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Mayor Pro Tem
District 1

John McDonald
District 3

Ella Jez
District 4

Rod Hortenstine
At Large

**WHO TO CALL AT
CITY HALL?**

General Information
352-3675

Municipal Court
352-5977

Street Department
352-5818

Water Bills
352-2066

Library
352-3434

More Street Maintenance

Taylor's street maintenance program will continue this year with a projected cost estimate of \$500,000.

The bidding process is underway for improvements to more than eight miles of city streets with the work to begin in late summer. A preliminary list of streets to be resurfaced has been approved by the City Council.

The City of Taylor has been taking a very disciplined approach to improving the streets that are eligible for resurfacing. Since 2000, nearly 60 miles of city streets have been repaired or resurfaced.

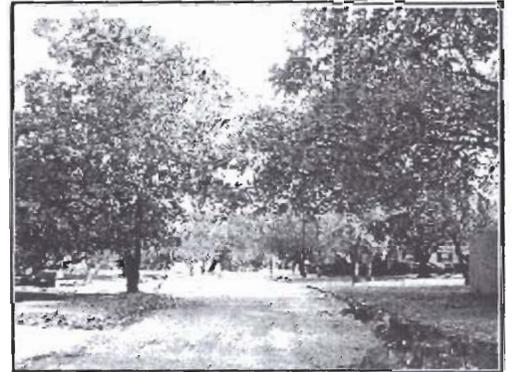
Streets that need a higher degree of repair will be evaluated this summer and a plan will be developed for this next level of maintenance. Proposed funding for the continuation of the ongoing program will be from sales tax revenues beginning next year.

Pay Utility Bills Online

Taylor residents can now pay their utility bill with the click of a "mouse" and make payments online in the convenience of their home or office.

It's a simple process. Visit the City's website at www.ci.taylor.tx.us. The service is listed under Quick Links shown on the left side of the Home Page. Click to register, then click to pay.

Coming soon is online payment for traffic citations from Taylor Municipal Court.



More than eight miles of streets to be repaired.

Council Adopts Strategic Plan for 2007-2008

Following two months of intensive analysis and planning, the City Council has adopted its Strategic Plan for 2007-2008. The Plan is very forward thinking and includes the following Vision Statement.

"Taylor's vision is to be a vibrant and diverse community that provides residents the best lifestyle Texas has to offer."

City leaders envision Taylor as a family-oriented community with an active downtown, lush parks and a large variety of outdoor recreational activities. Taylor will be a complete community offering a wealth of career opportunities, homes for new families as well as executives, and the best, most innovative education system in Texas.

The Mission adopted is to "Serve Residents" through realistic goals for all the functions of the City of Taylor. The Plan will be evaluated and updated annually by the City Council and City staff.



**Swearing in Council Members Jez and Hill
Oath of Office for Unopposed**

Unopposed candidates, Donald R. Hill and Ella Pumphrey Jez, took the official oath of office for another three-year term as City Council members.

Don Hill represents District 1 and has served on the Council for the past 21 years. Ella Jez begins her second term since 2004.

Swim Season Underway

The City pools are open at Murphy and Robinson Parks. Season passes are on sale at the Murphy Park pool and at City Hall and may be carried over to next season. Season passes: \$35 for 20 admissions for ages 12 and over; \$25 for 20 admissions for children ages 4-11; \$60 for 40 admissions for family.

For more pool information, call Murphy Park Pool, 352-3958 or City Hall, 352-3463. Call the YMCA to schedule lessons at 352-9622.

City Calendar of Events for June

- June 5 Zoning Board of Adjustments @ 6 pm
- June 12 Planning & Zoning Commission @ 6 pm
- June 14 City Council @ 6 pm
- June 18 Moody Museum Board @ 5:30 pm
- June 18 Main Street Advisory Board @ 6:30 pm
- June 19 Parks & Recreation Board @ 6 pm
- June 19 Library Board @ 6 pm
- June 26 City Council @ 6 pm
- June 28 Airport Advisory Board @ 6:30 pm

Agendas are posted at City Hall and at www.ci.taylor.tx.us. Call 352-3675 for additional information.

Kid Fish Event - June 9

The City's annual KidFish event will be held at Bull Branch Lake, off Mallard Lane, on June 9 beginning at 9 a.m. until noon. Sign up begins at 8:30 a.m.

The lake will be stocked with 500 pounds of channel catfish for the fishing event for youngsters 16 years of age and under. Kids may bring their own fishing equipment. Loaner rods with bait and tackle will be made available to those who do not bring their own.

KidFish, Inc. is a non-profit outreach program designed to give youngsters 16 and under an opportunity to experience the sport of fishing and the outdoors. There is no charge to participate in the event. Youngsters who solicit \$10 or more for the expansion of the KidFish program may receive awards such as t-shirts, hats and trophies.

For more information, contact Fred Switzer, 352-3463.



Be Alarmed - Smoke Alarms in Every Home

The Taylor Fire Department is participating in a free smoke detector campaign sponsored by the Law office of Wayne Wright of San Antonio.

Wayne Wright and his associates decided to offer smoke alarms for free for anyone in need after losing an associate to a fire, former State Senator Frank Madla. The "Be Alarmed - Smoke Alarms in Every Home" program is partnering with local fire departments to assist in installing each donated alarm.

The Taylor Fire Department is taking requests and scheduling times for installing these smoke detectors at no cost. Call 352-6992 to request a free smoke detector and schedule installation.



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WEBTIPS

**Summer Reading Program
Sail Away With Books**

Go to Departments > Library

Check it out!

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