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Around Town

AUGUST 24

SENIOR FIELD TRIP

Melvin Knapp Center, 2424 South Park Ave., hosts a field trip for seniors to the Astros game vs. the Red Sox, leaving at 11:30 a.m. Registration is required and can be made by calling 281-652-1890. Membership at the Knapp Center is \$25 per year for Pearland residents and \$50 for non-residents.

BOOK CLUB

West Pearland Library book club will discuss "The Lost Apothecary" by Sarah Penner at 11801 Shadow Creek Parkway. Library programs are free and open to the public. For more information, call 713-436-0995 or visit mybcls.org.

AUGUST 25

CLOGGING FOR SENIORS

Beginning clogging class for seniors is every Friday at 12:15 p.m. at the Melvin Knapp Center, 2424 South Park Ave. Membership at the Knapp Center is \$25 per year for Pearland residents and \$50 for non-residents. For information, call 281-652-1890.

PEARLAND FOOTBALL

Pearland High varsity Oilers first home game takes place at 7 p.m. at PISD "the Rig" stadium, 3775 Main St. vs. Clear Falls High. Visit pearlandoilers.com for full schedule.

SHADOW CREEK FOOTBALL

Shadow Creek Sharks football game begins at 7 p.m. vs. the Manvel Mavericks at Freedom Field, Rosharon. Visit scsharksathletics.com for full schedules and tickets.

AUGUST 26

MUM-MAKING WORKSHOP

Homecoming mum-making workshop is 10 a.m. at Crafty Pear and Boutique, 2206 Broadway St. Registration required by calling 281-372-6102.

DAWSON FOOTBALL

Dawson High School Eagles play at 6 p.m. against Fort Bend Hightower at Ken Hall Stadium in Missouri City. Visit dawsoneagles.org for information.

PEARL PRESENTS PETER PAN

Pearland Theatre Guild holds auditions for children 7 to 14 from 3 to 5 p.m. for the play, "Peter Pan," to be staged two weekends beginning Oct. 20. Auditions will be held at the Pearl Theatre, 14803 Park Alameda Drive. For information, call 832-459-4674.

AUGUST 27

BAY AREA FARMERS MARKET

Bay Area Farmers Market is open from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. most Sundays in the parking lot of Baybrook Mall, 500 Baybrook Mall in Friendswood, near Total Wine. Vendors change weekly and include local farmers, craftsmen, bakers and more. www.bayareafarmersmarkettx.com.

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AUGUST 28

P&Z WORKSHOP

City Council and Planning and Zoning will hold a planned development workshop and regular council meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, City Hall, 3519 Liberty Drive.

AUGUST 29

TODDLER STORY TIME

Tom Reid Library, 3522 Liberty Drive, hosts toddler story time at 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. in the library meeting room. Library programs are free. Call 281-652-1677 or email pearland@bcls.lib.tx.us for information.

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THE CATCH - Pearland senior WR Patrick Bridges (1) makes a spectacular one-handed catch last season. Bridges will be a key offensive weapon this season for the Oilers after he caught 32 passes for 479 yards and 6 TDs in 2022. The Oilers will open the 2023 season at Pearland ISD Stadium on Friday, August 25 against the Clear Falls Knights at 7:00 p.m. (Photo by Lloyd Hendricks)

Vision 2040:

Plan addresses housing, 'place types'

By N. Bradford

Known during a recent public engagement campaign as "Pearland 2040," an update the Pearland's long-range planning document is entering the home stretch.

A recently unveiled draft of a new comprehensive plan includes recommendations such as using 'future place type' land use designations and encouraging development of "missing middle" housing with feedback indicating more and more people working in Pearland are being priced out of living here.

The task of updating the city's comprehensive plan was contracted in 2021 to Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc.

"As Pearland has developed, the amount of remaining land to be developed or underdeveloped land is becoming more and more limited," said Michael Shelton of Kimley-Horn and Associates. "That set a theme throughout the (comprehensive plan update)."

Most cities update their comprehensive plan -- a document used to guide decisions on development and long-range goals -- every five to 10 years. Pearland's first comprehensive plan was adopted in 1968. It was most recently updated in 2015.

"The private development world also uses the future land use plan to help understand what the community wants to see happen within these areas," assistant Community Development director Martin Griggs told council members during an Aug. 14 presentation of a draft plan. "We utilize the 288 Gateway Designation often in our discussions to say, 'This is a place of

quality, and the city has labeled these tracts that are adjacent to 288 as a place where we want to see high quality development take place."

What the newest version of the plan will not do, he emphasized, is specify zoning.

"The previous 2015 future land use had some zoning-like characteristics," he said. "We have removed the majority of those within our future land use plan and moved it from future land use designations to future place types."

A chapter on housing recommends more "middle market" options. Just over 80 percent of Pearland's current housing is detached single family, and data shows the majority of Pearland housing is more expensive than the surrounding metro Houston area.

Also known as the "missing middle," these options include duplexes, four-plexes, townhomes and courtyard homes.

"Everybody has a different thought on what missing middle is," Mayor Kevin Cole said. "I'm glad we're having that discussion. We need to come to an agreement."

There are ways to address affordability, Cole said, "and also have quality, and truly deliver something so our teachers and our police officers and others can actually live here."

Before being adopted, the updated comprehensive plan will be presented to the city's Planning and Zoning Commission before two readings at future city council meetings.

More information on the plan and process is available at pearland2040.com.

Permit for car wash splits council

Plans to put a tunnel style car wash at Discovery Bay and Business Center Drive drew a mixed reception from Pearland City Council but ultimately gained a 4-3 approval this month.

Tony Carbone, Jeffrey Barry, Joseph Koza and Mayor Kevin Cole voted Aug. 14 to approve a conditional use permit that would allow a Mint Car Wash location to operate, and members Alex Kamkar, Layni Cade, Rushi Patel voted against.

"At the entrance of our town where we just got done spending \$20 million, you're going to stick something like this in the corner," Councilman Patel said. "I'm not against a car wash, I just think we can find a better location for it."

The city's Planning and Zoning Commission last month recommended against granting the conditional use permit, stating a car wash "does not meet the desired character of the 288 Gateway Designation and future land designation."

"This is a very odd site," real estate agent Paul Grohman told the council on Monday, speaking on behalf of the car wash owner. "You can't see it from 288. If you're coming off the highway it is behind the off ramp. If you're in front of it, you can't see it because Sam's Club is there."

In addition, the lack of visibility, the less than 1-acre site wound up being too small for uses other than automotive or fast food, he said.

"I'm not excited about either of those," Councilwoman Layni Cade said.

"The property has been there. It's been vacant," Councilman Jeffrey Barry said. "We have someone willing to do the work and put in the investment."

Pearland ISD calls VATRE

By N. Bradford

The Pearland ISD school board on Monday called a voter approval tax ratification election for Nov. 7.

The election, known as a VATRE, allows the school district to set its tax rate at just over \$1.13 per \$100 of valuation. State law requires school districts get voter approval to raise the maintenance and operations tax rate above a specified amount, in Pearland's case nine cents.

A successful election would provide the district with an estimated \$11 million to help balance the school district's budget, which now has a \$12 million shortfall largely due to inflation.

"We're taxpayers too," Pearland ISD Trustee Kris Schoeffler said. "We would love to see more savings and we'd love it if the school district budget was balanced. There's a need there and we're letting the public have an opinion on it. This does have to go to a vote."

"You're digging out of a gigantic hole," Councilman Alex Kamkar told Pearland city staff. "I just want to give credit. The team has worked hard and we're spending on necessities. There's not a whole lot of wants in here."

Proposed is a maximum total tax rate of 65.5 cents per \$100 of property value, about 10 cents above the no-new-revenue rate.

The prior year's tax rate -- which city leaders have emphasized was artificially low due to a

budgeting error -- was 62 cents.

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"Before we discovered that error, we set the

tax rate and dropped it about eight cents," said City Manager Trent Epperson. "Obviously we had a significant hole in our budget we had to work through."

Still, the coming year's budget year is only a 1.5 percent increase over last year.

"The last few years we have dealt with significant inflation, for materials, supplies and equipment," Epperson said. "We are absorbing a significant increase in our property insurance rates and restoring the motor pool lease payment and keeping our compensation package competitive."

City proposes tax rate, budget

Still smarting from an error that caused a huge budget problem last year, Pearland city staff this week presented a "structurally balanced" budget to city council.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS }
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WHEREAS by virtue of an **Writ of Execution**, issued out of the **61st District Court of Harris County, Texas** on the **20 day of June 2023**, in cause No. **2022-41154**, where **Mission Ashford Three Investors, LP** was / were Plaintiff and **Autism Pediatric Therapy & Learning Center, LLC, Ian Macinnes, and Kristina Motiejunas** was / were Defendant(s) on a judgment rendered in said Court against said Defendant(s) and in favor of the said Plaintiff(s), for the original sum of **\$380006.32** dollars, with interest thereon as stipulated in said order, from the date of judgment, together with all fee's, costs and commissions thereafter added to/of suit, to wit now currently equal to the amount of **\$404935.08 (Not including any additional costs or fee's that may be added at sale)**; I did on the **10 day of July 2023** at **351** o'clock p.M., levy upon the following described lots, tracts and parcels of land situated in **Brazoria County, Texas**, as the property of said defendant(s).

To wit: **TWIN LAKES SEC 1 (A0239 HT&BRR) (PEARLAND) BLK 6 LOT 17; Also Known as 2701 Waterside Trail, Pearland Texas 7784**

And on the **5 day of September 2023**, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of (10:00) Ten o'clock A.M. and (4:00) Four o'clock P.M. and **most likely at 10:00am** on said day, in the south hall/door of the Courthouse in Angleton, Brazoria County, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of said defendant(s), in and to said above described property.

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/s/ **C.B. Buck Stevens**
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Brazoria County, Texas

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Burglary

Aug. 18 (12:55 a.m.) A resident in the 500 block of S. Shadowbend left his residence at 5:30 p.m. and returned at 10:30 p.m. to find his patio gate was open and unlocked. He entered his home and discovered that guns, fishing reels, and cash were stolen.

Theft

Aug. 15 (9:37 a.m.) A vehicle theft was reported in the 500 block of Stadium Lane. A silver 2008 Ford F250 with Texas License plate PNW6913, was stolen sometime between 8:30 p.m. and 9:42 a.m. Later the same day, the truck was recovered by the Houston Police Department.

Aug. 16 (3:08 p.m.) A stolen vehicle report was taken from Avis Budget Car Rental, 141 N. Friendswood Drive. A blue 2023 Nissan Rogue with Texas license plate SDR3935 was rented on April 7, 2023. The vehicle was supposed to be returned on May 7, 2023. Since that time, several demands for the vehicle have been made.

Aug. 18 (10:10 a.m.) A theft of a package was reported in the 3600 block of Queensburg Lane. The package was delivered by FedEx on August 8th; however, receipt of the package by the homeowner did not occur.

Aug. 18 (1:12 p.m.) A resident in the 900 block of Pine Breeze Drive had two credit cards stolen from her residence. She suspects a home health worker of the theft. Charges more than \$7,000 were made with Amazon deliveries scheduled from an apartment complex in Texas City.

Fraud

Aug. 16 (5:02 p.m.) A Friendswood man received an ULTA credit card in the mail even though he did not apply for one. He contacted the bank that issued the card and discovered that the card was used at the time it was opened. Then someone attempted to make more purchases, but the purchases were declined since the purchaser did not have the physical card. The account was cancelled.

Other Incidents

Aug. 15 (11:40 p.m.) A resident in the 2900 block of Bridle Path Lane called police when he found an Apple air tag inside his vehicle. He was alerted to the air tag's location after receiving a notification on his cell phone regarding an air tag being nearby. The victim believes the air tag may have been left in his vehicle while parked at his place of business. The victim does wish to pursue charges of Unlawful Installation of a Tracking Device if the identity of the suspect is found.

PEARLAND POLICE REPORT

Tuesday, Aug. 15

A Pearland woman, 43, was arrested for family violence assault just after midnight in the 3500 block of Harvest Moon Lane.

Terroristic threat reported at 11:40 a.m., 2100 block of Main St.

Death investigation was conducted at 3:28 p.m., 2100 block of Sorrell Ridge Court.

An Alvin woman, 28, was arrested at 9 p.m. for assault by physical contact, 4600 block of Magnolia Elms Drive.

Vehicle burglaries reported in the 2200 block of Business Center Drive.

Wednesday, Aug. 16

A Houston woman, 35, was arrested at 10:28 a.m. for fraud/using identifying information, 10800 block of Shadow Creek Parkway.

A Houston man, 33, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury at 9:08 p.m., 11151 Shadow Creek Parkway.

A La Porte man, 22, was arrested at 9:22 p.m. for assault by physical contact, 2800 block of Pearland Parkway.

A Houston man, 33, was arrested for felony assault/impeding breathing or circulation, and unlawful restraint at 11:30 p.m., 4400 block of Walnut St.

Thursday, Aug. 17

A Houston woman, 43, was arrested at 3:27 a.m. for felony drug possession, 2805 Business Center Drive.

A Houston man, 34, was arrested around 4 a.m. and charged with failure to identify/giving false information as well as a warrant, 2600 Glade Springs Drive.

An arrest for assault causing bodily injury was made at 11:25 p.m., 2700 Business Center Drive.

Friday, Aug. 18

DWI arrest was made at 8:21 p.m., 2500 Liberty Drive.

Vehicle break-ins were reported at 2: 47 p.m., 2800 block of Pearland Parkway.

Adult protective services were referred in cases on Breezeway Lane and Union Valley Drive.

A Harris County warrant

was served at 4 p.m. in the 1600 block of Sleepy Hollow Drive.

DWI arrest was made at 8:30 p.m., 2500 Liberty Drive.

DWI arrest was made at 11:16 p.m., 6621 McHard Road.

Saturday, Aug. 19

DWI with open alcohol container arrest was made at 1:20 a.m., 4900 Broadway St.

DWI arrest was made at 2:26 a.m., 8303 Broadway St.

Two Houston men, ages 58 and 59, were arrested at 10:20 a.m. at 14900 Highway 288 Toll North. One had a DWI warrant from Harris County. The other was charged with three counts of felony theft with two or more previous convictions.

A Houston man, 22, was arrested at 5 p.m. on Pearland Parkway and charged with robbery.

An arrest for felony drug possession was made at 11:35 p.m., 2000 Main St.

Sunday, Aug. 20

An arrest for theft was made at 12:13 a.m., 1919 Main St.

A local woman, 43, was arrested at 11:21 p.m. for assault causing bodily injury, 11900 Shadow Creek Parkway.

Two people were arrested at a disturbance reported around midnight at 13700 Broadway St. One was charged with disorderly conduct - tumultuous behavior, and the other was charged with assault by threat.

Monday, Aug. 21

An arrest for unlawful transfer of sexually explicit visual material was made at 1:13 p.m., 9000 block of Sungate Drive.

A 68-year-old Houston man and 43-year-old San Benito woman were both arrested around 2 p.m. and charged with aggravated robbery, 12200 South Freeway.

A Pearland man, 29, was arrested at 4:11 p.m. for assault causing bodily injury, family member, 5200 block of Cunningham Drive.

DWI arrest was made at 7 p.m., 3901 Beechwood St.

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FAITH MATTERS

By Rev. Dr. Brian Gige

"FIVE SMOOTH STONES"

"I cannot go in these," he said to Saul, "because I am not used to them." So he took them off. 40 Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine." - 1 Samuel 17:39b-40

The Saul here is the King of Israel. The 'he' is the shepherd boy, David, who would one day be king and what he took off was the king's armor in order to reach down to pick up five

smooth stones just before approaching the Philistine whose name was Goliath... and whether we know much about the Bible or not... most people I know have heard the story about David and Goliath even if the only instance is a sports metaphor about the team which has no chance of beating their opponent.

This is a moment of one-on-one combat while two mighty armies stood by to watch. God's chosen people, the Israelites were in a battle for land rights and

power fighting against the Philistines and in ancient days one of the ways kings and generals decided in order to not decimate their troops and keep from leaving thousands of dead soldiers on the ground... was to have one representative fight to the death one representative of the opposing army... and the soldiers approved of this method!

No one in Saul's army wanted to fight Goliath. Even King Saul refused to engage. He was huge... like Andre' the Giant of studio wrestling and 'Princess Bride' movie fame. But there's an interesting twist here. Goliath was 'infantry'... one big piece of many in the Philistine militia. David was 'artillery'... armed with a sling shot, familiar with targeting from a distance and with a lifetime of practice fending off lions and bears while tending his father's sheep... he actually had the upper hand!

And when David wrote, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want..." and ... 'even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death...' late in his life... he knew what he was talking about. God was with him. Faith matters...

And... artillery always triumphs over infantry...

Goliath chided the Hebrew King about sending a dog to do his bidding... David reeled back with the words, "you come out to fight with a sword, javelin and shield... but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel who you have defied."

There it is. Goliath defied the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob... and that's when I ask... "why then did David pick up five smooth stones? Did he doubt his own ability? What if he missed? One stone was enough according to the story. Maybe there was some murmuring amongst the soldiers there were four other Goliaths... maybe four more brothers or maybe a brother and three sons... or maybe it wasn't that at all... maybe David picked up those five smooth stones to remind him of God's faithfulness and his own need of faith, obedience, prayer, and service all the while recognizing the presence of God's Spirit within...

When was the last time you felt like you were up against Goliath? Did you ask for the king's armor? Did you go looking for five smooth stones? Maybe you saw Goliath looking back at you in the mirror in your bedroom. Did you go looking for someone else to fight the battle for you? I hope not.

God has given each of us five smooth stones and probably more than we can count... actually... to tend to the battles that come our way. Remember... David didn't go looking for a fight... God's justice reigns... God's will is done... and one large stone was rolled away for me and you!

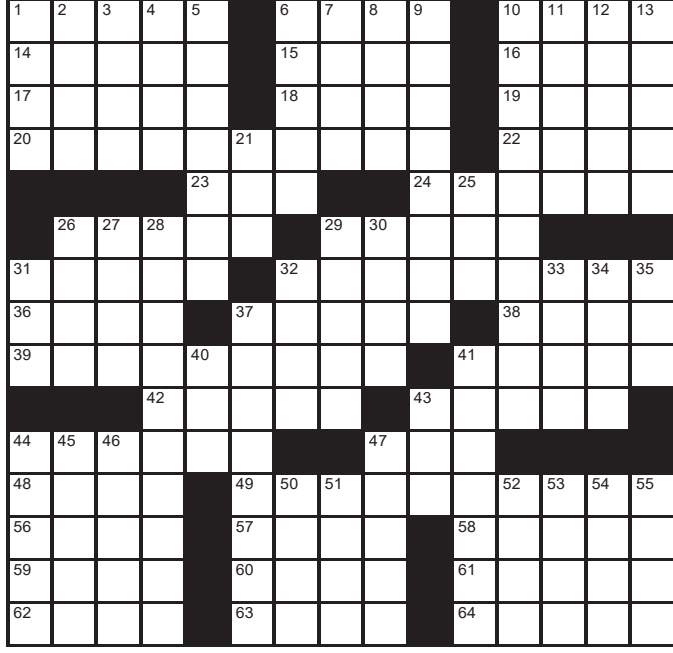
The Rev. Dr. Brian K. Gige is a long-time resident of Pearland, having pastored four churches over the last four decades in Texas and Louisiana. Read more following Brian's blog 'murmurings' at <https://briangige.wordpress.com/>. Send comments and/or questions to godworks247365@gmail.com.

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2023 Football season openers are set to go for area teams

By Dr. David Davis

The anticipation of high school football will become a reality this coming weekend as area teams have been fighting through the heat in preparation for their season openers.

There is a mix of a new head coach, the return of a former head coach, and those coaches who are settled in as their teams take the field of competition.

Friendswood Mustangs vs Texas City Stingarees Friday, August 25 at 7:00 p.m. Henry Winston Stadium

The Jordan Johnson era begins as Friendswood faces an old nemesis in Texas City.

“I am so excited to return home and, for me and my wife Madeline, to be a part of a community that is so special to me,” Johnson said. “I cannot wait to serve the students, faculty, and community of Friendswood as the AD/Head Football Coach. Friendswood is filled with so many special people that I love and appreciate. I cannot wait for the list to grow as we begin this journey.”

There’s a real positive atmosphere that is evident among the Friendswood gridiron warriors as they are excited to begin the new journey with coach Johnson.

Friendswood has seven offensive and five defensive players returning with 23 lettermen this year. Offensively, Johnson will have some key skill players returning with QB Brock Foster (6-5, 225, 4.8) and QB Michael Butler (5-10, 175) vying to lead the Mustangs on that side of the ball. Foster threw for 380 yards and 4 TDs last year while Butler threw for 350 yards and four scores. WR Adam Buffington (6-1, 170, 4.5) and RB Walker Wintes (5-7, 175, 4.6) return as Buffington had 411 yards and 3 TDs receiving in 2022, while Winters will pace the ground attack. Other offensive line leadership include Luke Bryant, Trent Baker, and Jackson Grantham.

“There have been challenges offensively due to the change in scheme, pace of play, and terminology. Thankfully players have done their part in soaking up information, practicing at a high level, and learning from mistakes.” Johnson said.

Defense will be led by LB Caleb Allen (6- 2, 215, 4.6) who had a banner year as a sophomore with five sacks, and LB Mason Sindelar (5-10, 215, 4.7) who had three sacks and two INTs.

Others making an impact on the defensive side of the ball include DB Sawyer Skeel (6-3, 185, 4.8), DL Cooper Hopkins (6-0, 230), DL Noah Abebe (6-3, 210, 4.8), LB Marcus Quintero, LB Nathan Doremus, DB Nicholas Ruffeno, DL Caleb Goins, and DB Landon Davis.

Texas City Stingarees

Pearland native and Texas City head coach Shone Evans completed his first year in 2022 in guiding Texas City to a 6-5 record while advancing to the bi-district playoffs.

Texas City should be loaded this season with seven offensive and seven defensive starters returning with 20 lettermen from last year’s squad and a trip to the post-season.

Prediction: Friendswood 24 - Texas City 21



Friendswood High School 2023 Football Team

Manvel Mavericks vs Shadow Creek Sharks Friday, August 25 at 7:00 p.m. Freedom Field

Kirk Martin was named head football coach for the Manvel Mavericks in 2006 when the school opened for the Alvin ISD school district. He was the head coach from 2006 to 2017 and compiled an impressive 108-25 coaching record that included two state title game appearances (2011, 2017) while also advancing to five regional finals (2010, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016).

Now, in 2023, Martin has returned as the Head Coach/ Assistant AD for Manvel once again.

While the offense will be a little younger, Martin isn’t without a talent pool of skilled athletes that will need to get acclimated to his system.

“Offensively we need young or inexperienced guys to take the jobs available and run with it,” Martin said. We have open competition at all of our skill positions. So it’s kind of a wait and see how it goes with those positions.”

Manvel won’t be without talent at quarterback where there are worthy candidates, and the Mavericks should be in great shape regardless of who takes control of the offense. One of those QB candidates is Romin Seymour, a 6-6, 192-pound sophomore, who is the son of former Florida State standout defensive end Roland Seymour.

The other two candidates are move-in quarterbacks: Chase Cobbin from Katy Taylor and junior Jackson Hamilton, the son of former Texans assistant coach Pep Hamilton. Hamilton was Pearland’s quarterback the last two seasons.

“We’ll have to see some live competition to see who the guy is,” Martin said. “I never know until the bullets start

flying. I really don’t expect to know until we at least get through the scrimmages, and maybe get through our pre-district games.”

Manvel has five offensive and eight defensive starters returning with 29 lettermen, so the cupboard certainly isn’t bare.

“We’ll have three offensive linemen back, and that will be our strength. Those folks include Micah Williams (6-2, 300), Al McCarter (6-4, 265) and Jaxson Timon (6-4, 245),” Martin said.

Shadow Creek Sharks

Head coach Brad Butler expects his team to be one of the top teams in the Houston area as the winning tradition continues.

“We’ve got a bunch of new starters,” Butler said. “The players expect to win, and we’ve got a strong winning culture, but we need to be mentally and physically tough.”

Speed and aggressiveness will characterize the Sharks on both sides of the ball.

Defensively, the Sharks will be led by defensive end Zion Taylor who is a UH commit. Taylor (6- 2, 240, 4.8) had 17 solo tackles, five assisted stops, six tackles for loss, six sacks, and 10 QB hurries last year. Taylor was teamed up with LB Anthony Williams (6-3, 195, 4.6) who was the district defensive “Newcomer of the Year.” Williams had 19 solo tackles, three assisted stops, eight tackles for loss, and one caused fumble.

Joining Taylor at UH will be FS Maurice Williams (6-2, 190, 4.5) who had an All-District first-team season with 30

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Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The BRAZORIA COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 53 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2023 on Friday, September 8, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. at the offices of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston Texas 77027. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

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FOR the proposal: Robert Serrett, Richard Boehck, Debbie Wang Romero, Andrew Bowman, Donna Jones
AGAINST the proposal: None
PRESENT and not voting: None
ABSENT: None

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year \$1.35000 /\$100 Adopted	This Year \$1.35000 /\$100 Proposed
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)		
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		\$0.00000 /\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)		0.00%
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$262,854.00	\$348,350.00
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 749.00	\$ 10,305.00
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$ 262,105.00	\$338,045.00
Tax on average residence homestead	\$3,538.42	\$4,563.61
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		\$1,025.19 28.97%

NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 3.5 percent, an election must be held to determine whether to approve the operation and maintenance tax rate under Section 49.23602, Water Code.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

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Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The BRAZORIA COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 35 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2023 on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, 1:30 p.m., at the offices of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, Texas 77027. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

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FOR the proposal: Loren Kool, Saib Saour, Susan Allen, Sheila Jones
AGAINST the proposal: None
PRESENT and not voting: None
ABSENT: Genet Chenier

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year \$1.00000 /\$100 Adopted	This Year \$0.96000 /\$100 Proposed
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)		
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		-\$0.04000 /\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)		-4.00%
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$0.00	\$0.00
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tax on average residence homestead	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		\$0.00 0.00%

NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 3.5 percent, an election must be held to determine whether to approve the operation and maintenance tax rate under Section 49.23602, Water Code.

There were no residential homesteads on either January 1, 2022 or January 1, 2023, therefore the tax that would have been imposed on a residential homestead is \$0.00. Due to this the tax election rate is not applicable for 2023 tax year.

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solo stops, 13 assisted tackles, one TFL, 2 INTs, 3 fumble recoveries, and one caused fumble. CB Aaden Benjamin (4 INTs) and DB Kyle Peterson will be roaming the defensive secondary for the Sharks. Others to contribute on defense include LB Efen Figueroa and CB Nigel Pringle.

While the Sharks will have a strong defense, they will also have a potent offensive attack that will be led by junior QB Jacorey Watson (6-0, 175, 4.5) who threw for 952 yards and 13 TDs while rushing for 323 yards on 12 carries and eight scores. Watson is a "gifted athlete" who becomes a multiple threat any time he has the ball in his hands.

Watson will be complimented by RB Tyluk Burton (5-9, 170, 4.5) who can explode for a long gain or touchdown from anywhere on the field. The All-District first-team pick had 703-yards rushing on 94 carries for six touchdowns while also gaining 90-yards receiving on 14 catches.

Others to contribute on the offensive side of the ball are WR Ashton Jones (6-3, 175, 4.5), athlete Christian Seriale (5-9, 170, 4.5), WR Chris Stewart (5-10, 165, 4.6), RB Justin Qualls, OL Calvin Peete, OL Andre McDaniel, and OL Chase Murray.

The Sharks also have a talented kicker in junior Aiden Bui (5-9, 160, 4.8) who was a unanimous first-team All-District pick after he hit 58-of-62 PATs and 5-of-8 FGs for 73 total points his sophomore year. Bui gives the Sharks that extra offensive punch in a tight game that can make the difference between a win or a loss.

Prediction: Shadow Creek 17 - Manvel 14

Pearland Oilers vs Clear Falls Knights Friday, August 25 at 7:00 p.m. Pearland ISD Stadium

There is no question that Pearland will be a stronger team than they were last year after being under the guidance of coach Gotte and his staff.

The Oilers finished in third place (5-2) last season in the district while advancing to the post-season for the 23rd consecutive year. They closed out the 2022 season with a 6-5 mark after losing to Dickinson 35- 21 in the opening round.

"Last year our two district loses were by a combined 11 points, (4 points to Shadow Creek and 7 points to Dawson) so our goal is to close the gap to our opponents and compete to win a district championship," Gotte said. "Losing in the first round was a bitter pill to swallow, so we also are working hard to earn the right to win our first-round playoff game and make a run in the playoffs."

Gotte understands the importance of laying a proper foundation of discipline and hard work; something the Oilers were lacking over the previous few years before Gotte's arrival.

"After going through our first full off-season, our team averages in every measurable category improved," Gotte said. "As a team we are stronger, quicker, faster, and more explosive, now the focus is translating that improvement to success on the field."

Another underlying issue that was drastically evident in



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the past but no longer, is the players are proud to be Oilers again. The sense of pride has resurfaced that had been lost in recent years.

Gotte has also been impressed with some players who have shown vast improvement since last year. Included on that list is senior QB Cole Morkovsky who has really stepped up to become the field general for the Oilers.

"Cole is a great leader, super smart, throws the ball well and is a good game manager," Gotte said. "I believe he is quite capable of getting the job done which is what we need at this time. He is at a key position in our offense."

Gotte also listed WR Luke Allen and OL Elijah Cavitt as two others who have made an impact and impression on the coaching staff for their effort to improve at their respective positions.

Defensively, Gotte listed DL Jaylen Stewart, DB Evan Gracia, and LB Sam Armstrong as key players who have made significant impressions on the coaching staff.

Leading the offense this year will be Cole Morkovsky and RB La'Damion McDowell (5-8, 160, 4.5) who was named 23-6A Offensive Newcomer of the Year. McDowell led the Oilers rushing as he had 151 carries for 801 yards and five scores while he also snagged 17 passes for 204 yards and two TDs; WR Patrick Bridges (6-2, 185, 4.6) who had 32 catches for 479 yards and 6 TDs; FB Juan Marines who had 33 carries for 134 yards; five catches for 75 yards and 2 TDs; OL JJ Wheeler (6-4, 240, 4.9); WR Quinton Murray (6-1, 175, 4/7); OL Toby Argo; OL Henry Dines; WR/ DB Evan Garcia, WR Luca Sanchez; and WR Jordan Hernandez.

Leading the defense will be Texas Tech commit DB Ashton Hampton (6-1, 170, 4.5) who had 40 solo stops, 13 assists, 12 TFL, 5 INTs, 2 fumble recoveries, 1 caused fumble,

DL Jaden Wincher (6-1, 250) who had 28 tackles, 3 TFL, 5 sacks, DL Jaylen Stewart (6-3- 205, 4.8), CB Lazarus Range who had 34 tackles, 14 assists, 2 TFL, 3 INTs, 1 caused fumble, and DL Amari Wilks.

The Oilers will also have a talented kicker in Jackson Stagg who was an All-District second-team selection. Stagg is an outstanding offensive weapon to have for field goals and extra points which can make the difference in a win or a loss.

Clear Falls Knights

The Oilers were in a position to win the season opener and first game for new head coach B.J. Gotte last year but came up a little short to the Clear Falls Knights 20-17. Pearland missed a field goal late in the fourth quarter and the Knights ran off the final 3:16 time off the clock to escape with a 20-17 win. "We are obviously disappointed in the result," Pearland head coach BJ Gotte said. "Especially when you feel like you had multiple opportunities to win the game. The kids played hard, and I was proud of them for that, and we competed until the end."

Clear Falls finished with a 9-3 season record while advancing to the area round of the playoffs. They finished second in the district behind league champion Dickinson. They are a pre-season second place pick behind the Gators in 2023.

The Knights return nine offensive and three defensive starters and 34 lettermen this year. With all five offensive line starters returning to protect starting QB Ky Barker (6-2, 180), the offense will be the early pacesetter for the Knights. Barker threw for 2,017 yards and 14 TDs last season.

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Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The BRAZORIA COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 06 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2023 on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. at 1300 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 2500, Houston, Texas 77056. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

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FOR the proposal: R. Michael Haney, L'Sheryl D Hudson, Jason Johnson
AGAINST the proposal: None
PRESENT and not voting: None
ABSENT: Rick King, Erich R Bell

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.45000 /\$100 Adopted	\$0.40000 /\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		-\$0.05000 /\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)		-11.11%
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$436,596.00	\$511,182.00
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$106,775.00	\$147,742.00
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$329,821.00	\$363,440.00
Tax on average residence homestead	\$1,484.19	\$1,453.76
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		-\$30.43 -2.05%

NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance, and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 8 percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate under Section 49.23603, Water Code.

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Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The BRAZORIA COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 23 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2023 on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. at Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2400, Houston, Texas 77027. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

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FOR the proposal: JoAnne Knodel, Russell Secrest, Nghiem Doan
AGAINST the proposal: None
PRESENT and not voting: None
ABSENT: Darren Mosier, Mark Anderson

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.44000 /\$100 Adopted	\$0.40000 /\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		-\$0.04000 /\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)		-9.09%
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$377,413.00	\$477,989.00
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$10,173.00	\$70,657.00
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$367,240.00	\$407,332.00
Tax on average residence homestead	\$1,615.86	\$1,629.33
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		\$13.47 0.83%

NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 3.5 percent, an election must be held to determine whether to approve the operation and maintenance tax rate under Section 49.23602, Water Code.

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FHS Mustang Water Polo Teams Triumph Tournaments

By Friendswood ISD Communication Department

The Friendswood High School (FHS) girls and boys water polo teams made a splash as they commenced their seasons with an outstanding performance at the Ascension Tournament in Alvin and the CCISD Tourney at Clear Creek ISD Schools on Aug. 10-12.

Under the leadership of head coach Craig Sikkema, the FHS water polo teams showcased their camaraderie in a series of exhilarating matches in the Ascension Tournament. The girls' team emerged as an unstoppable force, clinching victory in all four of their games against Deer Park, Alvin, Pearland, and Clear Falls, to remain undefeated. Spearheaded by captain Emmie Ratcliff, the ladies demonstrated exceptional skill and teamwork.

The boys' team, led by captain Paul Podrebarac, faced a challenging tournament, finishing with a record of 1-3. Despite the initial setback, the boys exhibited unwavering determination and an eagerness to improve as the season unfolds.

Continuing their remarkable journey, both teams shone brightly at the Clear Creek ISD tournament. The girls finished with a commendable record of 3-2 and secured the top spot in the silver bracket. Notably, they tallied an impressive 40 goals in their final two games while conceding only eight. On the other hand, the boys' team achieved redemption, concluding with a record of 4-1 in the tournament, thereby elevating their season record to 5-4. Their performance led them to clinch the first position in the gold bracket, with a nail-biting final game that ended 8-6.

The teams' next challenge will be against Westside on Monday, Aug. 21, with the girls' match beginning at 6:00 PM and the boys' match at 7:00 PM, both held at Friendswood High School. This anticipated matchup holds a special twist, as Coach Sikkema's son leads the Westside team.

As the season progresses, the FHS water polo teams are set to participate in the upcoming Purple Monkey Tournament Aug. 24-26. On Aug. 24, both girls and boys teams



will vie for victory on their home turf, with subsequent matches held at various area pools. Additionally, the teams' first district game against Galveston Ball is scheduled for Sept. 5 at their home pool, with the girls' game starting at 5pm and the boys' at 6pm.

The FHS girls water polo team members are: Lacey Drouet, Kate Duggleby, Cadence Capehart, Molly Fruehan, Julia Rupp, Peyton Robbins, Madeline Long, Kaley Barden, Emmie Ratcliff, Erin Voelker, Paige McCray, Brooke Hubenak, Nicole Medina, and Addison Pendle. The boys team members include: Nash Baker, Paul Podrebarac, James Saul, Cort Koester, Lane Jordon, Noah Givens, Thomas Sinclair, Cooper Barden, Darius Patterson, Ryan Cockerham, Simon Kinsworthy, Jackson Lewis, and Joshua Geno.

Assisting Head Coach Craig Sikkema are Crissy Kemp and Shawna Lewis, contributing to the teams' collective achievements.

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Clear Falls will also see help from RB Payton Greer (5-9, 190, 4.5) who rushed for 366 yards and two TDs while catching 22 passes for 226 yards and two scores.

Despite a young defense, the Knights will be led by LB Jackson Waid (6-1, 210, 4.7) who had 94 tackles, 8 TFL, and four sacks. He will get support from DE Le'Kell Mc-



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Gowan (6-4, 210, 4.7) who had 13 TFL, seven sacks, and 61 tackles. Both are DI prospects.

Prediction: Pearland 24 - Clear Falls 17

Dawson Eagles vs Hightower Hurricanes Saturday, August 26 at 6:00 p.m. Hall Stadium

Time passes quickly as Dawson head coach Mike Allison begins his sixth year at the helm of the Dawson football program. Allison has certainly continued the foundation that was laid when the school opened in 2007 with former head coach Eric Wells in charge.

Coach Allison has posted a 40-17 record for his first five years while also advancing to the area round of the playoffs all five seasons. The 2022 season began with an uncharacteristic 0-3 non-district start, but Allison rallied his troops to win the next six out of eight games to finish 6-1 in district with their only loss to Shadow Creek 16-10 which could have easily turned out in favor of the Eagles.

Coach Allison is always the first to give credit to his players and dedicated coaching staff regarding their accomplishments. The Eagles have always been a team that will be highly competitive no matter who they are playing.

Dawson returns with four offensive starters and nine defensive starters as well as 31 lettermen from a 6-5 team in 2022 that advanced to the bi-district round of the playoffs. One of the key losses on offense was three-year starting quarterback and Texas Wesleyan commit Colin Johnson.

However, Allison believes that QB Gage Greene (6-2, 180) will be able to step in and provide the leadership and skill set for the Eagles offense. "Gage [Greene] had a strong spring showing and I believe he has the talent to take over at quarterback," Allison said. "The players have a lot of confidence in him and I like what I saw in our spring game."

"He is an unselfish leader of this team that will be a big part of the success we are looking for on offense."

Greene will have a lot of help as senior running back Bryce Burgess (5-6, 160, 4.5) returns to lead the ground attack. Burgess was named the District 23-6A "Offensive Player of the Year" last season. He rushed for 1,023 yards on 141 carries (7.3 yards per carry) and scored 16 touchdowns while he also caught 21 passes for 164 yards and two scores.

"Offensively, we have some dynamic athletes in skill positions," Allison said. "They have the ability to line up in different positions and do different things to help out the team. We have some experience coming back on the O-Line, and have a few of the underclassmen stepping up and competing for the open spots."

Another offensive weapon returning is Tony Robertson III who will make an impact on that side of the ball for the

Eagles.

"Tony will be returning from a season-ending injury that happened Week One of last season," Allison said. "He will be a three-year letterman who will be hungry to show what he can do."

Other players on offense Allison will be looking to for a strong season include WR Braylon Howard, WR Joseph Brown, and OL Torion Armelin.

The Eagles' strength will be nine defensive starters who will set the pace early.

The defensive foundation begins with the two bookend defensive ends in Charles Anderson (6-7, 245) who had 45 stops, seven TFL, and two sacks and Edward Smith (6-6, 240) who had 24 tackles, eight TFL, and two sacks. Both have committed to Texas Tech.

Other key defensive standouts include first-team All-District Bryson Burgess (5-6, 165) who had 50 solo stops, 18 assists, and one TFL last season. DB Max Menedez (5-10, 170) who had 31 tackles, and one sack. DB Chase Davis (5-10, 165) and DB Gabe McFarland (5-10, 160) who had 41 tackles seven TFL, and one sack.

Dawson will also have a proven placekicker in junior Ayden Treadaway who can make the pressure PATs and FGs when called upon in the clutch.

Hightower Hurricanes

Dawson led Hightower 17-16 at halftime last season but they weren't able to protect the lead as the Hurricanes scored 13 unanswered points in the second half to pull out the 29-17 non-district win in the season opener for both teams.

Hightower returns five offensive and eight defensive starters, and 28 lettermen from a 10-3 team that advanced to the 6A Div. II regional semifinals.

QB Joseph Stewart (5-10, 165, 4.5) will return to lead the offensive assault after he threw for 2,833 yards and 26 TDs while rushing for 378 yards and two scores last year. He will have strong help with TCU commit RB Jeremy Payne (5-11, 180, 4.5) in the backfield. Payne rushed for 1,002 yards and 13 TDs while catching 17 passes for 320 yards and three scores.

Other weapons include WR Zion Kearney (6-2, 170, 4.5) who caught 39 passes for 765 yards and eight TDs. RB Austin Bowen (5-8, 165, 4.5) added 560 yards and eight scores to the attack.

The strength of the defense will be in the secondary with DB Kameron Reddic (5-11, 170, 4.5) who had 67 tackles, 5 TFL, and one INT, CB Ephraim Dotson (5-11, 175, 4.5) who had 49 tackles, five INTs, and DB Kade Phillips (6-3, 190, 4.8) who had 41 tackles.

This game should be a great season-opener for both teams
Prediction: Hightower 28 - Dawson 17



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NOTICE TO BIDDERS CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS

Sealed Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, September 21st, 2023, and read aloud into the public record for the following project:

Centennial Park Storage Building Project
City of Pearland, Texas
ITB: 0723-17

The project will consist of the following for Centennial Park Storage Building Project:

The project will entail a new lawn equipment storage building at the City of Pearland Centennial Park.

A **Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference** will be held in person at the City of Pearland Public Works Rio Grande Conference room at 2016 Old Alvin Rd, Pearland, Texas 77581 at 1:00 p.m. on August 31, 2023.

All bids should be submitted through the E-Bid system located on the City's website at: <https://pearland.ionwave.net/Login.aspx>. All interested Bidders are advised to register as a "supplier" on the City's E-Bid System at the above website by clicking on "Supplier Registration" and completing a short registration questionnaire. Electronic Bid Documents, including Plans, Technical Specifications and Bid Forms are available for download after registration is approved by City Purchasing office. No plan fees or deposits are required for bid documents obtained through the City's E-bid System. Questions regarding electronic bidding should be directed to City Purchasing Office at ebids@pearlandtx.gov.

Bid Documents are also available for review at the following plan houses:

Amtek Plan Room	(713) 956-0100
The Associated General Contractors of America, Inc.	(713) 334-7100
Virtual Builders Exchange	(832) 613-0201
McGraw Hill Construction - Dodge Reports	(800) 393-6343

Bid Security, in the form of Cashier's Check, Certified Check, or Bid Bond, payable to the City of Pearland in the amount of 5% of the total base bid price, must accompany each Bid proposal. See Instructions to Bidders for Bond submittal information and instructions. The City of Pearland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Frances Aguilar
City Secretary, City of Pearland

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FRIENDSWOOD ISD REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS #24-001 EMPLOYEE MEDICAL BENEFITS

Request for Proposals (RFPs) shall be submitted via one (1) paper copy, along with one (1) electronic copy in PDF format on a flash drive. The flash drive must contain only one (1) file in PDF format and must match written response identically. Specifications and related information may be downloaded from FISD's website at www.myfisd.com or PublicPurchase.com. Submittal shall be signed by a person having authority to bind the qualified professional in a contract. All submitted materials must be clearly marked with "RFP 24-001 EMPLOYEE MEDICAL BENEFITS", the vendor's name, and addressed to Friendswood ISD, Attn: Purchasing Department, and are to be received at the Friendswood ISD Administration Building, 302 Laurel Dr., Friendswood, TX, 77546 on or before 2:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023. Any contract resulting from this RFP shall be awarded to the responsible offeror whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the District considering the relative importance of price and the other evaluation factors included in this request for proposals. For additional information, please contact Carol Blain, Purchasing Coordinator, at cblain@fisd12.net with "RFP 24-001" clearly entered on the subject line. Friendswood ISD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF BROOKSIDE VILLAGE SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE BROOKSIDE VILLAGE CITY COUNCIL AT CITY HALL LOCATED AT 6243 BROOKSIDE RD., BROOKSIDE VILLAGE, TEXAS, 77581, ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 AT 6PM. THE PUBLIC HEARING IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING COMMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THE FOLLOWING:

THE PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF OCTOBER 1, 2023 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2024. THIS BUDGET WILL RAISE MORE TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES THAN LAST YEAR'S BUDGET BY \$ 120,355.99 OR 16.36% AND OF THAT AMOUNT, \$ 22,382.52 IS TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR.

GLENDIA HUNDL
MAYOR

CLASSIFIEDS (281) 485-7501

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Notice Of Constable Sale

Cause Number: 120452-CV

(See Notes Below)

James Brawner Constable Precinct 4

Under the authority and by virtue of an Order of Sale dated and issued pursuant to the judgment of the 239th Judicial District Court Brazoria County, Texas by the clerk of said courts as shown in the following schedule of cases, and to me directed and delivered as Constable in Brazoria County, I have on the date indicated below seized and levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in September, the same being September 5th, 2023, at 111 Locust Angleton, Texas 77515, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title and interest of the defendant(s) in the real property as described below in order to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties, costs, and further costs of executing this writ.

Whereas on the 17th day of April, 2023, Sierra Vista Gate At Canyon Property Owners Association, recovered a judgment in the 239th Judicial District Court of Brazoria County, Texas against, Didier Aime Nkingi for the sum of Six Thousand Four hundred fifty four dollars and Sixty three Cents (\$6,454.63) as the total amount due on the assessment account of the Property that is secured by the Plaintiff's lien on the Property as of the date the Agreed Judgment was filed; its reasonable attorney's fees in the amount of Four Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$4,735.50); Because it became necessary for the Plaintiff to obtain a writ of execution and/ or an order of sale and have the Property posted for a constable's sale or sheriff's sale in order to collect the amounts awarded in this Agreed Final Judgment, Didier Aime Nkingi shall pay to Sierra Vista At Canyon Gate Property Owners Association additional attorney fees and costs in the amount of the one thousand eight hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$1,800.00); costs of court in the amount of \$376.58, process server fees in the amount of \$137.00, and post-judgment interest at the rate of 7.50% per annum on all amounts awarded in this judgment, including attorney fees, from the date this judgment is signed until fully paid; And, whereas, the said judgment is a foreclosure of a Property lien on the following described property, to-wit:

Any properties sold shall be subject to the right of redemption of the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the property or their interest therein if allowed, within the time and in the manner provided by law.

ALL SALES SHALL BE BY Constable'S DEED AND ARE WITHOUT WARRANTY AS TO TITLE OR CONDITION, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS EVIDENCED BY Constable'S DEED.

Sale #	Cause Number	Court	Judgment Date	Order Issue Date	Levy Date	Other Account #
	120452-CV	239th Judicial District Court	4/17/2023	6/23/2023	July 19th, 2023	

Plaintiff: Sierra Vista Gate At Canyon Property Owners Association,

VS

VS

Defendant: , Didier Aime Nkingi

Property Description:

Lot three (3), in block two (2), of Sierra Vista, section 2, according to the map or plat thereof recorded under clerk's file no. 2017058181, official records, Brazoria County, Texas, APN No. 75782002003 more commonly known as 10211 Humphreys Green Drive, Rosharon, Tx 77583;

For More Information, Contact: Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Hailey PC, Phone: 7137804135

The Minimum Bid Is All Costs Of Suit And Sale.

STARTING Bid: \$ 14,862.61

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Terms: Cash, or Cashier's Check.

Additional Terms:

(Real Property being Sold at the Direction of the Plaintiff's Attorney)
(Prospective Bidders or Purchaser's Responsibility to Research or Consult with an Attorney)
(Made Subject to right of redemption (if any) in accordance to law)
(Constable's Commission due upon final Bid amount)

SALE TO BE HELD

5th day of September, 2023

Between the hours of 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM

111 Locust Angleton, Texas 77515

James Brawner, Constable

Brazoria County Precinct 4

121 North 10th Street

West Columbia, Texas 77486

(979) 345-2115

By:

Jon Baker, Chief Deputy #

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Notice Of Constable Sale

Order of Sale Cause Number 104610-CV**

(See Notes Below)

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Whereas on the 9th day of September, 2020, Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association, recovered a judgment in the 239th Judicial District Court of Brazoria County, Texas against, Juan Villatoro for the sum of Two Thousand three Hundred Thirty five Dollars and Ninety three Cents (\$2,335.93), its reasonable attorney's fees in the amount of Three Thousand Forty-Seven dollars and No Cents (\$3,047.00); An Order of Sale shall issue to any sheriff or any constable within the State of Texas, directing the sheriff or constable to seize and sell the Property the same as under execution, in satisfaction of this Final Default Judgment subject to any superior liens provided for in the Restrictions or at law, if any; and, if the Property cannot be found, or if the proceeds of such sale be insufficient to satisfy the judgment, then to take the money or any balance thereof remaining unpaid, out of any other property of the Defendant, as in the case of ordinary executions. If any surplus remains after the payment of the sums adjudged to be due, it shall be paid to Defendant, Juan Villatoro; additional attorney's fees in the amount of one thousand eight hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$1,800.00) because it became necessary for Plaintiff to obtain a writ of execution and/ or an order of sale and have the Property posted for a constable or sheriff's sale in order to collect the amounts awarded in this judgment; all costs of court in the amount of Two Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars and Ten Cents (\$299.10), process server fees in the amount of One hundred fifteen dollars and no Cents (\$115.00), and post-judgment interest at the rate of five percent (5%) per annum on the total judgment, including attorney's fees awarded herein, from the date this judgment is signed until fully paid. And, whereas, the said judgment is a foreclosure of a Property lien on the following described property, to-wit:

Any properties sold shall be subject to the right of redemption of the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the property or their interest therein if allowed, within the time and in the manner provided by law.

ALL SALES SHALL BE BY Constable's DEED AND ARE WITHOUT WARRANTY AS TO TITLE OR CONDITION, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS EVIDENCED BY Constable's DEED.

Cause Number: Court Judgment Date	Style of Case	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	ORDER ISSUE And Levy Date	OTHER REFERENCED NUMBER
104610-CV** 239th Judicial District Court Judgment Date 9/29/2020 Sale #	Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association, VS , Juan Villatoro	LOT TWENTY-SIX (SIX) (26), IN BLOCK ONE (1) OF FINAL PLAT STERLING LAKES AT IOWA COLONY SEC 11, AN ADDITION IN BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED UNDER CLERK'S FILE NO. 2014042119 OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD OF BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS, more commonly known as 1810 Crystal Waters Drive, Rosharon, Texas 77583 ("Property");	Date Issued 6/15/2023 Levy Date July 13th, 2023	

For More Information, Contact: Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Hailey PC, Phone: 7137804135

The Minimum Bid Is All Costs Of Suit And Sale.

STARTING Bid: \$ 5,419.95

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by:

Jon Baker, Chief Deputy #

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 8:27 AM

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CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID NO. 2023-16 DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL SERVICES DEEPWOOD

Sealed Competitive Bids shall be submitted via two (2) electronic copies, each copy on one flash drive or CD. Each copy must match identically and must include the signature of a person with the authority to bind the contractor into a contract. All submitted materials must be clearly marked with "BID NO. 2023-16" along with the name of the contractor and addressed to the City of Friendswood, Attn: City Secretary. Said submissions are to be received at Friendswood City Hall, City Secretary's Office, 910 S. Friendswood Dr., Friendswood, TX, 77546 on or before 9:00 A.M., SEPTEMBER 12, 2023, at which time the bids will be opened and read aloud.

The City of Friendswood (the "City") reserves the right to reject any or all bid and to waive any informality in the bids received. The contract, if any, will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. The City pays for goods and services according to the provisions of Chapter 2251 of the Government Code.

This project is federally funded by a Community Development Block Grant. Attention is called to the fact that the successful bidder must comply with:

- Paying not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon and Related Acts) wage rate, as issued by the Department of Labor H.U.D. and contained in the contract documents.
- Ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age or national origin.
- Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, the regulations set forth in 24 CFR Part 135, and all applicable rules and orders.

Specifications and related information may be downloaded from the City's website at <https://www.ci.friendswood.tx.us/Bids.aspx> or may be reviewed/inspected during regular business hours in the City Secretary's Office, City Hall, 910 South Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, TX 77546.

A bid guarantee in the form of a bidder's bond, certified check or a cashier's check made out to "City of Friendswood" in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the greatest amount bid must accompany each submission. BIDS THAT DO NOT HAVE THE ACCOMPANYING BID GUARANTEE WILL BE RETURNED TO THE BIDDER. For contracts in excess of \$25,000, payment, performance, and maintenance bonds along with a bid guarantee are required by the City.

A Site Visit is scheduled for SEPTEMBER 5, 2023, at 9:00 A.M., at 1300 block of Deepwood Drive, Friendswood, TX 77546.

All questions must be submitted to jspears@friendswood.com, no later than 9:00 A.M., SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

For additional information, please contact Jeff Spears, Purchasing Coordinator at (281) 996-3274 or via email to jspears@friendswood.com.

/S/Leticia Brysch, City Secretary

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS

Sealed Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, September 14th, 2023, and read aloud into the public record for the following project:

Green Tee Re-Pump Abandonment
City of Pearland, Texas
COP PN: WA2204
BID NO.: ITB 0823-20

The project will consist of the following for Green Tee Re-Pump Abandonment:

- Removal of the existing Green Tee repressurization station located west of Bogey Way, north of Scarsdale Blvd. in the City of Pearland.
- Work consists of a 212,000-gallon bolted steel ground storage tank, 2 booster pumps, LAS and bleach tanks, and a portable metal building all with associated concrete foundations
- The city desires to abandon the facility.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held in person at the City of Pearland Engineering & Public Works Administration Building - Brazos at 2016 Old Alvin Road, Pearland, Texas 77581 at 1:00 p.m. on August 31st, 2023.

All bids should be submitted through the E-Bid system located on the City's website at: <https://pearland.ionwave.net/Login.aspx>. All interested Bidders are advised to register as a "supplier" on the City's E-Bid System at the above website by clicking on "Supplier Registration" and completing a short registration questionnaire. Electronic Bid Documents, including Plans, Technical Specifications and Bid Forms are available for download after registration is approved by City Purchasing office. No plan fees or deposits are required for bid documents obtained through the City's E-bid System. Questions regarding electronic bidding should be directed to City Purchasing Office at ebids@pearlandtx.gov.

Bid Documents are also available for review at the following plan houses:

Amtek Plan Room	(713) 956-0100
The Associated General Contractors of America, Inc.	(713) 334-7100
Virtual Builders Exchange	(832) 613-0201
McGraw Hill Construction - Dodge Reports	(800) 393-6343

Bid Security, in the form of Cashier's Check, Certified Check, or Bid Bond, payable to the City of Pearland in the amount of 5% of the total base bid price, must accompany each Bid proposal. See Instructions to Bidders for Bond submittal information and instructions.

The City of Pearland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Frances Aguilar
City Secretary, City of Pearland

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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 September 20, 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 0823-13 Landscape Maintenance

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, September 13, 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 Friday, September 15, 2023, and refer to RFP 0823-13. Bid Closing Date: 2:00 PM on Wednesday, September 20, 2023.

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