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# City of Azle Quarterly Newsletter

April 2020



## City of Azle's response to COVID-19 All City facilities are Closed to the Public

Staff continue to work to meet the needs of Azle residents/businesses. Fire and police remain operational and responsive to all emergencies. All business may be conducted online, via email, by mail or by phone. Utility bills may be dropped off at our night drop box located at City Hall, 505 W. Main St. Questions? Call 817-444-2541.

The City of Azle has issued a Third Amended Disaster Declaration of Public Health effective through April 30. Visit our webpage, [www.cityofazle.org](http://www.cityofazle.org), to view the declaration.

Following the guidance of state and county recommendations to slow the spread of COVID-19, the City has initiated the following:

### City Closures/Cancellations:

- **Azle Memorial Library** closed until further notice, however, staff are available to answer phones/email Monday-Friday, 9am-6pm. Library drop box remains open 24/7 to return items. Renew items online, by email or by calling 817-444-7216. Check for updates on our website and Facebook.
- **Azle Senior Center** - Senior Center staff will be making phone calls to its participants to check on them
- **All City Community Buildings** - All recreation classes and events held in the BJ Clark Building, BJ Clark Annex, and Emmanuel Building are cancelled.
- **Music in the Park** - has been rescheduled to June & July.
- **Garage Sales** - No garage sales permits will be issued until further notice.
- **Azle Animal Shelter** - has suspended all adoption events and implemented new operating procedures. The Shelter welcomes you to visit our furry friends and take one home, however, this will be by appointment only. Call the Shelter at 817-444-8215.
- **Azle Municipal Court** - has cancelled all court appearances and hearings or the month of March and April. We are currently taking payments by phone at 817-444-2541 as well as online at [www.trafficpayment.com](http://www.trafficpayment.com). If you have a court hearing, you will be notified by mail or phone as soon as court dates have been rescheduled. If you need assistance with your case, please contact one of the following court personnel:

Felicia King - Court Administrator  
817-444-5088 Direct Line  
[fkking@cityofazle.org](mailto:fkking@cityofazle.org)

Amber Watson - Court Clerk  
817-444-5296 Direct Line  
[awatson@cityofazle.org](mailto:awatson@cityofazle.org)

- **City Parks have limited use:**

**Central Park:** All uses in the park are closed except for the walking trail. Pavilion and amphitheater closed.

**Shady Grove Park:** All uses in the park are closed except for the walking trail and the tennis courts. Beach area is closed.

**Ash Creek Park:** All uses in the park are closed except for disc golf.

**Dusk Park:** CLOSED

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### WHO TO CALL

City Hall/Utilities 817-444-2541  
Police/Fire 911  
(Non-emergency) 817-444-3221  
Animal Control 817-444-8215  
Permits 817-444-4128  
Public Library 817-444-7216  
Senior Center 817-444-0070

#### Mayor:

Alan Brundrett 817-800-5199  
[azlemayor@gmail.com](mailto:azlemayor@gmail.com)  
[facebook.com/AzleMayor](https://www.facebook.com/AzleMayor)

#### Mayor Pro-Tem:

Bill Jones 817-444-8544  
[bjones@cityofazle.org](mailto:bjones@cityofazle.org)

#### Councilmembers:

Christopher Simpson 817-454-7309  
[csimpson@cityofazle.org](mailto:csimpson@cityofazle.org)  
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### CITY HOLIDAYS

**Azle Municipal Offices will close:**

**MEMORIAL DAY May 25**  
**INDEPENDENCE DAY July 3**

Police and Fire services will be available by calling (817) 444-3221, or 9-1-1 in case of emergency. For water/sewer emergencies, please call (817) 444-3221.

Community Waste Disposal will

### Public Meetings

**City Council** meets the first and third Tuesday of each month in the City Council Chambers at City Hall. Agendas are posted the Friday before a meeting on the website and on the bulletin board at City Hall. Agendas for upcoming meetings and minutes of previous meetings are available on the city website.

### Other Monthly Meetings

**Planning & Zoning** meets the first and third Thursday of the month.

**Crime Control & Prevention District** meets the second Thursday of each month.

**Municipal Development District** meets the second Tuesday of each month.

**Parks & Recreation** meets the third Monday of each month.

*\*Meetings listed above are held at City Hall, 505 W. Main Street*

**Library Board** meets the second Tuesday of each month at 1pm at the Azle Memorial Library.

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**City water supply** - Azle water customers can continue to use and drink water from their tap as usual as COVID-19 is not present in drinking water supplies. Azle's Water Treatment Plant disinfection processes provide protection that includes filtration and disinfection of our surface water supplies and disinfection of our ground water sources.

Gov Abbot has issued EO14 relating to COVID-19 and Tarrant and Parker Counties have issued Orders. City staff participate in daily conference calls with federal, state, and county officials to stay up-to-date on the developments with COVID-19. The City is providing deep cleaning procedures at public buildings to help support the safety of the public and City employees. We encourage all residents to stay up-to-date on this ever-changing COVID-19 situation by visiting the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) website <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov> and Tarrant County Health Department website <http://www.tarrantcounty.com/content/main/en/county/tarrant-county-covid-19-information.html>

We will continue to monitor information from the CDC, state and county health officials and adjust our response as necessary to ensure the health and safety of our resi-

## VOTE **May 2020 General Election** VOTE

### Postponed until November 3, 2020

On March 18, Governor Greg Abbott issued a proclamation authorizing political subdivisions that would otherwise hold elections on May 2, 2020 to move their 2020 general elections to November 3 due to public health and safety concerns related to COVID-19. Azle City Council approved an ordinance at their April 7th meeting formalizing the postponement of the May 2 General Election to November 3, 2020 for the purpose of electing City Council Members Place 1, Place 2 and Place 5. The postponement does not provide an opportunity for new candidates to file.



### 2019 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is a regulation, passed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as part of the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments, requiring all community water systems to provide customers with an annual water quality report. With the CCR, communities obviously benefit by acquiring a better understanding of water suppliers and the processes involved. This allows them an opportunity to make informed decisions regarding their use of drinking water. The report is a summary of the quality of water we provided our customers from January 1 - December 31, 2019 and it gives the City an opportunity to explain how the community's drinking water supplies are protected. The CCR document is available at City Hall by request or the report can be viewed on the city's website at: <https://www.cityofazle.org/DocumentCenter/View/6654/2019-Water-Quality-Report>.

*A Public Hearing will be held to hear comments from Azle utility customers on June 2, 2020 at 6 pm at Azle City Hall, 505 W. Main Street.*



### Clean It Up – Green It Up

Azle City-Wide clean up and recycling event

## May 16 event postponed to June 20



If you have questions, please contact Jimmy Duvall, Storm Water Manager, at 817-444-4511, or CWD at 817-795-9300.

VISIT US ONLINE AT  
[WWW.CITYOFAZLE.ORG](http://WWW.CITYOFAZLE.ORG)

Scan for more information on what's happening in the City of Azle.





## Music in the Park Concerts Rescheduled

The City has rescheduled the “Music in the Park” Concert Series for June/July - for now. A final decision will be made at the first of May.

## Census 2020



The 2020 Census is underway and more households across America are responding every day. In light of the COVID-19 outbreak, the Census Bureau has temporarily suspended 2020 Census in-person data collection until after June 1. The most important thing you can do is respond online, by phone, or by mail when you receive your invitation.

The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources based on census data.

The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts.

It's also in the Constitution: Article 1, Section 2, mandates that the country conduct a count of its population once every 10 years. The 2020 Census will mark the 24th time the country has counted its population since 1790.

While you are required by law to participate, the Census Bureau is also required by law to protect your answers. Your responses are used only to produce statistics. The Census Bureau does not disclose any personal information.

For more information, visit: <https://2020census.gov/>



## Unclaimed Property Notice



Need money? The City of Azle is currently holding property valued at \$100 or less that is presumed abandoned or unclaimed subject to Chapter 76 of the Texas Property Code. Check the Unclaimed Property Listing to see if we have something for you. <https://www.cityofazle.org/DocumentCenter/View/2817/Unclaimed-Property-Listing-2020>

## Guidelines for spring cleaning garbage collection

Spring is here and yard clean up is in full swing! We want to remind you that CWD will collect lawn debris (bagged or in a container) and bundled limbs (not to exceed 4 feet in length and 50 pounds in weight) on your second collection day of the week. No more than 10 bags will be collected at one time. Residents receive once a month loose brush collection on designated Wednesdays. (See the brochure on the website or call City Hall to determine your collection day). CWD will mulch/recycle the brush so the brush pile must be free of all foreign debris and all limbs must have the trunks facing the street at a 90 degree angle. No limbs can be greater than six (6) inches in diameter, weigh more than 50 lbs or be more than 15 feet in length. See picture for proper placement of brush.

A brochure providing guidelines for collection of your garbage/recycle/ bulky items is available at City Hall or on the City website at <http://cityofazle.org/index.aspx?nid=22>.



## City Job Opportunities

Do you want to serve your community and have a rewarding career in our growing and thriving city? Maybe you or someone you know would be a perfect fit for our current open positions. Use the quick link on front of the City’s website and take a look at our employment opportunities. The website is updated as positions become available - so visit often!

VISIT US ONLINE AT [WWW.CITYOFAZLE.ORG](http://WWW.CITYOFAZLE.ORG)

## Azle Memorial Library News and Events

333 W. Main St. / 817-444-7216

Discover more about the Library, plus a calendar of events at: [www.azlelibrary.org](http://www.azlelibrary.org)

LIKE us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/azlelibrary](http://www.facebook.com/azlelibrary)

## Azle Memorial Library Updates

### FREE Services Accessible From Home

During this time that the Library is closed, we continue to offer a variety of FREE digital resources you can access any time from your smartphone, tablet or computer. Visit [azlelibrary.org](http://azlelibrary.org) and click on the “Digital Resources” page to learn more about these services. Many digital resources require a library card. Don’t have one? Call us at 817-444-7216 and we can help you get a FREE card over the phone.



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