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Citizen Bond Committee is asking for your feedback at July 19 Listening Meetings

FARMERS BRANCH ~ The Citizen Bond Committee is encouraging everyone to join them at one or both "Listening Meetings" on Tuesday, July 19 at the Farmers Branch Senior Center at 2 p.m., and at 7 p.m. at the Farmers Branch Community Recreation Center.

As a followup to the call for ideas, the City Council-appointed Committee is inviting the public to

these events to present and gain feedback on possible "Quality of Life" bond proposals. Citizens in attendance will help finalize proposals via polling devices at each event, as well as share their thoughts and concerns with the committee's members.







Bond proposals will then

be submitted to the City Council, and if accepted, may then appear on the May 2017 ballot.

The committee has been asking residents for their input on potential bond issue ideas with this question: What can Farmers Branch do for you and your family to make the City an even better place to live, work and play?

Residents have until June 30 to fill out a flyer at City facilities or at the Farmers Branch Market on Saturdays. Other response options include logging on at farmersbranchtx.gov/bond to fill out a returnable form, call 972.919.1410 to leave a message or mail ideas or stop by City Hall at 13000 William Dodson Parkway, Farmers Branch, TX 75234.

Fireworks, food & fun set for festivities

FARMERS BRANCH ~ The Annual Farmers Branch Independence Day Celebration invites

everyone to show up in their finest red, white and blue on Sunday, July 3 at the Farmers Branch Historical Park.

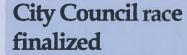
Gates open at 6:30 p.m. and admission is free. Officials say, however, for safety reasons, the gates will close if the park reaches capacity.

There will be a concert from the band, "Inside Out," along with a free KidZone area, historical structure tours, concessionaires selling festival favorites and more.

By popular demand, Uncle Willie's Pie Eating Contest will return. There will be two rounds for adults and one for children, top three places of each round will be awarded prizes.

The Farmers Branch Historical Park is located at 2540 Farmers Branch Lane, between Denton Drive and Ford Road, and a short walk from the DART Green Line Station. Free parking is

available at the Metrosquare Business Park, with a free shuttle to the gate. For more information, visit farmersbranchtx.gov or call 972.919.1433.



FBTX ~ Ana Reyes was returned to

District 1 while Terry Lynne was elected to the open District 4 seat in the final results of the May 7 City Council election.

Ms. Reyes ran unopposed for her second term on the City Council, receiving 50 votes from District 1 voters.

In District 4. Chuck Zubarik received 227 votes while Terry Lynne received 303 votes.

Mr. Lynne was sworn in on May 17 while Ms.

Reves will take the oath for her second term in June.

Tastes & Tunes to

FBTX ~ Food trucks will be back while Texas music fills the air as "Lone Star Attitude" is set to play the Tastes &

Tunes finale July 21. Everyone is invited and admission is free at the summertime music series, held at The Grove at Mustang Crossing, across from the Dr Pepper StarCenter on Denton Drive at Bill Moses Parkway.

Set from 6 to 9 p.m., the event will feature a variety of DFW's most popular food trucks along with live music.

Visit fbspecialevents.com.

One Council meeting scheduled in July

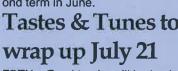
FBTX ~The Farmers Branch City Council will meet in regular session one time in July, on Tuesday, July 12, 6 p.m. at Farmers Branch City Hall.

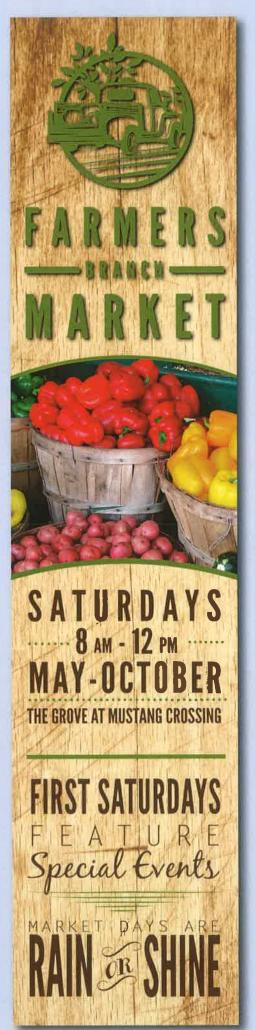
Coverage on FBTV begins at 3 p.m. with Study Session and follows through to the regular meeting at 6. Call 972.247.3131 for information.



Ana Reyes







Historical Park to mark 30 years with star-studded event

FARMERS BRANCH ~ With countless tours, events, camp outs, Christmas lights and thousands upon thousands of visitors under its figurative belt, the Farmers Branch Historical Park is getting ready to celebrate 30 years of service to the Farmers Branch community with a free event on Friday, July 8.

The park will be open from 7 til 11 p.m. that evening for families to bring their own picnics to be augmented by a "sweet treat" provided by the park. Once the sun goes down, members of the Texas Astronomical Society will focus their high-powered telescopes for visitors to gaze at the many celestial bodies in the nighttime sky.

Objects to be viewed may include Saturn, Mars, Jupiter, the Moon, globular clusters of stars, open clusters of stars, double stars and planetary nebulae.

Anyone owning their own telescope is encouraged to bring it. For more information, visit fbhistoricalpark.com or call 972.406.0184.

Celebrating FARMERS BRANCH Historical Park

Most City offices to close for the Fourth of July; garbage and recycling WILL be collected

CITY HALL ~ Most City offices and facilities will be closed on Monday, July 4, in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

However, garbage and recycling will be collected as scheduled.



Some facilities will be open limited hours through the holiday

Sunday, July 3: Community Recreation Center and the Margaret Young Natatorium both open from 1 until 4 p.m., Frog Pond open 12 to 6 p.m., Historical Park closed to set up for that evening's

Monday, July 4: Community Recreation Center and the Margaret Young Natatorium open 6 a.m. until 5 p.m.; Historical Park open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Frog Pond open 12 to 6 p.m.

Firehouse Theatre plans for patriotic celebration

FARMERS BRANCH ~ "Red, White & Broadway" is the patriotic celebration planned by the Firehouse Theatre on stage July 1-3 at the theatre, 2535 Valley View Lane.

Then, later in the month, the theatre will host the regional premiere of "Billy Elliott: The Musical" on select nights July 28 through August 14.

For tickets or more info, call 972.620.3747 or email office@thefirehousetheatre.com.

Recycling videos online

YOUTUBE ~ Videos on the new Farmers Branch curbside recycling program, including info on where reyclables go and a DIY project on building a recycling container screening fence, are now online at youtube.com/fbtv16.

Senior Dances set Mondays

SENIOR CENTER ~ The Senior Dance Club hosts dances most Monday nights at the Farmers Branch Senior Center, 14055 Dennis Lane. Admission is \$5. Featured entertainment for upcoming dances are:

Closed - Happy 4th of July Jul 4 Jul 11 Jim Baker (Ballroom)

Jul 18 JC Tippett (Country)

Dave Alexander (Ballroom) **Jul 25**

Code Enforcement

Allowing weeds and vegetation to grow in excess of 8 inches in height, and allowing trash and debris to accumulate on your property are violations of City code. Failure to keep your property mowed and free of trash and debris may result in a Court citation. If you fail to mow or clean your property, the City may hire a contractor to complete this work and bill you for the cost of the cleanup, along with an administrative fee of \$100. If the costs are not paid within 30 days, the City may place a lien on your property.

To Report a Code Violation:

- □ Call 972.919.1414
- ☐ Log on at farmersbranchtx.gov/code
- □ Download the MyFBTX app

