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## 2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> Stretch & Stability Voigt Center 9:00am 	<b>2</b> NEISD Holiday Battle of Flowers Parade 	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>  HOLLYWOOD PARK EDC 6:00pm - City Hall	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>  Municipal Court	<b>8</b> Stretch & Stability Voigt Center - 9:00am 	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Women's Club Bridge 10:00am - 3:00pm 	<b>14</b> ROCK 'N' OAKS Garden Club Voigt Center 11:00am	<b>15</b> Stretch & Stability Voigt Center - 9:00am 	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Tree Advisory Board Meeting Voigt Center - 6pm	<b>20</b> Women's Club BUNCO Voigt Center - 10am  City Council Mtg City Hall - 6:00pm Ladies' Nighttime BUNCO Voigt Center - 7pm	<b>21</b> NEISD Early Dismissal High School	<b>22</b> NEISD last day NEISD Early Dismissal High School Stretch & Stability Voigt Center - 9:00am 	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> NEISD Holiday  Memorial Day	<b>27</b>  HPCA Board Meeting Voigt Center - 7pm	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> End of School Pool Party! 	<b>31</b>



## CITY COUNCIL

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Mayor

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Place 1

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Place 2

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Place 4

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## Monthly Meetings

All meetings are held at  
Hollywood Park Town Hall unless  
otherwise posted.

**City Council**  
3rd Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.  
Quarterly or as needed

## FAMILY SPOTLIGHT

By Kim Wolf

# Betsy and Jeff Landry

In one of those “it’s a small world” stories, The Landry’s and the Wolf’s have lived behind each other for 16 years, but had no idea how intertwined our lives have been until we sat down to talk the other day. Betsy grew up on Green Meadow Drive and graduated from Robert E. Lee High School (now known as L.E.E. High School) and I grew up one street to the north and graduated from Robert E. Lee High School (although many years earlier). After Betsy and Jeff married, they lived in Parhaven Estates across Hwy. 281 from Hollywood Park on Springhill Drive and when we first married, we lived just two streets east of them on Mount Joy Drive – and did not meet until we both moved into Hollywood Park!

Jeff grew up in Sinton, Texas, and graduated from St. Edwards University in Austin where he played tennis and earned his undergraduate degree in Political Science with a minor in Criminal Justice because he was interested in law school. However, after thinking about a law career, Jeff then went on to earn a Master of Arts in Teaching at Trinity University where he met Betsy.

Betsy earned her undergraduate degree in Biology and a Master of Arts in Teaching from Trinity University. She began her teaching career at L.E.E. High School in 1993, and in 1994 began working to create the International School of the Americas which is a separate high school on the L.E.E. campus. Betsy continues to teach AP Biology, AP Environmental Science, and Anatomy at ISA today.

Her goal in teaching the Anatomy class was to help her students understand how our bodies function so that they could eventually take care of their parents. Her AP Environmental Science class covers the different types of air and water pollution, weather, climate change, ozone depletion, and

how human beings are responsible for and are affected by pollution, climate change, etc., One of her very quiet students told Betsy, “This class is getting to me. Now I’m aware of how long I shower and how many resources I use.” It sounds like he had a very good teacher!

Jeff teaches Economics and coaches Tennis at Harlandale High School where he has been since he first started teaching and coaching. When I asked him why he didn’t teach a little closer to home he said that he really enjoyed the Harlandale community where it is much like working in a small town. Families know each other and multiple generations of families have attended Harlandale. He now teaches the children of many of his original students. His Economics class is more like a personal finance class for his high school students. His tennis team members come to him as beginners, and he currently has 20 students from ninth through twelfth grade. They play tournaments where other players are at the same playing level so instead of tough competition, the tournaments are a continuation of learning how to play the game of tennis. Because San Antonio is still a “small town in a big city”, Jeff often runs into his former students everywhere – on the Riverwalk, out shopping, at NIOSA – everywhere!

Eventually, Betsy and Jeff decided their house on Springhill Drive was not large enough for two adults and three growing daughters and found their current home in Hollywood Park in 2009. They knew The Park was a great place for children and two of their three children were on the swim team from 2010 – 2024, either as swimmers or coaches.

So far, the Landry’s three daughters are still in the central Texas area. Kristin is a preschool assistant teacher, Erin is earning her Master of Arts in Teaching at Trinity University for Middle School Math, and Sarah is a sophomore at Southwestern in Business and Communication.

Betsy was very involved in the girls’ dance programs and was the parent volunteer coordinator of the L.E.E. High School dance team for three years.





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She is a master seamstress and has worked on costuming.

Jeff still plays competitive tennis in several leagues and is going to nationals for the third time April 10. We wish him well as he departs for a suburb of Phoenix for the tournament!

During the pandemic, the family took walks every evening through Hollywood Park and Hill Country Village with the goal of walking every street and they accomplished their goal by walking two to three miles every evening. They truly love the friendliness of their neighbors. Their next-door neighbor brings the Landry's newspaper to their front porch after his early morning Sunday run, and other neighbors have pitched in to help rid both yards of pesky invasive plants.



It is marvelous to live in a small town in the middle of the "big city" of San Antonio where neighbors know each other, help each other, and celebrate each other's accomplishments.



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## Hollywood Park EDC Hotspot



**Hello** from the Hollywood Park Economic Development Corporation (HP EDC)!

We are a 7-member resident board that is appointed by the Hollywood Park City Council to support the economic development of HP and is funded through sales tax revenue. We are starting a column cadence in Sparks to engage with neighbors and businesses.

The HP EDCs mission is to serve as a resource to the businesses of HP to help them engage with the larger community in order to improve and grow their business. Driving more sales tax revenue to HP will allow for the EDC and City Council to make greater improvements in our community. We support businesses big and small from home businesses to large businesses and franchises. No idea/project is too small or large to discuss how we may be of assistance!

For the many reasons that we all love to live in HP, there are just as many reasons to open and maintain a business in HP. As you already know we proudly fund our own police and fire department but HP earned two recent achievements that you might not have heard of:

- 2024 A+ place to live by Niche.com driven by A rankings as a place for families, our great Northeast ISD public schools and also our vibrant nightlife.
- 2024 #1 ranking as the best place to retire in all of Texas by 247wallst.com. A major decision factor in their rankings were the fact that HP is a place to "eat, drink and be merry".

As an EDC we exist to work with businesses to fund development and projects. We can also partner to provide financial assistance that can help businesses make improvements in order to enhance their economic viability.

Items we are looking to build on as a Board –

- Our call to action for HP residents - Use Hollywood Park rather than San Antonio when online shopping & patronize our HP businesses.
- Increase engagement with business and residents through our social media platforms.
- Engage with the community and business to solicit ideas to help grow and support our businesses.
- Build partnerships with HP businesses and residents in collaboration with other great HP organizations like the Hollywood Park Community Association (HPCA).

We would like to hear from you concerning economic development ideas and opportunities that you have. You can reach out to us via email, [edc@hollywoodpark-tx.gov](mailto:edc@hollywoodpark-tx.gov) and please follow us on Facebook, HollywoodParkEDC for more engagement.

# The Town Of Hollywood Park Regular City Council



## MINUTES

Meeting Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at 6:00pm.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Drash called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### II. INVOCATION

Councilmember Gonzalez led the invocation.

### III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Drash led the Pledge of Allegiance

### IV. ROLL CALL

Councilmember Rodriguez, Councilmember Kounse, Mayor Drash, Mayor Pro Tern Randol, and Councilmember Gonzalez were present. Councilmember Pearce had an excused absence.

### V. REPORTS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS/ PRESENTATIONS

**1) Interim Fire Chief Burnside** reported over 65 calls for service of which 29 were EMS calls for service. There were 18 mutual aid calls of which 14 were cancelled prior to arrival. HPFD will be implementing new medical protocols in March. FD personnel have been working on a variety of training classes provided through State grants. Chief Burnside spoke about providing wellness checks on Thursdays, after recommendations from citizens.

**2) Police Chief Prichard** presented awards to Police staff: Officer J. Castillo was presented a 5 year service award. Officer M. Estrada was presented a 10 year service award. Officer D. Wilburn was presented a 10 years service award.

Mayor Drash led a swearing-in ceremony for Officer M. Gomez. The HPPD Annual Report will be presented at the next City Council meeting.

Chief Prichard reported 258 calls for service for the month of January to include 3 arrests. There was a total of 432 citations for the month of January. Chief Prichard spoke about a theft ring in the area that residents should be aware of.

a) Chief Prichard reported the Fiscal Year 2024 Federal Seizure Report.

**3) City Treasurer Fred Timmons** reported the financials as of December 31, 2024.

- a) Fred also provided the City Council with the quarterly investment report for Quarter 1 of Fiscal Year 2024-2025.
- b) Fred introduced Jacob Twomey, Senior Audit Manager, of Armstrong, Vaughan & Associates, P.C. who presented the FY 2023-2024 Hollywood Park Annual Financial Report.

**4) Interim City Secretary Jeannette Huggins** reported January municipal court day had low attendance. There was a total of 166 defendants on the docket and of those 75 defendants appeared. Tree permits increased significantly in the month of January, most likely due to the upcoming moratorium. Jeannette also reported the period to apply for a place on the May 3rd General Election ballot closed Friday at 5:00 p.m. There was a total of four candidate applications received, two applications for Place 1, one application for Place 3, and one application for Place 5. Place 3 and Place 5 council members are unopposed candidates.

**5) City Attorney, Frank Garza,** reported that his office had reviewed the contract for municipal court collections found in the agenda packet. His office has been working with Mayor Drash and being responsive to questions raised pertaining to the matter to be discussed in executive session.

**6) Mayor's monthly report** Mayor Drash introduced Daryl Spillman of RESPEC to present the Town's 2024 Winter MS4 Report. The MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) program is the stormwater system within the Town that is regulated by the EPA through TCEQ.

Mayor Drash reported on code compliance and Voigt Center rentals. He reported 80 code compliance calls for service with 73 of those being officer initiated. Of those calls 24 were resident related and 45 were contractor related. Voigt Center rentals were a little higher this January than last year. Mayor Drash commented about the settlement of the Champagne Campaign, LLC, Bonnie Kay Browning, and Scott S. Treen vs. Town of Hollywood Park, which is related to the short-term rentals in Hollywood Park.

### VI. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

• Randy Tomasini of 103 Meadowbrook Dr. spoke read a letter expressing his objection of the discussion of his property in executive session.

- Mayor Drash announced he would have a statement after Executive Session.

### VII. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Approval of the Minutes of the January 28, 2025, City Council Meeting.
- 2) Acceptance of the Financial Statements as of December 2024.
- 3) Acceptance of the FY 2023-2024 Annual Financial Report.
- 4) Acceptance of the FY 24-25 1st Quarter Investment Report.
  - Councilmember Rodriguez moved to approve/accept the Consent Agenda.
  - Councilmember Randol seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

### VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1). Discuss the concerns raised by Enclave residents at previous city council meetings.
  - a) Citizen Comment - Mark Walker of 133 Antler Circle spoke of RegenTx and their 24/7 operations and issues the business has created for residents in The Enclave and residents have reached out to City Council and EDC for assistance.
  - b) Discussion - Councilmember Gonzalez reported it has come to her attention that some people from The Enclave have been working directly with RegenTX for a resolution. Councilmember Gonzalez reported that they are hoping to have some resolution in the next couple of weeks. If not, we will pursue other avenues. At this point it appears they are willing to consider some solutions. Councilmember Gonzalez asked that any residents in The Enclave report nuisance issues as they are happening or with specific dates and times so that she can report it to RegenTX management. - Mayor Drash reminded citizens in Hollywood Park to report incidents at the time of occurrence rather than hours or days later.
    - Councilmember Rodriguez reported during research of this matter he found that RegenTX does not show to be paying property taxes on their equipment at their 120 Chula Vista Location.
- 2). Discuss and take potential action to approve a 2025 Snack Shack Program.
  - a) Citizen Comments: None







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- b) Discussion: - Mayor Drash advised this item will be tabled until next month.  
- Councilmember Gonzalez asked for comments from citizens. She explained that the Snack Shack program was successful last year, and they would like to do it again this year.
- 3) Discuss and take potential action to allocate Court Technology Funds for the purchase of three (3) new court laptops.
- a) Citizen Comments: None.
- b) Discussion: - Jeannette Huggins presented the item. She advised the current court laptops are over five years old and operate too slow for court operations. Funds for the purchase of these laptops will come from Court Technology funds. Information and pricing for different laptops was presented and compared with a quote from the Town's IT vendor.  
- Councilmember Rodriguez asked if the Texas SmartBuy program had been considered for the purchase of these laptops. - Councilmember Randol moved to approve the purchase of three laptops for Municipal Court proposed by BridgeheadIT and to be paid for by Court Technology Fund.  
- Councilmember Kounse seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- 4) Discuss and take potential action to approve the renewal of a contract with MVBA for collections of delinquent municipal court fines and fees.
- a) Citizen Comment: - Benjamin Trotter of 308 Sterling Browning and an attorney with Perdue Brandon, a collection firm reminded the council he was present in June to present to the City Council why his firm is a more appropriate firm for the Town. He explained he was expecting this matter to go out for RFP and didn't see proper posting. He asked that before renewal of the contract that the council go out for an RFP.
- b) Discussion: - Mayor Drash explained the collection agency

charges a 30% collections fee and they don't receive payment until the Town receives payment. - Jeannette explained the contract needs to be updated to reflect a change made during the previous administration, which changed the number of days, after a warrant is issued, before the collection agency receives cases from Municipal Court from 61 days to 90 days. The Town also wanted to include an expiration period of 3 years rather than keeping the auto renewal clause indicated in the 2012 contract. - Councilmember Randol expressed his support for seeking RFP's before renewing the current contract. - Councilmember Gonzalez also expressed her interest in seeing presentations and knowing all the options for this service.  
- Attorney, Frank Garza, explained there is no legal obligation to seek an RFP, it is at the discretion of the City Council.  
- Councilmember Randol moved not to renew the current contract with MVBA until we seek other proposals through an RFP process. - Councilmember Gonzalez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council recessed into Executive Session at 7:42 p.m.

- 1) Consultation with Attorney pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code regarding unauthorized work in the floodplain within the Town of Hollywood Park.

The City Council reconvened into Open Session at 8:26 p.m.

Mayor Drash read a statement regarding the issues at the Tomasini residence and the floodway.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Drash adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

The minutes of this meeting were approved on March 18th, 2025

**Chester Drash - Mayor**

**Attest: Jeannette Huggins - Interim City Secretary**

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The **HPCA is now collecting our annual (Jan. to Dec.) dues of \$35** per household. As always, you are welcome to donate additional dollars, as the more contributions we receive each year – the more we can do.

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- Family Easter Fun with Egg Hunt
- Hollywood Community Sale
- End of School/Back to School Celebrations
- Family Game Night
- 4th of July Celebration
- Halloween Carnival
- Adult Cocktail Party
- Chili Cook-Off
- Father-Daughter Dance
- Photos with Santa

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# Porcupine HPHS

By Barbara R Schmitz

The appearance of the porcupine (aka pig with spines) is distinctive. It is flat-footed, robust, short-legged and clumsy. The spines or quills are modified hair: hollow, stiff and barbed. Over 30,000 quills are distributed on the animal.

Each quill is barbed at the business end; they are loosely anchored and stick to a predator with the slightest touch. When imbedded in the flesh, the quill tends to work inward. Infection often results if the quill is not removed promptly. Porcupines are found in the New and Old worlds. They are usually found in forests or woods, particularly around rock outcrops, caves, or crevices.

The porcupine is a solitary animal and does not appear to have an extensive range. Unlike its Old World counterpart who cannot climb, the porcupine here is capable of climbing trees. They are strong swimmers for the hollow quills provide buoyancy in the water. They are not hibernators but may shelter in bad weather.



Porcupine's vocal accomplishments include grunts, coughs, moans, whines, sniffs, squeaks, mews, chatter, snorts, and barks. When frightened or hurt they sound like a crying child, and, at other times, for no apparent reason, will shriek with amazing loudness and clarity.

Chisel-like incisors in upper and lower jaws grow continuously at the roots; need constant use to keep them sharp and to prevent them from growing too long. They will gnaw on bones.

When threatened, the porcupine turns its back to the enemy, lowers its head and tries to protect it under a rock, bush, or log. They will also roll into a ball, thereby protecting its vulnerable underbody. They then rapidly swing the bushy tail from side to side. At the same time all of the quills along the back are raised for the animal has excellent control of the muscles which erect the quills. With the quills exposed, they will rumble and clack their teeth. Sometimes, it appears that the porcupine throws its quills but often the quills fall out when the tail is swished violently for they are loosely attached.

If a porcupine is quilled either during the breeding act or during a fight that individual will extract the quills carefully and cleverly. Other wild and domestic animals frequently die because they cannot extract the quills from their mouths or bodies.

The porcupine is a strict vegetarian feeding mostly at dusk and dawn. During the summer, they eat a variety of buds and foliage. In the winter they feed *(continued on page 8)*

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mostly on the inner bark of trees, favoring evergreens. They also have a passion for salty substances and frequently invade camps and cabins to gnaw on everything which bears the slightest trace of sweat.

Because the porcupine feeds on bark, twigs and buds, they sometimes kill valuable trees. By killing an occasional tree, they probably benefit the whole stand by thinning it and allowing more growing space for the remaining trees.

Despite its elaborate defense mechanism, the porcupine still falls prey to fishers, wolverines, wolves, coyotes, lynxes, mountain lions and man. However, the real foe of the porcupine lies in its own person for this rodent is subject to many parasites and mange.

The porcupine breeds in late fall or early winter. About 214 days later a single offspring is born. The baby is well developed; their eyes are open; the hair is long and the quills are present although soft at first. These quills soon harden in 10 days and the baby is ready to defend itself. Porcupines are slow to mature and lives about 8 years in the wild.



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# Whales, Part 1

By Barbara R. Schmitz

Whales are the most specialized mammal in the world – show stoppers!

Whales, dolphins and porpoises are members of the cetacean (whale) family. What's the difference between them?

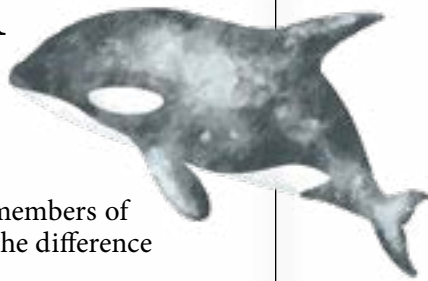
Whales are enormous. There are two families: Baleen and toothed. Baleen whales include blue, humpback, gray, right, fin, Minke, Brydes and Sei.

Toothed include dolphins and porpoises. Those that have a short, rounded snout, spade-like teeth and a rounder body are called porpoises. Dolphins have a pronounced snout, conical-shaped teeth and a streamlined body. However, both are freely interchangeable to the public. Calling them porpoises is best so that they are not confused with the dolphin fish, a cold-blooded fish with gills for breathing.

The killer whale is the largest dolphin and the smallest whale.

Most salt-water dolphins are masters of marine environments including playing in the bow waves of boats. Bottlenose dolphins are those you frequently see at oceanariums.

For a spellbinding event, let me take you on an imaginary whale-watching trip. Their magnificent size and acrobatics



in the water will enthrall you. Remember your binoculars. Get on the boat and go to a selected spot. Start watching. Let's look for some 'blows'. Notice the back of the whale which includes the dorsal fin, color, shape and position, notches on flippers and flukes, color and markings. An expert can identify the species just from the blow and the back. For fun, write down the location, habitat, dive sequence, shape of mouth, breaching, surface behavior, number seen, baleen or toothed, tusks (only on narwhals), way of swimming (undulate, slow or fast), callosities and barnacles.

**Some whale watching language:** Whales poking their heads above the water's surface are spy hopping. A magnificent launching out of the water and falling back with a huge splash is breaching. Others sail (flukes raised at right angles to the wind), log (a group of whales floating motionless facing the same direction), play (jumping, twisting, turning, chasing each other and playing with objects like seaweed), flipper, tail slap or lobtail (exposing and slapping flippers on water).



In Part 2, more about the whale's uniqueness



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## Hollywood Park Police Department CALLS FOR SERVICE

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	JAN '25	FEB '25	MAR '25	APR '25	TOTAL YTD
<b>Calls for Service</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>268</b>			<b>526</b>
<b>Offenses</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>			<b>18</b>
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>			<b>4</b>
<b>TRAFFIC</b>					
<b>Citations</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>156</b>			<b>287</b>
<b>Step</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>286</b>			<b>406</b>
<b>Warnings</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>197</b>			<b>378</b>
<b>Total Citations</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>639</b>			<b>1071</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>3</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>			<b>18</b>
<b>OFFENSE</b>					
<b>Assault</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>Burg. Building</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>4</b>
<b>Burg. Habitation</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>Burg. Vehicle</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>1</b>
<b>Crim. Mischief</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>2</b>
<b>DWI</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>Narcotics</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>6</b>
<b>Theft</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>2</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>			<b>46</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<b>Alarm Business</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>14</b>
<b>Alarm Residential</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>7</b>
<b>Animal Calls</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>			<b>21</b>
<b>Assist Other Agency</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>18</b>
<b>Assist the Public</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>8</b>
<b>City Code Viol.</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>3</b>
<b>Crime Prevention</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>4</b>
<b>Injured/Sick</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>			<b>33</b>
<b>Patrol By</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>136</b>			<b>265</b>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>			<b>71</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>444</b>
<b>FEES COLLECTED</b>					
					<b>TOTAL YTD</b>
<b>Excessive Alarm Fees</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>			<b>\$0</b>
<b>Fingerprints</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>\$110</b>			<b>\$150</b>
<b>Golf Cart Registration</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$150</b>			<b>\$150</b>
<b>Total Fees YTD</b>					<b>\$300</b>



## Hollywood Park Code Enforcement

2 Mecca Drive, Hollywood Park, Texas 78232

**210-792-3360**

It's that time of year when we start to see political signs posted in and around town. The Town of Hollywood Park supports our residents right to display their candidates sign on their property however current State Law and Sec 50-07 of Town Code prohibits signs from being placed in the 10 foot right of way (setback) of the residential and State-owned property. This is compliant with V.T.C.A. Election Code § 259.003.

Here is what our Town Code of Ordinance states regarding the placement of signs in your yard:

**Sec. 50-07 - Residential Zones** - This subsection applies only to property located in a residential zone, in whole or in part.

**A. Yard Sign.** A property owner or occupier of property in a residential zone may place any sign upon their private property as long as:

- the sign is not placed in the 10-foot setback required by City Code,
- does not have a sign face larger than nine (9) square feet), unless otherwise expressly authorized by state law,
- does not have moving parts,
- does not have flashing lights,
- does not have a commercial message.

If a sign is inadvertently placed on the public right-of-way, the City's Code Enforcement Department may move the sign back on to your property and leave an orange notice noting the violation. If the Town receives a complaint about a sign, the Public Works Director or Code Enforcement Officer will inspect the sign to determine the actual right-of-way location, which might be more than 10 feet from the edge of the street or curb. Also, political signs cannot be placed on objects in the right-of-way such as trees, utility poles, and medians.





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Code Enforcement Call Report 2025														
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD	Actual Violations
<b>Calls</b>														Current Month
Officer Initiated	73	50											123	
Resident Initiated	5	2											7	
Other Agent Initiated	2	1											3	
<b>Type of Call</b>														
Resident	24	15											39	
Contractor	45	22											67	
Local Business	11	16											27	
<b>Nature of Call</b>														
Tree care	35	11											46	1
Parking Violation/Trailers	8	8											16	5
Illegal Dumping	0	0											0	0
Signs	3	11											14	11
Building Permit	20	10											30	1
Junk Vehicle	0	0											0	0
Damaged Fence	0	0											0	0
Tall Grass	0	0											0	0
Low Limbs	0	0											0	0
Brush/Solid Waste	6	4											10	4
Vegetation Overgrown	0	0											0	0
Health and Safety	2	0											2	0
Drainage/Sandpits	1	4											5	1
Miscellaneous	5	10											15	10
<b>Case Status</b>														
Closed	80	56											136	
Pending	0	2											2	
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>33</b>

Voigt Center Rental Log 2025														
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD	
<b>Type of Event</b>														
Resident	7	5											12	
Non Resident	1	3											4	
Corporate	0	3											3	
Community	17	16											33	
Non Profit	5	5											10	
<b>Time of Week</b>														
Weekday	16	21											37	
Weekend	14	11											25	
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62</b>	

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**SPARKS** By Angie Huntington and  
Mary Louise Johnson



Here in south Texas, we all know that we just don't get enough of "sweet April showers" if any at all. So the word for the day is mulch; mulch, mulch, mulch all our landscape beds in May. Besides looking great in your landscape; we know that mulch suppresses weeds, supports good soil health and conserves our precious water. It freshens up our yards, provides curb appeal and the wow factor. May is also a great time to plant heat-loving vegetables like peppers, okra, eggplant, and sweet potatoes. You can also plant summer veggies like squash, beans, cucumbers and melons. Consider planting herbs like cilantro, chives, dill, mint, parsley, and sage.

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## ROCK N' OAKS GARDEN CLUB



### SAVE THE DATE

**Wednesday, May 14 at 11am**

the Rock 'n Oaks Garden Club will be having  
our Installation Luncheon at the Voigt Center.  
Please join us as we usher in the new officers.  
It's a potluck feast as we visit with our neighbors.

Plan on joining the group.

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**6:30 pm:**  
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Student Bible Study & Activities  
Preschool & Children Bible Study & Ac-

### Thursdays

**10:30 am:**  
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See our full calendar @ [www.parkhills.org/calendar](http://www.parkhills.org/calendar)





## Teen Services DIRECTORY

If you have a teen/child that would like to be added to service listing in the Sparks please complete form online at [www.hpcatx.com](http://www.hpcatx.com).

Name	Age	Contact	Services Provided	Contact <a href="mailto:sparks@hpcatx.com">sparks@hpcatx.com</a> if you need form emailed.
Jacob Bentley	16	210-427-5995	Pet Care, Yard Work, Water plants, House Sitter, Odd Jobs, Collection of Mail, Trash Cans, CPR/First Aid & Lifeguard	
Luca Buxton	13	210-861-6597	Dog Walking, Mail Collection, Trash Bins, Yard Work	
Stella Buxton	11	210-861-6597	Pet sitting / walking, Mail, Trash Bins, Water Plants, Odd Jobs, Weeding / Yard Work, Home Organization, Cleaning	
Kyle Forseth	18	210-643-3107	Pet Care, House Sitter, Yard Work, Water Plants, Mail, Trash Cans, Odd Jobs, Detailing Cars, Power Wash, Walk Dogs	
Ezra Funk	14	480-789-0806	Pet Care, House Sitter, Yard Work, Water Plants, Collection of Mail, Trash Can	
Ruby Funk	16	480-789-2601	Babysitting, CPR Certified, Pet Care, House Sitter, Water Plants, Collection of Mail, Home Organization	
Lachlan Gibbins	13	210-501-6063	Pet Care, House Sitter, Yard Work, Water Plants, Collection of Mail, Trash Can, Odd Jobs	
Cooper Gray	14	210-710-8089	Pet Care, Yard Work, Water Plants, Collection of Mail, Trash Can, Odd Jobs, Walk Dog, Math Tutor	
Lily Harrell	17	210-748-8786	Pet Care, Water Plants, Collection of Mail, House Sitter, Dog Washing, Dog Walking	
Taylor Holt	13	713-828-9503	Pet Care (rescue dog certified), Water Plants, Collection of Mail, Trash Can, Odd Jobs	
Tucker Holt	15	713-828-9503	Yard Work, Water Plants, Collection of Mail, Trash Can, Odd Jobs, Digging, Cutting Firewood	
Piper Kounse	14	210-997-8550	Babysitting, House Sitter, Collection of Mail	
Luke Mandl	15	972-746-5506	Yard Work, Water Plants, Collect Mail, Take out Trash	
Alejandro Pacheco	16	210-219-8208	Babysitting, CPR Cert., Pet Care, House Sitter, Yard Work, Plants, Mail, Trash Can, Odd Jobs, Power Washing	
Isabella Pacheco	15	210-552-6248	Babysitting, Pet Care, House Sitter, Water Plants, Collection of Mail, Trash Can, Tutoring	
Micah Purinton	15	210-313-9527	Pet care, Dog Sitting & Walking, Yard Work, Water Plants, Collect Mail, Trash Cans, Mow Lawns, Power Wash, Off Jobs	
Creighton Ramsey	14	646-701-2225	Dog sitting and walking, yard work, water plants, collect mail, trash cans, odd jobs	
Joaquin Robledo	16	210-289-2055	Dog Sitting and Walking, Mail collection, Trash Cans, Yard Work, Mowing Lawns	
Lorena Robledo	17	210-380-7699	Dog sitting and walking, Mail collection	
Caroline Sobieszczyk	15	210-850-4466	Babysitting, Pet Care, House Sitter, Dog Walker Weekends and Holidays only	
Halina Sobieszczyk	16	210-243-5537	Babysitting, CPR / First Aid and Lifeguard Certified	
Bella Troutwine	15	210-995-6441	Babysitting, Pet Care, House Sitter, Water Plants, Collection of Mail, Trash Cans, Odd Jobs, Custom Cupcake Orders	

**HOLLYWOOD PARK**

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## Hollywood Park Club Membership Form

### I WOULD LIKE TO JOIN:

- **Woman's Club**, dues \$10.00 and a copy of directory.  
Send form and payment to: Cathy Meyer, 128 Navato Blvd, San Antonio, Texas 78232
- **Rock 'N Oaks Garden Club**, dues \$15.00. Send form and payment to: Polly Hansen, 220 Robledo Verde, San Antonio, TX 78232
- **Hollywood Park Humane Society**, dues \$25.00/family.  
Send form and payment to: Debbie Trueman, 228 Fleetwood Dr., San Antonio, Texas 78232

**Please make checks payable to the specific Club/Society you wish to join!**

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## Ribbon Cutting at Memorial Park

*By Kim Wolf*

It was a beautiful afternoon on Saturday, March 29, when neighbors showed up to celebrate the ribbon cutting for the Founding Volunteer Firefighters Memorial at Memorial Park. Two of the founding volunteer firefighters were present for the celebration as well as the families of many others.

The 37 firefighters who worked voluntarily between 1958 and 1973 have their names engraved on brick pavers. Robert B. Oakes, who died in the line of duty, has a bench bearing his name, and a sign explaining the history of the Hollywood Park Fire Department is installed on the east side of the bench.



City Council left to right: Jim Rodriguez, Place 1; Dale Randol, Place 3; Wendy Gonzalez, Place 4, Mayor Drash, Glenna Pearce, Place 5 (also member of the committee)

Volunteer Firefighter Memorial Committee: Alverne Halloran, Shannon Sims, Holly McBrayer,

Debbie Johnson – Architect

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Barry Schklar





**HPCA Website:**  
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## HPCA, HOAs, and Club Contact Numbers

### HPCA Board Members:

**HPCA President**..... Casey Watts, cw@mypromoking.com  
**Vice President 1**..... Tonette Cortez, Tonettehpc@gmail.com  
**Vice President 2**..... *Vacant*  
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 Enclave HOA: Veronica Tyler – 210-732-0000  
 Woman's Club: Gwenda Taggart – 210-324-3432  
 Garden Club: Polly Hansen – 210-387-7606, pbhansen@runbox.com  
 Bridge Club: Linda Jennings, lindajennings@gmail.com  
 HP Humane Society: Tonya Cummings – 210-860-6555  
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### Send your Announcements, School, Youth, and Club News and Articles to:

**Sparks Editor: Kim Wolf, hpcommunityassoc@gmail.com**

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 Email the editors at sparks@hpcatx.com with the information.

**Only typed submissions will be considered.** Please include the full names of the couple or individual and the date of the event.  
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Be sure to say the ad is for the Hollywood Park Sparks.  
 Deadline for advertising is the 8th of the preceding month.

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## Hollywood Park Contact Info

City Hall – 210-494-2023

Public Works & Code Compliance – 210-494-2023 ext. 238 (City Hall)

Police – 911 for Emergencies

Police-Dispatch – 210-335-6000 (*Say you are in Hollywood Park*)

Police Admin – Mon-Fri 8am-5pm – 210-494-3575 ext. 235

Mayor Chester Drash – 210-494-2023 ext. 225 (City Hall)  
 cdrash@hollywoodpark-tx.gov

Council Place 1, James Rodriguez – imrodriguez@hollywoodpark-tx.gov

Council Place 2, Todd Kounse – tkounse@hollywoodpark-tx.gov

Council Place 3, Dale Randol – drandol@hollywoodpark-tx.gov

Council Place 4, Wendy Gonzalez – wgonzalez@hollywoodpark-tx.gov

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