

Now Bi-Monthly

HAYS HAPPENINGS

Dates to Remember

Monday, April 13 6:30 p.m.—
City Council meeting, City Hall

TDS Waste Pickup

Wednesday, April 8—Trash/Recycling

Wednesday, April 15—Trash

Wednesday, April 22—Trash/Recycling

Wednesday, April 29—Trash

Wednesday, May 6—Trash/Recycling

Wednesday, May 13—Trash

STAGE 3 Exceptional Drought

The City of Hays continues to be in Stage 3 Exceptional Drought. Please conserve water and follow the rules of our water district. See the rules at www.bseacd.org.



Hays County

Burn Ban

In Effect

Clean Up Day.

May 9 is our City Clean Up Day. Go to www.texasdisposal.com for lists of acceptable and non-acceptable items.



City of Hays Updates

- Don't forget the School Board/City of Hays Election on **May 2**; Early Voting is **April 20-28**. See the Hays County Elections page at www.hayscountytexas.gov for polling places and hours. Candidates on the ballot for City Council are incumbent Tony Valdez and challenger Kat Maerz.
- Our City Engineers, Freeland & Turk, completed an assessment of our city streets. The next step is to begin the bid process to repair Live Oak Lane.

Big Changes at City Hall

Our City Council meetings have been eventful! In February our Mayor, Harvey Davis, stepped down from his mayoral position, but confirmed he will continue to be the City Treasurer. We are so grateful to Mayor Davis for agreeing to come out of mayor retirement in 2024 and serve in the City's most important position. Previously, Mayor Davis had served two other terms, and became our City Treasurer in 2023. He has protected our money and brought up our balances, as well as making sure we have had all our audits on time and our budgets balanced. All the City's financial information is on the website in full transparency. As Mayor, he has led us through negotiations about Milestone Builders, helped bring our new Well #3 (and generators) to fruition, worked on acquiring grants for our infrastructure, and guided us through many other important events and changes. We will continue working with him on the financial side, knowing he always has the City's best interests at heart.

After the Mayor's resignation the City unanimously approved the appointment of Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Bryan-Valdez as Mayor, and she was sworn in by Justice of the Peace Sandra Bryant. She has worked very closely with Mayor Davis and we welcome her to the mayor position. Mayor Bryan-Valdez has served on the City Council for several years and has just recently retired from the Texas Department of Transportation. In March, the City Council unanimously approved the appointment of Rose McCorkle as the new Mayor Pro Tem.

At the April 13 City Council meeting members will hear statements of interest and qualifications from any citizens who would like to be considered for the now-open Place 4 position on the Council. Letters of of interest should be sent to City Manager Christine Doan at christine@cityofhays.org by March 31, or brought to City Hall by appointment.

And last, but not least, we have a new City Secretary, after saying goodbye to Cynthia McCall. We wish Cynthia all the best and appreciate her service. At the March meeting we approved and welcomed Meagan Tanton to her new position and look forward to getting to know her and having her work for the City of Hays!



L-R: City Secretary Meagan Tanton, Mayor Lydia Bryan-Valdez; Former Mayor/current City Treasurer Harvey Davis; Mayor Lydia Bryan-Valdez, Justice of the Peace Sandra Bryant, and Harvey Davis.