

January 2012

Highlights

CEDAR HILL

The City of Cedar Hill, Texas

Growing green Now

Changes are here

This reminder contains details about the trash/recycling changes that are now in effect.

Weekly collection

Beginning Monday, January 9, residential trash and recycle materials are collected on the same day, once a week. Check the map at right for the trash/recycling collection day in your neighborhood.

Yellow = recycling

The yellow-top recycle carts are only for recycle materials. Recycle carts contaminated with trash will not be picked up.

Trash can be placed in trash bags or residents may rent a 96-

gal. wheeled trash cart (with a green lid) for \$2 per month. The fee will be added to the residence water bill.

To order a green-top trash cart, click on the 'Access Cedar Hill' button on the City website and look for "Trash Cart Ordering," or call 972.291.5100 x1003.

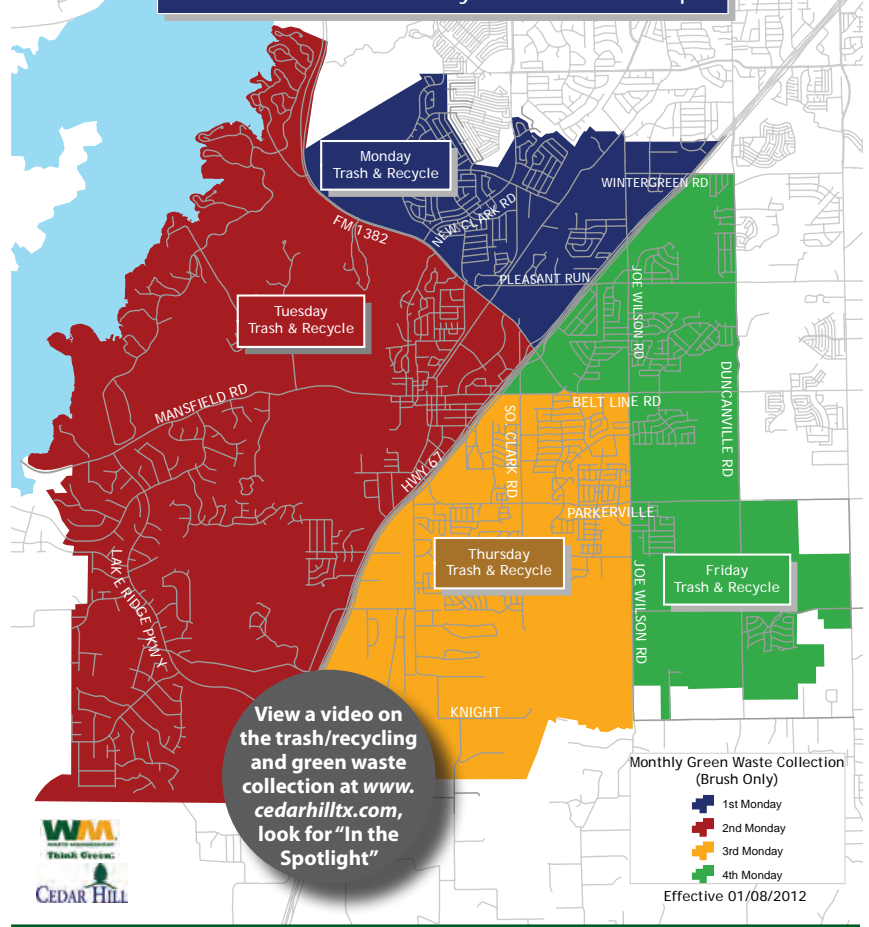
Why the changes?

The City of Cedar Hill, in partnership with Waste Management Inc. is providing the larger recycle carts to every household to encourage residents to recycle more of what they've

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Cedar Hill Trash & Recycle Collection Map



City debuts EV chargers

The City of Cedar Hill now has two electric vehicle charging stations for public use, strategically located at the Cedar Hill Government Center, 285 Uptown Blvd.

The two charging units are in the visitor

parking section south of the Government Center.

As part of the City's innovative Green Cedar Hill Initiatives to increase awareness of conservation and alternative energy op-

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Single-stream recycling



Aluminum cans



Newspapers



Glass bottles & jars



Tin & steel cans



Magazines & junk mail



Plastic bottles & jugs



Continuing drought forces water conservation action

The City of Cedar Hill has moved to Stage 1 water conservation measures.

Residents and businesses with EVEN-numbered addresses are requested to water only on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Residents and businesses with ODD-numbered addresses are requested to water only on Mondays and

Thursdays.

Note that Cedar Hill's restrictions are voluntary, while some other communities are implementing mandatory cutbacks.

Dallas Water Utilities (DWU) has requested that our city set a goal of reducing water consumption by 5%.

The request to voluntarily reduce consumption and limit



Many Texas reservoirs are at record lows due to the ongoing drought. Forecasters anticipate a dryer than usual winter.

landscape watering is a result of the ongoing drought, which is predicted to extend beyond this winter, and water treatment plant repairs/construction

by DWU.

If the city's water consumption is not substantially reduced, other options will be considered.

Green changes

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been throwing into the trash. Only about 15% of recyclable waste has been recycled in Cedar Hill.

Weekly collection will promote cleaner streets and alleys with trash put out less often. Once-a-week collection will also reduce the carbon emissions of large solid waste trucks in our community and on their way to and from the recycle center and landfill. Increasing the recycled material will reduce the amount of trash going into landfills.

Bulky items included

Residents may put one bulky item out for weekly collection. Bulky items are defined as furniture, appliances, bicycles, carpeting (cut into 4 ft. bundles) and fencing (4-ft. lengths, no concrete).

Waste Management will not collect hazardous waste. The City schedules hazardous waste collection locations twice a year. Visit www.cedarhilltx.com/HHW for more infor-

mation.

Single-stream recycling

Waste Management employs single-stream recycling which means you don't have to sort your recyclable materials.

Only a few items are not acceptable for recycling: foam packaging, soiled food containers (pizza boxes), plastic grocery bags, food waste/garbage, light bulbs, window glass, mirrors or yard waste.

Green waste

Brush and tree limbs, up to 10 cu. yds., are collected monthly. View the collection map to see your green waste collection week.

Collection schedule

Place your cart(s) and trash bags at the curb or alley no earlier than sundown on the day before collection and no later than 7 a.m. the day of collection. After collection, carts should be removed from the front yard or alley by the evening of your collection day.

EV chargers

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tions, the chargers are among only about two dozen available in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

The City has two additional chargers available for City vehicles. This year's budget includes funds for up to two electric/hybrid vehicles to replace retired gas vehicles in the City's fleet.

The new chargers are convenient for electric vehicle owners who are doing business with the City. They are right across the street from the Cinemark Theatre so citizens can charge a vehicle while

catching a movie.

There will be no fee for charging until the Spring, 2012.

The EV chargers require a membership card for operation. You can sign up for a card at www.blinknetwork.com and Blink will send you an activated card or you can use an activated card available at the Utility Billing window in the Cedar Hill Government Center during business hours. There is no cost to sign up.

For more information, please go to www.greencedarhill.com or call 972.291.5100 x1003.

City Council photos

December 13, 2011



Cyndi Acevedo receives her STAR Student award from City Council Member Steve Mason at the Dec. 13 meeting. Cyndi is a fourth-grade student at High Pointe Elementary School.



Above: Jimmie Ruth White, left, and Jessica Hahn, center, receive special clashboard awards from Mayor Rob Franke in appreciation of their service as "directors" of Country Day on the Hill. Country Day attracts thousands of visitors to Cedar Hill on the second Saturday of October. The 75th Country Day will be celebrated October 13, 2012.

Below: A community event of this size requires a lot of effort and time from many in the community. A number of the committee heads and volunteers were present at the City Council meeting.



Your survey input will help

The Cedar Hill Parks and Recreation Department wants your input to help the Adult Athletic Program to continue to grow and prosper. We need your improvements and new ideas to entice participation and make the most of our great facility. It is our goal that all programs reflect our commitment to providing the best service possible.

Please take the survey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/chathletics.

Community Calendar

January 2012

24 City Council Meeting

6 p.m. Briefing Meeting, Regular City Council Meeting begins at 7 p.m. Government Center, 285 Uptown Blvd., First Floor, Cannady Room.

February

5 Daddy Daughter Dance

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for ages 4-8; 2 to 4 p.m. for ages 9-12

\$30 per couple or \$15 per person

Cedar Hill Recreation Center, 310 E. Parkerville Rd.

The annual Daddy/Daughter Dance is the perfect time to create special memories that will last a lifetime. Each two hour dance featuring DJ Rudy will include a professional souvenir photo, light refreshments and an onsite craft. Register online or at the Cedar Hill Recreation Center. Please bring in your online receipt to exchange for your tickets. For more information call 972.293.5288.

5-19 Valentine Special Recreation Center Membership

Enjoy \$10 off on a 3-month membership at the Cedar Hill Recreation Center just in time for Valentines Day. Do it for yourself or for the one you love.

11 Low cost microchipping service for pets

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Tri-City Animal Shelter, 1150 E. Pleasant Run

Only \$20, includes registration. Proof of rabies vaccination required.

Pets adopted during the second Saturday event can have a photo made with new owner and register for a drawing at 3 p.m. This event is scheduled every second Saturday.

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March

3 Citywide Neighborhood Block Party and Rec Center Anniversary

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Recreation Center, 310 E. Parkerville

A celebration of all the great people and organizations that make Cedar Hill a premier community.

5 Filing deadline for joint Election, including City Council

Residents interested in running in the May 12 Joint Election must pick up a candidate packet in the City Secretary's office on the 4th floor of the Government Center and return it by March 5 to be eligible.

24 Walk the Light Arts Festival

5-10 p.m. in Historic Downtown.

Artists of all art genres will display or perform their craft inside historic downtown businesses, in Pioneer Park and on the streets. For more information visit www.cedarhilltx.com/walkthelight.

For the latest updates, visit the City Calendar on www.cedarhilltx.com . Click on "View All"

For even more up-to-date information look for the City of Cedar Hill on Twitter and Facebook.

Contacts

After Hours
972.780.6643

Alarm Monitoring
972.230.5248

Animal Control
972.223.6111

City Administration
972.291.5100x1010

City Secretary
972.291.5100x1011

Code Enforcement
972.291.5100x1090

Economic Develop. Corp.
972.291.5132

Fire Department
Non-emergency
972.291.1011

Human Resources
972.291.5100x1050

Library
972.291.7323

Municipal Court
972.291.5100x1041

Neighborhood Services
972.291.5100x1084

Parks & Recreation
972.291.5100x1500

Parks Rain-outs
214.855.9758

Parks Special Events
214.890.6977

Police Department
Non-emergency
972.291.5100x2400

Public Relations
469.272.2903

Public Works
972.291.5126

Recreation Center
972.293.5288

Senior Center
972.291.5353

Tri-City Animal Shelter
972.291.5335

Utility Billing
972.291.5100x1200

City strives to provide water bill payment options

The City offers residents several convenient ways to make payments.

By mail

Include your account number on your check. Mail it with the payment stub in the envelope provided. Mail to:

City of Cedar Hill
285 Uptown Blvd.
Cedar Hill TX 75104

Drop boxes

Drop an envelope with your check and the payment stub in either of the drop boxes available 24/7 in front of the Government Center at 285 Uptown Blvd. or in front of the Recreation Center at 310 E. Parkerville. Payments are credited next business day.

Online via City website

Go to www.cedarhilltx.com and click on the "Online Payments" button or go directly to <https://cch-payments.net>. It takes just a couple of minutes to set up your account and on your next visit it is just a matter of a couple of clicks. Visa, Mastercard or American Express cards are accepted. Your payment will be credited the same business day. **Online via your bank banking**

Customers can pay their utility bill through their banking institute with their on-line banking option. Payments submitted through on-line banking will be received the day after the payment is authorized.

Phone

Customers can pay their utility bill by phone. Dial 469.272.2931 and press option # 2 then follow the instructions. Visa, Mastercard or American Express cards are accepted. These payments will be credited the same business day.

Automatic bank draft

Contact Utility Billing at 469.272.2931 option #4 for information about setting up your account for automatic payment from your checking account.

Western Union

You may pay your water bill at Kroger's Grocery service window or at Woodforest National Bank inside Wal*Mart during their regular business hours. Payment can be via cash, check or money order and there will be a \$1.50 service fee. Your payment will be posted the next business day.

In person

The windows in the Government Center, first floor, are open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and until 7 p.m. on Tuesdays. A current driver's license is needed to verify your customer ID to discuss

Woodbury earns Member of Year award

Robert Woodbury, left, Civil Engineer for the City of Cedar Hill, celebrates his Member of the Year award from the North Central Branch of APWA (American Public Works Association) with Public Works Director Elias Sassoon.

After attending a few roundtable discussions for Public Works directors and city engineers, Robert realized that construction inspectors did not have a similar



venue to discuss their profession and challenges in the construction field. Robert petitioned the local board to support the idea of conducting roundtables throughout the DFW area. He received the award for his efforts coordinating the inspectors' meetings at several locations this year.

account issues and for making credit card payments.

Late payments

If you are behind on payments, or if your water service has been disconnected, you will need to contact the Utility Billing Department during regular business hours either in person or by phone at 972.291.5100 x1200.

A photograph of a wooden gavel with a gold-colored band resting on a silver computer keyboard. The gavel is positioned diagonally across the frame.

Pay Municipal Court Fees Online

www.cedarhilltx.com/warrants

The 2012 Cedar Hill Museum of History calendar

is still available for only \$10. Purchase online at www.cedarhill-museum.com.

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