



Mayor's Newsletter

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Over the past several months, I have received numerous e-mails and calls regarding the stalled county flood mitigation project in White Oak Bayou. I have no doubt that by now everyone has noticed the abandoned heavy equipment and the excessive vegetation growing in the bayou. It has become an eyesore.

In July, the city was informed that the contractor hired by the Harris County Flood Control District to improve the White Oak Bayou channel in Jersey Village and surrounding areas abandoned the job and filed for bankruptcy. Luckily, state law requires government contracts for major projects such as this to include a performance bond to protect taxpayers from significant costs incurred when a contractor is unable to finish the job. Despite the city's best efforts, we have been unable to obtain more information from the flood control district on a revised schedule for the completion of the project.

Just a few weeks ago, I spoke with Harris County Commissioner Tom Ramsey about our concerns with the project and the poor conditions in the bayou. He has promised to get us more information and to ensure the bayou is better maintained while the flood control district pursues the claims process with the surety that issued the performance bond. As I receive more information from the county, I will keep you informed.

In other news, there are some exciting events coming up this month in our city! Our annual Fall Frolic event will happen from 6pm to 8:30pm on Friday, October 28th at Clark Henry Park. Come out to enjoy some games, food trucks, candy, a costume contest and the ever popular "trunk-or-treat"!

The following day, one of my favorite events takes place: our police and fire departments will hold their annual open houses! It's a great opportunity to meet our dedicated first responders and check out the equipment and vehicles they use to keep us safe. The open houses will take place from 10am to 2pm on Saturday, October 29th.

For more information on these events and many other great activities happening in Jersey Village, visit the city's website at jerseyvillagetx.com or check out the Parks and Recreation "Play Guide" that arrived in your mailbox just last month. I am continually amazed by the variety of activities listed in this seasonal guide and available to our citizens: junior golf camps, bingo nights, sports leagues, art classes, fitness classes and even an e-sports league!

Your neighbor,

Bobby Warren
Mayor