

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE November 12, 2021

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Sales Tax Receipts**

The September 2021 sales tax receipts from the State Comptroller's Office are \$35.2 million, a 40.7 percent increase in total collections compared to the same reporting period last year. September 2020 total collections were reduced by \$3 million for an audit adjustment. Year-over-year current period collections increased by 24.5 percent.

- September 2020 actual \$25,009,630
- September 2021 budget \$30,722,230
- September 2021 actual \$35,178,095

September represents the last month of FY 2020-21. Total collections for the fiscal year are \$354.3 million, which is \$43.6 million or 14.0 percent more than received in FY 2019-20, which was significantly suppressed due to the initial onset of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent economic decline.

Next month's receipts will be for the first month of FY 2021-22. We will continue to monitor sales tax receipts each month and keep you informed.

Thank you for your support. Please contact me with any questions.


M. Elizabeth Reich
Chief Financial Officer

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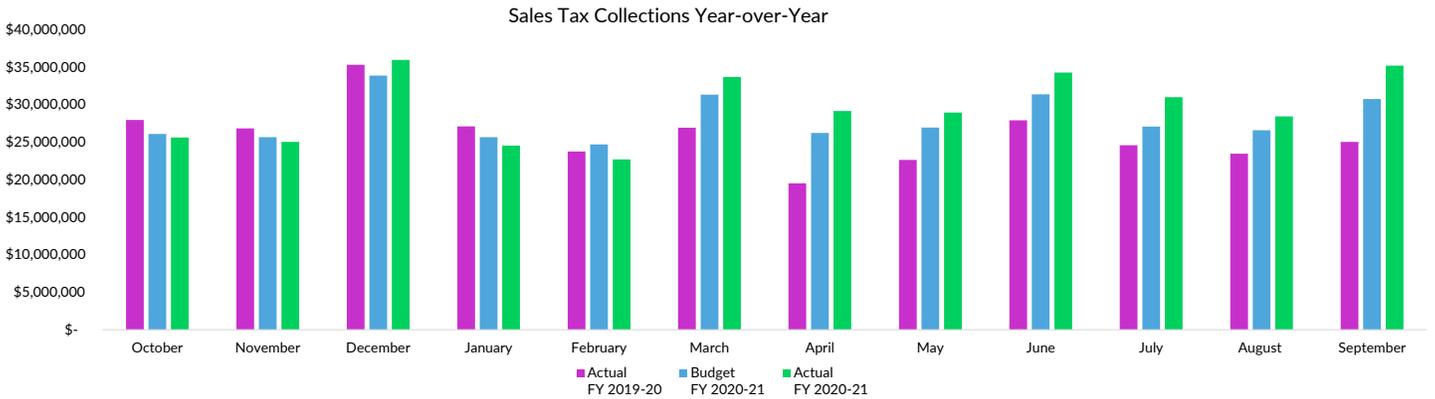
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as of September 2021

Month	Actual FY 2019-20	Budget FY 2020-21	Actual FY 2020-21	YTD Variance	YTD Variance		
				FY 2020-21	FY 2020-21	FY 2020-21	FY 2020-21
				Actuals versus	Actuals versus	Actuals versus	Actuals versus
				FY 2019-20	FY 2019-20	Budget	Budget
				Actuals	Actuals	(%)	(%)
				(Actuals)	(Actuals)	(%)	(%)
October	\$ 27,942,608	\$ 26,064,996	\$ 25,607,902	\$ (2,334,706)	-8.4%	\$ (457,094)	-1.8%
November	\$ 26,805,867	\$ 25,646,825	\$ 25,010,956	\$ (1,794,911)	-6.7%	\$ (635,869)	-2.5%
December	\$ 35,274,527	\$ 33,853,442	\$ 35,927,004	\$ 652,477	1.8%	\$ 2,073,562	6.1%
January	\$ 27,074,542	\$ 25,642,201	\$ 24,532,918	\$ (2,541,624)	-9.4%	\$ (1,109,283)	-4.3%
February	\$ 23,738,211	\$ 24,675,263	\$ 22,686,079	\$ (1,052,132)	-4.4%	\$ (1,989,184)	-8.1%
March	\$ 26,900,241	\$ 31,299,322	\$ 33,669,367	\$ 6,769,126	25.2%	\$ 2,370,045	7.6%
April	\$ 19,483,347	\$ 26,209,693	\$ 29,131,009	\$ 9,647,662	49.5%	\$ 2,921,316	11.1%
May	\$ 22,615,759	\$ 26,928,512	\$ 28,918,168	\$ 6,302,409	27.9%	\$ 1,989,656	7.4%
June	\$ 27,891,265	\$ 31,338,835	\$ 34,254,068	\$ 6,362,803	22.8%	\$ 2,915,233	9.3%
July	\$ 24,568,195	\$ 27,060,310	\$ 30,967,271	\$ 6,399,076	26.0%	\$ 3,906,961	14.4%
August	\$ 23,433,307	\$ 26,569,868	\$ 28,404,805	\$ 4,971,498	21.2%	\$ 1,834,937	6.9%
September	\$ 25,009,630 ¹	\$ 30,722,230	\$ 35,178,095	\$ 10,168,465	40.7%	\$ 4,455,865	14.5%
Total	\$ 310,737,499	\$ 336,011,501	\$ 354,287,642	\$ 43,550,143	14.0%	\$ 18,276,141	5.4%

¹ FY 2019-20 revenue reduced due to a one-time repayment to the State of \$3,393,027.

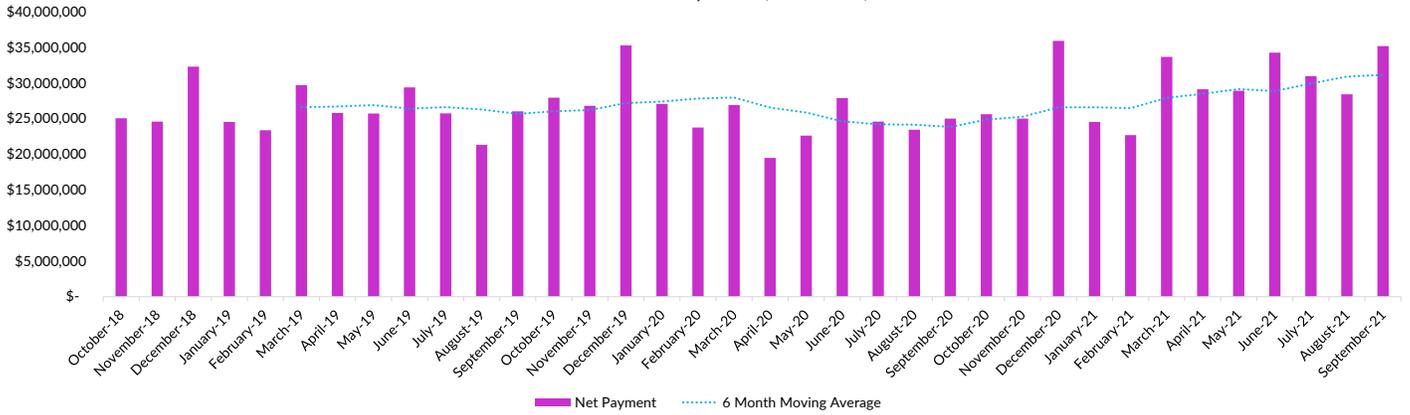
² FY 2020-21 budget increased on June 9 and September 9 as part of the mid-year and end of year appropriation adjustment process.



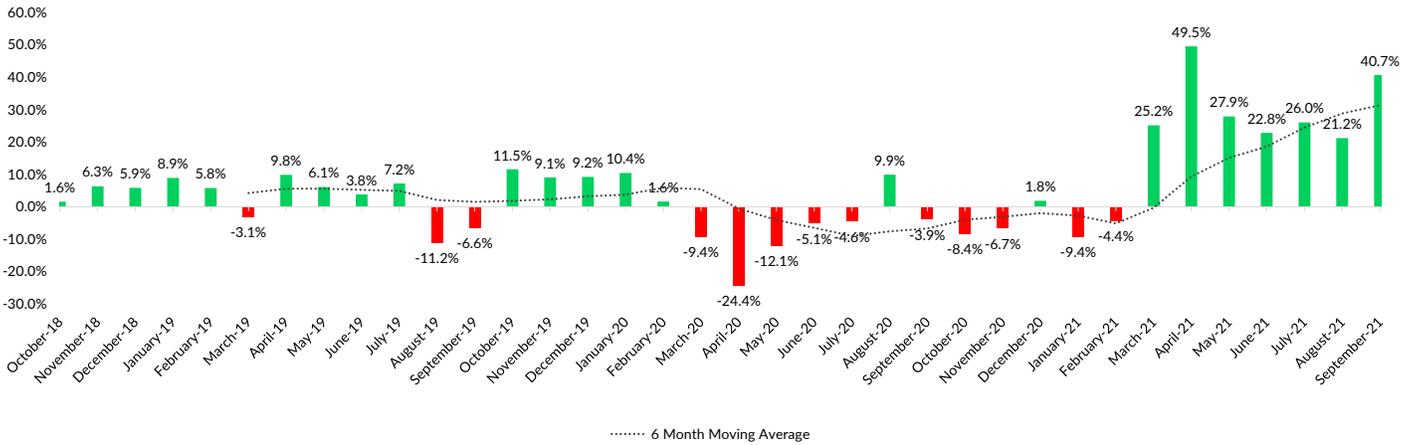
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Sales Tax Net Payments (36 Months)



Sales Tax Net Payments - Year over Year Change (%)



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SUBJECT **Neighborhood Public Meetings Schedule
FY 2022-23 HUD Consolidated Plan Budget**

In January 2022, Budget & Management Services (BMS) and the Community Development Commission (CDC) will host six virtual Neighborhood Public Meetings for the FY 2022-23 Consolidated Plan Budget for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant funds. The Consolidated Plan grants include: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). These virtual meetings will encourage participants to provide their input on the potential uses for the HUD grant funds.

The City of Dallas' Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) for HUD Grants requires a minimum of six public hearings be held during the development phase of the Consolidated Plan Budget. Given the current public health precautions, HUD rules allow virtual hearings and Telephone Town Hall Meetings (TTHM) in lieu of in-person public hearings to fulfill the public hearing requirements. Significantly more residents have participated in Neighborhood Public Meetings since the CDC has been utilizing virtual meetings and TTHM.

The CDC has proposed meeting dates and times, as provided on the attached flyer. The public meeting information is available on the attached flyer and will be translated in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. The CDC's communication plan for outreach efforts recommends the placement of advertisements in The Dallas Morning News and other multi-cultural publications. City Staff will coordinate with City departments to ensure public notices are available through recreation centers, libraries, the City's webpage, social media, and the Dallas City News Network channel. BMS staff will also work with Communications, Outreach, and Marketing (COM) to ensure a wide distribution of the flyer to homeowners and neighborhood associations, partnering non-profits, and religious organizations, and will seek free PSA opportunities.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

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M. Elizabeth Reich
Chief Financial Officer

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Dates & Times

All meetings will be held virtually

- **Thursday, January 6 at 7:00 p.m.**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM1
- **Monday, January 10 at 10:00 a.m.**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM2
- **Tuesday, January 11 at 5:00 p.m.**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM3
- **Thursday, January 13 at 12:00 p.m.**
HOPWA Meeting
www.bit.ly/CODNPM4
- **Thursday, January 13 at 6:00 p.m.**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM5
- **Thursday, January 20 at 6:00 p.m.**

Telephone Townhall Meeting (888) 400-1932
For Spanish Call: (888) 400-9342

Scan for More Information and the Comment Form



City of Dallas

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR THE

FY 2022-23 Consolidated Plan Budget

Virtual Neighborhood Public Meetings

for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
(HUD) Grant Funds

- Join us virtually to learn about the FY 2022-23 HUD Consolidated Plan Budget Development
- Provide your input on the use of federal funds for low and moderate income individuals and programs, provide input online or use [#mycommunityinput](https://twitter.com/mycommunityinput)
- Learn more at www.dallascityhall.com/budget/communitydevelopment, call (214) 670-4557, or email ofscommunitydevelopment@dallascityhall.com



Fechas y horas

Todas las reuniones serán virtuales

- **Jueves, 6 de enero a las 7:00 p.m.**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM1
- **Lunes, 10 de enero a las 10:00 a.m.**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM2
- **Martes, 11 de enero a las 5:00 p.m.**
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- **Jueves, 13 de enero a las 12:00 p.m.**
reunión HOPWA
www.bit.ly/CODNPM4
- **Jueves, 13 de enero a las 6:00 p.m.**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM5
- **Jueves, 20 de enero a las 6:00 p.m.**
Reunión Comunitaria Telefónica (888) 400-1932
Para español, llamar al: (888) 400-9342

Escanea para obtener más información y para el formulario de comentarios



Ciudad de Dallas
TE INVITA A NUESTRAS REUNIONES DE

Plan de Consolidación del Presupuesto del Año Fiscal 2022-23

Reuniones Públicas Vecinales Virtuales

sobre el Financiamiento del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de EE.UU. (HUD, por sus siglas en inglés)

- Acompáñanos virtualmente para obtener más información acerca del Plan de Consolidación del Presupuesto del Año Fiscal 2022-23
- Proporciona tu punto de vista acerca del uso de los fondos federales para individuos y programas de ingresos bajos o moderados, danos tu opinión en línea o utiliza [#mycommunityinput](https://twitter.com/mycommunityinput)
- Obtén más información en www.dallascityhall.com/budget/communitydevelopment, llamando al (214) 670-4557, o escribiendo a ofscommunitydevelopment@dallascityhall.com



Ngày và giờ

Tất cả các cuộc họp sẽ được tổ chức theo phương thức trực tuyến

- **Thứ Năm, ngày 6 tháng 1 lúc 7:00 tối**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM1
- **Thứ Hai, ngày 10 tháng 1 lúc 10:00 sáng**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM2
- **Thứ Ba, ngày 11 tháng 1 lúc 5:00 chiều**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM3
- **Thứ Năm, ngày 13 tháng 1 lúc 12:00 trưa cuộc họp PWA**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM4
- **Thứ Năm, ngày 13 tháng 1 lúc 6:00 tối**
www.bit.ly/CODNPM5
- **Thứ Năm, ngày 20 tháng 1 lúc 6:00 tối**
Buổi họp toàn bộ Công ty qua Điện thoại (888) 400-1932 Để gọi bằng tiếng Tây Ban Nha: (888) 400-9342



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Thành phố Dallas [City of Dallas]

MỜI BẠN THAM GIA CÙNG VỚI CHÚNG TÔI

FY 2022-23 Ngân sách Kế hoạch Hợp nhất

Các cuộc họp công khai tại khu vực liền kề trực tuyến

cho các Quỹ tài trợ của Bộ Nhà ở và Phát triển Đô thị Hoa Kỳ (HUD)

- Hãy tham gia cùng chúng tôi để tìm hiểu về Kế hoạch phát triển ngân sách hợp nhất FY2022-23HUD

- Cung cấp thông tin ý kiến đóng góp của bạn vào việc sử dụng quỹ liên bang cho các chương trình cắt-xê cá nhân có thu nhập thấp và trung bình, cung cấp thông tin đầu vào trực tuyến hoặc sử dụng [#mycommunityinput](https://twitter.com/mycommunityinput)

- Tìm hiểu thêm thông tin tại www.dallascityhall.com/budget/communitydevelopment, gọi (214) 670-4557, hoặc email về scommunitydevelopment@dallascityhall.com



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SUBJECT **City License Applications**

Attached is a list of the most recent Dance Hall, Sexual Oriented Business, Billiard Hall, and/or Amusement Center license applications received for the week of November 1, 2021 – November 5, 2021 by the Tactical and Special Operations Bureau Licensing Squad of the Dallas Police Department.

Please have your staff contact Sergeant John Page, at (214) 316- 3848 and/or by email at john.page@dallascityhall.com should you need further information.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jon Fortune".

Jon Fortune
Assistant City Manager
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WEEKLY APPLICATION LOG REPORT

DISTRICT	NAME OF BUSINESS	STREET ADDRESS	TYPE OF LICENSE	DATE OF APPLICATION	STATUS (RENEWAL/NEW)	APPLICANT NAME
D3	HKS PLACE	2807 S WESTMORELAND RD	AC	11/3/2021	RENEWAL	ALEXANDER SVAYS
D10	SPEARMINT RHINO GENTLEMANS CLUB	10920 PETAL ST	SOB	11/2/2021	RENEWAL	KATHY VERCHER
D10	SPEARMINT RHINO GENTLEMANS CLUB	10920 PETAL ST	DH/A	11/2/2021	RENEWAL	KATHY VERCHER
D10	PT'S MENS CLUB	10601 PLANO RD	SOB	11/2/2021	RENEWAL	NICK MEHMETI

License Definitions

- DH - Class "A" Dance Hall - Dancing Permitted Three Days or more a Week*
- DH - Class "B" Dance Hall - Dancing Permitted Less Than Three Days a Week*
- DH - Class "C" Dance Hall - Dancing Scheduled One Day At A Time*
- DH - Class "E" Dance Hall - Dancing Permitted Seven Days A Week for Persons Age 14 through Age 18 Only*
- LH - Late Hours Permit - Can Operate A Dance Hall Until 4:00*
- BH - Billiard Hall - Billiards Are Played*
- SOB - Sexually Oriented Business - Adult Arcade / Adult Book/Video Store / Adult Cabaret / Adult Adult Theater / Escort Agency / Nude Model Studio*
- AC - Amusement Center*

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TO Honorable Chair and Members of the Environment & Sustainability Committee

SUBJECT **Batch Plant Permits, Policies and Strategies**

As requested by Committee Chairwoman Paula Blackmon, staff is developing strategies to effectively address batch plants in ways that protect our community, enhance local air quality, improve public health, and support ongoing related construction through greater transparency related to batch plant operations within the City. This memorandum provides an outline of potential short- and longer-term strategies that are currently under staff development and evaluation for Committee consideration in early 2022. Additionally, the attachment to this memorandum provides a summary of current batch plant permits, related policies and oversight activities and regulatory enforcement efforts within the City of Dallas.

Staff are presently working to evaluate logistics, public information, equity impacts, and legal ability to implement several short- and longer- term strategies to attain better public information concerning batch plant permit processes and plant locations. Each option will be evaluated to determine the ability to reduce potential for environmental justice and equity concerns, reduce impacts to EPA-defined sensitive receptors such as residential neighborhoods, schools, daycare centers, parks, and places of worship, that overall meets objectives of enhancing local air quality, improving public health, and supporting ongoing related construction through greater transparency related to batch plant operations within the City.

Short-Term Strategies

Short-term strategies could be implemented within a couple of weeks to a couple of months, with minimal impact to batch plant operators, contractors that rely on them, and could help inform the impacted neighborhoods to allow requests for related hearings. Ideas being evaluated include:

- **Site Mapping:** City-maintained GIS mapping of existing and proposed batch plant locations with attached operating status (and/or linkage to TCEQ site).
- **Immediate Internal Notification of Receipt of TCEQ Batch Plant Notifications:** The City's Air Quality compliance team receives regular notifications of pending permit applications. These are typically sent to the Executive Team and can be expanded to include the affected City Council member/ Environmental Commissioners in that notification.
- **Improve Public Awareness of TCEQ Public Notice:** Many affected residents do not see the TCEQ-published notice and the signs may not attract attention. The City can improve this process via newsletters, social media, and websites, as well as by explaining how to take advantage of the public input opportunities.
- **Posting Complaint Reporting Information at Batch Plants:** While most standard permits require posting for public information, the City's Air Quality team responds to complaints about batch plants within 24-hours. Posting perimeter signage could be an effective tool to help with environmental problems in neighborhoods. The City could post bilingual signs within the City right-of-way at every batch plant with information about where to call with a complaint. The signs could also post information about what to include

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in the complaint to help the inspectors. Speedy resolution to complaints would greatly benefit residents.

- **Coordinated City Inspections:** Batch plants are subject to regular air quality and stormwater inspections. Currently, inspectors may not always share information unless there's a specific concern. If they could provide coordinated inspections and/or share reports of inspections so that the inspectors are aware of the observations of others. This could lead to more efficient inspections.
- **Environmental Policy:** City contracts currently include certification by the contractor that they agree to follow the City's Environmental Policy. Project staff can make sure that this is discussed in the pre-bid and pre-construction briefings, and appropriately is included into the project specifications. Staff may review this policy to see if an update for clarification may be required.

Long-Term Strategies

Staff are also evaluating ideas that may be more effective overall but may take additional time to implement. Actions that will require public input, and or that depend on actions by others, and that may take longer than 3 to 6 months to implement could include, but not be limited to:

- **Forward Dallas:** Appropriate locations for this type of land use may be explored as part of the update to the Forward Dallas Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update.
- **Zoning Changes:** The ZOAC/CPC processes may be used to better define where this type of land use could be allowed. These processes may also include a review of City of Dallas notification limits for related hearings.
- **Sustainable Procurement Updates:** As part of its workplan this year, which was briefed to this Committee in October, the working group is updating the City's Environmentally Preferred Products list, which may present opportunities to address some of the concerns outlined here. In addition, the working group will collaborate with end-user departments on standards that may be appropriate to include in new contracts for concrete and asphalt purchases as well as explore more sustainable alternatives to those materials.
- **Environmental Equity Checklist:** A checklist is recommended as a front-end function that allows all related departments to integrate equity & environmental quality in everyday functions and prevent any gaps that can contribute to disparate impacts on neighboring communities of industrial operations. This effort should include a review by appropriate staff to develop the Environmental Equity checklist, and then determine the mechanics for implementation, including a review of applicable framework set forth in the Government Alliance for Racial Equity – Equity Indicators Matrix.
- **Legislative Change:** During the 2020-21 Legislative session there were several bills introduced to address batch plants including but not limited to setbacks, adjacent land use, site housekeeping, and air quality controls. The City of Dallas wrote in support of all of them. Unfortunately, none of these bills made it out of Committee. It may make sense to work with our legislative affairs staff, affected neighborhoods, staff from other cities, and others to get these bills back on the radar, and to ensure support.

Because the issues related to batch plants involve several City Departments, staff will be working together to provide a more detailed briefing with recommended strategies to address these facilities to both the Environment Commission and the ENVIS City Council Committee in the first quarter of 2022. Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact me or Sheila Delgado at 214-670-1642.

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Batch Plants in the City of Dallas

Approximately 75 percent of the placed U.S. concrete comes from batch plants; these facilities are common throughout Texas, including the City of Dallas. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) records show several hundreds of batch plants in the DFW metroplex; City of Dallas records indicate that there are currently 38 active permitted batch plants within the City limits, typically concentrated near the Elm Fork / Walnut Hill industrial area, and along the I20, I30, and I45 Highway corridors. Additionally, batch plant permits limit production to 300 cubic yards of concrete production per hour and to 6,000 cubic yards per day, however, several batch plant sites in Dallas include multiple permitted operations within one parcel (e.g. – much higher production rates per site).

Because concrete must be used within one to two hours from the time it is mixed, batch plant operators, and their construction contractors prefer these facilities to be in or near the project sites where the product will be used and prefer locations with lower lease costs. This can result in potential environmental justice concerns.

Air Quality Considerations

In North Texas, ten counties including Dallas consistently do not meet the 2008 Federal Air quality criteria for ground level ozone. In addition, nine counties consistently do not meet the updated 2015 Federal standard for ozone. In 2020, despite changes in transportation volume due to the COVID19 shutdown, the North Texas Region again failed to meet these standards resulting in the recommendation from Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to escalate the local air quality designation from “Non-Attainment” to “Severe Non-attainment” for ozone. This action may require updates to the State Implementation Plan and has prompted the North Central Council of Governments (NCTCOG) to adopt a voluntary resolution for member cities to reduce Single-Occupancy Vehicular travel by 20 percent. In addition, the EPA has commenced with rule-making relative to tighten up regulations related to particulate pollution, which would likely impact many batch plant operations. Dallas is ranked 16th on the American Lung Associations’ list of most ozone-polluted cities, and several Dallas ISD schools have high incidents of asthma-related absentee-ism in excess of 28 percent (Texas A&M University – Transportation Institute, Center for Applied Research, in Transportation Emissions, and Environmental Health, and The Nature Conservancy. 2019. “Breathe Easy Dallas: Measuring the Impact of Select Interventions on Air Quality and Daily Asthma Exacerbations, at High Risk Schools; Year One, Report of Activities”).

Batch plants are known sources of critical air pollutants including fine particulates (PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}), nitrogen oxides (NO_x), Sulfur dioxide, (Sox), and Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC). Other related air pollutants of concern include silicates and formaldehyde. The emissions generally originate from the transfer of the cement, sand, and aggregates as part of the concrete production process. However, additional fugitive emissions can also occur through the transfer of sand and aggregates, truck loading, mixer loading, vehicle traffic, and wind erosion from storage piles. In addition, many batch plants use stationary internal combustion engines to run compressors and other equipment. These engines are limited to 1,000 horsepower but can also be important sources of emissions, depending on the type of engine and fuels used. Although not regulated by the TCEQ, emissions from trucks and concrete plant vehicles are also sources of emissions. Diesel trucks are often observed near plants, idling while waiting in line to load.

Existing TCEQ Permit Processes

The TCEQ has a two-tier permitting system for batch plants. Before construction begins, the operator must apply for and receive an approved construction permit. After construction, some larger facilities that are considered major sources of air pollution must apply for an operating permit under Title V of the Clean Air Act.

There are three basic types of batch plant construction permits, and the resulting public information, site design, and reporting requirements vary with each. These are:

- Permit by Rule (PBR): these typically are less complex sites with lower volumes and simply require administrative forms and may require the operator to meet some very basic operating conditions and record keeping. There are specific PBR requirements for different sources that qualify.
- Standard Permit: Under Texas Health and Safety Code § 382.05195, the TCEQ may promulgate permits for categories of facilities and use the same types of air emission controls to all plants within the defined category. This type of permit is limited to the types of facilities that will not make a significant contribution of air contaminants to the atmosphere. Concrete Batch Plants are usually permitted under the Standard Permit for Concrete Batch or using the Standard Permit for Concrete Batch Plants with Enhanced Controls. **Most batch plants in Dallas come in under this type of permit.**
- New Source Review (NSR) Permit: The last type of construction permit is a unique permit for each facility. They are issued on a case-by-case basis, for sites with high emissions, high anticipated volume produced, and or near EPA-defined sensitive receptors such as neighborhoods, day-care centers, places of worship, or schools. Each permit is unique and must document compliance with all applicable air quality regulations. In some cases, when the site is near sensitive receptors such as residential communities, places of worship or schools, air dispersion modeling of plant emissions is required. For some cases, the applicant must demonstrate that the plant will meet the EPA standard for controlling emissions called Best Available Control Technology. NSR permits require detailed review for environmental impacts.

Most plants require a standard permit. There are few legislative requirements for these standard permits, only that the permits be enforceable, be adequately monitored for compliance by the Commission, and that the permits require the permitted facilities to use Best Available Control Technologies (BACT).

The standard permit for concrete batch plants cover three types of facilities: (1) permanent concrete batch plants, (2) temporary concrete batch plants, and (3) specialty concrete batch plants. The standard permit is available for any concrete batch plant producing less than 300 cubic yards per hour. The permit has separate requirements for permanent and temporary and specialty plants.

The standard permits have some complex requirements that include public notice and opportunity for public input, site-layout requirements, documentation, and record-keeping production limits,

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permitted operation timelines (a temporary plant can only operate for 180 days at a specific location). Compliance requires quarterly visual fugitive dust observations and limited testing.

Existing City Policies and Related Oversight

- Environmental Policy – The City has had an [Environmental Policy](#) in place since 2005, that requires all City staff and contractors to sign that they concur with and will follow this policy. Consistent with this policy, staff perform the related regulatory compliance services to ensure compliance for local batch plants and other facilities.
- Air Quality Compliance: The OEQS Air Quality compliance division works under grants from the TCEQ to ensure local air quality permit compliance. In addition to record keeping and quarterly testing, inspectors periodically inspect batch plants. Inspectors typically visit each plant in the City at least once annually, depending on compliance status. The inspection frequency is higher in Dallas than in Texas cities that depend on the TCEQ for inspections. In addition to inspections, the City of Dallas responds to complaints on batch plants within 24 hours. Once a complaint is received, an inspector will visit the facility to investigate the complaint.
- Stormwater MS4 Permit Compliance: The City maintains a TCEQ Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (MS4) that delegates to the City responsibility and authority for water quality regulatory compliance. Under this permit, City staff are responsible for ensuring compliance with the Construction General Permit (construction sites of one or more acre in size, or part of a common development plan one or more acre in size) and with the Multi-Sector General Permit (certain kinds of industrial and manufacturing facilities). Both permits include batch plants and other similar facilities. Batch plant operators are required to monitor the water quality impacts of their operations and maintain pollution prevention measures and other industry-specific site management practices. City staff inspect batch plants on a frequency determined by the specific permit claimed by the operator, the compliance status of the facility, and the specifics of the operation. Staff typically inspect batch plants at a minimum of annually under the Multi-Sector General (Industrial) Permit, and every 13 to 28 days, depending on site size under the Construction General Permit.
- Pre-treatment Compliance (DWU): Industrial facilities that dispose of process waters into the City's wastewater collection system are required to have a pre-treatment program that includes sampling, and onsite housekeeping requirements. DWU inspectors perform regular inspections of facilities under the pre-treatment program.
- Code Compliance: Dallas Code Compliance staff respond to all complaints associated with private property and also conduct batch plant facility inspections relative to any complaints received concerning compliance with City of Dallas Codes and Ordinances (including noise ordinance).
- Sustainable Procurement Policy: In May 2021, the Dallas City Council approved a sustainable procurement policy. This umbrella policy sets up an interdepartmental City staff working group to improve social, economic, and environmental outcomes in contracting.

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SUBJECT **Batch Plant Permits, Policies and Strategies**

- City's Addendum to the NCTCOG Construction Standards: Like many of the cities in the NCTCOG region, the City relies on the regional construction specifications as developed by a group of City representatives in the 16-county DFW metroplex. City staff from Public Works, Development Services, Parks, Dallas Water Utilities, and the Office of the Bond Program work together to develop a Dallas-specific addendum that applies to public construction in Dallas. This Addendum may offer opportunities related to the use of batch plants in Dallas in the future.
- Planning & Urban Design: In addition to environmental permitting, concrete batch plants within the City of Dallas are subject to zoning requirements. The Zoning Ordinance sets forth the requirements on where uses can operate. In some areas, batch plants require a Specific Use Permit (SUP), which is processed through City Plan Commission and City Council. In other areas, the building official in Development Services can issue a Certificate of Occupancy if the permit meets the criteria set forth in the Zoning-Ordinance.
- Development Services: In addition to environmental permitting, concrete batch plants are subject to local zoning requirements, which are enforced through Development Services. The Department reviews permits and can issue a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) if the permit meets the criteria set forth in the Zoning Ordinance. The CO allows operation of the project. Improvements to site development layout, setbacks and both air and stormwater buffers can be reviewed through this review process.

Per the Zoning Code, temporary concrete batch plants require a temporary Certificate of Occupancy by special authorization of the building official. The building official may issue a temporary certificate of occupancy in any zoning district for a temporary batching plant to mix, compound, and batch concrete, asphalt, or both, for a public or private project, which is valid for six months.

Memorandum



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DATE November 12, 2021

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Redistricting Website ADA Review**

This memorandum serves as a follow up to concerns raised by Councilmember Mendelsohn during the October 28, 2021 briefing of the redistricting website and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The City of Dallas' vendor, Knowbility, has conducted a review of the Redistricting website and an executive summary of their findings is attached. In response to these findings, staff made modifications to the main webpage, identified alternative compatible mapping tools, and is incorporating best practices in inclusive community into redistricting meetings.

The Office of Government Affairs staff is implementing several measures to receive community input and feedback on the proposed maps. In addition to the online mapping tool, the public can participate by:

- Providing their input by signing up to speak at Redistricting Commission meetings and the town hall community meetings;
- Calling the Redistricting Hotline at (214) 671-5197 to provide input to the redrawing of the City Council districts; or
- Submitting a comprehensive map plan by email to: redistricting@dallascityhall.com.

Plans are underway to provide accommodations including American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters, large print, and braille at community meetings as requested through the email above. Residents may develop their own maps using ESRI or ArcGIS, which are fully compatible with the current tool and ADA compliant.

Any person requesting accommodation for redistricting meetings, or to learn more about future meetings, may contact redistricting@dallascityhall.com.

To review the schedule of upcoming redistricting meetings, please go to: <https://dallasredistricting.com/meetings/>. Please direct any questions to Brett Wilkinson, Director, Office of Government Affairs.

Kimberly Bizzor Tolbert

Chief of Staff

[Attachment]

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Executive Summary City of Dallas Redistricting Page

Introduction

Knowbility previously delivered two detailed technical documents to identify accessibility barriers and recommend methods for remediation. This document is meant to illustrate the impact of the issues identified in non-technical language and a summarized format for an audience that may not have an extensive programming and development perspective.

Digital Accessibility Issues

Fundamental accessibility errors, listed below, were found on the Redistricting 2021 Home Page of the City of Dallas at <http://dev.rathergodly.com/>.

- **Keyboard navigation insufficient:** Header does not provide users of keyboard-only navigation, like screen reader users, ways to navigate to other sections of the website.
- **Heading order is illogical:** May cause confusion and lack of confidence that user is getting complete information
- **Skip Link:** Does not skip to content
- **Contrast (text-to-background) ratio:** Fails to meet 4.5 to 1 standard
- **Search:** Function is not accessible to assistive technology used by people with disabilities.

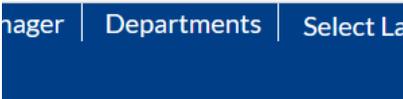
In addition, the City provides graphic maps in PDF format that fail to meet minimum accessibility standards. Details are provided in the full report and are not included here.

Issue Summary

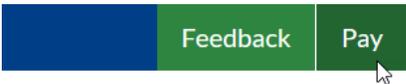
Issue #1 - Insufficient keyboard control of typical interactions

Blind people use screen readers to listen to web page content. Blind users cannot "point and click" at content and so rely on keyboard access using the tab, enter, space, and arrow keys. There are accepted protocols to where these keystrokes are used and how they are expected to interact with the content for screen reader users. First, a user must be able to tab into the web page component. Secondly, any interaction such as entering data, closing a pop-up, submitting entered data, and such must not be dependent on mouse interaction but must be available using only the keyboard. Here are some items that failed that requirement:

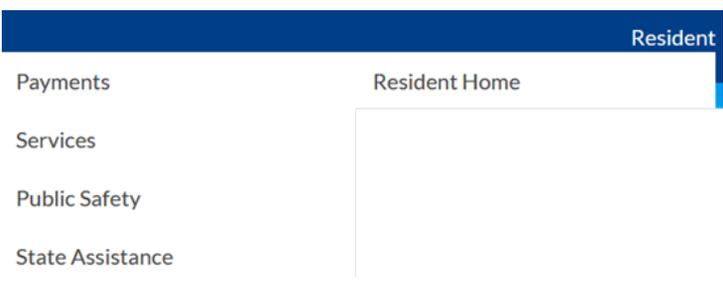
- **"Departments" pop-up menu**

<p>Departments menu selection pops up a selection menu when hovered over using the mouse</p> 	<p>When tabbing with the keyboard, the Department choice never receives focus and the sub-menu is not revealed.</p> 
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- **“Pay” pop-up menu**

<p>The same effect on the Pay option:</p>  <p>Water Bill</p> <p>Traffic & Civil Tickets</p> <p>Parking Ticket</p> <p>Ambulance Bill</p>	<p>Using the keyboard 'Pay' does not receive focus at all, it skips right to the next menu item</p> 
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- **“Residents” pop-up menu**

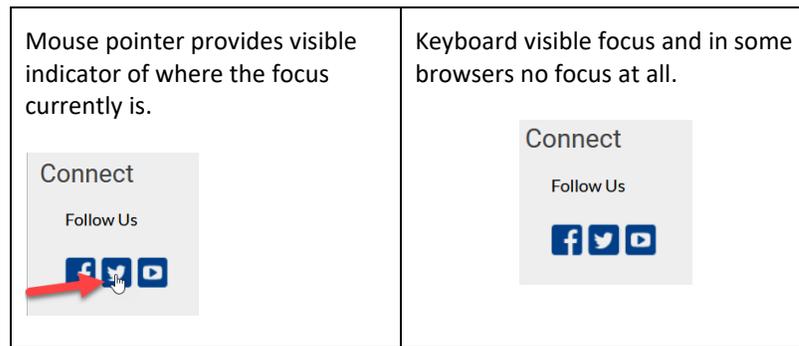
<p>Double flyout menu revealed with mouseover Resident</p> 	<p>No focus at all with keyboard tabbing. Skips past the resident menu item and goes to Visitor</p> 
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- **“Back to Top” link**

<p>Focus and ability to move focus back to top of page when using a mouse</p> 	<p>No ability to reach the widget and no ability to move to the top using the keyboard.</p> 
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- **Social Media icons in the footer (in some browsers)**

In some browsers, the keystrokes never move to the social media icons at all. In other browsers, the focus may move to the icon but there is no indication of focus which is needed for sighted keyboard users. While we commonly think of screen reader users requiring keyboard access there are other types of users who can see but rely on the keyboard for reasons like hand injury, tremors, or simply better user experience. Visible focus is required for these users.



Issue #2 - Illogical order of heading structure

Headings provide important information about the organization of a page. They must be indicated programmatically as well as visually. A large majority of screen reader users default to navigation by headings. They either generate and use a list of headings to choose where to skip to, or quickly move from heading to heading for a quick overview of the page. Without properly nested (organized) headings, pages can be hard to navigate. Just as sighted users skim a page to determine important topics and content structure, so do screen reader users use heading structure to determine the same information.

<http://dev.rathergodly.com/>

☰ 8 headings

<h1> (Missing heading)

<h2> (Missing heading)

<h3> Redistricting 2021

<h2> Join us in making a redistricting map that represents your community!

<h3> A Message from the Chairman

<h3> How do you want to be represented for the next 10 years?

<h4> (Missing heading)

<h5> Address

<h5> Connect

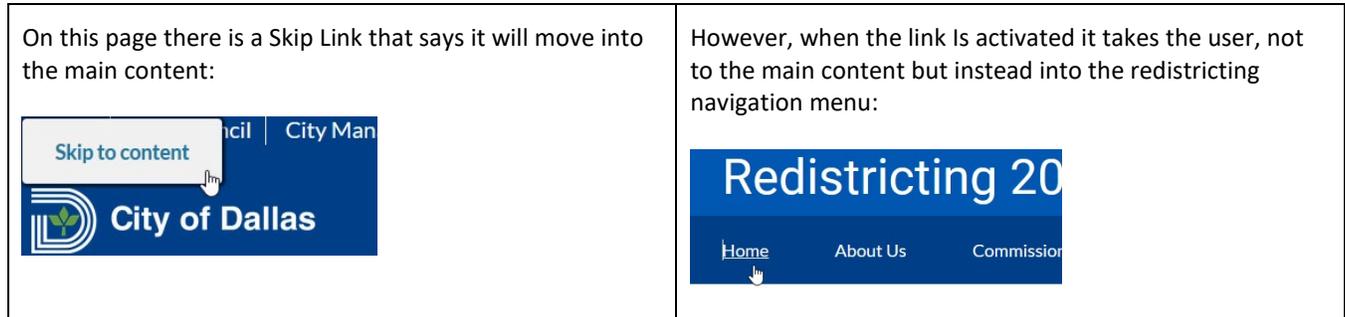
<h5> Subscribe

<h1> Original text

In this case, "Redistricting 2021" should be a <h1>, the subsequent headings "Join us in making a redistricting map that represents your community!", "A Message from the Chairman", and "How do you want to be represented for the next 10 years?" should be all on the same level. Refer to the [W3C Headings Tutorial](#) for more information.

Issue #3 Skip Link leads into navigation rather than past it

As most keyboard-only users navigate through the content sequentially, focusing every single interactive element, navigation menus can be a barrier to get to the main content of the page. "Skip links" are meant to allow users to skip over blocks of repeating information and directly to the main content.



Either make the link say "Skip to Section Navigation" or take the user into the Main page content as advertised.

Issue #4: Contrast

Foreground and background colors have a certain amount of contrast. Black on white has a greater contrast than light grey on white. High contrast is especially important for people with low vision or colorblind people, but it also helps in situations where a screen is read in broad daylight.

Contrast is most important for text but also to identify graphical and interactive elements, like links, buttons, and form fields. There are instances of text with insufficient contrast against background colors, which means users with low vision or color blindness may not be able to read the text. Detail about specific instances and how to repair them are in the full report.

Issue #5: Search function is inaccessible

When activating the search link in the top right of the page, a (visually) modal dialog appears. However, the focus is not moved to that dialog. This means a keyboard or screen reader user cannot interact with the modal dialog as they are used to. The focus is obscured by the semitransparent background. There is no apparent way to close the dialog box without searching. Details on how to repair this error is found in the full report.

Conclusion

As currently presented, the site does not meet minimum accessibility standards and will not be usable by people who are blind, have low vision, or who rely on keyboard navigation. Details on related standards and how to repair these issues are found in the full report.

For more information, see full reports or contact Ron Hicks at Knowbility (512) 527-3138 x 101.

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE November 8, 2021

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Update on Fair Housing Assessments**

The following information is provided as an overview of the Fair Housing assessment protocol and the Fair Housing Assessment Tool that has been developed and finalized in 2021.

Background

In 2015, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) promulgated revised affirmatively furthering fair housing (AFFH) regulations, which were designed to promote fair housing choices and foster inclusive communities. Under this regulation, local governments were required to conduct an assessment of fair housing.

The Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) is a legal requirement that the City must complete to continue receiving federal funding from HUD. Specifically, the AFH required an analysis undertaken pursuant to 24 CFR Part 5.152 that includes the analysis of fair housing data, an assessment of housing issues and contributing factors, and identification of fair housing priorities and goals specific to Dallas. In the last year, the AFFH regulation was repealed and reinstated (in part); however, the City's obligation to AFFH remains.

Prior to the 2021 establishment of the Fair Housing assessment protocol and Fair Housing Assessment Tool, the Office of Fair Housing and Human Rights utilized a review checklist for all assessed projects. The three-part checklist included project data, an affirmatively furthering fair housing analysis, and a discriminatory effect analysis.

The checklist project data was filled out by the applicant and verified by the managing department. The affirmatively furthering fair housing analysis and discriminatory effect analysis was completed by the managing department and reviewed by the Office of Equity and Inclusion – Fair Housing Division. If the analysis did not meet standards, the managing department was required to contact the City Attorney's Office for a legal risk analysis.

In accordance with the AFH, in 2018 the North Texas Regional Housing Assessment (NTRHA) report was presented to the Dallas City Council. ([LINK](#)) The NTRHA report provided vital information regarding housing in the City of Dallas and concluded with six recommended goals to address disparities and inequities of housing across the region and in the City of Dallas.

In 2019, the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Housing Policy (CHP) established a requirement that all Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program

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projects be subject to a fair housing review. Prior to this proposed amendment, the CHP did not specifically state that all LIHTC projects be subject to fair housing review. ([LINK](#)) Other programs in the CHP also require fair housing review.

In 2021, the Office of Equity and Inclusion – Fair Housing Division worked to improve the Fair Housing assessment protocol and the Fair Housing Assessment Tool. The protocol and tool are utilized to assess proposed housing projects or developments that require fair housing review due to an applicant seeking city funds, tax credit, no objection and/or support.

Currently, the Fair Housing Division’s role is to assess and ensure projects affirmatively further fair housing in the City of Dallas using the established Fair Housing protocol and Fair Housing Assessment Tool.

Fair Housing Assessment Protocol and Timeline

A two-track approach has been developed for the Fair Housing assessment protocol, including a newly established expedited timeline and a Request for Additional Information (RFAI) timeline. Please see Attachment A and Attachment B (pages 5 & 6).

The expedited timeline details an accelerated assessment process when additional information or inquiries are not needed to make a final assessment. The RFAI timeline makes inquiries when an application is incomplete or when the Fair Housing Division needs additional information to finalize the assessment.

Additional inquiries or missing application information prolongs the Fair Housing assessment timeline and is dependent on when the applicant provides a response. In most cases, the assessment of an application may take longer than the expedited timeline if additional time is needed due to the inquiry period found in the RFAI timeline.

Fair Housing Assessment Tool

In order to fine tune the development of the Fair Housing Assessment Tool, the Fair Housing Division met with City Councilmembers between March 29 and April 9, 2021 and the Dallas community between April 13 and April 22, 2021. During this time, eight community engagement sessions were held, four times at noon and four times at 6pm, to maximize community participation. Due to the COVID pandemic, all engagement sessions were held online via Microsoft Teams. The Fair Housing Division reached 46 people in the community, including representatives from Dallas communities, developers, and the Apartment Association of Greater Dallas. The input provided by both City Council and community members has been integrated into the updated Fair Housing Assessment Tool template.

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The final Fair Housing Assessment Tool consists of three parts:

- **Scoring of goals:** The application is scored on 6 goals based on the objectives outlined in the NTRHA. A total of 30 possible points is available, with 5 points allotted per goal (Attachment C, page 7).
- **Summary analysis:** A brief synopsis of the project application and primary information is considered (Attachment D, page 8).
- **Department updates:** The Fair Housing Division will contact City departments to provide information on whether a location has any current or future planning, economic development, or transportation projects in place. Departments contacted include the Office of Economic Development, the Department of Transportation, and the Planning and Urban Design Department. The Fair Housing Division also addresses whether the property has had any fair housing complaints or issues in the past.

Transparency and Accessibility

The Fair Housing Division is updating its webpage to include the Fair Housing assessment protocol and Fair Housing Assessment Tool. The Fair Housing Division will conduct community awareness sessions with updates on the newly established process.

The Fair Housing Division is also planning to utilize the software Neighborly to maintain a database for all fair housing assessments and to enhance the application and assessment process. Using the Neighborly software will allow further transparency and optimize communications with applicants seeking Fair Housing assessment. The Fair Housing Division is committed to a transparent and accessible Fair Housing assessment process.

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me or Mr. Barksdale Haggins, Fair Housing Administrator, Office of Equity and Inclusion at barksdale.haggins@dallascityhall.com.

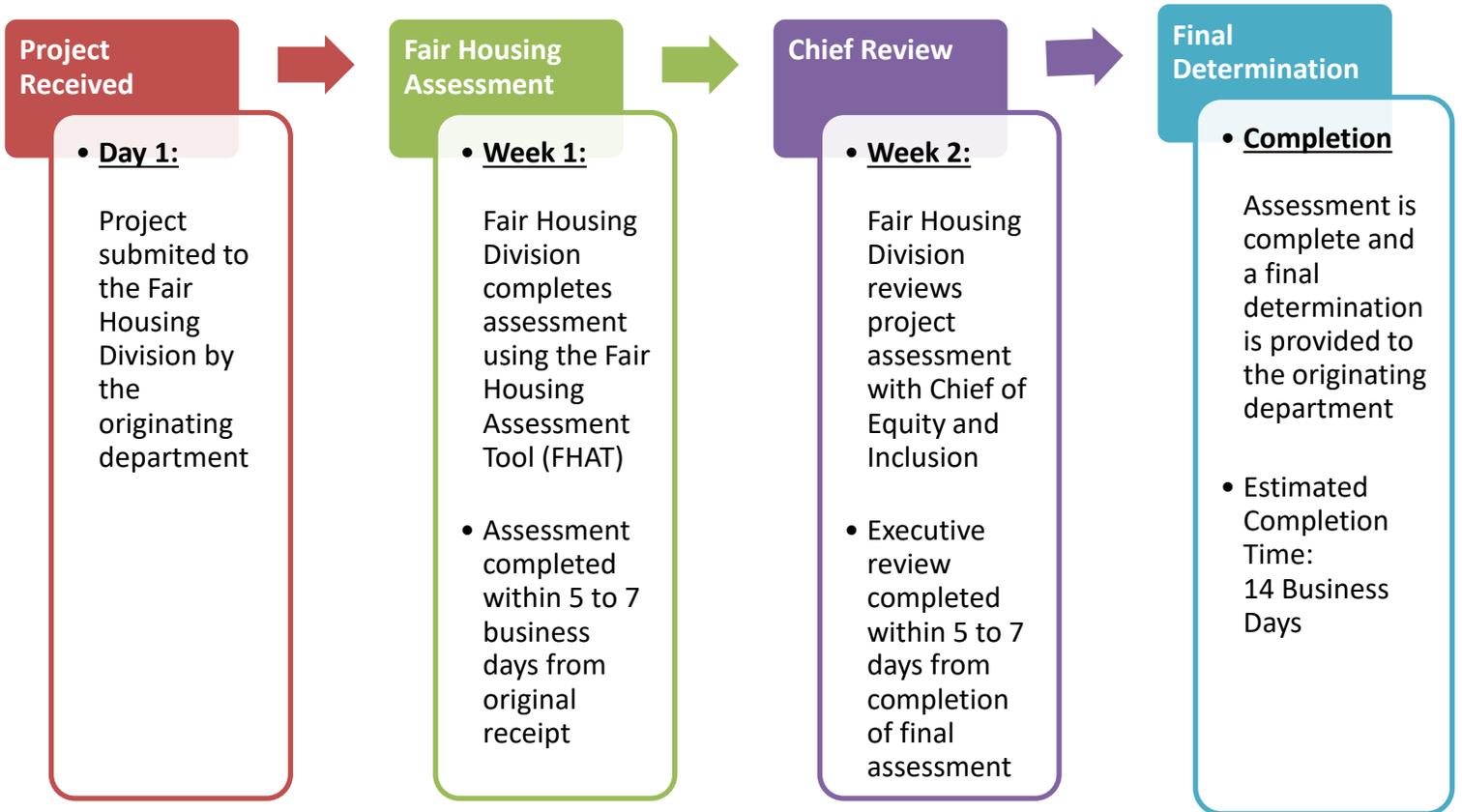


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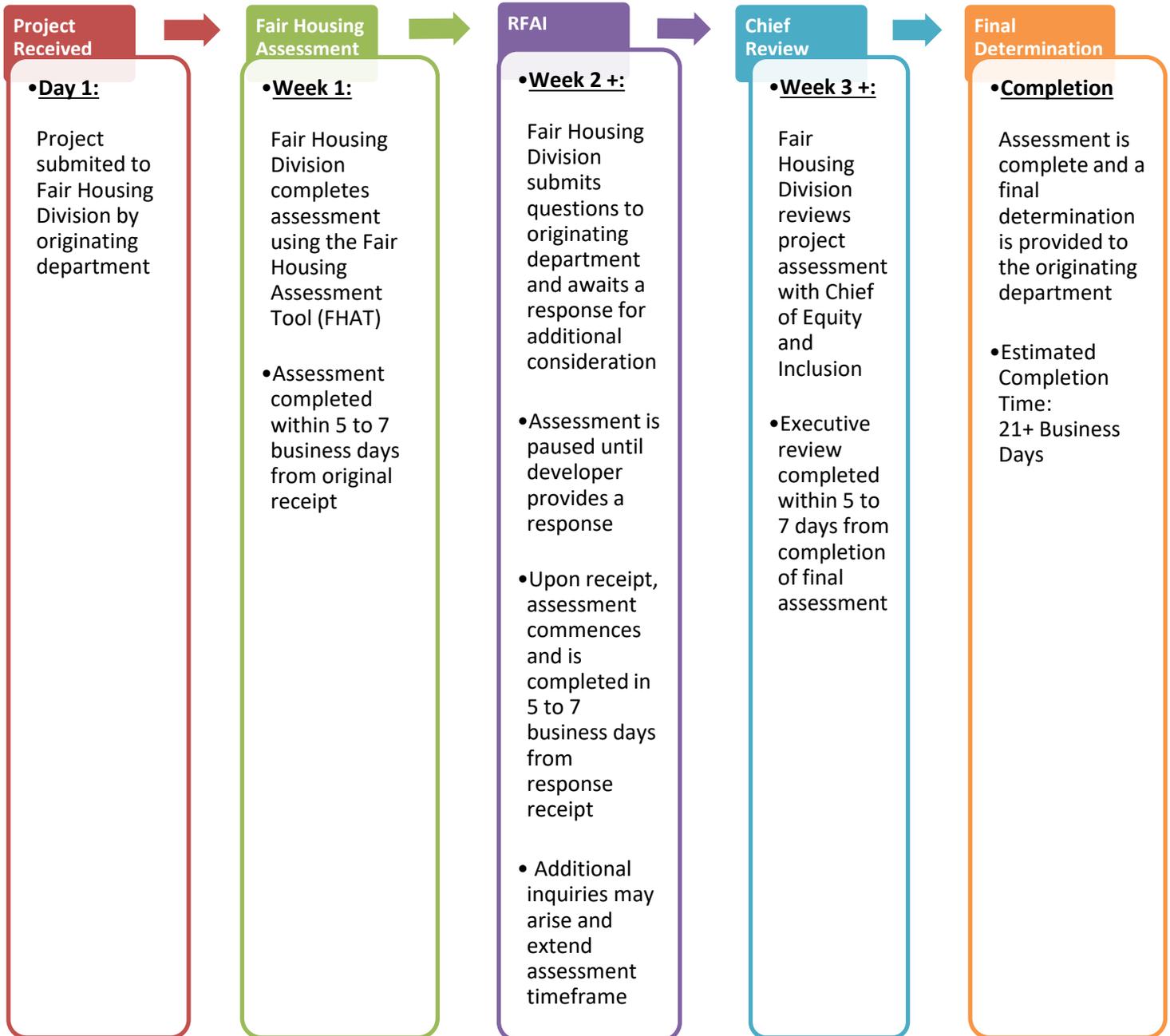
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Attachment A – Expedited Timeline



Attachment B – Request for Additional Information (RFAI) Timeline



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Attachment C – North Texas Region Housing Assessment Final Goals

Final Goals	
Goal A	Increase access to affordable housing in high opportunity areas
Goal B	Prevent loss of existing affordable housing stock and increase supply of new affordable housing, especially in higher opportunity areas
Goal C	Increase supply of accessible, affordable housing for persons with disabilities
Goal D	Make investments in targeted and segregated neighborhoods to increase opportunity while protecting residents from displacement
Goal E	Increase support and services for residents of publicly supported housing, and maintain and improve the quality and management of publicly supported housing
Goal F	Increase access to information and resources on fair and affordable housing

Attachment D – Summary Analysis

Summary Analysis	
<p>Project Name</p> <p>Address</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Type of project - Census Tract # <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poverty Rate % <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is it High Poverty Rate ? • Is it R/ECAP ? • Council District # - # Units <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % of units at market rate • % of units are affordable at % AMI • Unit types (1Bedroom, 2Bedroom, etc.) - Resident Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are services? - Will seek: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land Use Restrictive Agreement (LURA) ? • Dallas Housing Finance Corporation partnership ? • City Affordable Housing Funds ? • Public Facilities Corporation (PFC) ? - Transit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nearest DART bus stop or DART rail # miles away • Bike lanes available? What is the distance to the property? - Multifamily properties in the area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • # within census tract • # within 1 & 2 mile radius - Number of homeless facilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • # within census tract • # within 1 & 2 mile radius - Are there parks/greenspace? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • # within census tract • # within 1 & 2 mile radius - Does the area have a tree canopy? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How hot or how cool is this area?

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TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Taking Care of Business – November 10, 2021**

New Updates

OHS Street Outreach Update

OHS Street Outreach team kicked off the Dallas R.E.A.L. Time Rapid Rehousing (DRTRR) Initiative on October 1st, using 311 data and sites identified in the field to develop and implement the outreach and resolution via housing approach briefed to City Council on August 4th.

Closing its first encampment through housing on Friday October 29, 2021; the DRTRR team of homeless service providers, co-led by OHS and MDHA, is starting the next steps toward targeting and housing members of several additional encampments over the next month. The team will outreach to these sites and meet with various persons experiencing homelessness to assess their needs in preparation for site closure via housing. During this time, the OHS Street Outreach Team will continue to engage with unsheltered residents through normal street outreach, connecting people with the needed resources, such as: getting IDs, working with Community Courts on expunging eligible tickets and offenses from their records, identifying medical needs, and getting them access to the Coordinated Access System (CAS).

Please see the attached schedule for homeless encampment cleaning the weeks of November 8-12 and November 15–19. Please note that these will be for debris removal and outreach only.

OHS continues to urge people who see an encampment to report via 311 or 311's OurDallas smartphone app to ensure strategic alignment with comprehensive OHS outreach. Please also stay tuned for the DRTRR Dashboard through MDHA, which is slated to be presented to the Citizens Homelessness Commission, Housing and Homeless Solutions Committee, and the Dallas Area Partnership Board later this month. The OHS Service Request dashboard can be utilized to track the progress of encampment resolution efforts. Please visit the [dashboard](#) and feel free sharing this tool with residents.

Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Christine Crossley Director of the Office of Homeless Solutions.

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City Manager's Corner

Senior Corporal Paul Farr is a 25-year veteran (active and reserve) of the U. S. Army where he served tours in Operation Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Iraq, Afghanistan, and a peace keeping operation in Bosnia.

Senior Corporal Farr is the Dallas Police Department's Military Liaison and the Veteran's Affairs Education representative for the department where he is in constant communication with the VA in keeping up with the educational records for the recruits in the academy and during field training. Paul also out-processes officers that are activated for military



deployments and in-processes them when they return. Senior Corporal Farr went to Austin and lobbied for seven additional "military leave" days for activations in times of disaster for the State of Texas for all National Guard and Reserve members. Governor Abbott signed this into law effective September 1, 2021. These seven days are in addition to the 15 days for reserve duty each year. Thank you, Senior Corporal Farr, for being an advocate to our veteran employees!

City of Dallas Videos Earn Statewide Recognition

Videos produced by Dallas' Communications, Outreach and Marketing team were honored Thursday, November 4th at the 2021 conference of TATOA (Texas Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors) including an Honorable Mention for the [FY2021 Budget Video](#) and 3rd place awards for the Spanish language video on "[Programa Para Reducir La Brecha Digita](#)" (Closing the Digital Divide); the [Dallas CARES Coronavirus Relief Fund Update](#); and the [39th Annual MLK Jr. Scholarship & Awards Gala](#). Please direct any questions to Communications, Outreach & Marketing Director, Catherine Cuellar.

Redistricting

The Redistricting Commission met on Monday, November 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. They received information on a proposed Redistricting Marketing Strategy and approved a public town hall/listening session meeting schedule for December 2021 and January 2022. There will be a total of 7 initial town halls/listening sessions. City staff is working to determine locations for each town hall/listening session, with the intent to cover as many geographical areas of Dallas as possible. Once finalized, a list of the meetings and locations will be made available at DallasRedistricting.com and to the City Council.

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The Redistricting Commission also approved a regular meeting schedule for 2022, beginning every Monday, from January through May 2022. These meetings will alternate start times, between 3:30 pm and 6:30 pm, giving residents plenty of opportunity to attend.

The Office of Government Affairs continues to work with the Office of Equity and Inclusion and the third-party consultant to make the Redistricting website ADA compliant. We will continue to keep the City Council updated on the redistricting process.

[A Radio Salute to Dallas-Area Veterans](#)

In honor of Veterans Day this Thursday, November 11th, the City of Dallas-owned radio station, Classical 101.1 WRR-FM, is once again featuring community stories from Dallas-area veterans that will be read on air throughout the day. Stories include that of a 92-year-old Holocaust survivor living in Dallas who joined the US Army after being liberated from the Nazis; a WWII bomber pilot in District 10 who is leading an effort to establish National Home Front Heroes Day; a high school student's tribute to his father who served in the Persian Gulf War; a 97-year-old WWII vet who helped create the Kaufman County Memorial Park; a Vietnam veteran who helped the CIA take down the Korean mafia, and many more.

All stories are posted on WRR's website at www.wrr101.com. WRR will also be playing a soundtrack of patriotic and American-themed pieces throughout the day on Thursday. People who are unable to listen via the radio can stream WRR from the station's free mobile app, or directly from the station's website. Please share this information with your constituents and encourage them to tune in to honor our area's brave service men and women. For any questions or comments, please reach out to Amy Bishop at WRR at: amy.bishop@wrr101.com.

[Dallas Attains Increased Rating for Flood Protection from FEMA](#)

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has recently increased the City of Dallas' rating from a Class 5 to a Class 4 in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS). **This increase makes the City of Dallas the only community in the State of Texas to have attained this distinction.**

The NFIP regulates the flood insurance policies for residential and commercial properties. The improved rating will qualify Dallas property owners for a 30 percent discount on flood insurance premiums for most policies issued or renewed on or after April 1, 2022. The rating change is the result of the City's implementation of flood mitigation activities which will protect lives and reduce property damage.

The rating will be renewed automatically each year as long as the necessary CRS activities are continuously implemented and included in the City's annual recertification documentation. The next field verification visit will take place in accordance with a 3-year cycle. More information about the Community Rating System can be found on FEMA's web site: <https://www.fema.gov/floodplain-management/community-rating-system>. For

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additional information or questions, please contact Terry Lowery, Director of Water Utilities.

WCIA and Partners Promote Vaccinations

Welcoming Communities & Immigrant Affairs Division has partnered with Councilmember Schultz, Dallas County, and other local nonprofits to promote COVID-19 vaccines throughout Dallas, concentrating in zip codes with higher concentrations of immigrant residents and low vaccination rates. Since the beginning of this initiative, WCIA has co-hosted thirteen pop-up clinics, approximately over 850 doses have been administered, including first, second and booster shots. WCIA has provided PPE, personal hand sanitizers, resources information, technical assistance, coordination of multilingual assistance and interpretation, community block walks, and securing \$800 worth of corporate donations for incentives. Following the approval of CDC vaccines for youth, WCIA will be working with partners to promote the COVID-19 vaccine for children and youth 5 years and older among immigrant communities.

We are thankful for all the partnerships and support as we aim for the goal of increasing vaccine accessibility among immigrant communities. If you are interested in getting involved and supporting the COVID-19 vaccine efforts please contact Christina da Silva, Welcoming Communities & Immigrant Affairs Officer.

Vision Zero Public Meeting

On Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 6pm, the Department of Transportation will host a public meeting regarding the development of the Vision Zero Action Plan. Vision Zero is a traffic safety strategy that seeks to eliminate all traffic fatalities while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all. This meeting will provide an opportunity to update the public on the plan and introduce a new survey that will be available next week and stay open for feedback until November 30th. If you have any questions please contact Transportation Planner, Wayne Powell, at wayne.powell@dallascityhall.com. Flyers in English and Spanish are attached for use in sharing with residents.

New Procurement Opportunities

The Office of Procurement Services (OPS) is excited to announce the following new contract opportunities. More information can be found on the City's [electronic bid portal](#):

Opportunity No.	Opportunity Name
CIZ-DWU-20 469/470	2021 DWU Roof and HVAC Replacement Project, by Dallas Water Utilities
CIZ-PBW-2021- 00016720-2	2021 Sidewalk and Barrier Free Ramp Improvements at Various Locations Contract, by Public Works
BJ22-00017865	CDBG Funding Opportunity for Non-Profit Public Facility Improvement Projects

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BBZ22-00017953	Defibrillators, Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs), and Chest Compression Device Purchase, Maintenance and Repairs
BJ22-00013276	Door Hardware, Key Blanks & Locksmith Services
BV22-00011763	Equipment Fluid Sampling, Testing & Analysis Services
BVZ22-00017990	Integrated Community Development Project (ICDP)
BT22-00017974	Purchase & Physical Processing of Library Audio Visual
BY21-00017423	Traffic Signal Poles, Mast Arms, Street Light Poles, Transformer Bases, Screw-In Foundations and Powder Coating
BV22-00017955	Traffic Signs, Signs and Hardware

We are also pleased to share the latest, [Procurement Quarterly](#) listing citywide opportunities for the current quarter (of the fiscal year) and published on the OPS [website](#).

Please be advised that once an opportunity is advertised, it is considered an open procurement until the City Council awards the contract. The Code of Ethics prohibits communication between councilmembers and vendors/ suppliers on open procurements. Should you have any questions, please contact Chhunny Chhean, Director of Procurement Services.

Look Ahead

City Council Briefings

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- City Manager 2021 Goals
- Sidewalk Master Plan Update

Media Inquiries

- DFR Discloses Identity of Woman Who Started Weekend Fire
- First Latina Female Firefighter in North Texas Retires from DFR
- One Dead in Northeast Dallas Apartment Fire
- Northwest Dallas Barbeque Restaurant Closed Following Weekend Fire

The storylines listed above reference the major media inquiries addressed by DFR during the period dating from November 2–8, 2021. A more detailed account of the department's responses to those inquiries, and others, can be viewed at [this link](#). In the event you are contacted by the press, or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Chief Artis, Dallas Fire-Rescue.

Additional media inquiries from COM are available here: [Media Inquires 11.9.21.docx](#), highlights include: City of Refuge, DPD Helicopter footage, and DPD Information Portal.

DATE November 12, 2021
SUBJECT **Taking Care of Business – November 10, 2021**

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kimberly Bizer Tolbert, Chief of Staff.



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Encampment Resolution (Cleaning) Schedule November 8th, 2021

LOCATION	LOCATION
November 8th-12th	November 15th-19th
7100 Cockrell Hill	1349 Empire Central
3000 Hickory Street	4200 South Polk Street
17786 Dallas North Tollway	4988 RL Thornton Freeway
18055 Rock Branch Drive	1700 Baylor Street
North Central Expressway @ Forest Lane (Multiple areas along there)	
4471 Frankford Road	
1700 Chestnut Road	
210 Greenhaven Drive	



VISION ZERO

Safer Streets



Fewer Injuries



Zero Deaths

PUBLIC MEETING

November 16, 2021, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

The City of Dallas is hosting a virtual public meeting to present information on Vision Zero, a traffic safety strategy that seeks to eliminate all traffic fatalities while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all. Your participation and feedback will guide the development of the final Vision Zero Action Plan. Take the survey by November 30 to provide input on priorities for improving safety.



Use the QR code or visit
dallascityhall.com/VisionZero
for meeting and survey links





VISION ZERO

Calles seguras ● Menos lesiones ● Cero muertes

REUNIÓN PÚBLICA

16 de noviembre de 2021, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

La Ciudad de Dallas llevará a cabo una reunión pública para presentar información sobre Vision Zero, una estrategia de seguridad vial que busca eliminar muertes a causa de accidentes de tránsito y a la vez crear un sistema de tránsito más seguro y accesible. Su participación y comentarios ayudarán con el desarrollo de un plan de acción para Vision Zero. Llene la encuesta antes del 30 de noviembre para proveer su opinión sobre prioridades que afectan la seguridad vial.



Use el código QR o visite dallascityhall.com/VisionZero para participar en la reunión y encuesta

