

February 2020

Calendar

February 4

Town Hall Meeting—6:30 PM

February 11

- Community Luncheon Noon
- City Council Meeting 7:00 PM

February 14

Candidate Filing Deadline—5:00 PM

February 17

 President's Day—City Hall will be Closed

February 22

 CPR & Stop the Bleed Class—10 AM— 12 PM



Macara Trusty

MedStar

Catered by:



Please bring your favorite dessert.

Sponsored by the Crime Control and Prevention District

Town Hall Meeting

The results from the citywide survey have been posted online and discussed throughout all January meetings. The council and boards have called for a Town Hall Meeting to gain more citizen input and generate ideas for solutions to the issues addressed in the survey. Please join us on **Tuesday**, **February 4th** in the **City Hall Community Room** and let us know what you think! Sections of the survey will be discussed individually, so citizens are invited to come for just a section or stay for the entire meeting. The schedule will be as follows:

- 6:30 7:15— Public Safety Issues
- 7:15 8:00—Ordinance & Zoning Issues
- 8:00 8:45—Golf, Parks and Recreation Issues

CPR & Stop the Bleed Class

Quick! The person next to you has just collapsed in cardiac arrest or is bleeding to death from a traumatic injury! You have two minutes to save a life! Do you know what to do?

Medstar crews responded to 799 cardiac arrest calls in the past 12 months. Bystander CPR is one of the greatest predictors of cardiac arrest survival.

Major bleeding can lead to death in a matter of minutes. Knowledgeable bystanders can implement quick bleeding control techniques before EMS arrival.

MedStar is teaming up with the City of Westworth Village to provide a free hands only CPR and Stop the Bleed training on **Saturday**, **February 22 from 10 AM—12 PM in the City Hall Community Room**.





Annual Spring Clean-Up

The annual spring clean up for the city will be held in the Municipal Complex Parking Lot:

- Saturday, March 21, 2020 from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Remember to bring proof of residency (copy of water bill or drivers license).

We cannot accept paints, tires, oil, insecticides, items that are harmful to the environment, refrigerators, air conditioners, any Freon bearing items, batteries, or other hazardous material.

If you need to dispose of the above hazardous waste at any time, please visit our Water Department to receive a voucher to Fort Worth's Environmental Collection Center. Vouchers cost \$50 and you must bring your driver's license or current water bill with you for proof of residency.



May 2nd, 2020 General Election

The City will hold a General Election for Council Places 2, 3, 4, and a Special Election for the unexpired one year term of Council Place 5 on Saturday, May 2, 2020. Applications are available on the City website at www.cityofwestworth.com/election-information or in the City Secretary's office. The filing deadline for candidates is Friday, February 14, by 5:00 PM. Contact Brandy Barrett for further information at 817-710-2526.



Jury Duty Notices to be Mailed

Do you dream of being called to serve, do you dread opening the mail, or do you not really care either way? Regardless of your preference, service on a jury is a privilege and an extremely important part of our democratic governance and judicial system. The accused has requested your help to ensure that a fair and impartial trial is conducted, trusting that you will listen, deliberate and render a judgement based on the facts. It is so important to the judicial process that if you fail to serve or obtain an exemption, you could be arrested. A significant number of Westworth Village residents can claim an age/school exemption, but just because you can doesn't mean you should. Please get involved and serve if the opportunity is given to you.

- Judge Callaway







The Hidden Jewel of the Metroplex.

DATE:

January 27, 2020

TO:

Westworth Village Residents

FROM:

Kevin C. Reaves, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Alleyway and fence maintenance

Based on citizen feedback on the surveys, "Alleyway overgrown, not maintained or blocked" and "Fencing issues" were two of the top 10 concerns. To get the alleyways back in shape, the Public Works team will be trimming back overgrowth to the fence line and cutting overhanging trees in the vertical plane to the required minimum height. This process will begin on February 1. Once all the alleys are cleaned, the police department will be issuing citations for future violations. Please review the following and make sure your property complies as spring time growth begins:

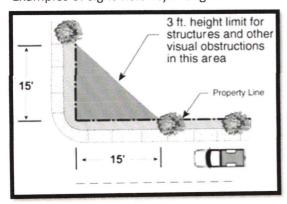


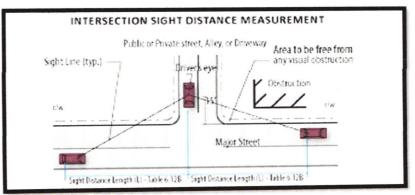
City ordinance 6.05.003 outlines the prohibited conditions for weeds, brush, rubbish and unsightly, objectionable or unsanitary material. prohibiting "...trees, shrubs, vines, bushes or other botanicals to grow beyond the vertical plane of the fence line of the alley adjacent to the premises..."

Ordinance section #14.4.15 outlines the responsibility to maintain a visibility triangle on your property for the safety of motorists & pedestrians at intersections, alleyways and driveways. Specifically stating "Landscaping, except required grass and low ground cover, shall not be located closer than three feet (3') from the edge of any vehicular pavement in order to avoid visibility problems when plant materials mature."

In addition, section #14.4.35 expounds upon the requirements including: "Landscaping, fences, walls, earthen berms and other features within the triangular visibility area shall be designed so as to provide unobstructed crossvisibility at a level between twenty-four inches (24") and eight feet (8') above the ground."

Examples of sight visibility triangles:





Based upon the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Standards (AASHTO) for a 30 MPH roadway, an approaching driver needs to have a minimum of sight visibility of 200 ft to the left and 140ft to the right to ensure adequate sight distance. This distance is based upon the speed of the roadway, reaction time and stopping distance.

After the alleyways are cleared, code compliance notices will be mailed to addresses that have not maintained their fences. Ordinance 14.4.25(D)(1) outlines the maintenance requirements for all residential fencing, specifically stating that "Fences shall be maintained by the owner or person in charge of the property in as near as possible the condition when installed... Such fence shall not be out of vertical alignment more than twenty (20%) percent. All damaged, removed or missing portions of such fence shall be replaced or repaired with comparable materials of a comparable color to the remaining portion of such fence."

City ordinance 6.05.003 specifically prohibits storing "any trailer, boat, or aircraft, or any part thereof, that is wrecked, dismantled, partially dismantled, discarded, or is in a state of disrepair" However, these "Items shall not be considered to be in view when they are behind a screening fence which has no through visibility and which completely blocks all view of the described item from any street or alley." Since "neighbors' home/yard not maintained" and "Storage: general outdoor, boats/RV, or large equipment" were the also in the top 10, you might avoid a seperate violation by repairing fences so these items may "be removed" from public view.

Examples of unacceptable fences include:



By working together, we can improve the safety of our community!

If you have a problem, see an issue or are concerned about something, please notify the police dispatcher at 817-738-3675.