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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor & City Council

FROM: Luke B. Olson, City Manager

SUBJECT: Weekly FYI

DATE: May 2, 2025

Fred Mitchell Services, husband of Commissioner Pct. 3, Bobbie J. Mitchell

Visitation is set for 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, May 2, at Westside Baptist Church, 900 Bellaire Blvd., Lewisville.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 3, at Westside Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Old Hall Cemetery in Lewisville.

Legislative Update

Participated in a TML webinar call reviewing the current status of all bills affecting cities. TML staff went through which ones were moving quickly through the legislature and which ones were not moving quickly. Below is some of the bills discussed.

The following legislation is pending in the House or Senate:

Governor's Priorities

- **S.B. 4:** Increasing the homestead exemption to \$140,000 (Passed Senate, pending in House).
- **S.B. 7:** Increasing investments in Texas water supply (Passed Senate, pending in House).
- **S.B. 8:** Requiring local law enforcement to assist federal deportation efforts (Passed Senate, pending in House).
- **S.B. 15:** Removing barriers to affordable housing (Passed Senate, pending in House).

Community Advocacy

- **H.B. 755:** More transparency before hiring a community advocate (Pending in House State Affairs).

Property Taxes

- **H.B. 5446:** Tax increase ballot language (Reported from House Ways and Means, pending further action).
- **S.B. 2522:** Removes city subdivision authority in ETJ (Pending in Senate Local Government).

Land Use

- **S.B. 673:** Allows accessory dwelling units (ADUs) by right (Pending in House LRM).
- **S.B. 840:** Mixed-use and multifamily developments (Pending in House LRM).
- **H.B. 3172:** Mixed-use developments on religious-owned land (Pending in House LRM).
- **S.B. 2522:** ETJ subdivision authority removal (Pending in Senate Local Government).

Utilities

- **H.B. 4272:** Telecommunications line relocation costs (Pending in House Subcommittee on Telecom).
- **H.B. 1227:** Solid waste franchise fee cap (Pending in House LRM).

Super Preemption

- **H.B. 5042:** Adds Health and Safety Code to preemption list (Pending in House State Affairs).
- **H.B. 5203:** Adds Election and Penal Codes to preemption list (Pending in House State Affairs).

Public Safety

- **S.B. 241:** Cities must enforce public camping bans (Pending in House State Affairs).

Agenda Items

Staff working on agenda items for the May 8 meeting.

Kids n' Cops

This was an outstanding event that was very well attended. I did receive a couple of phone calls from residents thanking the city for putting this on. One resident even stated this was the best one yet for Kids n' Cops. I want to thank all the Police Department for putting this amazing event on. Belinda and Lt. Hall were the ones behind the scenes making sure everything was well planned for.

Road Project

Mayor Nolan and I attended the North Shady Shores project meeting this week (Swisher to the North Bridge Project). The Federal funding part of the project looks to be moving quickly now with bidding beginning in September (pending LCMUA relocation timeline.) This will be for the bridges that span across the Army Corps of Engineer's property.

The Shady Shores (Swisher to Main) and Hundley Engineering project is progressing as planned. Roadway engineering is nearing completion, marking a significant milestone in the project timeline. Concurrently, the water and sewer line components are currently in the design phase and are scheduled to be included in the same bid package as the roadway improvements. In preparation for this phase, it will be necessary to finalize an interlocal agreement with the Lake Cities Municipal Utility Authority (LCMUA) to address the water and sewer infrastructure portion of the project.

Library

- May 1: Sip Society
- May 3: Adult Computer classes | Mother's Day Craft
- May 6: New kids art classes start (every other Tuesday)
- May 8: Teen volunteer meeting
- May 13: Teen game night, sponsored by Friends
- May 17: Guitar lessons
- May 22: Be Well, Live Well starts (5-week program for 50+, AgriLife)
- May 24: Summer reading program sign-ups start
- May 27: Joyful Hooves (read to miniature horses)
- May 29: Movie matinees start (every Thursday at 3 this summer)

- May 31: Summer Reading Kick Off event with exotic animals/arts & crafts

Police

Currently we have 4 applicants in background review.

The staff is currently reworking some areas in the Police Department to make it more officer friendly as far as training and office space. Also some minor upgrades.

Putting together policies and procedures.

Chief Alvarado had a whole department staff meeting this week and it went well.

Chief Alvarado has also had meetings with neighboring jurisdictions and met with the District Attorney Office.

Permitting, Code Compliance & Willow Grove Camping & Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful

PERMITS –

- Processed 17 Permits.
- Processed 5 contractor renewals.
- Processed 11 Willow Grove Park passes.
- Processed 3 Open Records Requests.

CODE CASES –

- Currently working 5 cases.
- No Citations were issued.
- No Stop Work Orders were issued.
- 2 Complaints (Report a Concern) were received.

WILLOW GROVE PARK –

- Occupancy - (Friday, Saturday) RV = 93.3% and Primitive = 23.3%.
- Lake Level – Currently 522.94 up 2.15ft from last week at 520.79. (full pool = 522 ft)
- Boat Ramp, Courtesy Dock and Fishing Pier – Open for business.
- Pavilion – Not rented.

KEEP LAKE DALLAS BEAUTIFUL –

- Bags to Benches Program - Staff dropped off 99.15 pounds of plastic bags. Only 338 pounds more to go before 10/7/25 to earn our sixth bench!
- Adopt a Spot - Cub Scouts Pack 60 completed a cleanup of Willow Grove Park on Saturday, 4/25. The team picked up several bags of trash including 68 Bottlecaps. #bottlecapchallenge

