



Mayor's Newsletter

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

This month marks the start of hurricane season. It's something we have all become accustomed to preparing for each year, but it's always worth taking a moment to ensure we're ready. Review and revise your evacuation plan as needed, ensure you have a minimum of three days' worth of supplies for everyone in your family (including pets!), and double-check your insurance coverage for both flooding and wind damage.

In the aftermath of the 2016 tax day flood, your city council set out to develop a long term flood recovery plan. This plan, which was finalized in 2017, identified a series of projects which could reduce the risk of flooding in our city. I am happy to report that all of the projects identified are either complete or well underway. In addition, we have completed elevations of 21 homes, with grant applications for an additional 32 home elevations currently pending.

The data collected in the long term flood recovery plan enabled the city to successfully obtain over \$15 million in federal grants to fund these projects. The return on our investment in development of this plan now exceeds \$24 in outside funding for every \$1 of local tax spent on the plan.

Our work, however, isn't done. We know there are still homes in our city at significant risk of flooding during a major rain event. We are continuing to pursue grant funding for home elevations and our teardown and rebuild program along Jersey Dr. east of Lakeview Dr. is well underway. As we continue to work in other areas such as improved public safety, economic development, sidewalk repairs, and improvements to our parks, I want to reassure our citizens that flood mitigation remains a top priority.

Finally, I wanted to remind you that our Fourth of July parade and celebration will take place again this year! If you had an opportunity to enjoy the Founders' Day event in April, you won't want to miss what our Parks and Recreation staff and volunteers have planned for July 4th. The schedule is a bit different this year, with the parade starting at 5:30pm and the celebration at Clark Henry Park will take place from 6:00pm until 9:45pm. The fireworks show will start at 9:30pm. I hope to see you there!

Your neighbor,

Bobby Warren
Mayor