



Everman Community Newsletter

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Mayor's Corner

Dear Everman Residents,

Well it's that time of year again. We have been working on the 2018-2019 Budget for our fair city. Once again there will be no thrills, but we were able to keep some much needed items in the budget that will be of great benefit to our city.

The first is our commitment to "6 Stones". This group comes in and does home rehabilitations for Low-Income Veterans, Senior Citizens and Disabled Residents. Most work is done to the exterior of the homes and is at no cost to the resident. If you think that you might qualify for this program, you can come by city hall and pick up an application.

On June 8-9 we did our first two "6 Stone" projects in Everman. The two homes are located on Pittman and the other on Marlene. It was a huge success and was a great starting point for our city.

On October 19-20 we are doing our first "6 Stones" CPR (Community Powered Revitalization) Blitz, and will be sponsored by "Care n Care Insurance Company" (www.cnchealthplan.com). We are hoping to do a minimum of 6 to 8 homes. If we can get the volunteers needed, then maybe we can do more. We will need approximately 20 -25 volunteers per house, each day. If you would like to volunteer you can go online at www.6stones.org/cpreverman/. Then click on Volunteer Registration RSVP. There are several ways to volunteer. You can help with registrations, taking photos of the event or you can actually go out and work at the home sites. You can also work either the 14th or 15th, or you can sign up for both days. A lot of the work will be yard work/landscaping, painting, etc.

There are several benefits from working with "6 Stones". It helps our Low-Income residents that have no other means to fix their homes. It also helps clean up our neighborhoods; this in turn will increase the Market Value of our homes. All this is done only costing the city pennies on the dollar for the work that is being done. Let's not forget the self gratification you volunteers will feel when helping those that are less fortunate.

Our new businesses are doing well. Since the supermarket has opened, our residents have been frequenting the store. The store manager has been working to adjust the prices of some items and make the store more desirable for our residents. The other businesses at the Shopping Center are seeing an increase in business since the Supermarket has opened. Cancun's Mexican Restaurant has been doing well and the food is very good. I personally recommend the Molcajete. It is spicy and a lot of food, but it is incredible. They currently do not have their liquor license but when they do, I would assume that their business will increase substantially.

This is just a reminder to keep your tax dollars in Everman, by shopping and dining in Everman. These taxes help with our Crime Control District, Economic Development and our Street Maintenance. It also helps us to reduce our property taxes.

You have probably noticed the street projects around town. The first was our section of Everman Parkway. Then we did Forest Hill Drive, from Enon to Shelby Road. And lastly was the Park Road running from Townley to Everman Parkway. All of our streets have been done with the cooperation of Tarrant County Precinct 1 and Commissioner Roy Charles Brooks. Commissioner Brooks has been a godsend for our city. The Park Road was done at no cost to the city except for some concrete curbing that was needed. Commissioner Brooks is a great friend to the citizens of Everman and I have the utmost respect for this man and the things that he continually does for our city.

In May 2018, Councilmember Michelle McIntire stepped down from Everman City Council, Place 1. I would like to thank Michelle for her many years of service to our city. In August, the Everman City Council voted to appoint Linda Sanders to Place 1 for the remainder of the term. Please welcome Linda as our newest councilmember.

There are some changes taking place in Fort Worth that will have a direct effect on Everman. Fort Worth is currently shutting down two complexes, that house "low-income" and "Section 8" tenants. The Butler House (I-30 & I-35) which has 900 residents,

and Caville Place (Stop 6) with 300 units. Fort Worth will be tearing down these complexes and building large developments to revitalize these areas, not to mention, pocketing more tax dollars. What about the residents, you may ask? The Fort Worth Housing Authority will be relocating these residents throughout Fort Worth. This will place many of these residents around Joe C. Bean High School, at the Stallion Point Apartments Phase 1 & 2, and the Four Seasons at Clear Creek. I am concerned not about low income and Section 8 being relocated here. I'm more concerned with the high crime rates that are associated with the Butler House and Caville Place complexes. The City Manager and I will be having several meetings with Fort Worth and Tarrant County about our concerns. I will keep you updated.

We have created an Everman Events Board, that is in charge of creating and hosting community organized events. They have started with some fundraising events that will allow them to host larger events in our city. They are currently hosting a series of events called "Everman Dine-In Night". Each month, one of our restaurants will sponsor a fundraising night for the Events Board. A percentage of the sales will go back to the Events Board, for future events. The lists of restaurants that are scheduled are:

August- Los Juanitos Mexican Restaurant

September-All J's Family Restaurant

October-Cancun's Mexican & Seafood Restaurant

November- Hickory Stick BBQ

For further details, go to Facebook page "Everman Events Board" and please like and follow. You will also be notified on the Everman CTY (phone notification system). If you are not subscribed to CTY, you can go to the City of Everman website and click on the Public Safety tab. There you will click on "Citywide Announcements". You can also stop by city hall and ask to be added to CTY.

Dates to remember

August 24-25 "Everman Events Board" Everman Eats Fundraiser at Los Juanitos.

September 3rd Labor Day (City Hall closed)

October 19th - 20th, 6 Stones CPR Event. (6-8 houses)

October 26-31 Everman Haunted House 6:30 PM-10:30 PM at Annex

October 31st Everman Trunk or Treat 6 PM-8 PM at Annex

November 3rd Everman's First Annual Pumpkin Patch 12 PM-4 PM at Pittman Park

November 22, 23 Thanksgiving (City Hall closed)

December 24, 25 Christmas (City Hall closed)

January 1, 2019 New Years Day (City Hall closed)

January 19, 2019 "5K/10K Walk It Off Event" 10 AM-1 PM at Pittman Park

*dates and times are tentative and subject to change.

Sincerely,

Mayor Ray Richardson

City Manager's Message

The City of Everman has continued the Tarrant County Transportation Service (TCTS) for another year! This service is provided for Everman residents who are 65 years and older and/or persons with disabilities. One-way trip fare is \$2.50 paid by the passenger, service hours are 6am to 6pm. The City of Everman's designated day is every Friday. No holiday or weekend service. For Registration and Reservations please call Catholic Charities at 817-336-8714 hours 8:30am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday.

Michael Box, City Manager

NSF CHECK POLICY

All NSF checks will be charged a service charge, the price to be adjusted periodically to reflect banks charge. All NSF checks are to be paid for with cash or money order, no checks will be accepted for a payment of an NSF. Once the City gets the NSF check back, it will not be re-sent to the bank. The bank presents the check two (2) times before returning it to the City. If a customer gives the City

an NSF check two (2) times in a one (1) year period, then that customer forfeits the right to write checks for a one (1) year period, ending a year after the date of the second NSF check given. Customers that have given an NSF check will be notified of such and given three (3) working days to pay for the NSF check and the service charge. If on the Fourth (4th) working day, the NSF check has not been paid for, the water will be cut off and an additional service charge will be added to the account.

CODE COMPLIANCE

Code Enforcement Official

1. Refuse is not permitted
2. Store items of value out of public view
3. Obtain proper permits, if you are unsure if you need one call and inquire
4. Erecting/parking anything in 5 Ft. side and rear yard setback is not permitted
5. Parking large commercial vehicles and/or travel trailer/RV/motor home/pop tent trailer, boat/trailer, jet skis/trailer and variations of the same are not permitted to be parked in the 10ft. City utility easement nor blocking any visibility triangle.
6. Parking vehicles in front building setback, on unapproved surface is not permitted
7. Brush, rubbish, tree, branches, limbs, trunks, and the like from premises. Prepare properly in order to be removed by the City of Everman contracted waste removal company, meeting all required preparations for removal, otherwise remove on your own.
8. Remove vehicles that have expired registration/inspection, maintain tires in functional condition, repair or remove any vehicles that are dismantled, wrecked or otherwise not in a functional condition from premises.
9. IF you have a fence you are required to maintain it in good condition, free from chipping paint, missing planks/panels, and/or general dilapidation. Pools and/or anything that may hold 24 inches of water are required to have and maintain a fence of at least 4 inches in height and a self closing and self latching/locking mechanism. Pool and/or anything that may hold 24 inches or more of water are required to be maintained, it free from leaks, mosquitoes, dilapidation, taking care that it is in a safe, sanitary and functional condition otherwise remove it.

D. Wilkerson

LIBRARY LORE

Greetings from the Everman Public Library

Summer is almost gone, but the fun doesn't stop there. We hope that you have enjoyed these warm few months in the company of a great collection of amazing books. If you need to refuel your curiosity and enthusiasm for knowledge, please stop by the Everman Public Library and grab a good book!

We have some sad news. Our dear friend Adel Russell passed away this past summer. Adel was the president of the Friends of the Everman Library for many years. She worked always having the children of Everman in mind. Adel was always lovely, kind and respectful. She will be truly missed.

Our Summer Reading Program was a great success! The activities included music, reading and great entertainment. We want to thank the Friends of the Everman Public Library for their support on making this activity a reality, special thanks to Mrs. Betty Anderson.

Once again the Everman Public Library had the opportunity to participate in the Tarrant County Back to School Round Up for the 8th year in a row. This year 142 local families received a voucher for school supplies as well as some medical screening and other things at the annual event. We look forward to this event every year and we are grateful for the support of those involved in it.

Thank you once again for your attention, it is always a privilege to serve a community like Everman, we hope to see you soon at the library.

Obed Rodriguez, librarian.

**POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

Will be updated at a later time.

Everman Animal Control

From your Everman Animal Control Officer's

With summer temperatures still here we have had a number of complaints from residents and concerned citizens about pets being left outside, without proper shelter or water. We want it to be known that we, at the shelter will issue citations for animal abuse and or cruelty if it is justified. This is not a humane way to treat any animal that is in your care.

Recently, several dogs have been dumped in the City of Everman. If someone is caught dumping any animal within our city, we will prosecute within the full extent of the law. Two things should be taken from this statement; 1. The illegal dumping of any animal is a felony, 2. The city is not your dumping ground. There are numerous ways and places that will accept any animal that is unwanted. Do a little research and you can find a recue that will take your unwanted animal.

We have also recently had a number of pets, mostly small dogs and cats, come up missing. This is more than likely due to the encroachment of wildlife from all the new construction throughout the city. Please ensure the safety of your animal by accompanying it outside so that it does not become a prey to a larger animal, such as hawks, owls, and coyotes. A run in with a coyote could cause your pet to become rabid, as coyotes are the five major carriers of the rabies virus.

Lastly, we have noticed an overabundance of residents that own chickens. It is against city ordinance to own chickens or rosters within the city limits. If you are caught owning chickens, you will receive a warning and given ten (10) days to remove the chickens from your property and the city. Failure to comply will result in the issuance of citations.

Everman Animal Shelter, 3961 Bluebell Dr. Everman, Texas 76140. 817-561-5495

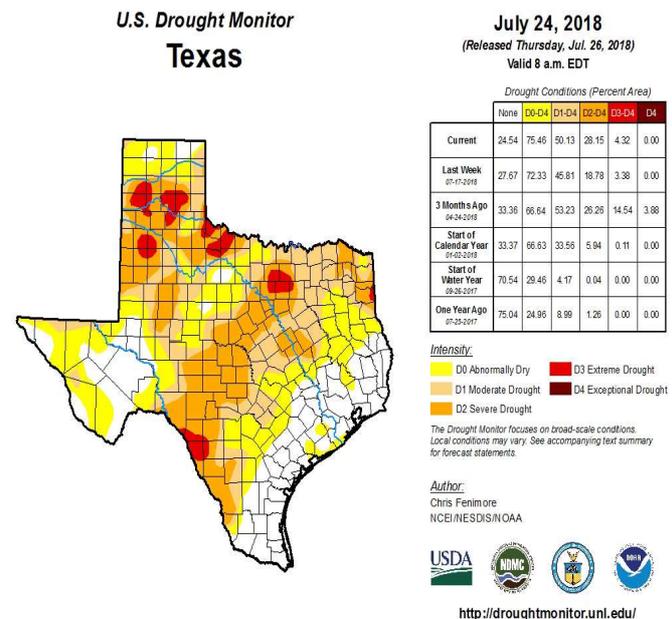
Hours of operation are 8-5, 7 days a week.

Thanks for taking care of our furry friends.

Martin Zeider

NOTES FROM PUBLIC WORKS

The City of Everman is in a drought condition which happens in Texas when precipitation is minimal. Water conservation is very important and we must all do our part to ensure this natural resource is protected and not wasted. The watering schedule has been implemented to conserve water. The following schedule must be followed to prevent enforcement action. Monday there is no landscaping watering with sprinkler or irrigation systems. Tuesday and Friday non-residential locations may water (apartments, businesses and parks). Wednesday and Saturday the residents with addresses ending in even numbers 0, 2, 4, 6, and 8 may water. Thursday and Sunday residents with addresses ending in odd numbers 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 may water. No watering with a sprinkler system or irrigation system between the hours of 10 A.M. to 6 P.M. on any day. You may hand water or use a soaker hose for your foundation anytime. The diagram below indicates we are in severe drought to extreme drought conditions at this time.



We have had repeated issues with water customers tampering with utilities and theft of services. Tampering with utilities will no longer be tolerated, if your water has been turned off by the city, it is a

violation to turn it back on for any reason. If you feel there was an error contact the water department at 817-293-0525 and the customer service representative will investigate the reason it was turned off. If the water was turned off for non-payment and you paid the balance or made arrangements a work order will be issued and a city employee will turn it back on by the end of the day. If we find the water has been turned back on after the city employee turned it off, citations for tampering with utilities or theft of services will be issued. The due date for all water bills is the 15th of every month; turn off day is the 25th of every month. If your water gets turned off for nonpayment a fifty dollar fee is added to your amount due. To prevent additional fees please pay your water bill within the time allotted.

Thanks,
Lisa Minnis
lminnis@evermantx.net
Director of Public Works

Anyone who is thinking about remodeling, adding, converting a garage, or building a home needs to be aware of the requirements of the IECC, (International Energy Conservation Code). This code established minimum regulations to enhance energy efficient homes using prescriptive and performance related provisions. Those enhancements include required energy savings for windows, doors, skylights, thermal energy efficiency, and efficiencies for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning. One important element of the IECC is the home's insulation values. Insulation has been divided into different categories called R-Values which are determined by the thickness of the insulation. Tarrant County prescriptive provision requires the R-Value of wall insulation to be R-20 or R-13+5. Since R-20 rolled in insulation is too thick for 2x4 wood wall studs, it would be used for 2x6 wood studs and 2x4 wood wall studs would need to be insulated with an R-value of 13+5. The R-13 insulation would be required to be installed in the interior cavity of the wood stud wall and R-5 insulation sheathing would be attached to the entire exterior of the wood wall panel. The IECC requires insulation manufacturers to print the R- values of on the interior and exterior insulation. Many homes are being insulated with a spray on foam in the cavities of the interior wood stud walls. This method of insulation is ok as long as a certified report is given to the JHA indicated that the IECC requirement for insulation value is met.

Jeff Reed
Director of Public Works

Economic Development news

Now that the Everman Supermarket is open to the public, several other projects are underway. The owner of the grocery store, Abid Malik, just finished renovating the strip center at 200 Wichita. In addition to the renovation(s), two additional suites were added.

Now, they are currently renovating the strip center in the 800 block of Enon. Two additional suites were added there as well. If you are looking for a nice suite to open a retail store, please contact Mr. Malik for lease information.

The Everman shopping center on Everman Parkway is nearly full. One (possibly two) suites will be renovated for new leases. With the grocery store, the Cancun Mexican & Seafood restaurant, Blessa's Beauty Salon, Xtreme Insurance, Chamoy (Ice Cream & Treats), Jet Cleaners, Everman Bingo, and the new Bakery, there are plenty of reasons to shop at the center and enjoy everything offered there.

The EDC owns 14 lots on Race Street available for new development. If you or someone you know is interested in talking to us about building a new retail facility, please contact Michael Nicoletti at City Hall for information. These sites are nice; and they are located across the street from Pittman Park which generally has a lot of pedestrian traffic since the basketball courts, soccer fields, football stadium, Water Park, and pavilions are all located there.

We have other projects in the works and we hope to reveal them soon. In the meantime, please remember that YOUR tax dollars need to stay in Everman. So please, SHOP EVERMAN FIRST!

Michael Nicoletti
Economic Development Director