

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 14, 2018

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Taking Care of Business – September 11, 2018**

Update Items

[Encampment Resolution Schedule - September 11, 2018 and September 18, 2018](#)

The Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) has scheduled the following sites for homeless encampment resolution on Tuesday, September 11 and 18, 2018:

September 11, 2018 – Complete as of 4:00 pm	September 18, 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Harwood St at South Blvd (District 7)• Al Lipscomb Way at I-45 Interstate (District 7)• Julius Schepps Freeway at S. Lamar (District 7)• 2300 Coombs St (District 7)• I-20 Interstate at Bonnie View Rd (District 8)• I-20 Interstate at Lancaster Rd (District 8)• 175 Highway at Lake June (District 7)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2388 S. Cesar Chavez (District 2)• 1200 S. St. Paul (District 2)• 1100 S. Ervay St (District 2)• 2929 Hickory (District 2)• 2612 Commerce St (District 14)• 2500 Main St. (District 14)• 2500 Elm St. (District 14)• 2300 Pacific St (District 14)• 2300 Live Oak (District 14)• 3000 Ross Ave (District 14)

OHS Street Outreach team will continue to engage with homeless individuals to provide notice of clean-up and connect to resources and shelter. OHS Community Mobilization staff are meeting with stakeholders to determine long-term sustainability of encampment sites and will provide periodic updates. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant City Manager and Chief Resilience Officer or Monica Hardman, Managing Director of Office of Homeless Solutions.

New Items

[Promotional Ceremony](#)

On Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 1pm a promotional ceremony to promote Sergeants and Senior Corporals will be held at the Briscoe Event Center - 1403 Washington St, Dallas, TX 75210. All of newly promoted individuals will be assigned to the patrol bureau. Should you have any questions, please contact Chief U. Reneè Hall.

[Health & Wellness Program](#)

The Dallas Police Department (DPD) has been selected as one of the Department of Justice sites selected for a case study because of exemplary efforts in Officer Wellness and Safety, including mental health resources. The purpose of the study is to inform Congress about the top ten programs in law enforcement for dealing with Officer Safety

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& Wellness. The Law Enforcement Officer Safety and Wellness Act, required that the Department of Justice review, identify, and select sites to be presented to Congress by the fall of 2018.

Representatives will visit DPD on Thursday, September 13, 2018 to learn of officer mental health and physical wellness programs in the Dallas Police Department including Peer-to-Peer Counseling, Employee Support Program, Referral Based Psychological Services, Psychological Counseling Services and Substance Abuse Services. The study will be published in a best practices document to be released on the DOJ Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS). Should you have any questions and concerns, please contact Dallas Police Chief U. Reneè Hall.

[Office of Homeless Solutions Encampment Resolution Annual Report](#)

The Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) has been diligently working to improve both the level of customer service provided and cost efficiency of homeless encampment resolution process. The length of time from receipt of service request to completion of encampment resolution has been reduced from 45 to 21 days.

OHS has completed 397 encampment resolutions and 2 encampment closures from October 1, 2017 to August 24, 2018 at a cost of \$455,400. The tables attached shows the number of encampment resolutions per district, delineated by single sites versus duplicate or repeat sites.

As OHS moves forward with implementation of comprehensive Homeless Solutions Strategy, the focus will shift from primarily cleaning encampments to site hardening and reclamation as additional shelter and affordable housing opportunities are created. The data that has been collected over the past 11 months will be utilized to inform decisions related to selecting and evaluating these sites and for community outreach and education. For more information, please contact Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant City Manager and Chief Resilience Officer, or Monica Hardman, Managing Director of the Office of Homeless Solutions.

[Performance Evaluations](#)

Performance Evaluations for City employees begin October 1. As was done last year, the process will be conducted electronically through the NeoGov portal. Mayor and City Council staff must first complete self-evaluations by October 6. The Managing Director will then meet with each Councilmember to seek input on staff evaluations and proposed ratings, followed by review meetings with staff. Evaluations are anticipated to be finalized before November 1. Please see the attached memorandum. Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Carrie Prysock, Managing Director of the Mayor and City Council Office.

[Open Enrollment](#)

The Human Resource Department has begun the 2019 Benefits Open Enrollment process. The period of enrollment for active employees runs from September 24 through October 12—the Benefits Service Center has extended its hours and will host information

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meetings throughout this period (schedule attached). Each Council Office received an email to schedule time to meet with Human Resources to assist in the enrollment process. Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Carrie Prysock, Managing Director of the Mayor and City Council Office.

[Caruth Police Institute of UNT Dallas](#)

On Friday, August 31, 2018, The Caruth Police Institute of UNT Dallas Sergeant Supervisory Series graduation was held at the Center for Brain Health. Twenty-five Sergeants from the Dallas Police Department completed an intensive three-week class. Participants were challenged to think differently about personal development, career pathways, leadership legacies, and the larger issues that affect police-community relations and police organizational dynamics. Should you have any questions, please contact Chief U. Reneè Hall.

[Basketball Dream Court Donation](#)

On September 10, 2018, Nancy Lieberman Charities gifted another Basketball Dream Court to the Dallas Police Department, to foster a positive relationship through our Kids & Cops Initiative. The grand opening was held at the Oak Cliff Boys and Girls Club at 2907 Linfield Road, Dallas Texas 75216 at 4pm. The Nancy Lieberman Charities and The Kids & Cops Initiative is about fostering positive relationship development between youth and Police Departments across our country. Nancy Lieberman Charities partners with the Dallas Police Department to provide Dream Courts to under-served communities across our country and help bridge the relationship between police officers and the communities they serve to protect. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dallas Police Chief U. Renee Hall.

[Media Inquiries](#)

As of September 10th, the City has received media requests from various news outlets regarding the following topics:

- Scooter Regulations
- Illegal Dumping in Dowdy Ferry
- Carbon Monoxide Exposure Hospitalization (DFR)

Please see the attached document compiling information provided to the media outlets for the week of September 4th – September 10th for your reference and in the event you are contacted by the press. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kimberly Bizor Tolbert, Chief of Staff.

Look Ahead

[Office of Community Care – Senior Listening Sessions](#)

The Office of Community Care is coordinating Senior Listening Sessions to inform seniors of the services offered by the City of Dallas and to provide an update on the AARP and City Age Friendly Communities Plan. The Sessions are intended to generate a greater awareness of senior issues & available resources.

Throughout the year, Senior Affairs commission and staff have hosted multiple sessions in various districts, and additional sessions are being scheduled (see below). City

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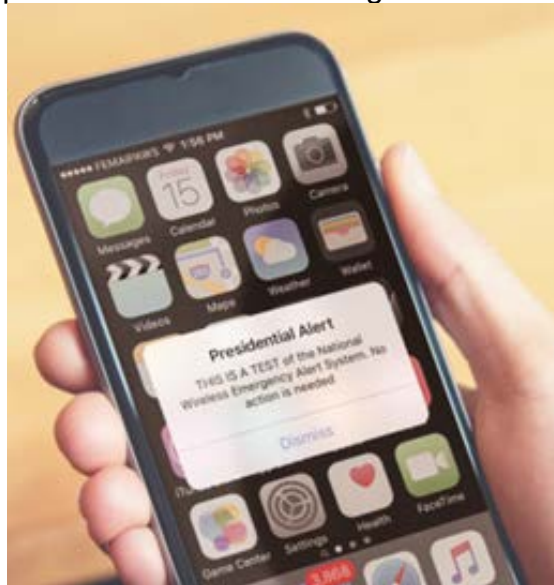
Council members, Senior Affairs Commissioners and AARP are invited to serve as co-hosts. Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant City Manager and Chief Resilience Officer, or Jessica Galleshaw, Managing Director of the Office of Community Care.

Date	Council District	Location
September 20, 2018 2:00-3:00 pm	7	Skyline Branch Library 6006 Everglade Rd. Dallas, TX 75201

Wireless Emergency Alert System

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will conduct a nationwide test of the Wireless Emergency Alert system on September 20th, 2018 @ 1:18 PM. The test will send the following message to all compatible cellphones: “THIS IS A TEST of the National Wireless Emergency Alert System. No action is required”.

The message should appear as it does in this image:



For more information and FAQs, please visit this link: <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-alert-test>. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Rocky Vaz, Managing Director of the Office of Emergency Management.

#MyDallas Mega Citizenship Workshop

Planning and coordination efforts continue for the #MyDallas Mega Citizenship Workshop to take place at the Dallas Public Library Central Branch on Saturday, October 13, 2018. To date, 98 individuals, many of which are City employees, have signed-up to volunteer. One volunteer training session was held last week on September 6 and September 8; additional sessions are scheduled as follows:

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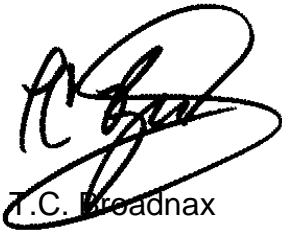
Thursday	Saturday	Thursday	Saturday
Sept. 20, 2018	Sept. 22, 2018	Oct. 4, 2018	Oct. 6, 2018
6pm-8pm	10am-12pm	6pm-8pm	10am-12pm

All trainings will take place at Catholic Charities of Dallas, 1421 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, TX 75235. Should you wish to sign-up or have any questions or concerns, please contact Liz Cedillo-Pereira, Director of the Office of Welcoming Communities and Immigrant Affairs.

City Council Briefings

September 18, 2018

- FY 2018-19 Budget Adoption



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