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THANK YOU, DEPUTY MAYOR PRO TEM FREEMAN!

Hello, citizens of Oak Point!

I want to thank you for your support over the past 2 years that I have served on your City Council.

We have accomplished so much during this time. My term has come to an end and I have decided to not run for City Council again at this time. I will probably regret not running again in the months to come, however, I need time to concentrate on family.

When I was elected in 2018, the City was experiencing turnover with the City Staff, which was a difficult time, but we ended up hiring a great new City Manager as well as other Staff and we are running better than ever before. I am proud of what we have accomplished in the last few years. Here are a few of the most memorable moments. We added another School Resource Officer along with other officers to our DPS Staff. We added more firefighters to the department which greatly increases their safety on calls. We added a top of the line fire truck to their fleet as well. We were successful in adding more workers to our Public Works team. Currently a nice concrete walking trail is under construction at Jake's Place Park. We installed a new boat dock at the launch area which is owned by the City. We were successful in lowering our City tax rate. Retail became a reality with 7 Eleven opening in December. This will generate good tax revenue for our City. CVS is breaking ground across the street from the 7 Eleven as well. Other notable moments include denying more PID's and MUD's that developers want in order to pay to develop neighborhoods and place the burden of paying for infrastructure on the home owners for many years. The events that Oak Point organizes for holidays have been outstanding and I was glad to participate in them.

I have enjoyed working with City Staff as well as my fellow City Council Members, and if asked if I would do it again, yes, I would. It has been a fulfilling experience. I encourage everyone to get involved if you would like to be a part of the decision process and see ideas come to life. There are Boards and Commissions that meet monthly and it is a great way to get involved in the community. I wish everyone a great, safe, and fun summer.

Thank you Oak Point!



Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
Tim Freeman

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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT



Stephen Ashley
City Manager

ANNUAL AUDIT UPDATE:

At the April 2020 City Council Meeting the City's auditors provided the City with an opinion that the financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole. The City's auditors noted that the City of Oak Point has a healthy unrestricted fund balance. Audit reports and all financials can be viewed on the City's website at www.oakpointtexas.com under Finance/Annual Financial Reports.

ANNUAL BUDGET UPDATE:

Fiscal year 2021 is quickly approaching, which means it is time to begin the City's budgeting process. While City Staff has already begun developing a budget calendar, in June the City Council will hold a workshop where they will establish budget priorities for the coming fiscal year. City Staff will develop a budget around those priorities and recommend a tax rate sufficient to fund the proposed budget. History has shown that the City of Oak Point has traditionally budgeted conservatively, which I believe to be a very good best management practice.

CIP UPDATE:

The City Council awarded a contract to Reliable Paving for the reconstruction of Lakeshore Boulevard from Yacht Club Road to Max Bowden Road and Martingale Trail between Lakeshore Road and Yacht Club Road. The project includes approximately 26,000 square yards of asphalt, 1,000 linear feet of reinforced concrete pipe driveway culverts ranging in size from 12 inch to 30 inch in diameter, 600 linear feet of corrugated metal pipe driveway culverts ranging in size from 12 inch to 18 inch in diameter, ditch grading, and a 700 square yard concrete cul-de-sac. Together, Mustang SUD will place 8,400 feet of new 8 inch water line along Lakeshore Boulevard. This new water main will feature additional valves and fire hydrants. The additional valves will allow water operators the ability to shutoff water flow in isolated areas when maintenance is required, something that was previously not possible and resulted in wide-spread water outages. The Notice to Proceed was issued on June 01, 2020 with an estimated completion date of March 12, 2021.

The City Council meets the third Monday of each month, I hope to see you in attendance.

KIDS EAT FREE PROGRAM



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The Kids Eat Free Summer Lunch Program will offer lunches and weekend bags in a drive-thru distribution on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Oak Point Elementary from Noon to 1pm. Available to all kids 18 and under.

LITTLE ELM AREA FOOD BANK

Are you aware that the City of Oak Point has a drop off box at the entrance of City Hall for the Little Elm Food Bank? Food donations can be dropped off at any time. Donations can also be dropped off at the Little Elm Food Bank and a Food Bank volunteer will gladly come out to your car to pick up your donation. The address for the Little Elm Food Bank is 501 Bill Street, Little Elm, Texas.

The Little Elm Food Bank services families in need for all of the Oak Point/Little Elm area. Due to the recent events in our country, there is a great demand on the food bank's inventory. The biggest needs right now are for boxed cereal, ramen noodles, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, pancake mix and pancake syrup. All food donations are appreciated. If you and your family (or a neighbor in the Oak Point/Little Elm area) are in need of food assistance, please take advantage of the Food Bank. They are there to help you.

Food Bank Hours are:

Monday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Thursday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Phone number: (972) 294-4461

Visit the Little Elm Area Food Bank's website at <https://www.leafb.org> for further information on ways to help.

Thank you, Oak Point, for your assistance during this crisis!



EMPLOYEE NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT, LT HOWARD!!



Brian Howard retired and said farewell to Oak Point on Friday, April 10th to pursue other endeavors. Brian came to Oak Point in June 1998 and served the City of Oak Point well for almost 22 years. His dedication to the City is very appreciated. Due to Covid-19, we were not able to honor Brian with a public reception. We wish Brian the best as he pursues new opportunities!

Brian, Oak Point will miss you!

I love a parade!



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing requirements, the City has decided to forego our annual Freedom Fest gathering and have a Freedom Fest parade instead on the morning of Saturday, June 27th. For further information on the parade, and for a parade application, please visit the City's website under Oak Point News at the bottom of the Homepage or contact Jennifer Henry at 972-294-2312 ext 106.



Oak Point United Against Suicide

National Text — 741741 National Suicide Hotline— 800-273-8255 Suicide & Crisis Center of North Texas— 214-828-1000
Dallas Metrocare Services— 866-260-8000 * Includes Ellis, Hunt, Kaufmann, & Rockwall counties

For all of us, what is familiar and routine has been put on hold. Sometime “later” we will get back to “normal” or to a “new normal” we are told.

We have economic stress, decreased access to community and religious support, and we are lonesome and fearful because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Though life is changing, this all will eventually be resolved. Possibly by a vaccine or new medication and we will go forward to the “new normal”.

The things we are used to, like face to face doctor visits, meetings with counselors, caregivers, and church services might remain as a virtual meeting on our phones and laptops, etc. The “new norm”.

During this period, we will mostly have realized a simpler lifestyle; not so hurried and crowded. And for some, more family togetherness.

We might not have brick and mortar buildings to go to presently, but suicide prevention is taking place by phone, text, and online. Counselors and doctors, though not physically with us, are there 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to give us help and support. The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-TALK is open 24/7.

When we are able to get back to community gatherings and meetings in Oak Point, the LOSS team coordinator, Lori Common, will be holding support meetings in our community room for the “touched by suicide” group. These meetings started in 2019 and will continue this year. The meetings are on the 4th Wednesday, normally around 7 p.m. This is to provide support for all who are struggling with the loss of someone dear due to suicide. Before the open meetings can start back up, anyone needing help can reach Lori at 940-205-6706 or go online to www.dentonmhmr.org or loric@dentonmhmr.org.

OPUAS will reschedule the meeting “Community Mental Health Resources” that was postponed due to the pandemic. A new date will be set and announced as soon as possible. This meeting will be hosted by Lori Common and Phyllis Finley, MHFA (Mental Health First Aid) coordinator who can be reached at 940-565-5295. The meeting is open to Oak Point residents or anyone who is interested. Until then, check on your neighbors, friends, and family. Say hello and see how they are doing. Be a friend!

Joel Olson

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

The City of Oak Point is currently accepting applications from residents interested in serving on City boards and commissions. All terms are for two years. Board and commission members are expected to regularly attend meetings. The following boards and commissions have several expired or vacated terms. While current members are encouraged to continue to serve, the City also encourages all citizens to apply for positions.

Board of Adjustment

- Composed of five (5) Oak Point residents
- Three (3) expired terms.
- Meets on an as needed and infrequent basis generally on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m.
- Responsibilities include acting upon requests for variances from the terms of the Zoning Ordinance and appeals that allege errors in an order, requirement, decision or determination made by an administrative official in the enforcement of an ordinance.

Economic Development Corporation (EDC)

- Composed of seven (7) directors who are either an Oak Point resident, a resident of Denton County, or reside within 10 miles of the City's boundaries in a county bordering Denton County.
- Two (2) expired Director terms, One (1) expired Council Liaison term and One (1) expired Alternate term
- EDC meetings are generally held at 6:15 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.
- Responsibilities include identifying and implementing strategies to attract new businesses, industries and jobs to the City and to promote economic development in the City. EDC members also serve on the Board of Directors of the Oak Point Municipal Development District.

Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC)

- Composed of five (5) Oak Point residents
- Three (3) expired terms.
- Meets on an as needed and infrequent basis generally on the second Monday of each month at 6:15 p.m.
- Responsibilities include making recommendations to the City Council regarding park expenditures subject to the availability of funds, evaluating the development of parks and recreation areas for Oak Point residents, and maintaining rules, regulations and policies governing the use of park and recreational facilities.

Planning & Zoning Commission (P&Z)

- Composed of seven (7) Oak Point residents.
- Four (4) expired terms.
- Meets on an as needed basis on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.
- Responsibilities of the Planning & Zoning Commission, which serves as a recommending body to the City Council, include holding public hearings regarding zoning requests; making recommendations on new or modified zoning regulations; maintaining the Comprehensive Plan; and acting on plats and site plans.

Applications will be accepted through Friday, July 3, 2020. Positions on the various boards and commissions are appointed by the City Council. The City Council is scheduled to make their appointments at their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, July 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Oak Point City Hall located at 100 Naylor Road. If you have questions regarding this information, you may contact Joni Vaughn, City Secretary, at (972) 294-2312 or via e-mail at jvaughn@oakpointtexas.com.



City of Oak Point Board and Commission Candidate Application

Personal Information

Home Address: _____ City: _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Length of Residence in Oak Point: _____

Professional Information

Business Name: _____ Profession: _____
Work Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Work Phone: _____

Please list the boards and commissions Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Commission, Economic Development Corporation (EDC), Board of Adjustment (BoA), and/or Parks & Recreation Commission (PARC) on which you are interested in serving. List/rank the boards and commissions in order of most interested to least interested in serving.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Please list previous board, commission, civic or community, volunteer, or work experience that may benefit the City. (If additional space is required, an additional list or a resume may be attached.)

Organization

Location

Years

Why do you feel that this experience will benefit the City of Oak Point?

List any business or personal relationships with the City that might create a conflict of interest or impact your ability to serve.

Statement of Intent

I am aware of the requirements of the City regarding conflicts of interest of appointees to the City of Oak Point Boards and Commissions. I am aware of meeting dates and times of the board and/or commission for which I have applied and that board and commission members are expected to attend regularly scheduled meetings. If appointed, I agree to serve on the board and/or commission for which I have applied. Applications will remain on file for one year from date of receipt. I affirm that the above information is true and correct.

Signature

Date

In compliance with Chapter 552, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, (Open Records Law) information provided on this application may be available to the public upon request.

MOSQUITO DUNKS AVAILABLE

In an effort to further enhance efforts to mitigate against the West Nile Virus, the City of Oak Point is again making floating sustained release larvicide (also referred to as mosquito dunks and Bti briquettes) available to its residents. Mosquito dunks have been used by professionals for more than a decade for mosquito control by killing mosquito larvae before the larvae mature into biting adults. Oak Point residents wishing to obtain **up to two (2) mosquito dunks per household** are asked to bring their driver's license, a current utility bill, or other proof of residence to City Hall at 100 Naylor Road. City Hall's hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The dunks will be available while supplies last or until further notice.

CLOSE PATROL/VACATION WATCH

For an added sense of security, Oak Point residents that are out of town or on vacation for longer than 24 hours are encouraged to utilize the Oak Point Department of Public Safety's CLOSE Patrol / Vacation Watch Program. Oak Point Department of Public Safety (DPS) officers will periodically check your property during your absence to ensure that your residence is secure. If anything is found out of the ordinary during these checks, officers will contact the person you list as an emergency contact. To request this service, residents can complete the electronic form found in the sidebar of the Fire/Police/EMS page under the City Services tab on the City's website at www.oakpointtexas.com. Alternatively, residents may complete a CLOSE Patrol / Vacation Watch request form by visiting City Hall at 100 Naylor Road.

All CLOSE patrol/vacation watch requests must be submitted at least 24 hours in advance and the frequency of these checks is dependent on the call load of the officers on any given day. Residents that plan to be away from home for an extended period of time may also want to request that the United States Postal Service (USPS) temporarily hold their mail. The USPS also offers an online tool to suspend mail service while you are out of town. For more information, please visit the USPS website at <https://holdmail.usps.com/holdmail>.

CULVERTS AND BAR DITCHES

Culverts are important in protecting and preserving road beds, ditches, banks, pathways and embankments by collecting and channeling excess water. Strategically placed culverts help alleviate flooding, reduce erosion and helps distribute run off water to larger filtering areas. Culverts, therefore, have an important role to play and require regular maintenance to ensure they are working efficiently.

Section 3.09.005 of the Code of Ordinances requires that the owner or occupant of the property on which the culvert or drainage ditch is constructed shall keep the culvert free from silt, trash, vegetation over 12 inches tall or other debris so as to allow for the proper flow of water through the culvert. The owner or occupant shall maintain the culvert or drainage ditch at the capacity, depth, width and length at which it was constructed. Ordinances can be located on the City's website under Code of Ordinances.

Maintenance would include: Removing all sediment, debris and vegetation that would impede the flow. Repairing pipe crushed ends/dents that affect more than 25% of the flow and repairing cracks in the headwalls. This maintenance would also include the ditch along your entire property; just not your culvert pipe. Replacement of damaged culvert/driveways would require a permit.

If you have any question regarding culverts/driveways, please contact Martin Almaraz, Public Works Superintendent at 972-294-2312. ext. 112

GRASS CLIPPINGS

Now that mowing season has arrived, let's remember that blowing grass clippings into the street is not an acceptable practice. Not only is it a safety hazard for motorcycles, but it is actually prohibited from being discharged into the stormwater systems. Let's keep Oak Point beautiful, tidy, and safe this Summer!

Oak Point Municipal Code Sec. 13.03.006 (b)(11) Prohibited discharges to stormwater system

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Respond early **online** starting March 12, at 2020census.gov.



BY PHONE

Respond early **by phone** starting March 12. Phone lines will be open 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. everyday.



BY MAIL

A **paper form** may be mailed to you starting April 8.

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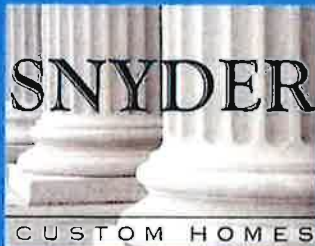


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HOLIDAYS AND CALENDAR

In recognition of the following holidays, City offices will be closed on:



Friday, July 3
Independence Day
and
Monday, Sept 7
Labor Day



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Upcoming City Council Meetings

Mon, June 15 at 6:00 pm	City Council
Mon, July 20 at 6:00 pm	City Council
Mon, Aug 17 at 6:00 pm	City Council
Mon, Sept 21 at 6:00 pm	City Council

Tentative Meetings for Other Boards and Commissions

Tues, July 7 at 6:00 pm	Planning & Zoning Commission
Mon, July 13 at 6:00 pm	PARC
Tues, July 14 at 6:15 pm	Economic Development Corp
Tues, Aug 3 at 6:00 pm	Planning & Zoning Commission
Mon, Aug 10 at 6:00 pm	PARC
Tues, Aug 11 at 6:15 pm	Economic Development Corp
Tues, Sep 1 at 6:00 pm	Planning & Zoning Commission

CITY OF OAK POINT CONTACT NUMBERS

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Emergency 911	Website: www.oakpointtexas.com