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District 4

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District 1

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District 2

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District 3

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

Straub Named Interim Assistant City Manager

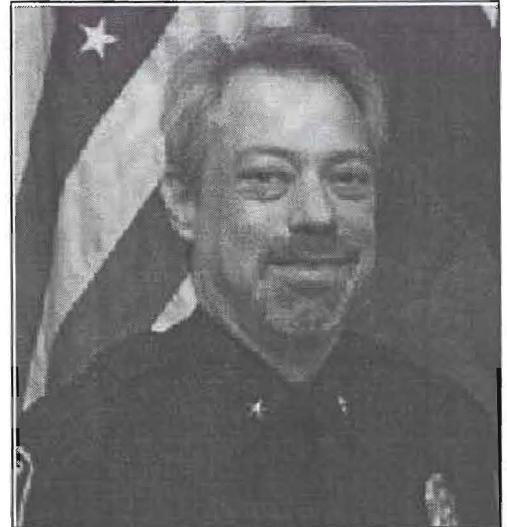
Taylor Police Chief Jeff Straub has been named interim assistant city manager of the City of Taylor. While continuing to oversee the Taylor Police Department and serve as chief, Straub will take on additional responsibilities of overseeing a number of additional city departments. Over the coming months, city staff will work together to leverage resources for maximum results.

In this interim role, Straub's major focus will be to serve as the second in command of the city staff and share some of the management responsibilities. He will continue to report directly to City Manager Jim Dunaway.

Straub has a 28-year career in law enforcement. His management accomplishments include implementing community policing initiatives and state-of-the-art technology. A 1994 graduate of the FBI National Academy, he holds a master's degree in Leadership from the Liberty University of Lynchburg, VA and a Master Certification from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education.

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Interim Assistant City Manager Jeff Straub

City Election May 8

Residents residing in District 4 have an opportunity to vote for a new council representative on May 8. There are two candidates: Chris Osborn and Arthur Moreno. Also on the ballot is a citywide bond proposition to fund \$3,000,000 in tax bonds to build an indoor recreation center.

Early voting for all precincts will be held at City Hall, 400 Porter St., from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, April 26, through Saturday, May 1, and on May 3 and 4 from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

On the May 8 election day everyone will vote at Northside Elementary School, 1004 Dellinger from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

For additional information about city elections, contact Susan Brock, City Clerk, 352-3676.

Citywide Cleanup

April 24

Don't forget the annual citywide cleanup sponsored by Keep Taylor Beautiful and the City of Taylor. Anyone who would like to join the effort and pick up trash in their neighborhood is encouraged to participate. Start time is 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 24. Bags of trash may be delivered to the Chamber of Commerce location at 1519 N. Main Street.

Collection sites for city residents who do major clean up are located at 1424 North Main Street and 1200 Welch Street. For a nominal fee, residents can have their trash and debris unloaded at dumpsters at these locations.

Convenient City Services

Did you know you can have your utility bill emailed to you each month? It's fast and free! You can sign up by contacting the Utility Billing Department at 512-352-2066 or emailing your name, utility account number and email address to toni.bazzle@taylortx.gov.

Also, you can pay your utility bill or municipal court citations online. Visa and Mastercard payments are accepted including credit and debit cards with a \$3 processing fee.

City Calendar of Events for April

April 6	Zoning Board of Adjustments @ 6 pm
April 8	City Council meeting @ 6 pm
April 13	Planning & Zoning Commission @ 6 pm
April 20	Parks & Recreation Board @ 6 pm
April 20	Library Board @ 6 pm
April 21	Main Street Board @ 12 noon
April 22	Airport Advisory Board @ 6:30 pm
April 27	City Council meeting @ 6 pm

Agendas are posted at City Hall and at www.taylortx.gov

Library to Host Gala

The Library Foundation Board will host its third gala event on April 22, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Taylor Public Library Community Room. The theme adopted this year is "Travel the World Through Books."

This is the annual fundraiser for the Library Foundation Board. Tickets are \$25 per person. This year, seven authors will be on hand to talk about their books. Good refreshments, live music and prizes will round out the gala evening.

Cattle Egrets Are Here

Cattle egrets have been spotted around the city. If you don't want them in your neighborhood, please take precautions. The best defense is a good offense. Clear out old nests and thin out foliage to discourage nesting.

Remember these birds are protected under the Federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act and by law, cannot be disturbed once they begin to nest and lay eggs.

AARP Tax assistance available at the Taylor Public Library until April 14.



Saturday, May 1

Arts & Crafts, Live Music All Day, Food and Drinks, Beer Garden, Kid Fest - Free Admission to festival.

Historic Downtown Taylor! Don't Miss It!

Relay For Life

City Employees Adopt "Kiss Away Cancer"

City Employees have raised more than \$1,200 for the annual Relay For Life event this year. Additional fundraising efforts include one last bake sale at the event and a silent auction. All funds will be donated to the American Cancer Society. Join in this wonderful community effort to "Kiss away cancer."

City of Taylor offices will be closed Monday, May 31 for Memorial Day. Garbage services are not affected.

City Calendar of Events for May

May 4	Zoning Board of Adjustments @ 6 pm
May 11	Planning & Zoning Commission @ 6 pm
May 13	City Council meeting @ 6 pm
May 17	Moody Museum Advisory Board @ 5:30 pm
May 18	Parks & Recreation Board @ 6 pm
May 18	Library Board @ 6 pm
May 19	Main Street Advisory Board @ 12 noon
May 25	City Council meeting @ 6 pm
May 27	Airport Advisory Board @ 6:30 pm