



A MESSAGE FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Heavy rain drenched the City of Taylor over the weekend of April 6. More than 8 inches of rain fell in a 24-hour period. Though there was some flooding, the City of Taylor held up well.

City staff and Council continue to work to make repairs to streets and drainage in Taylor.

On March 14, Council approved six recommended streets for reconstruction for the 2019 Infrastructure Bond.

HDR Engineering, Inc., Taylor Public Works, and Half Associates were able to identify streets in need of drainage repair in part through communication from citizens and documented flooding conditions. The City completed eight MDUS projects in 2018 and Edmond phase 1 in 2017. These improvements helped tremendously during the recent heavy rain event.

I encourage residents and businesses affected by flooding to continue to submit photos to the City. Photos can be submitted to jim.gray@taylortx.gov or pio@taylortx.gov. Please include the street address of the property. Photos can then be given to drainage engineers for further study. The City uses the photos and video to help prioritize drainage projects and design improvements.

I also would like to thank Taylor Police, Fire Department and Public Works for providing assistance to keep the citizens of Taylor safe during the storms.

JEFFERY JENKINS
Interim City Manager

BOND PROJECTS APPROVED BY COUNCIL

City Council approved a selection of priority projects for the 2019 Infrastructure Bond issuance at its March 14 meeting.

Six streets were recommended for reconstruction:

- Lynn Street (from Lake Drive to Gilmore Street)
- West Lake Drive (from Carlos G. Parker to Old Georgetown)
- Wabash Street (from Beech Street to Main Street)
- Third Street (from Shaw Street to Davis Street)
- Edmond Street phase 2 (from Seventh Street to Cecelia Street)
- Edmond Street phase 3 (Grace Street to McLain Street)

Streets were evaluated based on pavement conditions, site visits,

functional classification and route efficiency. Total for street (TUF) repairs will be \$4,120,000.

Council also approved projects for drainage (MDUS) for Edmond Street phase 2, Edmond Street phase 3, First Avenue/Royal Street/Walnut Street, and McLain Street (contingent project). Total for the project will be \$2,300,000. Projects were selected through citizen feedback, documented flooding conditions, and prioritization by City staff and Half Associates based on severity.

An additional \$490,000 is available through CDBG funding for Third Street reconstruction.

Design phase for the selected projects is set to begin this summer.

Street Reconstruction Priorities

Proj ID	Primary Street	From	To	Func. Class	Adjacent Parcels	Length (mi)	Total Project Cost	District	Priority Score	
1	N LYNN ST	Lake Dr	Gilmore St	Local	27	0.26	\$ 1,570,000	District 4	95.3	
2	W LAKE DR	Carlos G Parker	Old Georgetown	Collector	5	0.15	\$ 988,750	District 3	93.8	
3	WABASH ST	Beech St	Main St	Local	18	0.26	\$ 1,558,750	District 1	90.3	
4	3RD ST	Shaw St	Daws St	Local	17	0.22	\$ 1,576,250	District 2	90.1	
5	EDMOND ST PH2	7th Street	Cecelia St	Local	19	0.12	\$ 1,597,125	District 2	84.0	
6	EDMOND ST PH3	Grace St	McLain St	Local	17	0.17	\$ 1,626,250	District 2	91.0	
TOTAL						103	1.19	\$ 8,917,125		

CDBG Funding Available
Drainage Improvement Project
Public Works Utility Project

BLACKLAND PRAIRIE DAYS SET FOR MAY 4

Mark your calendars, the Main Street Program will hold its annual Blackland Prairie Days festival on Saturday, May 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Taylor's Historic Downtown District.

Come out for live music on two stages, food trucks, artist booths, kids' activities and much more. Live entertainment will feature local and area talent to celebrate our community's diversity. Cultural and heritage music and song will be showcased throughout the day. For more information, follow us on Facebook at Taylor, Texas - Municipal Government or visit taylormadetexas.com.



RESIDENTS ASKED TO KEEP GRASS TRIMMED

The City of Taylor Code Enforcement Division reminds Taylor property owners to continue to keep grass and underbrush trimmed on their property, and also ensure that weeds are pulled.

It is a property owner's responsibility to mow to the back of curb or edge of pavement and to the midpoint of the alley. Grass may not exceed 12 inches in height and underbrush may

not exceed 18 inches in height.

Trees must be trimmed so that the canopy is no closer than seven feet to the natural ground, and no closer than 12 feet above the top of the curb, edge of pavement or edge of alley.

For more information about code compliance call 512-365-3863.

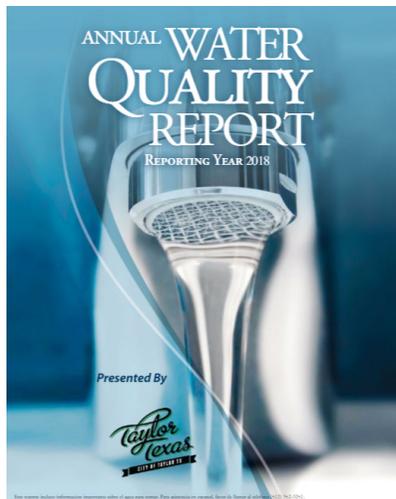


TAYLOR PUBLIC LIBRARY CALENDAR

- May 1** – Storytime – “Ocean”
10:30 a.m.
- May 3** – “May the 4th be with you” photos with Chewbacca and the green screen 4-5 p.m.
- May 4** – Elections in the Meeting Room
- May 6** – Monday Movie – Mean Girls
6 p.m.
- May 8** – Storytime – “Mothers”
10:30 a.m.
- May 11** – Mother’s Day card making
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- May 13** – Monday Movie “The Duff”
6 p.m.
- May 15** – Storytime – “Ships” –
10:30 a.m. (This is the last storytime until September)
- May 18** – Sewing Saturday “Taylor your t-shirt” 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- May 20** – Monday Movie “Teen Beach Movie” 6 p.m.

2018 WATER QUALITY REPORT AVAILABLE

The 2018 Annual Water Quality Report is available to view at www.taylor.tx.gov/417/Water-Quality-Report. The Report is a summary of the quality of water the City of Taylor provides to its customers.



UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

To stay up to date on city events, be sure to follow us on Facebook and Twitter, and check the Community Calendar on the City's website at taylor.tx.gov.

May

- 4 BLACKLAND PRAIRIE DAYS**
MAIN STREET
Downtown Festival from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Arts, crafts, live music, food vendors
- 4 ELECTION DAY**
400 PORTER ST.
Election Day voting for District 1 will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. For more information, visit <http://www.votetexas.gov>.
- 11 YOGA IN THE PARK**
HERITAGE SQUARE AMPHITHEATER
Begins at 9 a.m.
- 25 CITY POOLS OPEN FOR THE WEEKEND**
- 27 MEMORIAL DAY SALUTE & CEREMONY**
LIBERTY GARDENS AT MURPHY PARK
From 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. All are invited.

June

- 15 JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION**
FANNIE ROBINSON PARK
Hosted by Blackshear/O.L. Price Ex-Student Association. Event will begin at noon.
- 22 YOGA IN THE PARK**
HERITAGE SQUARE AMPHITHEATER
Begins at 9 a.m.

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

City offices will be closed on:
MAY 27 (MEMORIAL DAY)

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Thursdays: May 9, 23; June 13, 27
All meetings begin at 6 p.m. and are held at City Hall. Watch meetings live online or taped recordings at www.taylor.tx.gov.



YOGA in the PARK

Grab your Yoga mat and meet us at the park! Free beginner style Yoga will be offered in Heritage Square for all who are interested. The class will be held under the amphitheater in the park. Whether you are a seasoned yogi or a first timer, a good time is guaranteed for all! See you on your mat!

When: Saturday May 11th, June 22nd, July 13th @ 9am
Where: Heritage Square Amphitheatre

