

Community Connection

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Council Set for 2014-15 Ancira Re-elected for Council At Large

In the May 10, 2014 municipal election, Jesse Ancira, Jr. was re-elected for a three-year term in the Council At Large position with 503 (90%) votes over opponent Ricky Selin with 53. This is Ancira's second term.

At the May 20 Council meeting, Ancira also was re-elected Mayor in a unanimous vote of the Council.

Councilman Christopher Gonzales was re-elected Mayor Pro Tem. Each will serve for a one-year term in these offices.



Front row, left to right, Mayor Jesse Ancira and Mayor Pro Tem Chris Gonzales. Second row, left to right, Scott Green, Don Hill, Brandt Rydell

Coffee Chat with the Mayor/Council

Here is a new opportunity for citizens of Taylor to share concerns or to get information about the City or to just visit over a cup of coffee.

Every other week, a member of the Council or the Mayor along with a City Department Head will host a morning coffee at one of the selected restaurants in Taylor. Residents and business owners are invited to come by and join in the conversation during the hours of 9 – 11 a.m. No appointment is necessary.

Upcoming dates are June 14, 28 and July 12 at Zapata's Mexican Restaurant, 1808 W. Second St. On July 26, the meetings move to the Sirloin Stockade.

Hosts for each coffee are published in the City's eNews, www.taylor.tx.gov, or the Taylor Press. For more information, call City Hall at 512-352-3675.

Are you signed up for eNews?

The City is publishing a weekly electronic newsletter about current activities and meetings. You may sign up on the City of Taylor website using the "Notify Me" button in the left margin of the home page. Scroll down to register for eNews that is published weekly. Call 512-352-5448 for additional information.



A Message From The Interim City Manager

By the time you read this, summer will be in full swing and

temperatures will be really hot! No doubt there will be news of water restrictions and rationing all around us.



Water has become a rare and much needed commodity in Texas.

We in the City of Taylor are so blessed that our leadership had the wisdom and vision to secure a large and very secure water supply for our City. It is this kind of vision that we need to take into the future.

With the implementation of the TEEX Community and Economic Development Plan and as we work to finalize the City of Taylor's Strategic Plan, we must dream big, set lofty goals and pursue them.

With the quality of people we have: Anything we dream we can achieve.

-Jeff Straub

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Support the July 4th Fireworks!

Everyone in the community of Taylor and communities for miles around have enjoyed the traditional July 4th fireworks held in Taylor.



This year the Chamber is reaching out for community support for the fireworks display.

If everyone gave \$4, we could really light up the sky! If you would like to donate to the fireworks to keep

the tradition alive, donations are taken at the Chamber of Commerce office and at City Hall. For more information, call 512-352-6463.

Moody Museum "Pounding"

The Moody Museum is celebrating Dan Moody's birthday with an old fashioned "pounding" from 10 am - 12 noon on Saturday, June 28 at the museum, 114 W. Ninth St.

The "pounding" is to collect canned goods for the local food pantries which is the way it was done years ago as a way to celebrate or to provide support when there was a need. The community is invited to come celebrate, have some cake and bring a few canned food items.



Code Enforcement Summer Reminder

Taylor residents are reminded to keep their property premises mowed and reasonably free of weeds, tall grasses and underbrush.

Code enforcement requires that grass not exceed 12 inches in height and underbrush cannot exceed 18 inches in height. Failure to keep property clear could result in a code violation. For additional information, contact the Code Enforcement office at 512-352-6891.

Let's help keep Taylor beautiful!

Farmers Market Opens

The Taylor Farmers Market is open for the season from 3-6 pm, Mondays and Fridays, at the corner of Fifth and Main Streets in downtown Taylor.



On Wednesdays, it will be open at the Taylor HEB store from 3-6 pm. Produce items available include fresh seasonal garden vegetables and fruits.

For more information, contact Larry Beran at 512-694-2220.

Community Events

Movies in the Park



June 13, Frozen

July 11, Little Mermaid

August 8, Despicable Me II

Movies begin at dark

Taylor Regional Park

July 4th Festival



4 pm, Patriotic Parade

Kicks off July 4 activities

Family fun and games

Fireworks at dark!

Murphy Park

Closings

City offices will be closed

Friday, July 4.

*Taylor Public Library will close
Friday and Saturday, July 4 and 5.*

Garbage collection will not be affected.

City Council Meetings

Thursdays, June 12 & 26

Thursdays, July 10 & July 24

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