

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

APRIL 27, 2021

FINANCE:

ONLINE UTILITY BILL PAYMENTS

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
January	\$347,598.93	\$294,404.59	\$246,908.71	\$218,947.04	\$206,796.66
February	\$259,558.94	\$259,685.74	\$239,620.03	\$253,982.29	\$236,977.51
March	\$337,154.90	\$260,569.11	\$267,408.59	\$250,722.14	\$235,074.35
April		\$297,973.05	\$214,513.90	\$210,496.91	\$222,213.44
May		\$337,662.28	\$311,719.63	\$281,788.14	\$237,661.01
June		\$291,251.93	\$271,114.94	\$320,454.59	\$277,447.25
July		\$433,747.64	\$285,381.75	\$300,335.69	\$264,027.39
August		\$380,976.99	\$356,562.37	\$394,788.59	\$315,042.76
September		\$466,173.61	\$320,090.38	\$364,257.96	\$335,909.50
October		\$433,650.72	\$399,497.35	\$306,871.13	\$259,944.22
November		\$305,732.61	\$358,146.37	\$286,085.34	\$304,085.96
December		\$380,537.34	\$275,957.76	\$249,823.02	\$288,913.21

AUTOMATED PHONE PAYMENTS

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
January	\$122,588.54	\$114,100.16	\$85,442.31	\$71,651.41	\$63,517.28
February	\$90,974.33	\$86,917.11	\$73,765.91	\$73,106.50	\$65,287.37
March	\$143,922.62	\$93,411.41	\$71,751.84	\$70,641.47	\$63,132.72
April		\$95,350.65	\$65,920.26	\$65,855.79	\$53,341.98
May		\$88,860.54	\$88,378.47	\$75,977.68	\$69,002.02
June		\$88,539.21	\$74,513.43	\$80,826.26	\$73,118.18
July		\$121,025.84	\$93,483.23	\$88,910.75	\$68,079.48
August		\$113,130.64	\$107,866.92	\$102,878.90	\$82,558.92
September		\$137,771.86	\$106,122.80	\$92,411.37	\$81,133.99
October		\$123,306.75	\$120,968.81	\$98,509.88	\$74,733.23
November		\$94,961.20	\$97,515.15	\$84,134.74	\$82,189.99
December		\$116,508.98	\$99,255.97	\$71,988.89	\$67,035.66

KIOSK PAYMENTS

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
January	\$13,714.61	\$18,735.25	\$16,084.10	\$13,632.13	\$9,827.05
February	\$11,058.25	\$15,342.02	\$16,019.68	\$14,010.94	\$9,177.19
March	\$16,168.18	\$14,213.01	\$12,078.00	\$15,753.68	\$8,907.02
April		\$14,165.99	\$11,636.59	\$11,598.52	\$10,716.67
May		\$16,670.43	\$15,446.69	\$15,516.51	\$14,330.94
June		\$13,795.19	\$14,092.62	\$17,806.76	\$16,168.08
July		\$21,778.38	\$18,147.78	\$20,001.21	\$13,094.46
August		\$17,566.80	\$20,613.07	\$22,002.97	\$14,250.07
September		\$24,119.28	\$18,407.61	\$20,300.64	\$17,280.54
October		\$18,037.50	\$19,399.15	\$15,677.88	\$14,414.46
November		\$15,206.33	\$20,304.92	\$15,970.14	\$16,433.70
December		\$14,953.30	\$15,822.59	\$12,904.99	\$16,649.96

NUMBER OF E-BILLS SENT OUT

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
January	3,245	2,719	2,406	2,506	2,171
February	3,290	2,759	2,471	2,522	2,161
March	3,293	2,880	2,519	2,516	2,199
April		2,819	2,552	2,502	2,248
May		2,847	2,533	2,482	2,301
June		2,931	2,588	2,439	2,326
July		2,976	2,582	2,407	2,411
August		3,069	2,622	2,380	2,370
September		3,072	2,669	2,370	2,373
October		3,127	2,664	2,305	2,443
November		3,186	2,695	2,357	2,433
December		3,201	2,715	2,387	2,458

ASSESSMENT BALANCES AS OF MARCH 31, 2021

<u>PAVING ASSESSMENT:</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Polk, Billy (deceased) 242 E Cardinal	\$ 16,874.74
<i>No payments were made for the Paving Assessments.</i>	

<u>WILDEWOOD ASSESSMENT:</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Eaton, Donald (deceased) 921 Ashwood	\$ 8,261.02
Rickets, Tommie 936/940 Lemonwood	10,117.66
Total Wildewood:	\$ 18,378.68

No payments were made for the Wildewood Assessment.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

Police Officer Daniel Garcia will be retiring on May 31st after ten (10) years of service with the City.

The City is currently accepting applications for vacant positions in the **Public Works Department**. Applications are being accepted until April 30th for **Utilities Superintendent, Wastewater Maintenance Technician and Light Equipment Operator in Streets**.

ACTIVITY CENTER

The **Harker Heights Farmers Market** will kick off the 2021 season on Saturday, May 8th. The market will be every Saturday through October 30th at its new location, the **Harker Heights City Hall Parking Lot** on 305 Miller's Crossing. This event is an excellent opportunity for farmers and ranchers. For more information on how to become a vendor, call Sara Gibbs at 254-953-5493 or email sgibbs@harkerheights.gov.

The Activities Center and Library volunteers selflessly spent their Saturday on April 17th helping the City construct the new **Community Garden at Kern Park**. This included moving soil, planting vegetables and fruits, soil amending, mulching, weeding, and more. Thank you to our wonderful volunteers for all the hard work!

Fort Hood Area Lemonade Day weekend will be Saturday, May 1st through Sunday, May 2nd. This free community program teaches youth how to start, own, and operate their own business – a lemonade stand. Patrons can help support this program by purchasing lemonade from a lemonade stand throughout the Fort Hood area.

The **Harker Heights Senior Recreation Program** has opened a returning exercise class, **Stretchercise**. This class started on April 20th and will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Limited number of participants and pre-registration is required. To register, please call Nichole Broemer at 254-953-5465 or visit the Activities Center on 400 Indian Trail in Harker Heights.

PARKS AND RECREATION

The **Carl Levin Park Outdoor Pool** will open on Memorial Day weekend! Applications are currently being taken for pool staff. **Lifeguards and Cashiers** are still needed.

Youth Tee Ball, Softball, and Baseball practices begin this week!

Youth Volleyball registration is now open!

Open Gym times for Basketball and Pickleball have reopened! Occupancy is limited. For details, visit the Parks website or call the Rec Center at 254-953-5657.

Visit our **Virtual Recreation Center** for tips on getting outdoors while social distancing, at-home sports drills, ways to stay active, craft projects, virtual tours of parks and museums, and MUCH MORE.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

The City of Harker Heights will be conducting a **General Election** on **Saturday, May 1, 2021**, to elect a Councilmember for Place 2 and Place 5. This is a joint election with the Killeen Independent School District. The **Election Day Voting Center** will be located **inside of the Parks & Recreation Center Building** at 307 Miller's Crossing, Harker Heights, and will be **open from 7:00a.m. to 7:00p.m.**

FIRE DEPARTMENT

A citizen stopped in last week to give a thank you card to **Justin Elliott** and **Tanner Fleet** for the EMS care she received from them during the snow storm in February. She was very grateful for their compassion and aid.

LIBRARY

The Library celebrated the **migration of monarch butterflies** and the **Mayor's Monarch Pledge** last Saturday at the **Carl Levin Park Fun Day!!** Attendees planted in the community garden and took home their own potted plants, made butterfly related crafts, enjoyed rock painting from the Texas A&M University Central Texas, discovered the life cycle of the monarch butterfly, and took pictures in front of huge Monarch butterfly wings!

May the 4th Be With You! The Stewart C. Meyer Harker Heights Public Library celebrates all things **Star Wars** during Star Wars weekend May 1st – 5th on Facebook. Enjoy out of this world stories, science, Booklist's, and more! Check the Library's Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/harkerheightspubliclibrary> for the most up to date information about this and other Spring activities.

Kids ages 5-10 and their families can register for **In-Person Jedi and Sith Training**. The program will be held at the Library on Saturday, May 1st at 2:00 p.m. Make a practice saber, work in concentration skills, explore science, and learn to make action movie moves! Space is limited. Call 264-953-5491 to register for this FREE event!

April 26th – 30th is **Arbor Day Week** at the Library. **National Arbor Day** is Friday, April 30th, but we are offering Facebook programs all week long. Check out our Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/harkerheightspubliclibrary> for story-times, activity times, and more!

Calling all writers! Meet in-person at the Library on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Call Sandy at 264-953-5491 for more information.

Do you need to use a computer, make copies, or use a wireless internet connection? The Library facility is currently open for walk-in service, contactless curbside service, and wi-fi usage. Please call 254-953-5491 to reserve a time to use our computers.