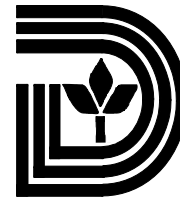


Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

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TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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Updated Items

[Encampment Resolution Schedule – September 17, 2019 & September 24, 2019](#)

The Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) has scheduled the following sites for homeless encampment resolution on:

September 17, 2019	September 24, 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2929 Hickory Street (District 7)• 1800 South Boulevard (District 7)• 1107 South Riverfront Boulevard (District 2)• 600 Barry Avenue (District 2)• 3900 South Lamar Street (District 7)• 2292 E R L Thornton Freeway East bound (District 2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lyndon B Johnson Freeway- Eastbound and North Central Expressway- Southbound (District 11)• 9216 Lyndon B Johnson Service road- Eastbound (District 10)• Lyndon B Johnson Freeway- Eastbound and Greenville Avenue (District 10)• North Stemmons Freeway- Southbound and Royal Lane (District 6)• 9999 Denton Drive/Denton Drive at Northwest Highway (District 6)• 1121 Round Table Drive (District 6)• North Stemmons Freeway at Medical District (District 6)

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, and Monica Hardman, Director of Office of Homeless Solutions.

[Map My Neighborhood Training](#)

On Saturday, September 28, 2019, the Planning and Urban Design Department will host a neighborhood capacity building workshop called “Data & Maps to Empower Your Neighborhood” from 9:30am-11:30am at the Meadows Conference Center, 2900 Live Oak St., Dallas, TX 75204. Residents will learn how to use the new [Map My Neighborhood](#) web tool and can register [here](#) to attend the workshop. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Peer Chacko, Director of Planning & Urban Design.

[Bachman Transfer Station Repairs and Restrictions Update](#)

The Bachman Transfer Station at 9500 Harry Hines Boulevard will be repaired on September 30 as originally planned. Repairs include an exterior wall and an interior wall reinforcement upgrade. Engineers are currently conducting a supplementary assessment due to additional deterioration and with the change in conditions, a portion of the waste processing area will be restricted while

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they determine what is needed to safely and fully reopen the facility. Due to the reduced capacity, the transfer station began restricting waste to City collection vehicles only, on Monday, September 16. These restrictions will remain in place until the interior portion of wall repairs are completed at the end of October. Commercial and residential customers have been directed to use alternative disposal options. **The Northeast and Southwest transfer stations will be available for residents only, on Wednesdays and Saturdays.** Residential and commercial/cash customers can still utilize the McCommas Bluff Landfill Monday through Saturday. Signage has been posted at the front of the Bachman Transfer station and staff will be available on-site to assist customers at the entrance of the facility regarding alternative disposal options. Information has been posted on the department's website and alerts have been posted through social media channels of Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager or Kelly High, Director of Sanitation Services.

[Age-Friendly Dallas Expo Follow-Up](#)

On Tuesday, September 10, 2019, the Office of Community Care and Senior Affairs Commission, in collaboration with the Office of Cultural Affairs, Parks and Recreation Department, and AARP hosted the first Age-Friendly Dallas Expo. More than 650 seniors attended and participated in the event and nearly 40 volunteers from AARP, Senior Source and Senior Affairs Commission supported the various learning sessions and senior engagement activities. The Expo featured a main stage with performances from OCA partners, two learning areas that featured programming such as Eating Well is a SNAP!, the Conversation Project, and Financial Planning among others, as well as dozens of vendors. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant City Manager and Chief Resilience Officer, and Jessica Galleshaw, Director of Office of Community Care.

New Items

[2019 W-2 Changes](#)

Tax year 2019 W-2's will be mailed rather than distributed at employee work site locations. W-2's will be mailed to the address on record in the Lawson time reporting system. Please ensure that addresses are accurate and up to date to receive W-2's by the end of January 2020. September 30, 2019 is the deadline to complete this action. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kimberly Tolbert, Chief of staff.

[Carbon Accreditation](#)

On September 15, 2019, Dallas Love Field (DAL) was recognized for taking steps to reduce its carbon footprint with a level two (reduction) carbon accreditation by the Airports Council International (ACI) and Airport Carbon Accreditation during the ACI Annual Conference. Reducing carbon emissions is a key pillar of success for the airport. The airport earned the level one (mapping) accreditation in 2018 after developing an AVI-wide policy statement on reducing greenhouse gas emissions and completing a verified carbon footprint. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mark Duebner, Director of Aviation.

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[Liquid Collection Station](#)

On September 12, 2019, Dallas Love Field (DAL) launched a new liquid collection station as part of their continued efforts to enhance the passenger experience and promote environmental sustainability. The station will allow passengers to empty and recycle their drinking bottles before entering the TSA Security Checkpoint. DAL will be able to reduce the airport's total waste and ensure recycled materials are disposed of properly by launching this collection station. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mark Duebner, Director of Aviation.

[Institutional and Community Collaboration](#)

On September 23, 2019, the Office of Equity (EQU) is hosting a screening and discussion of the short film "Segregated by Design" at the Hampton-Illinois Library's Black Box Theater, 2951 S. Hampton Rd. from 6:30pm-8:00pm. Equity Officer Victor Obaseki will moderate the discussion. This event is part of the EQU's ongoing City of Dallas "Undesign the Redline Exhibit Project". Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Liz Cedillo-Pereira, Chief of Equity and Inclusion.

[Speed Mentoring Workshop](#)

On Friday, September 20, 2019, the Office of Welcoming Communities and Immigrant Affairs (WCIA), in partnership with Goldman Sachs and Mountain View College, will host a speed mentoring workshop at the Mountain View College Performance Hall Lobby, 4849 W. Illinois Ave., E. Bldg. WCIA has recruited community partners to volunteer in assisting with resumes and mock interviews. Participants will learn practical steps to achieve professional success. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Liz Cedillo-Pereira, Chief of Equity and Inclusion.

[WIC Office Relocation](#)

The relocation of the Lancaster WIC clinic into the District 8 (D8) community office is underway. Construction should be completed by mid-October and staff is working on a plan to utilize the D8 workstations and conference rooms until the office is fully relocated. Should you have any questions, please contact Nadia Chandler-Hardy, Assistant City Manager and Chief Resilience Officer.

[Media Inquiries](#)

As of September 17, 2019, the City has received media requests from various news outlets regarding the following topics:

- Columbia Ave. Project Progress
- Ethics Complaint Hearing
- Piles of Dirt on S. Lamar
- DFR Remembers the Victims of 9/11
- Five from DFR Honored with Star of Texas
- Electrical Short Destroys Bail Bonds Office
- Woman Found Dead in Southeast Dallas Apartment
- Fire Displaces Residents from Southeast Dallas Apartments
- Elderly Couple Safely Escapes North Dallas Fire
- Southeast Dallas Home Burns While Undergoing Renovations
- 2019 DFR Awards Banquet

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Please see the attached document compiling information provided to the media outlets for the September 9 – September 16, 2019 for your reference. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kimberly Bizer Tolbert, Chief of Staff.



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City Manager

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| Chris Caso, City Attorney (Interim) | Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager |
| Mark Swann, City Auditor | Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant City Manager and Chief Resilience Officer |
| Biliera Johnson, City Secretary | Michael Mendoza, Chief of Economic Development and Neighborhood Services |
| Preston Robinson, Administrative Judge | M. Elizabeth Reich, Chief Financial Officer |
| Kimberly Bizer Tolbert, Chief of Staff to the City Manager | Laila Alequresh, Chief Innovation Officer |
| Majed A. Al-Ghafry, Assistant City Manager | M. Elizabeth Cedillo-Pereira, Chief of Equity and Inclusion |
| Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager | Directors and Assistant Directors |

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**Public Affairs & Outreach
Media Requests
September 9 – September 16**

Date: September 9, 2019
Topic: 311 Tweet
Summary of Statement: This was an unintentional share
Department: 311
Media Entity: WFAA

Date: September 9, 2019
Topic: Columbia Ave Project Progress
Summary of Statement: Coordinated an interview with assistant director, Chris Turner-Notware
Department: Public Works
Media Entity: D Magazine

Date: September. 10, 2019
Topic: Ethics complaint hearing
Summary of Statement: Provided agenda and instructions to file ORR for complaint
Department: City Secretary
Media Entity: WBAP

Date: September 11, 2019
Topic: Death of T. Boone Pickens
Summary of Statement: City Manager provided a statement to offer condolences to the family
Department: CMO
Media Entity: WFAA

Date: September 11, 2019
Topic: Piles of dirt on S. Lamar
Summary of Statement: PBW is investigation the source of dirt and proper removal
Department: Public Works
Media Entity: WFAA

Date: September 13, 2019
Topic: MLK center trees dying in the heat
Summary of Statement: Parks provided more information on irrigation, OCC provided grant information on how trees were paid for
Department: Park and Recreation, Office of Community Care
Media Entity: NBC 5

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Dallas Fire-Rescue Department
Media Requests: September 9 - 15, 2019.

Tuesday, September 10th: Sent the following information to all the local media about a 9/11 event –

September 11 Remembrance Event

The Dallas Fire-Rescue Christian Firefighter Association is honored to invite you to participate the 2019 September 11 Remembrance Event.

Event Schedule:

Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2019

Location: Dallas Fire Station 26 (3303 Sheldon Avenue, Dallas, TX., 75211)

Times:

- 0700-0800 Breakfast served
- 0800-0830 Fellowship
- 0830-0845 Break
- 0845 -Assemble for Ceremony
- 0900- Apparatus will proceed out of the bays and position in front of the apparatus room doors.
- 0905- The time of the South Tower collapse, Department personnel will assemble at the station flagpole, and observe 10 seconds of silence/prayer, after which the flags will immediately be lowered to half-staff.
- 0923- Department personnel will reassemble at the flagpole.
- 0928- The time of the North Tower collapse, Department personnel will again observe 10 seconds of silence/prayer, after which the flags will immediately be raised to full staff.

Event Complete

Media – Please contact Christian Firefighter President, Joe Veracruz, at 972-965-7809, for questions or interview requests.

Wednesday, September 11th: Sent the following information to all the local media-

I am sending this email to advise you all that today, at the Texas State Capitol, 5 members from DFR will be posthumously awarded the Star of Texas Award. The Star of Texas Award was created by the Texas State Legislature to honor peace officers, firefighters and emergency medical first responders who were killed or sustained serious injuries in the line of duty. The following DFR members will be honored:

- Captain, Charlie Jaimes
- Captain, Thomas Johnson
- Driver Engineer, Marco Davila
- Driver Engineer, Jeffery Delbert

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- Fire-Rescue Officer, Grant Dalton

I will send you pictures of the ceremony later this morning (and post some to social media) should you decide to mention this in your respective late afternoon/early evening news casts.

Later sent the following social media links so they could use the pictures for their respective news casts –

Twitter- https://twitter.com/DallasFireRes_q/status/1171945841730473984?s=19

Facebook-

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=2560805107275996&id=340809029275626

Instagram- <https://www.instagram.com/p/B2SsNBsBuhl/?igshid=5afqbhgy6org>

Wednesday, September 11th: Univision 23 (Marysol Gonzalez) - Can you please provide to us information in regard to the fire at 922 Riverfront Blvd once available.

City Response - On September 11th, at 3:11 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue units were assigned to investigate smoke in the area after someone called 911 to report what looked like smoke coming from the roof of Ace Bail Bonds, located at 922 North Riverfront Boulevard, near Downtown Dallas.

When firefighters arrived at the one-story commercial building, they observed smoke coming from the roof. They forced entry into the unoccupied structure to find fire in a middle office area. They initiated an offensive attack on the fire, and declared it extinguished in approximately 1 hour.

Fire Investigators determined that the fire was accidental in nature and began as the most probable result of an unspecified electrical malfunction of the fixed wiring near the middle of the office. There was smoke damage throughout the entire building, but fire damage was isolated mostly to the area of origin. There were no reported injuries.

Friday, September 13th: All local news desks - Is there any information available regarding the house fire at 3200 Elsie Faye Heggins St.? Incident number 2019219008.

City Response – On Friday, September 13th, at 3:30 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue was assigned to a 911 call for a structure fire at a home, located at the 3200 block of Elsie Faye Heggins Street, in Southeast Dallas.

When firefighters arrived on location they observed lots of fire coming from the one-story home. They were able to mount an offensive attack and extinguish the flames in a short amount of time, but unfortunately, they found the deceased body of an adult female inside the back of the home afterwards.

While Fire Investigators did speak with residents, potential witnesses as well as examine the scene, the cause of the fire will remain undetermined until the medical examiner determines the victims cause of death.

Friday, September 13th: Univision 23 (Jehova Azucena) - Can you please provide to us information if available of the following fires that were reported this morning once available.

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- 2636 Blanton St
- 10815 Stone Canyon Pl
- 3727 Dixon Ave

Thank you.

City Response –

3727 Dixon Avenue – On Friday, September 13th, at 4:38 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue was assigned to a 911 call for a structure fire at an apartment complex, located at 3727 Dixon Avenue, in Southeast Dallas.

When firefighters arrived at the location, they found smoke and fire coming from a two-story apartment building. Firefighters were able to deploy hand lines, mount an offensive fire attack and put the fire out in just under an hour.

Investigators determined that the fire began in an apartment unit on the first floor, spread vertically, through the walls, to the common attic space. Though the unit of origin was the only one to sustain fire damage, the entire building (4 apartments) was left uninhabitable. The American Red Cross was notified to assist an unknown number of residents who'll be displaced.

There was no one in the apartment of origin, there were no injuries reported and the cause of the fire is undetermined.

10800 Stone Canyon Place – On Friday, September 13th, at 5:21 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue responded to a 911 call for a structure fire at a home, located on the 10800 block of Stone Canyon Place, in North Dallas.

When firefighters arrived at the one-story home, they found smoke coming from it. They deployed hand lines, initiated an offensive attack on a fire they found near the front of the home and had it fire extinguished in a matter of minutes; leaving behind minimal damage.

An elderly couple was in the house when the fire began, but they were both able to make it out unharmed.

Investigators were able to determine that the cause of the fire was accidental in nature and began as the most probable result of an unspecified electrical or mechanical malfunction of the home hot water heater.

2635 Blanton Street – On Friday, September 13th, at 5:46 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue responded to a 911 call for a structure fire at a home, located at 2635 Blanton Street, in Southeast Dallas.

When firefighters arrived at the one-story vacant home, they observed smoke and flames coming from the garage. After forcing entry, they were able to make it inside and extinguish the flames in about an hour.

With the house being vacant and under renovations, there was no one there and no injuries to report. Though investigators believe the fire originated in the home's garage, the exact cause is undetermined.

Saturday, September 14th: Sent the following links to the media in regards to the Department's 2019 Annual Awards Banquet –

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Twitter - https://twitter.com/DallasFireRes_q?s=09

Facebook -

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=2569530213070152&id=340809029275626