

TRAVIS COUNTY
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SUMMER 2010

Water For Eastern Travis County

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT AUTHORIZES NON-PROFIT TO BRING AN ADDITIONAL 18 MILLION GALLONS OF WATER PER DAY TO EASTERN TRAVIS COUNTY

Travis County Precinct 1 Commissioner Ron Davis is pleased to announce the first steps for the Cross County Water Supply Corporation (CCWSC) Water Transmission Project pipeline. The groundbreaking ceremony was held on Wednesday, April 7th at the Shadow Glen Connection, located across from the new Manor High School at 12700 Gregg Manor Road.

The CCWSC, a non-profit, member-owned water supply corporation created in 2007, is building a water supply pipeline to transport a high quality supply of groundwater pumped from the Simsboro Aquifer in Burleson County to Manor, Texas in Travis County. The length of the pipeline will be approximately fifty-two miles and will go through Burle-



52 MILE PIPELINE

son, Lee, Bastrop, Williamson, and Travis Counties, and end at the Shadow Glen elevated storage tank in the City of Manor, Texas. We are very excited about finally starting the water supply pipeline project, stated Patrick Reilly, President of the CCWSC. After last summers devastating drought, the benefit to the local community for bringing a reliable water source in to Eastern Travis County is obvious. This project will not only provide a high-quality and reliable

supply of water for the immediate needs of the area residents, but it also allows the area to grow because of the volume of water that this project will make available. As

well as bringing in needed replacement supplies of water for Eastern Travis County, the water transported by the Cross County Water Supply Corporation Water Transmission Project pipeline will also provide a new supply for residents and businesses of the area. According to Precinct 1 Travis County Commissioner Ron Davis, "This is a big bite out of the apple when it comes to current and future development."

On November 10, 2009, in a resolution the Travis County Commissioners Court approved issuance of bonds by the River Valley Industrial Development Corporation to carry out the completion of this 52-mile water supply pipeline project. Actual construction starts June 2010

Community Building For Kennedy Ridge

Kennedy Ridge has come a long ways since 1999. After a self help method project, the community united to better their quality of life. Since, then, they have saved up resources and built a small community center to serve all Kennedy Ridge residents. This community center will serve as the main office for residents to pay their water/wastewater bills, hold their quarterly meetings, space for an English/Spanish class and provide a computer for their

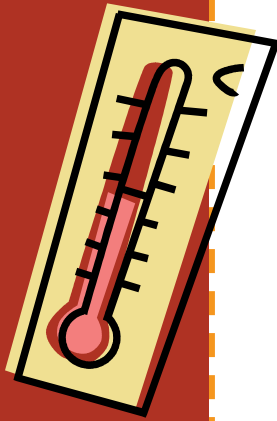
youth to use. Present at the Kennedy Ridge Water Supply Corporation Community Center Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Friday, March 26, 2010:

Kennedy Ridge residents, including the Kennedy Ridge Water Supply Corporation Board Members, Marcelo Tafoya, LULAC, and Commissioner Ron Davis, Precinct 1.

"WORKING TOGETHER TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE"



Travis County Weatherization Program



Need Help Keeping Your Home Cool This Summer ?

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Weatherization Assistance Program with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs with a grant funding awarded to Travis County will be used to provide weatherization services and minor home repair assistance for low-income households. Some examples of the programs weatherization services are providing attic and wall insulation, repair or replacement of the

heating and cooling household appliances, minor household repairs such as replacing doors and patching interior walls, addressing health and safety issues by adding or replacing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and replacing household natural gas stoves.

ELIGIBILITY PROCESS

Travis County residents submit application at any of the seven Com-

munity Centers or through Austin Energy (call 854-4100 for location information) Home must be located in Travis County. You must meet household eligibility determination based on 200% of the current Federal Poverty Income Guidelines. An assessment will be made to determine eligible services. The program allows for a maximum expenditure of \$6,500 per household.

Travis County Commissioner's Wants Residents Informed of County's Lack Of Land Use Authority.

Legislation is needed to get Land Use Authority?

Precinct One growing by Leaps and Bounds



Limited Land Use Authority

The Travis County's Commissioners Court amended its development regulations to require a plat note that details the lack of authority Travis County has regarding the regulation of land use in unincorporated areas. Residents routinely ask the Travis County Commissioners Court to remedy negative quality-of-life impacts that can arise when commercial or industrial development locates next to homes

and schools. Unfortunately, although numerous attempts have been made, Travis County has not been given adequate legal authority by the state legislature to keep this from occurring. On February 16, 2010 Travis County Precinct 1 Commissioner Ron Davis sponsored the County code amendment to alert citizens who desire to purchase land in the unincorporated areas about this dilemma. Specifically, it is an amendment to Chapter 82, Travis County

Code, requiring a plat note regarding the county's limited ability to regulate land use in the unincorporated area of Travis County. The Travis County Commissioners Court is actively pursuing more land use authority from the State of Texas. County residents are encouraged to contact the State Legislative Delegation, Austin City Council and local state representatives regarding the issue of lack of Travis County land use authority.

Housing Developments in Rural Precinct 1

Travis County Commissioners voted unanimously to approve a preliminary plan for Eastwood Subdivision on March 30, 2010. The project will be build between FM 973 and Blake Manor Road in eastern Travis County. Eastwood is one of several large housing developments plan for Rural Precinct One. Whisper Valley

Subdivision located immediately south of Eastwood and Wolf Subdivision located immediately north and west of Eastwood.

EASTWOOD

667.5 acres, 2,282 single family lots, 1 multi-family lot, 4 commercial lots

WHISPER VALLEY

2,100 acres, estimated 7,400 total single and multi-

family units, some retail/commercial/office, 700 acres of open space/park

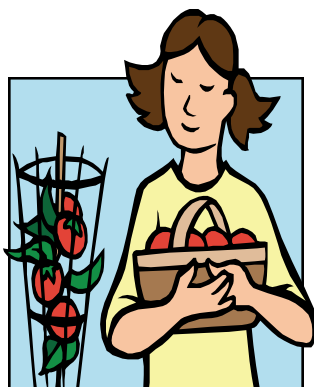
WOLF

203 acres, 731 single family lots,

Total of these three developments: More than 2,970 acres, More than 10,400 residential Units.

More on theses developments as they take shape.

Gardening Advice



Texas AgriLife-Master Gardeners give good advice

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is a great resource for home Lawn and garden care. You can get information on seasonal gardening, composting, pruning and even building a raised bed garden. If you have questions about want to plant or when to

plant it, they can help. Texas Agricultural Extension Service Master Gardeners also teach educational seminars. To find out how they can help you make your yard or garden green, you can contact your local office at 512-854-9600 or visit

Website: www.co.travis.tx.us/agext/
 Website: agrilifeextension.tamu.edu



TCTV Channel 17

Channel 17 is the County Government access channel. View Travis County Commissioners Court meetings, work sessions, public hearing, Travis County programming information and more.

Coming Soon

BLAKE MANOR ROAD PROJECT

The project will consist of slightly widening and reconstructing the pavement structure of 1.5 to 2.0 miles of Blake-Manor Road starting at Manor city line and ending in the vicinity of the Briar Creek subdivision. An allocated \$1,080,182 of 1984 Bond money to the project. Construction will likely start in late fall of this year.

GROUNDBREAKING FOR NEW PCT 1 BUILDING

The Groundbreaking for the new precinct one building will be held on June 2, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. on site at 4717 Heflin Lane, Austin Texas 78721. The new 15,634 square ft. building will be the new home for the Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace and the Constable's office and the functions of those offices. The present building will be used for other County offices.

TRAVIS COUNTY CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION

Friday, May 7, 2010
 11:00-2:00
 Wooldridge Park Plaza

TRAVIS COUNTY JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

Friday, June 18, 2010
 11:00-2:00
 Wooldridge Park Plaza

Homebuyer Assistance

The Travis County Housing Finance Corporation "TCHFC" is a component unit of the Travis County local government. They administer various affordable housing programs for home buyers and renters.

NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM

Federal Funds available to help working families purchase a fore-closed home.

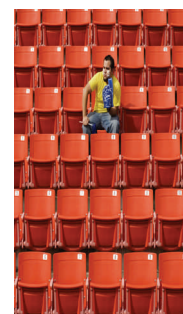
TENANT BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

Rental assistance and self sufficiency counseling to Travis County families with household incomes below 60% of the median family income.

For more information on these programs, call (512) 854-4743 or (512) 854-4399

Exposition Center To Get New Seating

Travis County Commissioners vote to approve funding to replace seating in the main arena of the Travis County Exposition Center at their meeting on April 13, 2010. This is just one of the many new Exposition Center upgrades. The center features over 6 million dollars in renovations including climate control.



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THE CENSUS IS IMPORTANT TO TRAVIS COUNTY



It's in our hands.

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Census data Determines The amount of money the federal government allocates for our community. Travis County is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. We need an accurate census count to plan for the future of our community. Do your part, fill out the Form and send it back.

If you have not yet received or filled out your Census form, you can now call **1-866-872-6868** (1-866-928-2010 para Espanol) to give your information over the phone!

Precinct One Newsletter



Travis County Central Campus 2010-2035 /Travis County North Campus

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Travis County is preparing a strategic Needs Analysis and facilities Master Plan for its Central Campus, to plan for the appropriate space for county services in the downtown area, from today until 2035. The goal of the plan will be to meet the growing needs of the public and coordinate plans for building renovations and new development and to have the Travis County Central Campus be a vibrant part of downtown Austin.

Phase One is the needs assessment, that will identify the space needs for the justice and general government offices and departments, through 2035.

Phase Two will be to develop a facilities Master Plan that will meet those needs.

There are 33 offices and departments

currently located downtown (16 justice related and 17 general government) in buildings which are filled to capacity. The study will include determining the projected space needs and locations for these offices and departments. The study will also address pedestrian activity, inadequate parking and features that make Travis County Central Campus an attractive area for people to visit.

Travis County North Campus

The Travis County North Campus originated with the purchase of the old Builders Square store at 5501 Airport Blvd, followed by the Haverty's Furniture Store at 5555 Airport Blvd, the Chair King at 5335 Airport Blvd and working toward the purchase of the corner site presently

being used as a Fast Stop convenience store and gas station. Meetings have been held and will continue with two bordering neighborhood groups, Ridgeway and Northfield Neighborhood Associations who have given active input that will be reflected in the conclusions and ideas of the master plan. The North Campus has greatly improve public access to services.

Determination of occupancy and best use of the North Campus will be apart of the discussions as the North Campus Master Plan evolves. For more information on the Central Campus and North Campus, you can contact Facilities management at 512-854-4579 or visit the Website at: www.co.travis.tx.us/facilities