



TO: Mayor and Members of the Town Council

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1. The Argyle Business Association held its first monthly Coffee + Networking event on Thursday, September 30, 2021. The event was held at PointBank, the Business Spotlight for the month of September. The next event will be on Thursday, October 21 – we encourage you to follow the Argyle Business Association's social media pages for more information.
2. Mornings with the Mayor is tomorrow morning from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Town Hall. Get to know your Mayor, Mayor Bryan Livingston for coffee, donuts and discussion at 9 a.m. at Argyle Town Hall. We hope to see you there.
3. The Town of Argyle is proud to announce the celebration of the third annual Arbor Day event. Celebrating Arbor Day is required to keep our Tree City USA certification, which we were awarded for the second time in 2020. Like last year's event, BPS Technology will be hosting a drive-through event in conjunction with the Town of Argyle. The drive-through event will be held at the BPS location in Argyle, 151 FM 407 E, Argyle, TX 76226, on Saturday, November 6, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Since this is the same day as Mornings with the Mayor, Mayor Bryan Livingston will have a table for residents to chat with him and grab coffee and donuts at the event. In addition to the tree giveaway on November 6, Mayor Livingston and Argyle ISD Superintendent Telena Wright will be dedicating four trees at Unity Park on November 5 at 1 p.m. Starting October 4, residents living in Argyle Town limits and the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) can sign up for a time slot to pick up a Tuskegee Crepe Myrtle, Southern Wax Myrtle, Texas Red Oak, White Oak or Basham's Party Pink tree, limit one per household.
4. Yesterday, September 30, 2021, marked the end of Live United Month in Argyle. Throughout the month of September, Town Hall and the Argyle Police Department collected donations for Welcome Home Kits for the United Way of Denton County. With these donations, we were able to help people in Denton County who are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurities.
5. On September 29, 2021, staff held a scoping meeting on the Stonecrest Road reconstruction project. Representatives of Denton County and Freese and Nichols (FNI) were present. FNI lead engineer on the project will be Spencer Maxwell. The group discussed the design parameter which included 6 inches of asphalt on a 6-inch cement treaded subgrade. To ensure this design will be adequate, we will do soil bores every 500 feet. The committee goal is to have all work on Stonecrest Road done prior to work beginning on US 377. A schedule was designed to meet this goal. Critical dates include

the project being at 60% completion status by December 3, 2021, 90% design completion by the end of 2021, and 100% design completion by the end of January. The project would be bid utilizing the best value method of review by March 18, 2022, with construction to begin mid-June. The project should be completed in 60 days and should have little effect on the traffic to Argyle High School due to the work being done in the summer. Traffic will be limited to one-way. At this time, it was determined to allow traffic southbound on Stonecrest Road. Northbound traffic would be pushed to US 377. Once we complete the design of the road, we will host a community meeting to discuss the project like we did for our 2021 Street improvement Project.

6. Work has finally begun on the US 377 sewer line relocation project. The Town awarded the bid to Reytech several months ago. This phase of the project deals with the abandonment of lift station No. 3. To do this, Reytech has hired a subcontractor, B&L, to bore the highway and railroad tracks. Since we will be boring the railroad track, the contractor must follow Union Pacific guidelines, which requires them to have a flagger on the project whenever they are within the railroad right-of-way. On September 23, 2021, B&L placed the bore machine into the bore pit, which is located on the Oak Hills Community Church property after the grading was complete and the correct angle was achieved per the plans. The angle that was called for was 1.80 degrees at an upward slope to the west (some of us find this interesting). On September 24, B&L began constructing the bore and was able to install two sections of 18" x 20' casing which equaled 40'. Between September 24 and 29, B&L was able to install an additional 180 feet of casing. At approximately 11:30 am, the head of the bore machine appeared in the monitoring pit and there were some adjustments made to the bore head to keep it in line with the survey stake on the west side of the railroad tracks. B&L began boring under the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) on September 30. UPRR wants the bore to continue and cross under the railroad tracks without stopping or interfering with UPRR activities. This work should be completed October 1. Once the bore is completed, 315' of Fusible PVC pipe has been prepared and is ready for installation. This work should begin next week.
7. On Thursday, September 30, town staff met with representatives of the City of Denton to discuss revisions to our existing agreement for wastewater treatment and our joint ownership of the Graveyard Branch sewer line. Both of these agreements were executed in 2001 and over the years both the Town of Argyle and the City of Denton have noticed ambiguities and have different interpretations of certain provisions. In addition, town staff expressed our desire to be allowed the opportunity to send wastewater to additional places on the City of Denton collection system while staying within the capacity limitation of 2,160 SFE's. If allowed, this would negate the need for the town to build the Crawford Road sewer line. Since the town has finished paying for our share of the Graveyard Branch sewer line this year, the two agreements could be consolidated into one. Representatives of the City of Denton will be discussing the general terms that were proposed with their legal department and another meeting will be held.
8. On Wednesday October 6, 2021 at 6 p.m., the Planning & Zoning Commission will meet for their regular scheduled meeting and take action on the following agenda items:
 - PUBLIC HEARING: Consider a Zoning Change Request (Z-21-003) from Office Retail (OR) to Old Town-1 (OT-1) for a 0.555-acre tract of land out of the J. Gazaway Survey Abstract No. 481, being a part of that certain tract of land conveyed by deed from Weymouth Real Estate Investments Inc. to DEMA Partners, L.P. recorded

under Document Number 2007-119706, and for a 0.249-acre tract of land out of the J. Gazaway Survey Abstract No. 481, being a part that certain tract of land conveyed by deed from Rather-Noble, LLC to JDR Noble Partners, LLC recorded under Document Number 2019-74041, Real Property Records, Town of Argyle, Denton County, Texas.

- PUBLIC HEARING: Consider a Specific Use Permit (SUP-21-003) for a proposed construction trailer at the Well Community Church, Lot 8, Block A, being 12.957 acres located in the Patrick Rock Survey Abstract No. 1063, a 1 lot addition in the Town of Argyle, Denton County, Texas.
 - PUBLIC HEARING: Consider an ordinance amendment (TDS-21-008) for amendments to Chapter 3 Building Regulations and Chapter 5 Fire Prevention and Protection of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Argyle regarding the adoption of the 2018 International Building Code, 2018 International Residential Code, 2018 International Plumbing Code, 2018 International Mechanical Code, 2018 International Fire Code, 2018 International Energy Conservation Code, and 2017 National Electrical Code as published by the International Code Council with local amendments.
9. I will be out of office attending the Texas Municipal League (TML) meeting in Houston next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. At the direction of the Town Council, we had planned to have a joint Town Council and Planning & Zoning Commission meeting to discuss the revisions to the Tree Ordinance after the regularly scheduled Planning & Zoning Commission meeting at 7:30 Wednesday night. The lead presenter was going to be Brenda McDonald, our attorney. However, she will also be at the TML Conference. After conferring with the Mayor, we will be postponing the joint meeting until a later date this month. The Mayor will be leading the discussion at the Council meeting on October 4 to find a date that is acceptable to all members of the Town Council.