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Vote and vote early

Election Day May 9

There will be only one City Council position up for election on May 9. The District 3 position has two candidates running, the incumbent Brandt Rydell and challenger Miguel S. Espitia, Jr. Only registered voters that live in District 3 may vote in the City Council election. The election for District 2 was cancelled due to no other candidates filing to run. The incumbent, Christopher Gonzales, Sr. will be sworn in for another three-year term at the same time the City Council canvasses the election results for the May 9 election for District 3.

For your convenience, take advantage of Early Voting. The Early Voting Period will be held at Taylor City Hall as follows:

Monday, April 27-Saturday, May 2 from 8 am-6 pm

Monday, May 4 and Tuesday, May 5 from 7 am-7 pm

The May 9 ballot also will carry a Taylor Independent School Board election for the At-Large position in addition to the City Council District 3 candidates.

On Election Day, registered voters may vote at any polling location in Williamson County. The Taylor voting centers are at Pasemann Elementary School, 2809 North Dr. and Taylor City Hall, 400 Porter.

Tree City USA

The Arbor Day Foundation has announced that Taylor is certified as a Tree City USA for the third consecutive year. Taylor achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

Recreation Superintendent Mike DeVito directs the care and addition of trees in the city's parks and along the trails.



A Message From The City Manager



In March, I had a wonderful opportunity to visit Taylor's Pasemann Elementary School for Leadership Day and I was very impressed with the skills exhibited by these young students.

Also, special congratulations go out to this year's Academic Decathlon team for winning the state competition. Thank you for representing our community so well.

Projects and activities are hitting critical mass in the city. We have a number of capital improvements underway or in the planning stages.

Retail development continues with new construction and prospects for a new hotel remain a high priority. The Taylor Regional Park is in full swing with local league play and weekend tournaments in baseball and softball.

The City is in the process of hiring a new Assistant City Manager and a Human Resources Director. Excitement is building as we fine-tune our staff.

- Isaac

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Blackland Prairie Days, May 1 & 2

New name and new format for the annual Main Street festival held the first weekend of May are being planned. Mark your calendar for more music, more activities, more shopping and special interest exhibits and demonstrations! Stay tuned for more information about Blackland Prairie Days. Deby Lannen, Main Street Manager, 512-352-3463, is the contact to call about the event.

"Discover Exoplanets" Excitement

The Taylor Public Library will host the exhibit "Discover Exoplanets" from April through June.

This exciting exhibit is made possible through the Library's membership in CTLS, Inc. (a non-profit Texas libraries organization). CTLS was one of only 5 institutions awarded this nation-wide grant program, sponsored by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, the National Center for Interactive Learning and the Space Science Institute.

Visit the Library to see this exhibit that is constantly updated, providing visitors with the latest info from the Kepler Mission that is searching for Earth-like exoplanets throughout the galaxy. For more information, check out this website: www.starnetlibraries.org/starnet.html.



Water Smart Tip:

Put food coloring in your toilet tank. If it seeps into the bowl without flushing, you have a leak!

For more smart water tips and ideas, visit:
www.takecareoftexas.org and www.wateruseitwisely.com



Community Events



City-wide Clean-Up

April 18, 2015

8 am – 3 pm

Collection sites:

1424 N Main South

1200 Welch St

Introducing



Blackland Prairie Days

May 1 & 2

(Always the first weekend of May)

Historic Downtown Main St.



Free Tax Assistance

For Seniors and Individuals
who earn less than \$53,000/yr.

From Jan. 28-April 15

Taylor Public Library

Wednesdays 10 am-4 pm

Taylor City Hall

Mondays 4:30-8:30 pm

Wednesdays 4:30-8:30 pm

Saturdays 9 am-3 pm

City Council Meetings

Thursdays, April 9 & 23

Thursdays, May 14 & 28

*All meetings begin at 6 p.m. and
are held at City Hall.*

