was also adjusted for rising lake levels.

At the Wastewater Treatment Plant, weekly sample submissions and daily lab testing were completed, along with general maintenance and upkeep. Although the sludge press remains down, the necessary parts have arrived, and a technician will soon be scheduled for repairs.

At the lift stations, routine maintenance and generator repairs continued, with ongoing efforts to address issues with the high Drive lift pump 2. All other pumps are functioning properly.

Effluent water is being supplied as scheduled to the golf course, with sprinklers operating at Cedar Breaks. Effluent water continues to be sent to both Cedar Breaks and Highland Lakes Golf Course. Repairs have been completed on three torn areas of the Cedar Breaks

Effluent Pond.

Economic Development

This week, the Economic Development Director met with a Commercial Real Estate Agent to discuss potential incentives for an upcoming project. The director also finalized the details for the video production tied to the EDAC initiative and continued work on the Lions Club presentation.

Meanwhile, the Communications and Marketing Coordinator actively managed the City's online presence by posting several updates on social media, the city website, and the digital sign. Additionally, a new feature was added to the City website homepage to host the New City Council Discussion Forum. The coordinator also worked on the monthly newsletter and contributed to the Lions Club presentation.

Parks and Recreation

Parks and Recreation are gearing up for aerification on the sports fields and conducting routine maintenance. At Veterans Park, the team is replaced the military flags. Inside the pilot's lounge, a damaged door has been replaced, runway lights have been fixed, and mowing maintenance has been completed at Rusty Allen Airport. Work on the splashpad and water balancing at the aquatic center is ongoing with the contractor. GCM is repairing sprinkler heads on the course and preparing areas for sod replacement.

Golf Course

It is hard to believe August is already here, with temperatures climbing back into the upper nineties after a cooler-than-average and rainy end to July. Mother Nature treated us to a nice shower last Sunday, adding another half-inch of rain to our totals. Despite the weather, it did not deter golfers, as 327 players teed it up between Friday and Sunday.

Our PGA Head Golf Professional demonstrated their commitment to "Grow the Game" at Lago Vista Golf Course by attending the PGA Educational Summit at the PGA of America Headquarters in Frisco, Texas, from Monday through Wednesday.

Police Department

End of Week Report for 07/21/2024 – 07/28/2024

Calls for Service			344
Traffic Stops			45
Citations			12
Warnings			37
Arrests			0
Average Response Time (ART)			6 minutes 36 seconds
Code Enf. Calls for Service			32
Animal Control Calls for Service			15

* Accurate reflection of new CAD system

Last week, several members of our department participated in a tabletop emergency management exercise alongside ESD 1 and the school district. The exercise was successful, offering everyone a valuable opportunity to collaboratively review emergency plans and become more familiar with the procedures of all participants. Additionally, the Chief of Police and the City Manager held their monthly meeting with the Lago Vista ISD Superintendent. The Chief of Police also met with a concerned individual to discuss traffic issues within the city.

Information Technology

This week in IT, staff completed the City Council message board and added it to the website. They also created accounts for all council members and sent them instructions on how to use the system. Fourteen support tickets were opened by staff for various issues which we are addressing. Additionally, they submitted paperwork to CISA/Homeland Security to be included on the list for a free network perimeter penetration test.

Municipal Court

This week, the Clerks received and entered new citations from the Police Department, processed weekly reports for the State and the courts collection agency, and issued warrants for individuals who failed to comply with their agreements. They also assisted customers with their citations at the court window, by phone, and through email.

Additionally, the Court Administrator began researching and preparing the necessary forms for compliance with H.B. 3186, the Texas Youth Diversion and Early Intervention Act, which was passed during the 88th Legislative Session. This legislation requires every municipal and justice court to adopt a youth diversion plan by January 1, 2025.

Library

The Library's Summer Reading Program for children concluded on Wednesday morning with a special Storytime/Dance Party. Ninety-five attendees were on hand for the grand finale that included a special puppet show presented by J.J. and Summer Owen, who read one of the popular Pete the Cat books. Children who maintained reading logs throughout the summer were awarded coupons from Half Price Books. All the children received special swag bags filled with fun items. As a distinctive feature, members from the Lago Vista Lions Club: Don Johndrow, Jennie Honarvar, Mike De Soso, and Ken Johnston provided free vision screenings to thirty children. It was a fun way to wrap up the summer program!

The Library would like to thank the following sponsors for making the Summer Reading Program a fun and educational experience for children of our community: the City of Lago Vista, Friends of the Lago Vista Library, Lago Vista Lions Club, Lago Vista Women's Club, Vistago Print, Darling Art School, Bajo la Luna Restaurant, Lago Donut, Brookshire Brothers, Pedernales Electric Cooperative, The Candy Bar, Lucky Rabbit, Raising Cane's, and Texas Commission on the Arts. A special thanks goes out to Library staff: Lindsey Zeiler, Anna Marie Novoa, and Sommer Hamilton for planning and overseeing the entertaining programs presented each Wednesday; to Library volunteers: Sharon Macut, Gale McMahon, and Cindy Dinneen; and to LV Lions Club members: Mike Zaydel, Pete Pfile, Pat Evans, and Don Loeschner for their help and support.