

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE February 3, 2022

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Taking Care of Business – February 2, 2022**

New Updates

[City Manager's Corner – We Celebrate You!](#)

This week I want to recognize all City employees. As we are amidst our latest round with Mother Nature, our City employees are on the front lines responding to resident needs. Thank you for all that you do!

[OHS Temporary Inclement Weather Shelter Update](#)

The Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) announced an alternate location for Temporary Inclement Weather Shelter (TIWS) on February 1, 2022. Due to the projected severity and longevity of the upcoming winter storm, OHS is pleased to announce the use of the Fair Park Automobile Building, located at 1010 First Ave., Dallas, Texas 75210, with support from Fair Park First/Spectra. The site was open for guests as of 12:00 pm on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, with COVID-19 tests done at entry. Baggage and pets are allowed. The Automobile Building is accessible from DART's Fair Park Station entrance on Parry Avenue, Lot 4B, or by vehicle via Gate 5.

Due to the rapid spread of the Omicron variant and the vulnerability of the unsheltered population, access to TIWS shelters is limited to OHS and partnering staff. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Christine Crossley, Director of the Office of Homeless Solutions.

[OHS Street Outreach Update](#)

The Dallas Real Time Rapid Rehousing (DRTRR) team of homeless service providers, co-led by OHS and MDHA, is currently targeting several encampments, which will result in closure through the housing of those unsheltered individuals throughout the year. 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).

Due to the openings of Temporary Inclement Weather Shelters, and the newly secured COVID quarantine site, all encampment cleaning requests are being resolved as time

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allows. There are no encampment cleanings scheduled for the week of February 3- 11. We appreciate everyone’s patience.

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. The DRTRR Dashboard through MDHA, was presented to the Citizens Homelessness Commission and the Dallas Area Partnership Board in November of 2021 and is now live. The OHS Service Request dashboard can be utilized to track the progress of encampment resolution efforts. Please visit the [dashboard](#) and feel free to share this tool with residents. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Christine Crossley, Director of the Office of Homeless Solutions.

[Service Advisory Reminder - Winter Weather Event](#)

As a reminder, sanitation will delay start of recycle and garbage collections today until weather and street conditions allow for safe operations. Not all the routes today will be completed on time. Customers on Friday routes may experience collection delays as well. Crews will return to areas not serviced as soon as possible on Friday or Saturday. It is not necessary to report a missed collection to 311 unless materials have not been collected after more than 48 hours. Please continue to follow your normal set out schedule and monitor this site for further updates. [Click here for all updates.](#) Please contact Sanitation Director, Jerome “Jay” Council, should you have questions.

[Employee Learning Week](#)

In December 2021, the City celebrated its first Employee Learning Week with a weeklong Lunch & Learn Series of workshops and related activities that aligned to the City’s Well-Being Pillars (Social, Financial, Physical, Community, and Mental). The week was designed to promote the importance of holistic employee growth and development. This great opportunity earned the City of Dallas a Champion of Learning recognition from the Association of Talent Development. This important recognition reminds employees that “Workforce Development is Everyone’s Business.” Thank you to the HR Training and Development team for orchestrating this great effort as well as encouraging employees to take charge of their own development journey. Should you have any questions, please contact Nina Arias, Director of Human Resources.

[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-21 478E	Wastewater Facilities and Operations Strategic Plan, by Dallas Water Utilities
CIZ-PBW-2022-00018490	2022 Dallas Sidewalk Master Plan Improvements Contract, by Public Works
CIZ22-PKR-2026	Fire Alarm Systems Request for Qualifications, by Parks and Recreation

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BYZ22-00018530	Military Parkway Corridor Mobility Plan
BR21-00015316	Eviction Assistance Initiative

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

February 16, 2022

- Mayor and City Council Strategic Planning Session

Media Inquiries

As of February 1, the Communications, Outreach, and Marking (COM) Department has received various media inquiries available to view click [here](#). Media Inquiries from Dallas Fire Rescue inquires can be viewed at [this link](#).

Highlights include:

- Shelter activation
- Eviction moratorium

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Genesis Gavino, Chief of Staff.



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