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Colleyville Christmas Gift Cards and Colleyville Cares Cards Return

At the October 3 City Council meeting, the City Council approved the return of the Colleyville Christmas Gift Card program. Each Colleyville household will receive a \$35 gift card for purchases at participating restaurants and commercial retail businesses within our city. Gift cards will be distributed mid-November and a second card will be distributed early December. The City is also partnering with the Ministerial Alliance in distributing \$50 Colleyville Cares gift cards to families in need this holiday season.

Once in hand, the gift card can be presented at participating Colleyville businesses for payment of services. The businesses will use the card to credit the transaction and receive reimbursement from the city at the conclusion of the program.

Cards are valid through January 6, 2023. Be sure to visit <u>Colleyville.com/</u> <u>SupportBusiness</u> to view this year's design ... coming soon! Please call the City Manager's Office with any questions at 817.503.1111.

Fall Car Show Returns, November 12

Since it was such a hit last year, we're bringing it back! Join us for the 2nd annual Fall Car Show on Saturday, November 12 from 9am to noon in the south lot at City Hall. We'll have music, food trucks, free coffee, live entertainment and fun for all ages! Want to participate? If you have a car, truck, or bike and would like to enter, we'd love to have you! For more information and/or to register, visit <u>Colleyville.com</u>.

Council Approves No New Revenue Tax Rate for Fifth Consecutive Year

At the September 20 City Council meeting, the City Council approved the fiscal year 2023 budget and tax rate. The City's fiscal year is October 1 through September 30. Next year represents the FIFTH consecutive year that the City has adopted the no new revenue tax rate. This is the tax rate that ensures that the City brings in the same amount of property tax revenue from last year, excluding new growth. So, as property values continue to



rise, the City offsets the increase in value with a decrease in the property tax rate, keeping taxpayer's City portion of the tax bill generally the same. The FY23 budget includes additional funding for police and fire, community beautification and park maintenance, and investment in infrastructure such as roads, water and wastewater improvements, drainage projects, sidewalk connections, and facilities. All City financial information can be found at <u>Colleyville.com</u> under Financial Transparency.

Council Approves Property Purchase for Recreation Center

At the September 6 City Council meeting, the City Council approved a resolution authorizing the purchase of the Covenant Church property (5008 Roberts Rd.) at a price of \$8.5 Million. The church approached the City a few months ago to share their desire to sell their property in Colleyville and the hope that the City would be interested in purchasing it for use as a recreation center. The 15-acre property includes approximately 6 acres of vacant land fronting Glade Road, the main church building, and a secondary smaller building. The City recognized the opportunity to maintain open space and add gymnasiums and classrooms for recreation programs.

The City of Colleyville currently does not own any gymnasiums and must rely on borrowing space from the school district to host programs such as the popular youth volleyball and basketball leagues. The schools are understandably tightening up security for other parties on campus, which makes holding these programs increasingly difficult. The main worship room at Covenant Church is actually set up as a full gymnasium with rigging for basketball hoops already built into the ceiling and original wood floors are under the current carpet. This room would provide for two courts with concurrent play, in addition to the small gymnasium on the north side of the building, and an adjacent room that could be converted into another small gym. The main building also contains 10 classrooms and several flexible use rooms.

The purchase of this property is an exciting opportunity to allow for sustainable recreation programming, not to mention growth for other activities that rely on court space such as pickleball. The sale of the property is expected to close by the end of the year. Certificates of Obligation will be issued to fund the purchase and renovations, similar to a mortgage, at an estimated cost of \$20 annually for the average household in Colleyville.

For more information and FAQs, please visit <u>Colleyville.com/RecCenter</u>.

Special Saturday Collections for Leaf, Christmas Tree Recycling



Special leaf and Christmas tree recycling collections will return this winter. Community Waste Disposal (CWD), Colleyville's trash and recycling provider, will run special collection routes to recycle bagged leaves starting in November. This year's program includes six collection days; Saturday, Nov. 12, Nov. 19, Dec. 3, Dec. 10, Dec. 17, and Jan. 7 with collections beginning at 8:00 a.m. CWD will also collect and recycle Christmas trees on the January special collection day. Residents are asked to not enclose the tree in a plastic sack or bag and to remove all tinsel, stands, and tree decorations.

To participate, residents just need to set out leaves on the designated collection days. CWD will recycle leaves that are contained in either a paper lawn craft bag or a plastic bag. If leaf bags are set out prior to the Saturday collections, residents are asked to place leaf bags separately from household trash. Regular rear-load garbage trucks will be used for these special collection days. With that in mind, residents should be aware of and comply with their Homeowner Association's policies.

City Council recently approved renewal of CWD's contract for an additional 3-year extension beginning November 1. If you have any questions or would like more information regarding this program, please call 817.503.1111.

City to Launch Survey on City Services, Resident Priorities

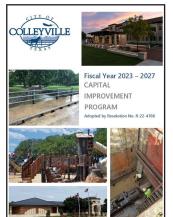
Colleyville residents will soon be able to help shape the City by taking a survey that measures their attitudes towards a wide range of city services and priorities. The City of Colleyville releases a resident survey every few years to provide an additional avenue for residents' opinions and perspectives to guide the City's plans and actions. The Citizen Survey will not only help City leadership gauge how the City is performing, it will play a critical role in determining future City programs and initiatives.

The survey is anticipated to go live in late October. We want to encourage every resident to take a few minutes to complete the online survey on the City's website <u>Colleyville.com</u>. Answers will be anonymous and results will be tabulated by a third party. Up to two surveys may be submitted per household.

Residents who need access to a computer or the Internet to complete the survey can use public computers at the Colleyville Public Library, 110 Main Street.

FY2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan Available Online

As part of the Fiscal Year 2023 budget process, the City Council recently adopted the FY 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program. The CIP document can be found at <u>Colleyville.com/CIP</u>. In addition to the program document, the website also includes an interactive map that allows users to explore existing and planned projects in Colleyville to learn about the project status and funding sources. The map contains details for Capital Improvement Projects planned throughout the City relating to City facilities, parks and recreation, sidewalks and trails, streets, and drainage. While major projects often get most of the publicity, the map cites those and much smaller projects, with funding sources ranging from the city's budget to county and state grants.



Upcoming Events

Jurassic Night at the Library Friday, November 18 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

It's DINO-vember and families are invited to dig in to an evening of over-sized fun and games with a dinosaur-tracking scavenger hunt, Tricera-toss, a fossil dig, and chomping good snacks. Youngsters are invited to masquerade as a dinosaur of their choice.

City Offices Closed November 11

City offices, including the Library, will be closed on Veterans Day for staff training. Public Safety staff will remain on duty. Trash and recycle collection will not be impacted.

City Offices Closed November 24 & 25

City offices, including the Library, will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday. Public Safety staff will remain on duty. Trash and recycle collection will shift one day.

For more information on these and other events, visit <u>Colleyville.com</u>

City Meetings

| City Council | Nov. I | 7 p.m. |
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| Zoning Board of Adjustments | Nov. 8 | 7 p.m. |
| Planning & Zoning | Nov. 14 | 7 p.m. |
| City Council | Nov. 15 | 7 p.m. |



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