



# City of BUNKER HILL VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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## A Note from Mayor Lord

August 2019

Dear Residents,

My first few months as Mayor have been very busy. I have enjoyed the opportunity to attend numerous meetings and have conversations with residents in the Village where I heard about and solved concerns. I look forward to meeting more of you over time.

My top priority has been working with the other Villages to continue Bunker Hill's Fire and EMS Services provided by the Village Fire Department as a contracting member. Bunker Hill has received three related agreements from legal counsel for the Fire Commission. The Council and I (along with a sub-committee of the City's Public Safety Committee) have been reviewing the documents and seeking clarification on a few items. I remain confident we will successfully work with all the Villages, so everyone is ready to sign the three related agreements within the next few months.

Know that your public safety is our top priority. In an effort to share information and gain input, the City's Public Safety Committee headed by Councilmember Keith Brown will be hosting a series of regular Public Safety Forums over the next year. Our first Public Safety Forum is scheduled for **Thursday, September 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.** Please join me at City Hall to meet our Fire Chief and Police Chief, the Public Safety Committee Members, and discuss various public safety topics.

I hope to see you there!

Thank you,  
*Mayor Robert Lord*

*Dear Residents,*

The City Council has begun the annual budget process for Fiscal Year (Calendar Year) 2020. The Council has reviewed the proposed budget and has voted to maintain the tax rate at \$0.277 per \$100 in valuation. There is a proposed increase in utility rates of 7% to address the replacement of our aging water wells over time. As Mayor Lord states, public safety is our top priority. The majority of the budget continues to focus on Fire, EMS and Police as well as our public infrastructure: water, wastewater, drainage and streets.

Join us for Public Hearings on the Budget as outlined on the back of this newsletter. As you can see, we have a very busy next few months! Mark your calendars for upcoming events through year end. Details can be found on the City's website.

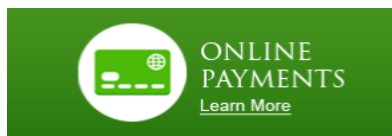
Speaking of events, Bunker Hill was well represented in the Annual Villages Independence Festival Parade. Many thanks to Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church for the use of the golf carts, to the City's Public Works Team and the City's Summer Interns (and Bunker Hill residents/college students), Jake Reinbolt and Morgan Gaille, who joined the City for a second summer. The interns also did a great job helping us with our records management project. We really appreciated having them for a second summer and thank them for their efforts.

Don't forget to flip to the back of the newsletter to see our project update as well as other key information.

Cordially,  
*Karen Glynn, City Administrator*

## Set Up Auto Draft by Credit Card

Visit the City's website to make sure you don't miss a utility payment. Please note: the City bills every other month. Bills are sent in February, April, June, August, October and December.



### Team Bunker Hill Roots for America ... and the Astros!

The City offers sincere thanks to Interns, Jake Reinbolt and Morgan Gaille, and the Public Works Team, Oziel Reyna, Gama Escamilla, and Edson Ramos for their creativity and construction of the City's 4<sup>th</sup> of July entourage in the Villages Independence Festival Parade. We are hoping to be ready for an Astros Championship Parade too!

## Upcoming Events in the Villages

Save the Dates – See Details on the Website

### Public Safety Forum - City Hall

Thursday, September 5, 2019

### 2020 Budget Public Hearings – City Hall

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 ~ 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, September 17, 2019 ~ 5:30 p.m.

### Budget Adoption

Tuesday, October 1, 2019 ~ 8:00 a.m.

### National Night Out

Tuesday, October 1, 2019

### Villages Recycling Event

Hedwig Village City Hall

Saturday, October 26, 2019 ~ 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

### Twinkle Light Parade

Thursday, December 19, 2019 ~ 6:00 p.m.

### Regular City Council Meetings

September 17 – October 15 – November 19

City Hall ~ 5:30 p.m.

## Bunker Hill's SUPERIOR Water

As previously noted, Bunker Hill Village's water system continues to be rated as **SUPERIOR** by the State of Texas. Review the details in the *City's 2018 Annual Water Quality Report* available on our website:

[www.bunkerhilltx.gov/images/documents/CCR/CCR-2018.pdf](http://www.bunkerhilltx.gov/images/documents/CCR/CCR-2018.pdf)

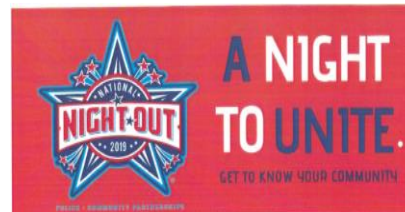
Congrats to our Public Works Team for their great work!



## Latest City Updates and Reminders

- The City has adopted two new Ordinances as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission to address concerns regarding vacant properties and lengthy ongoing construction projects:
  - Vacant Property Registration will be required January 1, 2020.
  - Permits for new construction will be limited to a 24 month timeframe effective September 1, 2019.

*More information on these ordinances are available on the City's website.*
- Construction is well underway on Kilts, Warrenton and Valley Star. This project includes a new water line, drainage and pavement. The waterline is being tested and will be connected soon. Drainage work continues on Warrenton.
- The City is working with our contractor to continue the repair of "pot holes" on our major roadways.
- Please be a good neighbor: Keep dogs on leashes and use the doggie stations for pet waste only.



**Tuesday, October 1, 2019  
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Organize/Host a National Night Out Event in your neighborhood. Have it at a home, in a cul-de-sac or even in the driveway. Meet your neighbors, exchange information, put a name to a face.

Register your party and MVPD will come to you! Contact Officer Frank Lerma at 713 -365-3700 or [flerma@mvpdtx.org](mailto:flerma@mvpdtx.org).