



City Newsletter

August 2026

Dear Neighbors,

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Villages Independence Festival on July 4th! This year's celebration was especially meaningful as we commemorated the 250th anniversary of the United States. It is estimated that 2,000 spectators lined Piney Point Rd. to enjoy the red, white, and blue parade, while over 800 guests attended the festival at Ecclesia Church. This annual tradition is a wonderful reflection of the strong sense of community that makes Bunker Hill Village such a special place.

A special thank you goes to the City's exceptionally talented Public Works team for their creativity and craftsmanship in designing and building the City's parade float. I also want to thank the Memorial Villages Police Department and Hedwig Police Department for their coordinated efforts to ensure a safe and successful celebration; the volunteers from Memorial Church of Christ for graciously sharing their facilities and refreshments for parade participants; Ecclesia Church for providing their campus to host the festival; and the festival committee – comprised of Mayor Pro Tem Susan Schwartz, MVPD, Village Fire representatives, and staff from all six (6) Memorial Villages – for their countless hours of planning and hard work behind the scenes. Their dedication made this special celebration possible.

One of the City Council's primary responsibilities is adopting an annual budget that reflects the priorities and needs of our community while maintaining the City's longstanding commitment to fiscal responsibility. After countless hours of work from staff, the proposed FY 2027 Budget was presented to Council on July 15 at the City's annual Budget Workshop. The budget details revenues and expenditures for the upcoming year and outlines proposed current and future capital improvement projects.

At the Special City Council Meeting held on August 4, 2026, Council voted to set the 2026 tax rate at \$0.271 per \$100 valuation, which will keep the tax rate flat for the upcoming year. City Council will hold public hearings on Tuesday, September 15, 2026, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall to vote on the Proposed 2027 Budget and the Proposed 2026 Tax Rate.

To view the Proposed 2027 Budget, visit www.bunkerhilltx.gov

Finally, maintaining the outstanding quality of life in Bunker Hill Village is a shared responsibility. If you notice an issue or have a concern – whether related to road conditions, public safety, or another City service – please contact City Hall at 713-467-9762 or by email at info@bunkerhilltx.gov.

Keith Brown

Mayor, Bunker Hill Village

Villages Recycling & Shredding



 October 24, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

 Hedwig Village City Hall



MVPD Haunted House

 October 30, 2026, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

 Memorial Villages Police Department

Twinkle Light Parade & Celebration

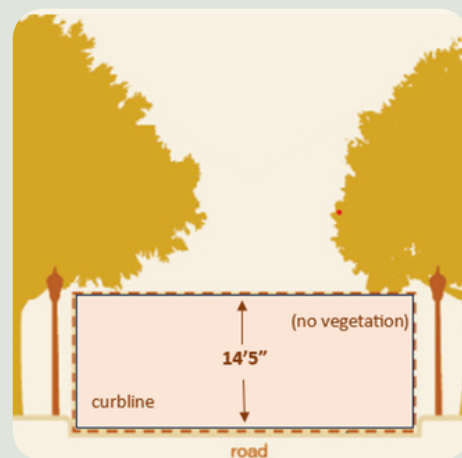


 December 17, 2026, 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

 Celebration at Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church, 7:00 p.m.

Vegetation Maintenance in the Right-of-Way

Residents are responsible for the care and maintenance of trees and vegetation in Right-of-Way (ROW) areas. The adopted Fire Code requires that vegetation over the roadway be maintained at a minimum vertical clearance of 14.5 feet. This ensures adequate clearance for all vehicles, including emergency vehicles (i.e., fire trucks and ambulances) and garbage trucks that are on the road daily providing essential services.



Clearance should be maintained in a straight vertical line from the edge of the street upward.



E-bike Safety

As the school year begins, drivers are reminded to be aware of students riding e-bikes and e-scooters to and from school. The Memorial Villages Police Department (MVPD) is actively enforcing the City's e-bike ordinance to ensure safe usage on City streets and sidewalks. Parents are encouraged to speak with their children about safe riding practices.

City Ordinance No. 24-625 classifies e-bikes based on motor type and speed to regulate their safe operation in public spaces. This measure helps ensure the compatibility of e-bikes with other recreational activities while protecting the safety of all users of the City's sidewalks and streets.

To view the ordinance and e-bike safety tips from MVPD, visit <https://bunkerhilltx.gov/latest-news/e-bike-safety>.

For questions or more information regarding the use of e-bikes in the City, contact MVPD Dispatch at 713-365-3700.

Superior Water System

The City maintains the designation of Superior Public Water System by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). This designation recognizes excellence in all aspects of public water system operations. It also reflects the City's Public Works team's commitment to going above and beyond the minimum regulatory standards, protecting public health, and ensuring the reliable operation of the water system to provide customers with a safe and superior water supply.

To read the City's 2025 Annual Water Quality Report, visit <https://bunkerhilltx.gov/citizens/public-works>.



Report Streetlight Outages

CenterPoint is responsible for the operation and maintenance of all streetlights in the City's Right-of-Way (ROW). Residents can report streetlights not working directly to CenterPoint by visiting <https://gis.centerpointenergy.com/sloreporting/> and entering the 6-digit number located on the pole or the nearest address.

Public Works 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, including nights, weekends, and holidays, please contact MVPD Dispatch at 713-365-3700.

Hurricane Preparedness

As hurricane season continues (June - November), residents are encouraged to take proactive steps toward hurricane preparedness.

- **Develop an emergency plan:** Discuss with your family what to do before, during, and after a storm. Plans should include evacuation routes and meeting places.
- **Build a disaster supply kit:** Kits should include non-perishable food, water, medical supplies (including prescriptions), and other essential items to sustain each member of your family for a minimum of three (3) days. Reminder: food delivery services may be limited during and/or immediately after a storm.
- **Prepare your home:** Strengthen your home to withstand hurricane impacts – trim trees and shrubs for wind resistance, seal outside wall openings, and have supplies ready, such as plywood or aluminum panels, should you need to board up windows or doors.
- **Sign up for local alerts and warnings:** Register for ReadyHarris Alerts by visiting www.readyharris.org.

For more information on how to prepare and stay weather aware, visit www.ready.gov/hurricanes.

Trash & Recycling Collection Reminders



- Place carts curbside before 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled collection day.
- For back door service, carts must be visible from the street and not behind a closed or locked gate.
- Collection typically occurs between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Occasional service delays may happen due to inclement weather or other factors. Please allow until 6:00 p.m. for pickup to occur. **If your trash or recycling has not been collected by 6:00 p.m., contact City Hall the next business day** at 713-467-9762 or by email at info@bunkerhilltx.gov.

Important Note for Tealwood Subdivision Residents Only:

Starting November 1, 2026, residents of the Tealwood Subdivision will begin to be billed by the City for trash and recycling services as part of their overall utility bill. Collection services will revert to back door service. Tealwood residents with questions regarding services included in their HOA dues should contact the HOA Board.