

January 2020

# Calendar

### January 1

 New Years Day—City Hall will be Closed

### January 7

- Golf & Parks Meeting—5:30 PM
- Long Range Planning Committee Meeting—6:30 PM

#### January 9

- Ordinance Committee Meeting—5:30 PM
- Public Safety Meeting
  – 6:30 PM

#### January 14

- Community Luncheon—noon
- City Council Meeting—7:00 PM

### January 20

 Martin Luther King Day—City Hall will be Closed



Kathryn Rotter Senior Synergy Catered by:



Please bring your favorite dessert.

Sponsored by the Crime Control and Prevention District

## A Message from Mayor Jones

Please let me be among the first to wish you a new year of peace, health, happiness, and prosperity.

As your city government enters a new decade, the operative word will be "active."

As we begin to act upon your valuable input from the citywide survey, your committees and city council will be active completing the trail, implementing increased code enforcement, evaluating additional street lights, examining additional recycling options, and establishing a base for alley maintenance.

Further, we will be adopting new ordinances providing increased enforcement of new protective measures to minimize interference from new residential construction.

If you haven't already, please go to www.cityofwestworth.com, and sign up for the city's text/email notification system, so you can keep up with your city government's active agenda.

As always, please feel free to contact me whenever I might be of assistance to you.

-- Mayor Kelly Jones

# May 2nd, 2020 General Election

The City will hold a General Election on Saturday, May 4, 2019 for Council Places 2, 3, 4, and 5. Applications are available on the City website at <a href="https://www.cityofwestworth.com/election-information">www.cityofwestworth.com/election-information</a> or in the City Secretary's office. The first day applications can be accepted is Wednesday, January 15. The filing deadline for candidates is on Friday, February 14, by 5:00 PM. Contact Brandy Barrett for further information at 817-710-2526.

### **Council Place 5**

Due to Councilwoman Cowden's move outside of city limits, Council Place 5 will become vacant in May. This postion will be on the ballot to fill the remaining one year of the two year term (ending 05/2021).

We wish Councilwoman Cowden well on her new endeavors and thank her for her valuable service to the city as a councilwoman, committee chair, and committee member!

### **Community Surveys**

The results of the city-wide survey have been tabulated and will be presented at the committee and council meetings in January.

They will also be made available on the website. Once they have been posted, a notification will be sent out via the City's text/ email alert system. Please visit <u>cityofwestworth.com/notifications</u> to sign up to start receiving these notifications or to view ones that have been sent.

### **Managing Polluted Water Runoff**

Households can prevent polluted runoff by picking up after pets and using, storing, and disposing of chemicals properly. Drivers should check their cars for leaks and recycle their motor oil and antifreeze when these fluids are changed. Drivers can also avoid impacts from car wash runoff such as detergents, grime, etc. by using car wash facilities that do not generate runoff. For more information, visit the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency online at <a href="https://www.epa.gov/nps.">www.epa.gov/nps.</a>

### **Recycled Christmas Trees**

Waste Connections will help recycle your used Christmas trees. Just place your tree on your curb after the holidays. Pick up will be on Saturday along with your regular trash.



# Grease is a Hazard to Our Health



Residents should never dispose of cooking grease or cooking oils by washing them down the plumbing system or the storm drain. Oils pollute our streams and creeks by forming a film on the water surface and preventing oxygenation for aquatic life. Polluted water runoff can lead to severe State and Federal fines. Another hazard of improper grease disposal is that it can cause sewer pipes to back up, causing food and sewage particles to accumulate and create a health hazard by attracting insects and vermin. Soak up leftover amounts of cooking oil with a paper towel and throw it in the trash, filter and freeze to reuse for another meal, or recycle cooking oil by calling the Fort Worth Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center at 817-871-5257.

For more information, visit: www.ceasethegreasentx.com