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City of Taylor City Council

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Mayor
At Large

John McDonald
Mayor Pro Tem
District 3

Donald R. Hill
District 1

Christopher Gonzales, Sr.
District 2

Chris Osborn
District 4

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

Annexation Underway

The City is initiating annexation proceedings for 51 parcels of land totaling 854 acres located on the northwest boundary of the current city limits. The area has fewer than 60 residents along with 752 acres that are currently exempt from annexation due to existing agricultural development agreements.

Included in this area is the Chandler Road extension that is currently under construction. This roadway will connect University Drive in Round Rock to Highway 95 in Taylor.

The proposed annexation will provide the City of Taylor with zoning and development oversight for the Chandler Road corridor. As a result, property owners in the area will benefit from certain protections for future development.

Following two public hearings the proposed annexation is scheduled to be completed by the end of the year.

High Water Meter Readings

Taylor water customers may be experiencing higher water consumption totals on their bills this month. In some areas of the city, the water meters were read and recorded consumption based on 43 to 47 days, making the totals higher than normal. These readings follow a short meter reading of 22-23 days on the previous billing cycle.

City staff is working to assure regular and predictable meter reading intervals of 28-32 days to prevent recurrence of the issue. For additional information, please contact the Utility Billing Department at 352-2066.



New Assistant Chief of Police Dan Ramsey is sworn in by Assistant City Manager & Chief of Police Jeff Straub on October 4.

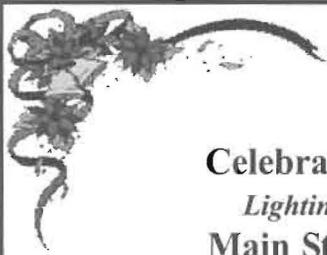
2009 Taylor Violent Crime Rate Lowest in County

When the Texas Department of Public Safety released its Crime in Texas Report for 2009, the City of Taylor recorded the lowest violent crime rate in Williamson County cities.

Ten violent crimes were reported during the year by Taylor compared to 26 in Leander, 29 in Hutto, 52 in Georgetown, 70 in Cedar Park and 128 in Round Rock. Violent crimes include murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault.

In the non-violent category, Taylor recorded 409 compared to 804 in Georgetown, 137 in Hutto, 2,772 in Round Rock, 982 in Cedar Park and 282 in Leander. These include burglary, theft and stolen vehicles.

These low crime rates continue to demonstrate the high quality of life experienced in Taylor.



Happy Holiday Happenings . . .
Shopping, Singing, Christmas Cheer - Downtown Taylor!

Celebrate Third Thursday, Nov. 18

Lighting of Main Street & Heritage Square Christmas Lights, 7 pm

Main Street Christmas, Saturday, Dec. 4

Main Street Christmas Bazaar, City Hall, 10 am - 5 pm

Children's Victorian Christmas Decorations Making, Moody Museum, 4-6 pm

Annual Lighted Christmas Parade with Santa, Main Street, 7 pm

Cross Pointe Church hot chocolate, coffee & cookies in Heritage Square after the parade

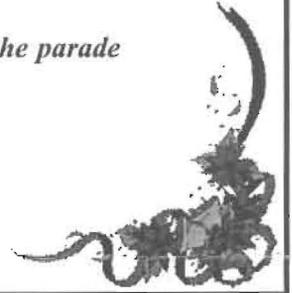
Taylor Artist Guild Show and Ornament Sale, The Main Gallery, 6:30-9 pm

Taylor Conservation & Heritage Society, December 11 & 12

Taylor Historic Homes Christmas Tour beginning at 200 N. Main

Tickets \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors, \$5 children under 12

(12 noon to 6 pm Saturday/ 1:30-5:30 Sunday)



Students Attend Council Meeting

City Manager Jim Dunaway visited with interested students from the Temple College government class and the Taylor area Legacy High School program following the City Council meeting held October 14.

City Councilmen Chris Osborn and Christopher Gonzales joined in responding to questions from the students.



Students Help Plant Seeds

Taylor Middle School Outdoor Recreation classes helped to plant prairie grass seeds around the lake in the Taylor Regional Park.

Coach Larry Safarik used the opportunity to teach the classes about the nature component of the park. Guest Wildlife Biologist Patrick Garnett and Master Naturalist volunteers helped teach the students about the grasses that grow in the Blackland Prairie.

**Taylor Regional Park
& Sports Complex
Attendance for
September - 10,896!**

**City Offices & Library
Closures**

Veterans Day
November 11

Thanksgiving Holidays
November 25 & 26

Christmas Holidays
December 23 at 12 noon
December 24

City Calendar of Events for November

- Nov. 2 Zoning Board of Adjustments @ 6 pm
- Nov. 4 City Council meeting @ 6 pm
- Nov. 9 Planning & Zoning Commission @ 6 pm
- Nov. 11 Holiday - Veterans Day
- Nov. 15 Moody Museum Board @ 5:30 pm
- Nov. 17 Parks & Recreation Board @ 6 pm
- Nov. 16 Library Board @ 6 pm
- Nov. 17 Main Street Advisory Board @ 4 pm
- Nov. 23 City Council meeting @ 6 pm
- Nov. 25 & 26 Thanksgiving Holidays

City Calendar of Events for December

- Dec. 7 Zoning Board of Adjustments @ 6 pm
 - Dec. 9 City Council meeting @ 6 pm
 - Dec. 14 Planning & Zoning Commission @ 6 pm
 - Dec. 15 Main Street Advisory Board @ 4 pm
 - Dec. 21 Library Board @ 6 pm
 - Dec. 22 Parks & Recreation @ 6 pm
 - Dec. 23 & 24 Christmas Holidays
 - Dec. 28 City Council meeting if needed @ 6pm
- Agendas are posted at City Hall and at www.taylor.tx.gov