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Around Town

Thursday, April 20
KNAPP CENTER TOUR

A guided tour of the Houston Arboretum offered through the Melvin Knapp Center, 2424 South Park Ave., will depart at 9 a.m. at a cost of \$12 per person, registration required. For information, call 281-652-1890.

TEEN SCENE AT LIBRARY

Teen Scene takes place from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Teen Space of the public library, 3522 Liberty Drive. Call 281-652-1677 or email pearland@bcls.lib.tx.us for information.

PARENT TALK FORUM

Pearland ISD Superintendent Larry Berger holds its final Parent Talk district forum for April at 6 p.m. at the Virgil Gant Education Support Center, 1928 N. Main St. Questions can be submitted in advance of the forum at <https://bit.ly/PearlandParentForums>. Spanish translation will be available at this forum.

Friday, April 21

BEAUTY & THE BEAST JR.

Pearland Theatre Guild presents the musical, "Beauty and the Beast Jr.," at 7:30 p.m. at the Pearl Theatre, 14803 Park Alameda Drive. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$16 students and seniors. For information, call 713-340-2540, or visit pearl-theater.com.

Saturday, April 22

STUDENT ATHLETE PHYSICALS

Student athlete physical exams will be available for \$25 each from 8 a.m. to noon at Dawson HS main entrance.

PARK GRAND OPENING

A grand opening and ribbon cutting for the Ed Thompson Inclusive Park is 9 a.m. to noon at the Shadow Creek Ranch Sports Complex, 13050 Shadow Creek Parkway next to Miracle Field. Visit foreverparksfoundation.org for more information.

FAMILY 'BLOCK' PARTY

A build-and-play Family "Block" Party is 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the storytime and activity area of the West Pearlard Library, 11801 Shadow Creek Pkwy. For information, call 713-436-0995.

PTC VENDOR FAIR

Pearland Town Center, 11200 Broadway St., hosts a vendor fair featuring Selena Tribute artist Amanda Solis from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. More than 30 vendors will be on hand.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Keep Pearlard Beautiful presents an Earth Day Celebration on April 22 from 10am to 2pm at Centennial Park in Pearland. Free family-friendly event featuring: Earth Day Market, Exhibits & Vendors, Games & Giveaways, butterfly tent and more. Free mobile paper shredding during the event.

Monday, April 24

BIG TIME BINGO

VFW Post 7109 holds Big Time Bingo Sunday, Monday, Thursday and Friday at the post, 4202 Walnut St. On Sunday and Monday, doors open at 5 p.m. with the first session at 7 p.m. and second at 8:30 p.m. For info call 281-968-1518.

Tuesday, April 25

KNAPP CENTER FIELD TRIP

A field trip for seniors to Noah's Ark San Leon will leave the Melvin Knapp Center, 2424 South Park Ave., at 11:30 a.m. Van fee is \$5 with lunch on your own. Registration is required and can be made by calling 281-652-1890.

Wednesday, April 26

CEREAL CONVERSATIONS

Cereal Conversations, hosted by the Pearland Chamber of Commerce, is a series of business leader conversations and networking held over breakfast every fourth Wednesday at the Commerce Center, 6117 Broadway St. The 7:30 a.m. presentations are free.

After Uvalde, Pearland ramps up training, equipment

By N. BRADFORD
Reporter News Staff

In the wake of the May school shooting at Robb Elementary in Uvalde, the City of Pearland is among communities that have increased response training and outfitted police with breaching tools.

Pearland City Council on April 10 unanimously approved the \$53,480 purchase of equipment such as bars and sledgehammers to be used for entry in the event of an active shooter.

Additionally, breaching rams were fabricated for the department by Pearland ISD welding students.

"The reality is that time counts," City Councilman Alex Kamkar said. "I hope we never, ever, ever, ever have to use this, but it's

better to have it and not need it than to need it and not have it."

Following the May 24 Uvalde shooting that

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-City Councilman
Alex Kamkar



killed 21 people including 19 grade-schoolers, Pearland Police conducted self-assessments and evaluations on its planned response in the

event of shooter attacks. A committee was formed to identify equipment and propose a plan for fast and effective responses to active shooters.

"One of the recommendations from that was that we add breaching tools to every marked patrol vehicle," interim City Manager Trent Epperson said, "to ensure we have tools available not only at schools but other potential targets."

The tools provided to city patrols are the same ones currently assigned to seven Pearland ISD junior high and school schools. They will be in every patrol vehicle as well identified staging locations.

"It's concerning that we have to have these, but I appreciate the chief and their team working on training," Kamkar said.

RBI HITTER



Photo by Lloyd Hendricks

Pearland third baseman Raenna Liscano knocks an RBI hit vs Dawson. The Eagles took an early lead via two solo home runs in the top of the first inning but the Lady Oilers came back strong and took the 7-4 win in a game that was for the district championship. Dawson will face Alvin at home on Friday April 21 at 6:45 p.m. with the winner finishing second in the district and the loser finishing in third place.

Cornhole business looks to set up shop

By N. BRADFORD
Reporter News Staff

Pearland City leaders on May 8 will hear from a company looking to manufacture cornhole bags and boards in the Garden/O'Day District.

Since the site is among residential homes, noise from businesses has been concern.

"The loudest thing that we have, equipment-wise, is a sewing machine," said Graham Williams of BG Cornhole. "We will be operating with the building fully enclosed."

Williams on Monday addressed the city's Planning and Zoning Commission, which

agreed with city staff to support the city granting a conditional use permit to allow the business to operate at 2054 and 2106 O'Day Road.

The business is described as light manufacturing. City staff did receive a comment from a neighbor concerned about noise, and is recommending approval so long as the company keeps all operations inside the building and installs proper vegetative screening.

Consideration of the conditional use permit is expected to be on the city council's May 8 agenda.

Earth Day changes site for 2023

By N. BRADFORD
Reporter News Staff

The Pearland Earth Day celebration will have a new location when the free family event unfolds this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hosted by Keep Pearlard Beautiful, Earth Day will be observed at the Pavilions at Centennial Park, 3219 McLean Road. It was previously held at Independence Park.

Activities for children include a trackless train, face painting, interactive science activities, games, bubbles and more.

A drive-through free paper shredding event will be available for disposal of obsolete records, junk mail or banking and employment documents.

A yoga demonstration at 10 a.m. will be followed by "Ask the Expert" sessions such as Brazoria County

Master Gardeners at 11 a.m. and the Stella Roberts Recycling Center at noon.

In addition to promoting positive environmental change, the annual event is held to support sustainable small businesses and nonprofits. Vendors will include the city's Home Repair Program, Cultivated Canine Dog Training, Curbside Skate Company, the



The Pearland Earth Day celebration unfolds this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Centennial Park. Photo courtesy of KPB

Disc Golf Club, Gear Monkey Bike Repair, KIPPERS Plant Walk, Lone Star Snakes, Moody Gardens, Pearland Urban Forester, Wild Bloom Honey and many more.

Prescription Take Back this Saturday

DEA National prescription take-back day offers free disposal of expired or unused prescriptions and vaping devices from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Stella Roberts Recycling Center, 5800 Magnolia Parkway. For information, call 1-800-510-3111.

Alvin, Pearland ISDs join special ed co-op

By N. BRADFORD
Reporter News Staff

A combined new cooperative among Pearland, Alvin and Friendswood ISDs will serve students with significant behavioral needs or disabilities beginning next school year.

Both Alvin ISD and Pearland ISD Trustees on April 11 approved their portions of a special education Shared Services Arrangement that will allow local students who qualify to attend a Therapeutic Education Center at Friendswood.

The collaboration has been in the works for about two years, said Christy Weddington, director Special Programs at Pearland ISD.

"We're going to start the first year small, with two classrooms and up to 10 students between the three districts," she said.

Students who are unable to attend classes on regular campuses currently attend out-of-district day schools, many of which are one to three hours away, Pearland ISD staff told the board. Pearland ISD currently has 14 students attending such facilities.

Both school boards unanimously approved the agreement with Friendswood ISD.

"Superintendents have met to review ideas, as well as our special ed directors and our CFOs have been involved as well," Alvin Superintendent Carol Nelson said.

Friendswood ISD, which secured a grant to help renovate a building for the program, will serve as the host district. Costs of the program also will be shared among the three school districts on a cost per pupil basis.



Theatre stages youth version of 'Beauty'

By N. BRADFORD
Reporter News Staff

The Pearland Theatre Guild is presenting the youth musical, "Beauty and the Beast Jr." through Sunday at the Pearl Theatre.

Directed by Tabetta Harrison, the show is based on the original Broadway production that ran more than 13 years in addition to the Academy Award-winning movie, telling the story of main characters Belle and the Beast, who is really a young prince under the spell of an enchantress.

Shows are performed at the theatre, 14803 Park Alameda Drive.

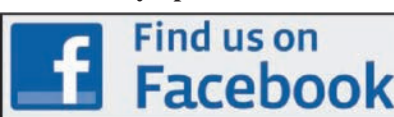
The final three performances are this week, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday and at 3 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$16 students and seniors. For information, call 713-340-2540, or visit pearl-theater.com.

Next up for theatre are productions of "Driving Miss Daisy" May 12-28 and "Almost, Maine" June 16-July 2.

Questions about auditions should be directed to the Pearl Theater artistic director, Renee van Nifterik at 832-459-4674 or director@pearl-theater.com.

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PEARLAND POLICE REPORT

Below are highlights from reports filed during the past week by Pearland Police. Incident and arrest reports are public record and are available in full online at p2c.pearlandtx.gov.

Monday, April 10

A 30-year-old Pearland woman was arrested at 3 a.m. and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, 4900 block of Sterling Crossing.

DWI arrest at 5 a.m., 2555 Cullen Parkway.

A local woman, 41, was arrested at 8:50 a.m. and charged with assault by physical contact, 12400 block of Shadow Creek Parkway.

An arrest for terroristic threat of household, 6:31 p.m., 6200 block of Winter Oak St.

An arrest for possession or delivery of drug paraphernalia at midnight, 4400 block of Bailey Road.

Tuesday, April 11

An arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia at 10 a.m., 3900 block of Dixie Farm Road.

Death investigation at 10:46 a.m., 2900 block of Windemere Drive.

A woman was arrested at 2 p.m. for possession of a controlled substance, 19900 State Highway 35.

A local 18-year-old was arrested for tampering with identification numbers at 3:28 p.m., 3100 Dixie Farm Road.

A 24-year-old Manvel man was arrested for fictitious license or certificate at 4:35 p.m., 11200 Broadway.

An Alvin 19-year-old was arrested for racing on the highway at 7 p.m., 3400 block of Pearland Parkway.

An arrest for felony theft

with two or more previous convictions was made at 7:24 p.m., 1700 block of Broadway St.

Wednesday, April 12

Death investigation at noon, 1700 block of Max.

Death investigation at 2:43 p.m., 16100 block of South Freeway.

Narcotics investigation was conducted at 4:44 p.m., 3700 block of Ashford Bridge Lane.

A Pearland man, 37, was arrested at 5:52 p.m. for felony DWI, 2300 Dixie Farm Road

A Pearland man, 38, was arrested for DWI with a prior conviction, 7100 Broadway St.

Thursday, April 13

An arrest for parole violation was made at 12:31 a.m., 11100 Shadow Creek Parkway.

Death investigation conducted at 2 a.m., 1700 block of Old Alvin Road.

Death investigation conducted at 3:31 a.m., 16100 block of South Freeway.

An arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia at 7:19 a.m., 3400 E. Orange St.

Death investigation at 11:42 a.m., 2700 block of Miller Ranch Road.

A Pearland 18-year-old was arrested at 1:20 p.m. for felony possession of a controlled substance, 2050 Cullen Parkway.

Two Houston women were arrested in the 1800 block of Country Place Parkway, one at 2:30 p.m. and another at 8:55 p.m. Both were charged with prostitution.

Death investigation at 7:22 p.m., 3500 block of Broadway St.

A 31-year-old Houston

man was arrested at 8:30 p.m. for promotion of prostitution, 2200 Country Place Parkway.

Friday, April 14

A woman was arrested at 10 a.m. for family violence assault, 2100 block of Stonehollow Court.

A report of delivery of a controlled substance to a child was made at 3:15 p.m., 3500 block of Aubrell Road.

Death investigation at 11:24 p.m., 1100 block of Beckton Lane.

Saturday, April 15

A man was arrested for assault of a household member/impeding breathing or circulation, at 1:23 a.m., 3700 block of Riverside Drive.

A family violence assault arrest was made at 9:47 p.m., 2400 Business Center Drive.

An arrest for assault of a family member, causing bodily injury was made at 10 p.m., 2300 block of Cunningham Drive.

Sunday, April 16

An arrest for assault by physical contact, family violence, was made just after midnight, 4000 block of Galloway Drive.

DWI was reported at 2:11 a.m., 1400 block of Pearland Parkway.

An arrest for illegal dumping was made at 7:25 a.m., 6065 Broadway St.

Death investigation at 8 a.m., 11100 block of Shadow Creek Parkway.

A Houston man, 58, arrested at the Pearland Wal-mart was charged with felony theft with two or more prior convictions.

An arrest for criminal mischief was made at 11:30 p.m., 13200 block of Castlewind Lane.

Monday, April 17

DWI arrest with a blood alcohol level over .15 was made at 2:13 a.m., 3339 E. Walnut St.

An arrest for assault causing bodily injury of a family member was made at 9:35 a.m., 12900 block of Shadow Creek Parkway.

A San Marcos man, 32, was arrested in Seguin at 5 p.m. and charged with the sale, display or distribution of harmful material to a minor.

Two people were arrested around 9:20 p.m. at 2100 N Austin Avenue. One was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and the other with unauthorized use of a vehicle.

FRIENDSWOOD POLICE REPORT

APRIL 10 THRU APRIL 16

THEFT

Apr. 11 (1:50 p.m.) A 30-year-old Hitchcock man was charged with Theft of a Firearm and had an outstanding warrant in Howard County. A passenger was charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance in Penalty Group 1 and Theft of a Firearm. The driver was stopped for a license plate violation in the 2400 block of W. Parkwood Ave. During the contact, the officer observed a rifle laying across the center console. The officer had the driver exit the vehicle and instructed the passenger to put his hands on the dash. The driver and passenger were checked for weapons on her person; several knives were found. A search of the vehicle yielded three guns; one was reported stolen in Houston in November 2022.

Apr. 16 (8:34 p.m.) Officers responded to a disturbance at Kroger located at 3135 FM 528. A man was inside the store throwing items at a store manager. When the officers arrived, the suspect was gone. The disturbance began when the store manager approached the suspect and asked him to remove stolen items from his pants. While looking for the suspect, the officers received information that he was at the Time Out Sports Bar. He was in the parking lot, identified, and given a criminal trespass warning.

FRAUD

Apr. 10 (11:14 a.m.) A Friendswood man reported that his identity was stolen and used to open a Synchrony credit card account. Two generators were purchased using the fraudulently obtained credit card account at a Harbor Freight in Houston.

Apr. 10 (3:12 p.m.) A 28-year-old Friendswood man met a woman in a chatroom on the KIK app. After an intimate online conversation, the woman requested a nude photo. The victim obliged and sent the nude photo to the unknown woman. Now, the individual is threatening to send the nude

to his friends, family, and coworkers if he does not pay \$500 using Cash app. When the app blocked the transaction, due to fraud detection, the man was instructed to go to Walmart, purchase an Apple gift card, activate the card, and send pictures of the card number and receipt. He made the purchase, as instructed, now they want more money. It was the second request for money that prompted the Friendswood man to call the police.

Apr. 11 (8:11 a.m.) A Friendswood woman reported credit card abuse. She received her monthly statement from Victoria's Secrets and discovered there were two fraudulent charges. Both charges were made at a store in Florida. Then, the victim discovered that someone fraudulently opened a Sephora account using her personal identifying information and filled out a Galveston County Voter Registration card changing her address.

Apr. 12 (10:37 a.m.) A Friendswood man's personal identifying information was used to open a bank account and obtain a debit card with East West Bank.

Apr. 12 (10:37 a.m.) A Friendswood woman's AOL account was recently hacked. The suspect began sending emails to her accountant claiming to be a contractor working for the victim and requested payment. The accountant sent the suspect two payments, and the suspect was able to make a withdrawal from the victim's account.

Apr. 13 (3:42 p.m.) A Friendswood woman reported that she received a phone call from a person who said they were a representative of the United States Government and told her that she owned money. She was instructed to withdraw funds from her bank and deposit them into Bitcoin machines at the Icebox gas station and at HEB. She did as she was instructed. When she received a second request for money, she became suspicious and con-

tacted the police.

Apr. 16 (5:22 p.m.) A Friendswood man began receiving unsolicited text messages and calls from a man demanding money in exchange for his family's safety. The scammer suggested that the victim had received in-home massage services and was requesting photographs from the massage employee. The victim denied any contact with an in-home massage employee.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Apr. 15 (6:09 p.m.) Graffiti was found on the ceiling, wall, and door of the restroom at the Sonic Drive-In, 806 S. Friendswood Drive. Surveillance videos are being reviewed to determine who the suspect may be.

Apr. 16 (5:51 p.m.) Vandalism was reported to a storage shed located behind Perry & Sons Market & Grille, 614 S. Friendswood Drive. A hole was cut in the side of the shed and graffiti was left next to the hole.

ASSAULT

Apr. 13 (9:50 p.m.) A Friendswood man was assaulted at his home in the 200 block of Skyview Terrace when his son's ex-girlfriend's father showed up unannounced. The suspect allegedly walked into the victim's backyard and approached the back door. When the victim told the suspect to leave, the suspect slammed the door, hitting the victim in the face and causing him to fall backward and hit his head. The patio door was damaged during the assault. A warrant will be filed charging the suspect with Assault Causing Bodily Injury and a summons issued charging the suspect with Criminal Mischief.

NARCOTICS

Apr. 14 (12:04 p.m.) Two 16-year-old Friendswood High School students were in possession of a vaping device containing THC. Each will receive a summons to the Friendswood Municipal Court where they will answer the charge of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Our next-door neighbor, Joe Matranga, is seeking to fill the open Position 5 Council seat for the City of Friendswood in the May election. We are writing to share our experience of having Joe and Paula Matranga as neighbors.

We have been very fortunate for the past 15 years to have them as our neighbors. You see, Joe has been a friend in need to assist with heavy chores, he has shared more than once an electrical cord when our house lost power, and he is always available to provide advice on just about any problem that we have confronted.

Joe has demonstrated to

us his honesty, compassion, and service to others over and over. Such personal qualities are needed today by those seeking a city position to serve others and not themselves. Friendswood voters should elect Joe Matranga on May 6. We ask the community of Friendswood to help elect Joe because those living in the city will benefit from his servant approach, just as we have benefitted from being his neighbor.

Debbie and Bill Tyler
Friendswood

Dear Editor,

I have watched Joe Matranga work as Chairman of Friendswood's Planning and Zoning Commission; he

has transformed how that group of volunteers functions. He set the standard by personally walking each property that came before the Commission for consideration. He is always the most informed person at each meeting. His leadership has raised the bar for all Commissioners. He attended nearly every City Council meeting for the past 5 years in order to be informed and available to answer questions.

Joe is a longtime Friendswood resident with no financial entanglements to interfere with his service on City Council. His opponent is a local developer. Developers regularly appear before P&Z and City Council asking for variances and other accommodations. I'm concerned about how future requests or competitor requests will be handled if a developer is on City Council.

Joe's experience as Senior Vice President of Occidental Petroleum (managing a budget larger than Friendswood) ensures he will bring business sense to the position. His history of volunteerism at P&Z, Friendswood Animal Control and West Ranch Management District show his devotion to service. We are lucky to have a person of Joe's caliber running for City Council. Please join me in giving him your vote.

Richard Sasson
Friendswood

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SPORTS

Lady Oilers capture 23-6A softball crown with win over Dawson

By DR. DAVID DAVIS
Reporter News Staff

Pearland and Dawson entered their second-round district showdown tied for the top spot in the 23-6A standings at 8-1. The Lady Oilers (25-3) entered the contest ranked No. 7 in the state while Dawson (22-5) was ranked No. 16 in the state.

The Lady Oilers were nipped by the Lady Eagles 3-2 in the first round while playing without three key starters. Dawson suffered their only district loss to third-place Alvin 7-1 to place the two Pearland squads in a tie for first-place.

Both teams knew that the winner of this showdown would emerge as the league champion as Pearland only had two district games remaining on the schedule and those were against Alief Taylor and Alief Hastings.

Pearland took care of Alief Taylor 15-0 which secured the district title and a win over Alief Hastings will officially seal the district crown.

The Lady Eagles will be playing for second or third place against the Lady Jackets after a win over Alief Elsik. Dawson will host Alvin on Friday, April 21 at 7:00 p.m.

PEARLAND 7 - DAWSON 4

Tied for the district lead for most of the season, Pearland and Dawson entered the second round tied with an 8-1 league mark. The winner of this game would more than likely secure the district crown.

It didn't take long for Dawson to strike as the Lady Eagles got back-to-back two-out solo home runs from Sa'Mya Jones over the right field fence and Makenzie Wright over the left field wall for a 2-0 lead.

The Lady Oilers answered with a run in the bottom of the first when sophomore Kaylee Schweitzer laced a single to centerfield, advanced to second on a ground out and scored on a two-out single by Kristyn Whitlock making the score 2-1.

Pearland would take the lead in the third frame scoring three runs for a 4-2 advantage.

Schweitzer would drill a one-out single to right field,

advance to second on a walk to Kennedy Drafton. Whitlock would single to centerfield to plate Schweitzer to tie the game at 2-2.

Raenna Liscano would line out to the Dawson pitcher for the second out, but Lydia Njus would hit a clutch hit to centerfield to bring home Whitlock and Drafton for a 4-2 lead.

Dawson would score a run in the top of the fourth and fifth frames to tie the game at 4-4.

Jones scored in the fourth on a fielder's choice and the Lady Eagles reached in their home run bag as Jenna Theford smashed a homer over the centerfield wall to knot up the game 4-4.

The Lady Oilers would take the lead for good in the bottom of the fifth with two runs as Liscano singled to centerfield to plate Drafton who had reached base via a fielder's choice to make the score 5-4. After Trinity Perry is hit by a pitch Kelsey Martin smashes a single to centerfield to score Mann for a 6-4 advantage.

Pearland would add an insurance run in the sixth when Hailey Golden singled to centerfield and scored on a triple by Drafton to post the 7-4 final score and secure the district championship.

Senior Abigail Gutierrez got the win in the pitching circle for Pearland as she gave up four runs on four hits with 10 strikeouts and two walks in five frames. Junior Carly Carpenter pitched two innings and surrendered one hit, no runs, struck out one and walked one.

Dawson senior Gigi Solis took loss as she pitched six innings and gave up 12 hits, seven runs, two strikeouts and two walks.

Leading hitters for the Lady Eagles was Jones (2-for-3, 2 runs, 1 RBI, 1HR), Wright (2-for-2, 1 run, 1 RBI, 1HR), and Theford (1-for-3, 1run, 1RBI, 1HR).

Leading hitters for the Lady Oilers was Golden (1-for-4, 1 run), Schweitzer (2-for-3, 2 runs), Drafton (1-for-3, 2 runs, 1 RBI), Whitlock (3-for-4, 1 run, 2 RBIs), Liscano (1-for-3, 1 RBI), Njus (1-for-2, 2 RBIs), and Martin (1-for-2, 1 RBI).

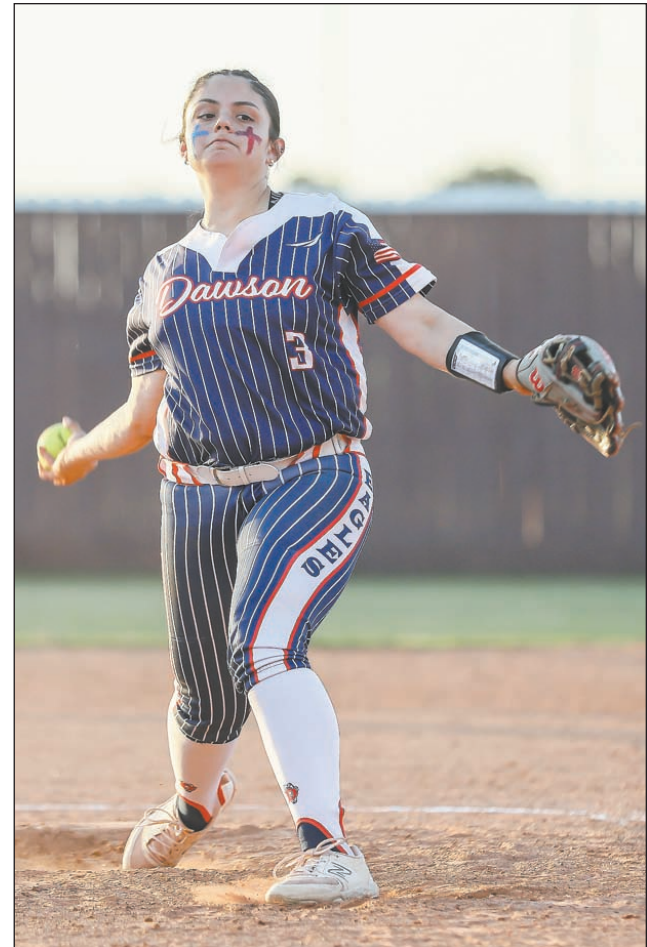


Photo by Lloyd Hendricks
Dawson senior pitcher Gigi Solis winds up to deliver a strike vs Pearland in a battle for the district championship. Solis pitched a complete game, but the Eagles were unable to fend off the Lady Oilers as Pearland took the game 7-4 and the district title. Dawson will need a win over the Lady Yellowjackets in the final regular season game at Dawson on Friday at 7:00 p.m. to secure second place in district. Alvin beat Dawson 7-1 in the first round of league play. A loss would drop Dawson to third place entering the playoffs.

La Porte splits district games with Friendswood

By DR. DAVID DAVIS
Reporter News Staff

Friendswood was the No. 1 Class 5A state-ranked team last week until La Porte edged the Mustangs 5-4 after Friendswood beat the Bulldogs 6-1 on Tuesday to split the district games and drop the Mustangs to No. 4 in the state polls.

Friendswood is now 21-3 (9-1) and fell behind to No. 1 Whitehouse (23-3), Corpus Christi Ray (25-3), and Grapevine (21-4).

In the Tuesday game, Friendswood scored twice in the first inning and four times in the third to get the district win.

In the first inning, Peyton Adams doubled to right-center, Boots Landry smashed a ball to left-center, and Collin Goolsby blasted a triple in the gap to right to give the Mustangs a 2-1 lead.

In the third frame, walks to Adams, Landry and Ayden

Pearcy loaded the bases. Goolsby then stroked a two-run single to left-center and Dane Perry followed with a two-run double to right-center for a 6-1 Mustang lead.

That was more than enough cushion for Friendswood pitcher Easton Tumis, who worked 5 2/3 innings, allowing both La Porte runs while striking out nine.

LA PORTE 5 - FRIENDSWOOD 4

Friendswood jumped out to a 4-0 lead against the La Porte Bulldogs, but uncharacteristic mistakes cost the No. 1 state-ranked Mustangs its first district loss and just the third loss overall on the season.

The Mustangs built a 4-0 advantage with a run-scoring error in the top of the first, an RBI double from Dawson Hinson and another run-scoring error in the top of the second, and a leadoff solo home run from Boots Landry in the top of the third.

But, the game came unraveled for Friendswood in the Bulldogs' five-run bottom of the fifth inning with a hit batter and an error setting the stage for their first run to score on a wild pitch and a second to score on an RBI single.

Following a walk, La Porte tied it on a two-run single before another walk and a wild pitch allowed the go-ahead run to score.

Leading hitters for Friendswood were Hinson (2-for-2, one RBI, one run, double), Landry (2-for-4, one RBI, one run, home run) and Collin Goolsby (2-for-4).

From the Cluttered Desk

By DR. DAVID DAVIS

Born without ears

A new father was so thrilled that he and his wife were the proud parents of a beautiful baby boy...healthy in every way...but there was a problem. Their new-born was born without ears.

The boy had auditory openings and all the inner ear parts necessary to receive sound, but no fleshly part out-side which we commonly call the ear.

The doctors assured the parents that the problem would be corrected when his growth was complete and a donor was found.

School was tough! Many times he came home weeping, "I'm a freak!"

He became aware of the stares, whispers, and taunts of the other kids. He grew up learning to live with this.

He became an excellent student...entered college to study geology. One day- he received a call from his father saying, "Well, son, we've finally found a donor. The operation will be this summer."

Following the operation - he was so happy! His new ears were beautiful. He graduated with honors, moved to the Midwest to work.

After a couple of years, he received a call from his dad saying, "Son, your mother has had a heart attack, please come home."

The boys soon arrived to his home, only to learn his mother died before his arrival.

At the funeral home, his dad called him over to the casket, pushed back his dear

mother's hair to show his son...his mother didn't have any ears!

The mother had made the decision to sacrifice the fleshly part of her ear to give to her son as she knew her

hair would cover her ears after the surgery.

This moving and true story made me think of the great dimension to the love of God.

This mother gave a part of herself to her son who had a deep need. God, however, chose not to give ears...but His all to us through His blessed Son.

As I look back on my childhood, I was not always as thankful to my parents as I should have been. As a parent and now a grandparent with nine grand critters — I try to speak positive words to them about appreciating their parents.

It isn't easy being a parent in this day and time — especially with social media and technology. Besides — my kids have never been parents before, so I try to impart advice when asked but remain quiet when not asked for my opinion.

But we all should never take God's blessings and sacrifice for granted no matter who we are.

Old friend Robert said, "Sometimes we focus so much on what we don't have that we fail to see, appreciate, and use what we do have!"

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WINNING PITCHER

Friendswood righthander Easton Tumis, who worked 5 2/3 innings, allowing both La Porte (18-6-1, 6-1) runs while striking out nine in the 6-2 win over the Bulldogs. Friendswood is now 21-3 (9-1) as the No. 4 state-ranked Class 5A team.



Wilson leads Lady Mustangs to a 12-2 pounding over Texas City

By DR. DAVID DAVIS
Reporter News Staff

Senior Janelle Wilson pitched five innings, allowed four hits, two runs, one walk while fanning seven to lead the Friendswood Lady Mustangs to a 12-2 win over the Texas City Lady Stings. Wilson also went 1-for-3 at the plate with a two-run home run while scoring one run and three RBIs to help her own cause.

After a Bella Halata RBI single gave Friendswood a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the second inning, the game was blown wide open in the bottom of the third with eight runs scoring on a two-run double from Charleigh Esparza, an RBI single from Lanie

Schaeffer, a bases-loaded RBI walk drawn by Chloe Aldrich, an RBI sac fly from Halata, a run-scoring fielder's choice and a two-run single from Baileigh Burtis.

With a 9-0 lead, Wilson blasted her two-run homer to top the lead to 11-0 in the bottom of the fourth frame.

The Lady Stings scored their two runs in the top of the fifth on a two-run single from Laney Vasquez, but the Lady Mustangs got the walk-off run in the bottom of the fifth on an RBI sac fly from Wilson to end the game 12-2 with the 10-run mercy rule after five innings.

Friendswood sits atop the district standings with a 9-1 record and 18-9 overall.



JANELLE WILSON

SPORTS

Jackson wins 2023 Lady Bison Invitational

By DR. DAVID DAVIS
Reporter News Staff

Howard University sophomore golfer Kendall Jackson (former Pearland HS golfer) won the 2023 Lady Bison Invitational, shooting 1-under par (71) in the final round. The two-day, 54-hole event took place at the Baltimore Country Club at Five Farms (par-72, 6127 yards).

In the final round, Jackson shot 2-under par (34) in the front nine and recorded 1-over par (37) during the final nine holes.

Jackson won medalist honors with a three-day total 70-75-71=216. Even par for the tournament.



Gardens ready for a party on Spring Tour

By KAROLYN GEPHART
Reporter News Staff

Two of the home gardens on the 2023 Annual Spring Garden Tour hosted by Heritage Gardeners April 29-30 in Friendswood will show patios perfect for parties.

The home of Stacey Phillips and Paul Drott in West Ranch has an outdoor fireplace, spacious planting areas and inviting patio furniture that says 'let the party begin.' Phillips is a Galveston County Master Gardener and her front and backyard is beautifully and artistically planned with a variety of plants that will delight tourgoers and give them ideas to use. Her vegetable beds are raised metal beds that make gardening both easy and fun. Her theme is *Fun in the Sunshine*.

Matt Griswold also will open his private garden area to the tour with a theme of *Party in Paradise* in the Forest of Friendswood. His outdoor kitchen is spacious with bar seating and TV. His landscaping is colorful and showcases the pool and spa. Tourgoers will be in the party mood as they enjoy the views.

The two homes are part of six garden areas on the tour. Tickets are available now at businesses in the area, including the Chamber of Commerce and will be available at the Heritage Gardeners Clubhouse on the days of the tour. The tickets are each good for both days. Tours are 1-5 pm each day.

The tour is part of the weekend with several other activities happening.

Three garden related presentations will be offered. On Saturday at 9:30 to 10:30 am Galveston County Master Gardener Ira Gervais will speak on *Tips on Growing Better Tomatoes*. Galveston County Master Gardener Herman Auer will speak on *Growing Citrus in Your Own Backyard* from 11 to noon. On Sunday, Heritage Gardener and Floral Design Judge Sherrill Burge will show those present how to be *Creative Using Items for Your Backyard*. Presentations are free and held indoors in the garden clubhouse. Anyone interested can attend.

The garden club is hosting a huge plant sale from 9 am to 5 pm each day.



STACEY PHILLIPS

The Spring Market with a huge variety of vendors will open each day from 9 am to 5 pm. The market is outdoors at the clubhouse at 112 W. Spreading Oaks and on adjacent properties. Food vendors are also planning to attend.

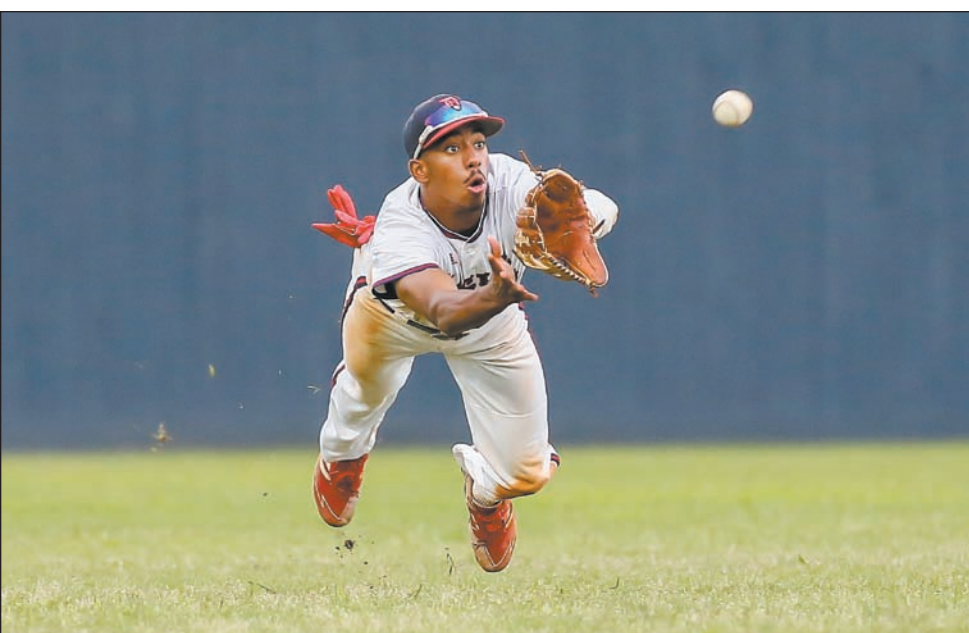
Location is 112 W. Spreading Oaks in Friendswood.

The events are fundraisers for the garden club and will be used for garden club programs and projects.

Follow Heritage Gardeners of Friendswood on Facebook.



HOME OF MATT GRISWOLD



INCREDIBLE CATCH

Dawson outfielder Gabe McFarland dives forward for a spectacular catch vs Shadow Creek. McFarland also put up two hits at the plate but the Eagles were unable to string enough hits together for runs and fell 3-0 to the Sharks. The season split with the Sharks gives the Eagles a one-game lead for the final playoff spot in district play. Dawson will need to take care of business vs Alief Elsiek this week and then get at least one win over Alvin next week to secure their spot in the postseason. Photo by Lloyd Hendricks



WINNING PITCHER

Shadow Creek junior pitcher Charles Jarrell delivers a pitch vs Dawson on Friday. Jarrell went 6.2 innings giving up seven hits, four walks and tossing four strikeouts. Thanks to some timely plays by the Sharks defense the Eagles weren't able to put up any runs despite tallying seven hits and Shadow Creek took the game 3-0. The victory keeps playoff hopes alive for Shadow Creek who will need wins over Alief Taylor this week and over Strake Jesuit next week to overtake Dawson for the fourth and final playoff spot. Photo by Lloyd Hendricks



No. 2 STATE-RANKED PEARLAND BEATS ALIEF TAYLOR

NO. 2 STATE-RANKED PEARLAND BEATS ALIEF TAYLOR - Pearland senior right fielder Matthew Leal catches a long fly ball near the outfield fence vs Alief Taylor. Leal played solid defense and had a great showing at the plate with two hits, two RBI's and three runs scored as the Class 6A No. 2 state-ranked Oilers defeated the Lions 14-0 in a run-rule finish. The sweep of Taylor keeps Pearland undefeated in district and puts them two games ahead of Strake Jesuit for first place. The Oilers will face the Crusaders twice this week, likely needing just one win to clinch the district title. The home game vs Strake is Friday April 21, at 6 p.m. at Pearland High School. Photo by Lloyd Hendricks

Sales tax holiday for emergency supplies April 22-24

With the severe weather season upon us, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar reminds Texans they can purchase certain items tax-free during the state's sales tax holiday for emergency preparation supplies, which begins at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, April 22, and ends at midnight on Monday, April 24.

"While we can't know in advance when the next flood, tornado or hurricane may strike, we can make sure our families, homes and businesses have the supplies they need to face these and other emergencies," Hegar said. "This tax holiday can help Texans save money while stocking up for emergency situations. Don't wait for disaster to strike. Take the time now to get prepared."

The Comptroller's office estimates shoppers will save nearly \$2 million in state and local sales taxes during the tax holiday, which was approved by the Texas Legislature in 2015.

There's no limit on the number of qualifying items you can purchase. These include:

- household batteries, fuel containers and flashlights priced less than \$75;
- hurricane shutters and emergency lad-

ders priced less than \$300; and

- portable generators priced less than \$3,000.

For purchases made online, note that delivery, shipping, handling and transportation charges are part of the sales price. Consider these charges when determining whether an emergency preparation supply can be purchased tax-free during the holiday.

For example, if you purchase a rescue ladder online for \$299 with a \$10 delivery charge, the total sales price is \$309. Because the total sales price of the ladder is more than \$300, tax is due on the \$309 sales price.

- Purchases that do *not* qualify include:
- batteries for automobiles, boats and other motorized vehicles;
 - camping stoves and camping supplies;
 - chainsaws;
 - plywood;
 - extension ladders and stepladders; and tents.

A list of emergency preparation supplies that may be purchased tax-free can be found on the Comptroller's website at comptroller.texas.gov.

Inclusive playground opens this Saturday

Grand opening festivities for the Ed Thompson Inclusive Park at Shadow Creek Ranch begins at 9 a.m. this Saturday. The 9 a.m. ribbon-cutting will be followed by photo opportunities, walking tours with the playground designer, story time with a local author, games, special guests, food trucks and a community resources booth.



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Notice of Bond Election

TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held in the CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS, on May 6, 2023, in accordance with the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. R2023-42

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Pearland, Texas, ordering a Bond Election to be held within the City of Pearland, Texas; making provisions for the conduct and the giving of notice of the Bond Election; and containing other provisions related thereto

WHEREAS, the City Council (the "City Council") of the City of Pearland, Texas (the "City") finds and determines that an election should be held to determine whether the City Council shall be authorized to issue bonds of the City in the amounts and for the purposes hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the City will enter into one or more Election Agreements (collectively, the "Election Agreement") with Brazoria County, Texas (the "County"), by and through the County Clerk of the County (the "Administrator"), and possibly other political subdivisions, in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas (the "State") and applicable federal law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and declares that the meeting at which this Resolution is considered is open to the public, and that the public notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting was given, as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS:

Section 1. Findings. The statements contained in the preamble of this Resolution are true and correct and are hereby adopted as findings of fact and as part of the operative provisions hereof

Section 2. Call of Election; Date; Eligible Electors; and Hours. An election (the "Election") shall be held on May 6, 2023 ("Election Day"), which is seventy-eight (78) or more days from the date of the adoption of this resolution (the "Election Resolution"), within and throughout the territory of the City at which all resident, qualified electors of the City shall be entitled to vote.

Section 3. Polling Places; Election Officers. Except as otherwise provided herein, the boundaries and territories of the County election precincts that are wholly or partially within the territorial boundaries of the City are hereby designated as the voting precincts of the City for the Election and the precinct numbers for the City's election precincts shall be the corresponding County precinct number of each precinct.

In the event that the Administrator shall determine from time to time that (a) a polling place hereafter designated shall become unavailable or unsuitable for such use, or it would be in the City's best interests to relocate such polling place, or (b) a presiding judge or alternate presiding judge hereafter designated shall become unqualified or unavailable, the Administrator, or his designee, is hereby authorized to designate and appoint in writing a substitute polling place, presiding judge or alternate presiding judge, and correct or modify the exhibits to this Election Resolution, giving such notice as is required by the Election Code and as deemed sufficient.

Section 4. Propositions. At the Election there shall be submitted to the resident, qualified electors of the City the following propositions (each, a "Proposition" and collectively, the "Propositions"):

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION "A"

Shall the City Council of the City of Pearland, Texas be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the City in the principal amount of \$105,500,000 for permanent public improvements and public purposes, to wit: 1) purchasing, acquiring, enlarging, extending, equipping and constructing drainage improvements and facilities at various locations within the City, including acquiring lands and rights-of-way for any such purposes, 2) purchase of equipment and support facilities in connection with drainage improvements and facilities, 3) engineering and related studies in connection with drainage problems in the City and 4) all matters necessary or incident related thereto; such bonds to mature serially or otherwise over a period not to exceed forty (40) years from their date, to be issued and sold in one or more series at any price or prices and to bear interest at any rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable or otherwise) as shall be determined within the discretion of the City Council at the time of issuance or sale of the bonds; and whether ad valorem taxes shall be levied upon all taxable property in the City sufficient to pay the annual interest and provide a sinking fund to pay the bonds at maturity?

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION "B"

Shall the City Council of the City of Pearland, Texas be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the City in the principal amount of \$26,146,000 for permanent public improvements and public purposes, to wit: 1) purchasing and otherwise acquiring land for and constructing, repairing and improving streets, bridges and sidewalks of the City, 2) purchase of equipment and support facilities in connection with street, bridge and sidewalk improvements, 3) engineering and related studies in connection with street, bridge and sidewalk improvements in the City and 4) all matters necessary or incident related thereto; such bonds to mature serially or otherwise over a period not to exceed forty (40) years from their date, to be issued and sold in one or more series at any price or prices and to bear interest at any rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable or otherwise) as shall be determined within the discretion of the City Council at the time of issuance or sale of the bonds; and whether ad valorem taxes shall be levied upon all taxable property in the City sufficient to pay the annual interest and provide a sinking fund to pay the bonds at maturity?

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION "C"

Shall the City Council of the City of Pearland, Texas be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the City in the principal amount of \$ 33,705,000 for permanent public improvements and public purposes, to wit: 1) constructing, repairing, constructing, repairing, improving facilities and equipment for park and recreation purposes and 2) all matters necessary or incident related thereto; such bonds to mature serially or otherwise over a period not to exceed forty (40) years from their date, to be issued and sold in one or more series at any price or prices and to bear interest at any rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable or otherwise) as shall be determined within the discretion of the City Council at the time of issuance or sale of the bonds; and whether ad valorem taxes shall be levied upon all taxable property in the City sufficient to pay the annual interest and provide a sinking fund to pay the bonds at maturity?

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION "D"

Shall the City Council of the City of Pearland, Texas be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the City in the principal amount of \$15,959,000 for permanent public improvements and public purposes, to wit: 1) purchasing, acquiring, enlarging, extending, equipping and constructing drainage improvements and facilities at various locations within the City, including acquiring lands and rights-of-way for any such purposes, 2) purchase of equipment and support facilities in connection with drainage improvements and facilities, 3) engineering and related studies in connection with drainage problems in the City and 4) all matters necessary or incident related thereto; such bonds to mature serially or otherwise over a period not to exceed forty (40) years from their date, to be issued and sold in one or more series at any price or prices and to bear interest at any rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable or otherwise) as shall be determined within the discretion of the City Council at the time of issuance or sale of the bonds; and whether ad valorem taxes shall be levied upon all taxable property in the City sufficient to pay the annual interest and provide a sinking fund to pay the bonds at maturity?

Section 5. Ballots. The ballots shall conform to the requirements of the Election Code and shall have written or printed thereon the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION A

[] FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$105,500,000 FOR DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE CITY AND ALL MATTERS NECESSARY OR INCIDENT RELATED THERETO AND THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

[] AGAINST

OFFICIAL BALLOT

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION B

[] FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,146,000 FOR STREET, BRIDGE AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY AND ALL MATTERS NECESSARY OR INCIDENT RELATED THERETO AND THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

[] AGAINST

OFFICIAL BALLOT

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION C

[] FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,705,000 FOR PARK AND RECREATION PURPOSES AND ALL MATTERS NECESSARY OR INCIDENT RELATED THERETO AND THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

[] AGAINST

OFFICIAL BALLOT

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS- PROPOSITION D

[] FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,959,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF FIRE STATION NO. 7 AND ALL MATTERS NECESSARY OR INCIDENT RELATED THERETO AND THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

[] AGAINST

Section 6. Early Voting. The City Council hereby appoints the Administrator as the regular early voting clerk for the Election. Early voting, both by personal appearance and by mail, will be conducted in accordance with the Election Code.

Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at the locations, on the dates and at the times as shown in Exhibit B. Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, April 24, 2023 and end on Tuesday, May 2, 2023.

For the use of those voters who are entitled by law to vote early by mail, the early voting clerks shall provide each voter with a ballot with instructions to mark the ballot indicating his or her vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the Propositions. The mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail may be sent is as follows:

Name: Joyce Hudman, Elections Administrator
Official Mailing Address: 111 E Locust Ste 200, Angleton, TX 77515
Physical Address: 111 E Locust Ste 200, Angleton, TX 77515
E-mail Address: ABBM@brazoriacountytx.gov
Phone Number: 979-864-1662, 281-756-1662 or 979-388-1662
Fax Number: 979-864-1011
Website Address: https://www.brazoriacountyclerktx.gov/departments/elections/vote-by-mail

The Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to designate the early voting ballot board and other officers required to conduct early voting for the Election.

Section 7. Conduct of Election. The Election shall be conducted by election officers, including the judges and alternate judges or clerks appointed by the City or the Administrator, in accordance with the Election Agreements, the Election Code and the Constitution and laws of the State and the United States of America. The Mayor, the City Secretary and their designee(s) are each authorized to enter into, execute and deliver one or more Election Agreements in accordance with applicable provisions of the Election Code.

Section 8. Bilingual Election Materials. All notices, instructions, and ballots pertaining to the Election shall be furnished to voters in both English and Spanish and persons capable of acting as translators in both English and Spanish shall be made available to assist Spanish language speaking voters in understanding and participating in the election process.

Section 9. Delivery of Voted Ballots; Counting; Tabulation; Canvassing of Returns; Declaring Results. The ballots shall be counted by one or more teams of election officers assigned by the presiding judges, each team to consist of two or more election officers. After completion of his responsibilities under the Election Code, including the counting of the voted ballots and the tabulation of the results, the presiding judge shall make a written return of the Election results to the City in accordance with the Election Code.

If a majority of the resident, qualified electors of the City voting at the Election, including those voting early, shall vote in favor of a Proposition, then the issuance and sale of the bonds described in the Proposition shall be authorized in the maximum amount contained therein, and the bonds shall be issued and sold at the price or prices and in such denominations determined by the City Council to be in the City's best interest.

Section 10. Training of Election Officials. Pursuant to the Election Code, a public school of instruction for all election officers and clerks may be held as arranged or contracted by the Administrator.

Section 11. Notice of Election; Voter Information Document. Notice of the Election shall be given in the manner required by the Election Code and other applicable law. To the extent required by law, the notice of the Election shall include the City's internet website address, which is https://www.pearlandtx.gov

A voter information document for each Proposition in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C is hereby approved, together with such revisions as may be approved by the Mayor, the City Secretary or their designee(s) and shall be posted and provided in accordance with law.

Section 12. Notice of Meeting. The City Council officially finds, determines, recites and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of the meeting at which this Election Resolution is adopted was posted on a bulletin board located at a place convenient to the public at City Hall for a least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting; that a telephonic or telegraphic notice of such meeting was given to all news media who have consented to pay any and all expenses incurred by the City in connection with providing such notice, both as required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended; and that such meeting was open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Election Resolution and the subject matter thereof was discussed, considered and formally acted upon.

Section 13. Mandatory Statement of Information.

(a) Pursuant to Section 3.009, Texas Election Code: (i) the proposition language that will appear on the ballot is set forth in Section 5 of this Election Resolution, (ii) the purposes for which the bonds are to be authorized are set forth in Section 4 of this Election Resolution, (iii) the principal amount of bonds to be authorized is set forth in Section 4 of this Election Resolution, (iv) if the issuance of bonds is authorized by voters, taxes sufficient, within the limits prescribed by law as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as set forth in Section 4 of this Election Resolution, (v) bonds authorized pursuant to this Election Resolution may be issued to mature over a specified number of years not to exceed the lesser of forty (40) years or the maximum number of years authorized by law and bearing interest at the rate or rates (not to exceed 15%), as authorized by law and determined by City Council, (vi) as of the date of the adoption of this Election Resolution, the aggregate amount of outstanding principal of the City's debt obligations is \$358,495,000 and the aggregate amount of outstanding interest on the City's debt obligations is \$110,017,163, and (vii) the City's ad valorem debt service tax rate as of the date of adoption of this Election Resolution is \$0.338765 per \$100 valuation of taxable property. The City's debt obligations that are budgeted for payment and paid from nontax revenue sources are designated as self-supporting and excluded from the aggregate amount of outstanding principal and interest on the City's debt obligations described in the preceding sentence.

(b) Based upon market conditions as of the date of this Election Resolution, the maximum net effective interest rate for any series of the bonds is estimated to be 5.00%. Such estimated maximum interest rate is provided as a matter of information but is not a limitation on the interest rate at which the bonds, or any series thereof, may be sold. In addition, the estimate contained in this subsection (b) is (i) based on certain assumptions (including assumptions concerning prevailing market and economic conditions at the time(s) of issuance of the bonds) and derived from projections obtained from the City's financial advisor, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the bonds are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 3.009, Texas Election Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to and does not give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of City Council to issue bonds in accordance with the Propositions submitted by this Election Resolution.

Section 14. Authority of the Mayor and the City Secretary. The Mayor, the City Secretary and their designee(s) shall each have the authority to take, or cause to be taken, all reasonable or necessary actions to ensure that the Election is fairly held and returns properly counted and tabulated for canvass by City Council, which actions are hereby ratified and confirmed. Without limiting the generality

of the immediately preceding sentence, the Mayor, the City Secretary and their designee(s) are each hereby authorized to complete and update, as necessary, the exhibits hereto with the necessary information as same is made available to the City.

Section 15. Authorization to Execute the Election Resolution. The Mayor is authorized to execute and the City Secretary is authorized to attest to this Election Resolution on behalf of the City Council; and the Mayor, the City Secretary and their designee(s) are each authorized to do all other things legal and necessary in connection with the holding and consummation of the Election.

Section 16. Effective Date. This Election Resolution is effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 13th day of February, A.D., 2023.

/s/ J. Kevin Cole
J. KEVIN COLE
MAYOR

ATTEST:
/s/ Frances Aguilar, TRMC, MMC
FRANCES AGUILAR, TRMC, MMC
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/ Darrin M. Coker
DARRIN M. COKER
CITY ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT A

Election Day Polling Place Information (7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.)

Table with 3 columns: City (Ciudad), Polling Place (Sitio de Votación), and Address (Dirección). Lists various locations across the city for election day polling.

EXHIBIT B

Early Voting Polling Place Information

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at the following locations:

Table listing early voting locations: Angleton (Main), Alvin, Brazoria, Freeport, Lake Jackson, Marvel, Pearland East, Pearland West, Shadow Creek, Sweeny, and West Columbia.

DATES AND HOURS:

Table showing dates and hours for the election: April 24-28 (8 AM - 5 PM), April 29 (7 AM - 7 PM), and May 1-2 (7 AM - 7 PM).

/s/ Joyce Hudman
Early Voting Clerk

EXHIBIT C
VOTER INFORMATION DOCUMENT

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION A

[] FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$105,500,000 FOR DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE CITY AND ALL MATTERS NECESSARY OR INCIDENT RELATED THERETO AND THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

[] AGAINST

Table with 2 columns: Description of debt obligations and Total amount. Includes items like Principal of debt obligations, interest on debt obligations, combined principal and interest, etc.

Major assumptions for statements above, including statement 7:

- (1) Assumed assumption of the City's debt obligations, including outstanding debt obligations and the proposed debt obligations:
(2) Assumed changes in estimated future appraised values within the City: net adjusted taxable assessed valuation is expected to grow approximately 5.00% in fiscal year 2023-24, 4.00% in fiscal year 2024-25, 3.00% in fiscal year 2025-26, 2.50% in fiscal year 2026-27, 2.00% fiscal year 2027-28, 1.00% in fiscal year 2028-29 and no growth thereafter.
(3) Assumed interest rate on the debt obligations to be issued: 4.75% for the Bonds issued in 2024 and 5.00% for the Bonds issued in 2025 - 2028.
(4) Assumes that the City will grant a 2.5% optional homestead, but will not grant any other property tax exemptions.
(5) Assumes homestead will not qualify for idiosyncratic exemptions, including, but not limited to, the state-mandated homestead exemption for disabled veterans and their families, surviving spouses of members of the armed services killed in action and surviving spouses of first responders killed or fatally wounded in the line of duty.
(6) Assumes that applicable law will not change to provide for mandatory property tax exemptions or property tax freezes that are not available under current law.
(7) Assumes municipal bond insurance will not be obtained for the proposed debt obligations.

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(8) As required by Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, this Voter Information Document has been prepared for the proposition set forth in this Voter Information Document (the "Proposition"), which is being submitted to voters pursuant to a Resolution calling a Bond Election to be held within the City of Pearland, Texas; making provisions for the conduct and the giving of notice of the Bond Election; and containing other provisions related thereto (the "Election Resolution").

(9) Numbers in (1) above only include the Proposition described above and existing debt. Please see the Voter Information Documents for the other Proposition(s) for its/their respective details.

The estimates contained in this Voter Information Document are (i) based on certain assumptions (including the major assumptions listed above and assumptions concerning prevailing market and economic conditions at the time(s) of issuance of the bonds) and derived from projections obtained from the City's financial advisor, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the bonds are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to (and expressly do not) give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of the City to issue bonds in accordance with the Propositions submitted by the City's Election Resolution.

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION B

[] FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,146,000 FOR STREET, BRIDGE AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY AND ALL MATTERS NECESSARY OR INCIDENT RELATED THERETO AND THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. 1. Principal of the debt obligations to be authorized \$26,146,000. 2. Estimated interest for the debt obligations to be authorized \$19,521,051. 3. Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the debt obligations to be authorized \$45,667,051.

* As of the date of adoption of the City's Election Resolution.

Major assumptions for statements above, including statement 7:

(1) Assumed amortization of the City's debt obligations, including outstanding debt obligations and the proposed debt obligations:

Table with columns: Fiscal Year Ending, Current Debt Service, Proposition B - Estimated Debt Service Requirements, Total Estimated Debt Service Requirements. Rows for years 2023 through 2054.

* Preliminary, subject to change. (a) Interest estimated at 5.00% for illustrative purposes only.

(2) Assumed changes in estimated future appraised values within the City: net adjusted taxable assessed valuation is expected to grow approximately 5.00% in fiscal year 2023-24, 4.00% in fiscal year 2024-25; 3.00% in fiscal year 2025-26, 2.50% in fiscal year 2026-27; 2.00% fiscal year 2027-28, 1.00% in fiscal year 2028-29 and no growth thereafter.

(3) Assumed interest rate on the debt obligations to be issued: 4.75% for the Bonds issued in 2024 and 5.00% for the Bonds issued in 2025 - 2028.

(4) Assumes that the City will grant a 2.5% optional homestead, but will not grant any other property tax exemptions.

(5) Assumes homestead will not qualify for idiosyncratic exemptions, including, but not limited to, the state-mandated homestead exemption for disabled veterans and their families, surviving spouses of members of the armed services killed in action and surviving spouses of first responders killed or fatally wounded in the line of duty.

(6) Assumes that applicable law will not change to provide for mandatory property tax exemptions or property tax freezes that are not available under current law.

(7) Assumes municipal bond insurance will not be obtained for the proposed debt obligations.

(8) As required by Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, this Voter Information Document has been prepared for the proposition set forth in this Voter Information Document (the "Proposition"), which is being submitted to voters pursuant to a Resolution calling a Bond Election to be held within the City of Pearland, Texas; making provisions for the conduct and the giving of notice of the Bond Election; and containing other provisions related thereto (the "Election Resolution").

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Propositions, if all Propositions are approved, based upon the assumptions made by the governing body of the City in each of the respective voter information documents prepared for each of the Propositions, is \$9.75.

(9) Numbers in (1) above only include the Proposition described above and existing debt. Please see the Voter Information Documents for the other Proposition(s) for its/their respective details.

The estimates contained in this Voter Information Document are (i) based on certain assumptions (including the major assumptions listed above and assumptions concerning prevailing market and economic conditions at the time(s) of issuance of the bonds) and derived from projections obtained from the City's financial advisor, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the bonds are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to (and expressly do not) give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of the City to issue bonds in accordance with the Propositions submitted by the City's Election Resolution.

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION C

[] FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,705,000 FOR PARK AND RECREATION PURPOSES AND ALL MATTERS NECESSARY OR INCIDENT RELATED THERETO AND THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. 1. Principal of the debt obligations to be authorized \$33,705,000. 2. Estimated interest for the debt obligations to be authorized \$21,008,997. 3. Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the debt obligations to be authorized \$54,713,997.

* As of the date of adoption of the City's Election Resolution.

Major assumptions for statements above, including statement 7:

(1) Assumed amortization of the City's debt obligations, including outstanding debt obligations and the proposed debt obligations:

Table with columns: Fiscal Year Ending, Current Debt Service, Proposition C - Estimated Debt Service Requirements, Total Estimated Debt Service Requirements. Rows for years 2023 through 2054.

* Preliminary, subject to change. (a) Interest estimated at 5.00% for illustrative purposes only.

(2) Assumed changes in estimated future appraised values within the City: net adjusted taxable assessed valuation is expected to grow approximately 5.00% in fiscal year 2023-24, 4.00% in fiscal year 2024-25; 3.00% in fiscal year 2025-26, 2.50% in fiscal year 2026-27; 2.00% fiscal year 2027-28, 1.00% in fiscal year 2028-29 and no growth thereafter.

(3) Assumed interest rate on the debt obligations to be issued: 4.75% for the Bonds issued in 2024 and 5.00% for the Bonds issued in 2025 - 2028.

(4) Assumes that the City will grant a 2.5% optional homestead, but will not grant any other property tax exemptions.

(5) Assumes homestead will not qualify for idiosyncratic exemptions, including, but not limited to, the state-mandated homestead exemption for disabled veterans and their families, surviving spouses of members of the armed services killed in action and surviving spouses of first responders killed or fatally wounded in the line of duty.

(6) Assumes that applicable law will not change to provide for mandatory property tax exemptions or property tax freezes that are not available under current law.

(7) Assumes municipal bond insurance will not be obtained for the proposed debt obligations.

(8) As required by Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, this Voter Information Document has been prepared for the proposition set forth in this Voter Information Document (the "Proposition"), which is being submitted to voters pursuant to a Resolution calling a Bond Election to be held within the City of Pearland, Texas; making provisions for the conduct and the giving of notice of the Bond Election; and containing other provisions related thereto (the "Election Resolution").

(9) Numbers in (1) above only include the Proposition described above and existing debt. Please see the Voter Information Documents for the other Proposition(s) for its/their respective details.

The estimates contained in this Voter Information Document are (i) based on certain assumptions (including the major assumptions listed above and assumptions concerning prevailing market and economic conditions at the time(s) of issuance of the bonds) and derived from projections obtained from the City's financial advisor, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the bonds are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to (and expressly do not) give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of the City to issue bonds in accordance with the Propositions submitted by the City's Election Resolution.

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por, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the bonds are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to (and expressly do not) give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of the City to issue bonds in accordance with the Propositions submitted by the City's Election Resolution.

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS - PROPOSITION D

[] FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,959,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF FIRE STATION NO. 7 AND ALL MATTERS NECESSARY OR INCIDENT RELATED THERETO AND THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. 1. Principal of the debt obligations to be authorized \$15,960,000. 2. Estimated interest for the debt obligations to be authorized \$9,728,841. 3. Estimated combined principal and interest required to pay on time and in full the debt obligations to be authorized \$25,688,841.

* As of the date of adoption of the City's Election Resolution.

Major assumptions for statements above, including statement 7:

(1) Assumed amortization of the City's debt obligations, including outstanding debt obligations and the proposed debt obligations:

Table with columns: Fiscal Year Ending, Current Debt Service, Proposition D - Estimated Debt Service Requirements, Total Estimated Debt Service Requirements. Rows for years 2023 through 2054.

* Preliminary, subject to change. (a) Interest estimated at 5.00% for illustrative purposes only.

(2) Assumed changes in estimated future appraised values within the City: net adjusted taxable assessed valuation is expected to grow approximately 5.00% in fiscal year 2023-24, 4.00% in fiscal year 2024-25; 3.00% in fiscal year 2025-26, 2.50% in fiscal year 2026-27; 2.00% fiscal year 2027-28, 1.00% in fiscal year 2028-29 and no growth thereafter.

(3) Assumed interest rate on the debt obligations to be issued: 5.00% for the Bonds issued in 2026 - 2028.

(4) Assumes that the City will grant a 2.5% optional homestead, but will not grant any other property tax exemptions.

(5) Assumes homestead will not qualify for idiosyncratic exemptions, including, but not limited to, the state-mandated homestead exemption for disabled veterans and their families, surviving spouses of members of the armed services killed in action and surviving spouses of first responders killed or fatally wounded in the line of duty.

(6) Assumes that applicable law will not change to provide for mandatory property tax exemptions or property tax freezes that are not available under current law.

(7) Assumes municipal bond insurance will not be obtained for the proposed debt obligations.

(8) As required by Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, this Voter Information Document has been prepared for the proposition set forth in this Voter Information Document (the "Proposition"), which is being submitted to voters pursuant to a Resolution calling a Bond Election to be held within the City of Pearland, Texas; making provisions for the conduct and the giving of notice of the Bond Election; and containing other provisions related thereto (the "Election Resolution").

(9) Numbers in (1) above only include the Proposition described above and existing debt. Please see the Voter Information Documents for the other Proposition(s) for its/their respective details.

The estimates contained in this Voter Information Document are (i) based on certain assumptions (including the major assumptions listed above and assumptions concerning prevailing market and economic conditions at the time(s) of issuance of the bonds) and derived from projections obtained from the City's financial advisor, (ii) subject to change to the extent that actual facts, circumstances and conditions prevailing at the time that the bonds are issued differ from such assumptions and projections, (iii) provided solely in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 1251.052, Texas Government Code, and for no other purpose, without any assurance that such projections will be realized, and (iv) not intended to (and expressly do not) give rise to a contract with voters or limit the authority of the City to issue bonds in accordance with the Propositions submitted by the City's Election Resolution.

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CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Pearland Purchasing Division, 3523 Liberty Dr., until 2:00 PM on Wednesday May 17, 2023, and all bids will be read aloud via virtual meeting. Interested parties may join meeting by calling: #281-652-1775; Meeting: #1790, Access Code: #0971 on that date for:

ITB 0423-11 Traffic Signal Material

Bid forms, specifications and all necessary information may be obtained from the following website: https://pearland.ionwave.net. Vendors are encouraged to return the bid response electronically using the City's e-bid system, but may submit by hard-copy, with either manner due by the closing date and time stated above.

A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at Council Chambers located at 3519 Liberty Drive, Pearland, Texas 77581 at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, May 3, 2023. See bid solicitation for virtual link option if preferred.

Vendors should register on the City's e-bid system https://pearland.ionwave.net. Once registered on the City's e-bid system, bid documents may be viewed on the site. If further assistance is needed, please email ebids@pearlandtx.gov no later than 5:00 PM Monday, May 8, 2023, and refer to ITB 0423-11. Bid Closing Date: 2:00 PM on Wednesday, May 17, 2023.

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CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Pearland Purchasing Division, 3523 Liberty Dr., until 2:00 PM on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, and all bids will be read aloud via virtual meeting. Interested parties may join meeting by calling: #281-652-1775; Meeting: #1790, Access Code: #0971 on that date for:

RFP 0423-10 Custodial Services at The City of Pearland Facilities

Bid forms, specifications and all necessary information may be obtained from the following website: https://pearland.ionwave.net. Vendors are encouraged to return the bid response electronically using the City's e-bid system, but may submit by hard-copy, with either manner due by the closing date and time stated above.

A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at Council Chambers located at 3519 Liberty Drive, Pearland, Texas 77581 at 3:00 PM on Wednesday, May 3, 2023. See bid solicitation for virtual link option if preferred.

Vendors should register on the City's e-bid system https://pearland.ionwave.net. Once registered on the City's e-bid system, bid documents may be viewed on the site. If further assistance is needed, please email ebids@pearlandtx.gov no later than 5:00 PM Monday, May 15, 2023, and refer to RFP 0423-10. Bid Closing Date: 2:00 PM on Wednesday, May 14, 2023.

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ESTATE SALE

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ORDINANCE NO. 1625

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Pearland, Texas, revising the Capital Improvements Plan for the City of Pearland; updating impact fees in accordance with State Law; making certain findings; providing a penalty for violation; containing a savings clause, a severability clause and a repealer clause; providing for publication, codification and an effective date.

Any person who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction, be punished by a fine in any sum not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

For a full copy of the Ordinance, please contact the Office of the City Secretary at 281.652.1653.

Frances Aguilar, TRMC, MMC City Secretary City of Pearland, Texas

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