

ELGIN COMMUNITY UPDATE

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COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The City of Elgin begins its comprehensive planning process this summer. The purpose of the plan is to address future growth patterns, land use, utility needs, and what Elgin will look like in 2020.

The plan will be developed with direct input from the community. Citizens will have opportunities to participate in

the planning process and share their concerns, ideas, and visions for what this community could be in fifteen years. Meetings and updates will be included on the website.

For more information about the comprehensive plan, contact Gary Cooke, Planning & Development Director at 281-0119.

DISCOVER ELGIN!

- ★ Elgin produces 3 million pounds of **sausage** annually
- ★ **Brick production** in Elgin exceeds 267 million bricks per year
- ★ **Historic downtown** district offers a variety of dining & shopping options
- ★ **Union Depot Museum** at Depot and Main Street open Tuesday – Sunday 2pm – 5pm
- ★ **Texas Main Street City** designated in 1990. Approximately \$10 million in downtown reinvestment to date.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY!

You are invited to serve on a city board or commission! The City of Elgin accepts applications to serve on city boards throughout the year. Descriptions of each board and applications are available at www.elgintx.com. Boards include, Planning & Zoning Commission, Board of Adjustments, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Historic Review Board, Library Advisory Board, and Main Street Board. Other volunteer opportunities include committees for city boards

and Envision Elgin. You can learn more about your community and be involved in making great things happen in your hometown! For more information about volunteer opportunities contact the City Secretary at 512-281-5724.

Recycling Services

Curbside recycling is now available with your Trash Service. Recycling tubs are available upon request. Items to place in your recycling tub at the curb include: Cardboard, paper,

newspaper, magazines, plastic, aluminum, and tin cans. Please rinse out plastic, aluminum and tin cans and on rainy days cover your tub or remove paper items. Wet paper cannot be recycled.

Trash Services

Curbside service is provided with your water account. In addition to your trash bin, you may put bundled trash, boxes, bags, or anything that will fit in the truck, at the curb for pick up on your scheduled day. This does not include hazardous waste products.

For additional trash & recycling information call 281-5724.



WARD MEETINGS

Ward meetings coming soon! Check the Elgin website www.elgintx.com and the Elgin Courier for dates and times. These meetings provide an informal setting for you to discuss your ideas and concerns about local government with your Mayor, Councilmembers, and City staff.

Complementary food and drinks will be provided at every Ward Meeting.

Feel free to come to any or all of these meetings.

For additional information call 281-5724.

To view a Ward Map go to www.elgintx.com

CITY OF ELGIN DEPARTMENTS AND SERVICES



The **Dr. I.B. Nofsinger House** was restored in 2003 and currently houses City administrative offices, economic development, and utility billing. The City Annex, also located at 310 North Main

Street, has public works, and municipal court offices. For utility billing and other departments call 281-5724

Municipal Court handles 2,800 to 3,000 cases annually. For information on court related issues call 281-0318.

The **Elgin Economic Development Corporation** promotes recruitment, retention and expansion of businesses in Elgin. For information, call 281-5724.

City of Elgin Planning and Development Department is located in the Elgin Business Park at 1135 Swenson Blvd. This includes code enforcement, planning and development, inspections, and utilities. For assistance please call 281-0119.

The Police Department has 16 officers and 7 to 10 reserve officers. Located at 202 Depot Street. For non-emergency calls 281-5758.

The **Volunteer Fire Department** has 40 volunteers who respond to emergency calls including fires and auto accidents. The community generously supports the VFD. For non-emergency calls 281-4025.

**CITY OF ELGIN
EMPLOYEES
PROUDLY SERVING
OUR COMMUNITY**

SUMMER FUN AT PARKS AND LIBRARY

The **Morris Memorial Park Swimming Pool** opened May 28th and will remain open through Labor Day. Pool hours are 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday. In addition to regular pool hours, we offer water aerobics, swimming lessons, advanced swimming instruction, adult swim & pool parties.

The **City of Elgin Parks & Recreation Department Movies in the Park Series** takes place in Veterans' Memorial Park in historic downtown Elgin. The 2007 line-up includes Madagascar, The Wild Thornberrys' Movie, Flushed Away, Over the Hedge and Happy Feet. The series runs during the months of June and July. Movies are free and begin at dusk. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and insect repellent. Concessions available.

The **Elgin Summer Youth Recreation Program** offers a structured enrichment program for children ages 6 to 12 years old. The program includes: sports, arts and crafts, nature study, creative dramatics, swimming and field trips. The program's base is Elgin Elementary School Gym on 11th Street. The sessions are 2 weeks long and run from June 4th until August 24th.

Kids don't miss **Chalk It Up** children's sidewalk art contest July 3rd, 10 am at Veterans' Memorial Park.

For more information on the recreational events sponsored by the Parks & Recreation Department and park locations, please call 281-2477 or check out their website at www.elginpard.com.



The Library is again hosting the **Summer Reading Program**. **The 2007 theme is Sail Away with Books!** Pre-School Program (ages 3-5) Tuesdays 10:30 - 11:30 final session July 17, Readers Program (ages 6-11) Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:00 final session July 25. The Young Adults Program theme is **Movie and Film Industry** for ages 12-18 on Thursdays 5:00 - 6:30pm. This will include a dinner theater and on July 19 a trip to Austin to see a screen set for movies and television.

Ongoing library programs include: Daddy & Me Lunch at the library on 2nd Saturdays 11:30 - 12:30, Story Time for ages 2-12 Tuesday 10:30am, Lap-sit Story Time, newborn - age 2 Tuesday 10:30am, Afternoon Book Club 2nd Thursday 2:00pm, Movie Night 3rd Thursday 6:00- 8:00pm.

The Elgin library was **awarded two Texas Book Festival grants**, a total of \$7,500 for the Daddy and Me program and to update non-fiction materials. New titles include: Game Programming for Teens, Oxford's Atlas of the World, The Everything Parent's Guide to Children with Autism, and many more. Library programs and materials are generously supported by local businesses, Friends of the Elgin Library, and the City of Elgin. Call today for library information at 281-5678.

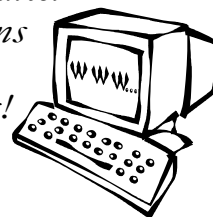
Library Hours of Operation
Tuesday and Thursday
10 am - 7 pm
Wednesday and Friday
10 am - 6 pm
Saturday 10 am - 4 pm
Closed Sunday and Monday



Community Celebrations

- ★ Volunteer Fireman's BBQ Cook-off
4th Saturday of April
 - ★ Community Wide Garage Sale
1st Saturday of May
 - ★ Juneteenth
2nd Saturday of June
 - ★ Western Days
4th Saturday of June
 - ★ People's Patriotic Parade
July 4th
 - ★ Chile Pepper Fiesta
2nd Saturday of September
 - ★ Hogeye Festival
4th Saturday of October
 - ★ Holiday By the Tracks
1st Saturday of December
 - ★ Lights of the Blacklands, holiday lights during December
- For information visit www.elgintx.com or call 512-281-5724

Check out the website for the latest additions and updates!



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