



City Newsletter

April 2025

Dear Neighbors,

This will be my last message as the Mayor of the City of Bunker Hill Village. I would like to express my humble gratitude for the opportunity to serve the residents and work with some of the most dedicated and hardest-working public servants in the Great State of Texas. Without the support of the various city councils and staff throughout my six years as Mayor, we could not have accomplished all the remarkable things that have made Bunker Hill Village a wonderful and safe place to live and raise a family. There is a reason why so many people raised in Bunker Hill Village or other nearby villages often return.

When the City hosted a retirement celebration for me, I was extremely touched and humbled by the size of the crowd around lunchtime on a Thursday. I had expected a much smaller crowd of only City staff and Council. It was nice to spend time and share stories with people whom I respect immensely and consider my extended family after so many years of working together. I was especially touched by the appearance and presentations from the other Villages with whom I have had the distinct pleasure of serving. As Mayor Pappas from Hunters Creek expressed in his heartfelt proclamation, we all worked hard to mend bridges and can genuinely say that the cooperation between the Memorial Villages has never been better.

My time as Mayor would not have been as rewarding or impactful without the help of all the councilmembers over the years and the ability to trust and rely on the dedicated City staff. While the City staff is small in number, they are mighty in what they can accomplish. I also thank former Mayors Derry Essary and Jay Williams for always being willing to answer my annoying phone calls seeking wisdom or guidance numerous times. Mayor Essary and Mayor Williams left me a City that was fiscally sound and had a strong 10-year Capital Improvement Plan that I only had to follow to be successful. The former mayors also left behind a solid and long-tenured City staff and the remarkable Karen Glynn as a City Administrator. Without Karen's guidance during my first couple of years, it would have been a train wreck. The same goes for current City staff and my right-hand guy, City Administrator Gerardo Barrera. They made my final year go smoothly and improved customer service, our IT infrastructure to allow more interactive features for residents and contractors, and overall transparency and predictability.

I retire from my Mayorship knowing that the residents of Bunker Hill Village, who are the reason why I agreed to be elected to the job in the first place, are in good hands with the current City staff and Council. Susan Schwartz, long-tenured City Councilmember and Mayor Pro-Tem, is serving as Acting Mayor until Mayor-Elect Keith Brown, who has served on Council and several committees & commissions over several years, is sworn in as Mayor in May. Although I am retiring, I promise that I will always continue to watch and contribute to the well-being of Bunker Hill Village.

Humbly Yours,
Robert P. Lord

National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week



VFD Telecommunicator
B. Miller

MVPD Telecommunicators L-R: L. Titus, H. Patterson,
M. Zamudio with City Administrator Gerardo Barrera

Each year, the second week of April is recognized as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. City Council issued a proclamation to honor the MVPD and VFD telecommunicators who are calming voices during the most critical moments. These dedicated professionals serve our community and public safety personnel 24 hours a day, seven days a week, ensuring every call for help is answered.



Road Improvements Bunker Hill Rd. & Taylorcrest Rd

The City's contractor, Hayden Pavement, began construction on the southbound lane of Bunker Hill Rd. the week of April 28. Travel is restricted to northbound travel only between Memorial Dr. and Taylorcrest Rd. as work on the southbound lane is completed. Drivers should plan their travel routes accordingly and follow recommended detour signage during construction. Construction on Taylorcrest Rd. is tentatively scheduled to start in June after the school year.

The City hosted two (2) Town Hall Meetings to discuss the road improvement project. At the meetings, City staff, the project engineer, and the contractor shared details about the construction process, project timeline, and traffic control plans.

To view the presentation slides and watch a video recording of the April 9, 2025, Town Hall Meeting, visit www.bunkerhilltx.gov/latest-news/town-hall-meetings-for-road-improvement-projects.

If you experience any issues during construction, please contact Construction Manager, Ed Lloyd at 281-660-8737 or by email at elloyd@lsa-engineers.com.

Regular project updates will be made available online at www.bunkerhilltx.gov and sent out via V-Linc.

Code Enforcement Reminders

During the spring months, code enforcement violations increase. Properties are required to be maintained in compliance with City Ordinances to promote and protect public health and safety, and the appearance of the community. Review common code violations:

- Tall grass and weeds not only make the neighborhood unsightly, but may also create fire hazards, harbor vermin, and produce disease. Grass should not exceed 8 inches in height.
- Do not blow leaves or grass clippings into storm sewer inlets or ditches. Keep drainage ditches clear of debris to prevent drainage issues.
- Stagnant water in a swimming pool provides breeding areas for mosquitoes. Keep up pool maintenance to prevent fouling of the water.
- Property owners are responsible for the maintenance of trees and vegetation in right-of-way (ROW) areas. Keep trees and shrubs properly pruned to avoid causing sight visibility issues at intersections and sight obstruction of regulatory signs (i.e. stop signs, school zones, speed limit signs, etc.).

Pocket Park Dedication

On March 13, 2025, the City dedicated a pocket park to former City Councilmember and founding Beautification Committee Chair Laurie Rosenbaum. The park is a testament to her commitment to public service and tireless efforts that helped enhance the beauty of public spaces in the City.

The Laurie Rosenbaum Park is located at the intersection of Strey Ln. and Memorial Dr.



Laurie Rosenbaum & Mayor Lord

On-Call Services

The City's Public Works crews are on-call 24/7/365 to respond to water leaks and/or sewer stoppages on City lines. For immediate attention outside of regular business hours, nights, weekends, holidays, please contact MVPD Dispatch at 713-365-3700.

Prepare for Hurricane Season

Hurricane Season officially runs June 1 through November 30. The best time to prepare is well before the official start of the season:

- Develop an emergency plan
- Build a disaster supply kit
- Protect your home
- Sign up for alerts and warnings

For preparedness resources, visit www.ready.gov/hurricanes

CenterPoint Energy is responsible for the operation and maintenance of power services, including restoration efforts when an outage occurs. The City does not have the ability or authority to assess the electrical distribution system. To sign up for Power Alerts through CenterPoint, visit www.centerpointenergy.com/en-us/residential/services/electric-utility/outage-center/power-alert-service.