



City of BUNKER HILL VILLAGE

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Residents:

It is time once again for our **Annual Water Quality Report**. As noted in the past, the City takes pride in providing our "own water" to our residents and we maintain a tradition of producing ample SUPERIOR quality water. Once again, our vigilance in maintaining our water and wastewater infrastructure has resulted in the SUPERIOR water rating from the State. The 2017 Water Quality Report is now available on our website at www.bunkerhilltx.gov or a printed copy of the report can be requested at 713-467-9762.

The City purchases water from the City of Houston to ensure we are in compliance with the Harris Galveston County Subsidence District's requirements. Bunker Hill Village has a Utility Fund that is self supporting through our rate structure. This includes rehabilitation projects and maintaining our utility system for years to come. Along with drinking, our water is also used for many purposes including landscaping and watering. See our "tips" below to help with landscaping and water usage during these hot summer months.

June 1st marked the first day of "hurricane season" - Please take some time to review the information on our website for "hurricane preparedness" - found under "*Latest News*." One area in particular is the link to **sign up for "power alerts" with CenterPoint**. This is a great tool - you will need some information from your utility bill so have that handy. Last week we met with the Public Safety Departments and the other Villages to review our Emergency Preparedness Plan. We work together on continuous improvement and have used our lessons learned during Hurricane Harvey to get better.

Don't forget the **Annual Villages Independence Festival** set for ***Wednesday, July 4th!*** Bunker Hill will be defending our 1st Place Float Award again this year! See the website for parking this year as Piney Point Road has been under construction.

We look forward to seeing you at the Festival!

Karen Glynn
City Administrator



Additional Items to Share

Trash & Recycling Fees – The transition to Texas Pride for trash and recycling services continues. The City set a new rate for these services based on costs from Texas Pride. Beginning with the August bill, residents will see a \$15 reduction in cost. The new rate is \$67.46 for two months and will be consistent for the next 18 months.

Donate a Tree or Bench – The City continues its beautification program with the dedication of trees and benches. The City is working to install new dedication markers as the stone etching has not weathered well. As a result, the donation fee is up \$200 to cover the cost of a new plaque. A tree is \$700 and a bench is \$1,200.

Water Conservation Tips

- *Adjust irrigation systems to prevent over watering. One inch (1") per week is typically sufficient.*
- *Mulch flower beds and shrubs to help retain the moisture longer.*
- *Have irrigation systems inspected annually to find damaged valves & heads.*
- *Install quality rain detection devices to shut the system off during rain.*
- *Adjust systems to operate in the early morning hours before 5 am.*
- *Choose sprinkler heads which produce larger drops and not a fine mist.*