

WebsterWay

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BEFORE



AFTER



PATROL GETS A FACELIFT

In August, the Webster Police Department patrol fleet got a makeover with new branding on all 26 patrol units.

The design incorporates many aspects of who the Webster Police Department is: Webster, the thin blue line of law enforcement, the Texas flag, and the core values of Honor, Integrity, and Service. The subtle Webster logos in the background on the vehicle are reflective and very obvious at night.

The police department wanted to differentiate itself from surrounding jurisdictions. So a new, unique design was created.

Thank you to Siddons-Martin Emergency Group for making the change to our vehicles.

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CITY OF WEBSTER, TEXAS GOVERNMENT



LABOR DAY OFFICE HOURS

*City offices will be closed on Monday, September 6
for Labor Day. Offices will reopen on Tuesday,
September 7.*

Republic Services will run as normally scheduled.



Twenty years ago, nearly 3,000 people were killed in New York City. 343 were firefighters, and 60 were police officers.

Webster Fire Department will commemorate the 343 firefighters that were lost on September 11 with 343 flags placed outside of the Webster Fire Station.

We remember all the lives lost on September 11, 2001.

IN MEMORY OF

Michael "Big Mike" Hayes

The Webster Police Department is very sad to report the loss of our colleague, Lead Telecommunications Operator Mike Hayes. Mike passed away on August 8 due to complications from COVID-19.

Mike, an 18-year veteran of the Webster Communications Center, started as a Telecommunications Operator in February of 2003. He was promoted to Lead TCO in January of 2006 and honorably served in that capacity for the past 15 years. Mike was also a long-time member of the Nassau Bay Emergency Medical Service and served 15 years as a medical first responder in the City of Nassau Bay. Mike was a valued member of our public safety team, and his legacy will be his years of selfless public service to the Webster and Nassau Bay communities. Please keep the Hayes family in your prayers as they deal with this difficult loss.

God bless you, "Big Mike." We appreciate your many years of friendship and dedicated service. You will be missed.



On Wednesday, August 25, a funeral service for Michael Hayes was held. Before the service, Mike was transported in the Nassau Bay ambulance from the funeral home to the church. The First Responder Procession passed by the Webster Police Department and City Hall, as well as the Nassau Bay City Hall.

The family has asked that the community consider donating to the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Special Children's Committee. Make donations payable to HLSR/Special Children's Committee, and mail to Stacy Anderson at 2626 Westheimer Rd., Suite 206, Houston, TX, 77098, and please put Mike Hayes Memorial in the memo.

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

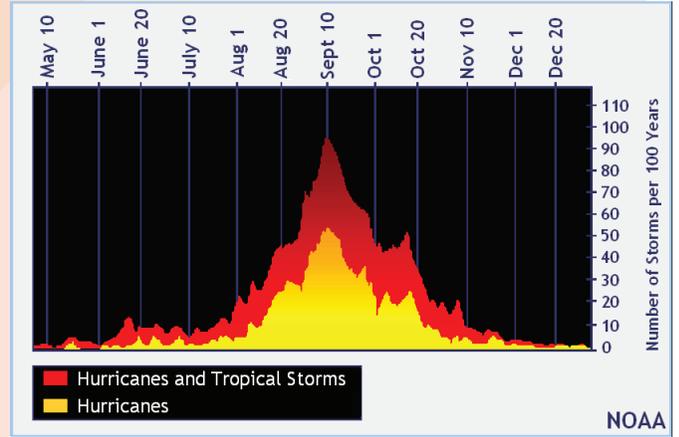
Prepare to Protect. Preparing for disasters is protecting everyone you love.

With today's technology, there are more ways than ever to stay in contact with family and friends in an emergency.

As we enter the peak of hurricane season, the City of Webster and Ready.gov would like to give you some technology tips and tricks so you are prepared for an emergency.

An easy way to store essential documents in a secure, dry location is by using a cell phone camera. Capture electronic versions of important documents and medical records by using your phone and backing up the images on your computer. Residents should also back up their computers to protect photos and other personally relevant electronic documents. Remember to include information about pets.

During an emergency, use text messages and social media to connect with family and friends, as mobile networks can become overwhelmed, making it difficult to place and receive calls. Facebook's Safety Check feature allows users to quickly post a status update indicating that they are safe during a time of disaster.



PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST

SIGN UP FOR ALERTS AND WARNINGS

Sign up for Webster Alerts for emergency notifications. Citizens will receive phone calls in the event of an emergency. Register cityofwebster.com/1182/Swift-911.

It is also a good idea to download The Weather Channel app on your mobile device. The app tracks weather and provides local forecasts and push alerts of severe weather.



MAKE A COMMUNICATION PLAN

Communication networks, such as mobile phones and computers, could be unreliable during disasters, and electricity could be disrupted. Planning will help ensure that all the household members know how to reach each other and meet up in an emergency.

BUILD A KIT

To assemble your kit, store items in airtight plastic bags and put your entire disaster supplies kit in one or two easy-to-carry containers. Have one gallon of water per person per day for several days for drinking and sanitation, a three-day supply of non-perishable food, a flashlight, first aid kit, extra batteries, whistle, dust mask, prescription medications, pet food and water for your pet, and cash or traveler's checks.

TEXT IS BEST!

Did you know that a text message may go through when a phone call will not? This is because a text message requires far less bandwidth than a phone call.

WELCOME TO WEBSTER



SOUTHSIDE BOARD SHOP | 19760 GULF FWY.

Owner Eric Visentin began skating in his hometown of Seabrook in 1987, and when a South Houston skate park opened in 1994, he became a regular customer. In 2007, Visentin was approached with the possibility to purchase the skate shop, and he jumped at the opportunity. The savvy businessman grew the company by opening a second location in 2011 and ultimately, a third in Webster in 2021.

Southside Board Shop is a full-service skate shop that sells all the apparel - designed in-house by Southside employees-- and equipment, like skateboards, longboards, shortboards, replacement parts, protective gear, helmets, pads, shoes, backpacks, and more.

THE PARTY PARLOR | 100 E. NASA PKWY

The Party Parlor is Webster's newest boutique event venue. The chic venue accommodates private parties for up to 70 guests.

Owner Kathryn Terry previously worked as a teacher before transitioning to event planner four years ago. Her success as an event planner gave her the idea to open a permanent event venue in the community.

The Party Parlor is equipped to host events of all types, including bridal and baby showers, holiday parties, birthday parties, training classes, and much more. Packages can be designed to fit guests' needs, from basic space rental to full rental of tables, chairs, and decorations. Guests can bring in any catering and drinks desired.



TEXAS PIT STOP PRIME | 20794 GULF FWY.



The competition-style barbecue served at Texas Pit Stop began several years ago. Owner of Texas Pit Stop BBQ, Arnold Garza, was the head cook of the Los Vaqueros cook-off team. This team was composed of family and close friends. Throughout the years, Los Vaqueros won many trophies and awards for their BBQ. The team clinched the Triple Crown Trophy title five out of the seven years they participated. The Triple Crown Trophy is awarded to the team with the best barbecue overall in Galveston County.

Arnold and his family now own two BBQ restaurants in Galveston and La Marque, and earlier this year, the family opened a third location in Webster. Texas Pit Stop Prime offers its award-winning BBQ, as well as tender prime steaks, southern comfort dishes, and more.



CODE ENFORCEMENT CONNECTION

WHAT IS CODE ENFORCEMENT?

Code enforcement is the inspection, improvement, and rehabilitation of environmental hazards in public and private premises by determining the presence of fire or health hazards, nuisance violations, unsafe building conditions, and violations of any fire, health, or building regulation, statute, or ordinance.

ORDINANCE OF THE MONTH: OVERGROWN GRASS

Overgrown weeds, shrubs, grass, and vegetation are fire and safety hazards. The property owner or occupant is responsible for maintaining weeds and grass at 12 inches or less. Brush and shrubbery should be kept at 14 feet or less. To avoid fines, remove any weeds and shrubbery above the legal limit. Failure to follow the ordinance can lead to a citation that can cost over \$500.

HOW DO YOU REPORT A VIOLATION?

Report a violation by visiting public.mygov.us/webster_tx/ and submit a request. Either Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Trotter or Rolanda Ivy will contact you regarding the infringement within the week.

Next month, we will review the rules regarding junk motor vehicles. If you have a question or a request for a future ordinance, email kstamy@cityofwebster.com.



YOUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK

WEBSTER PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN THE COMMUNITY



Nine hundred linear feet of curb was repaired in the NASA Parkway, Texas Avenue, and Bay Area Boulevard corridors. Webster Public Works will follow up with more curb repair as we enter into the new budget year.



In recent weeks, the Utility Crew has replaced 44 water meters as part of the annual meter change-out program. This program replaces existing meters with AMR-type meters, which permit remote meter reading and diagnostics. The crew has 18 more to complete this year's cycle.

YARD OF THE MONTH



FIRST PLACE

RESIDENTIAL:
507 Brad Ct.

COMMERCIAL:
Frost Bank



SECOND PLACE

RESIDENTIAL:
329 Linda Ln.

COMMERCIAL:
Clear Lake Chinese Church



HONORABLE MENTION

RESIDENTIAL:
325 Linda Ln.

COMMERCIAL:
*Inglesia Pentecostal
Unida Hispana de Nasa*



EVENT FEEDBACK

We enjoyed seeing the community at the Movie at the Park in August. Our next event will be the Halloween Festival on Saturday, October 30.

We would love to hear your feedback on our events and what you would like to see at the next event. Send your suggestions to kstamy@cityofwebster.com.

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CITY OF WEBSTER, TEXAS GOVERNMENT

SEPTEMBER

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- 06** **LABOR DAY**
City offices closed
- 07** **CITY COUNCIL MEETING***
6 p.m. at City Hall
- 10** **SENIOR GAME NIGHT**
6 p.m.-9 p.m. at the Recreation Center, 311 Pennsylvania Ave.
- 11** **PATRIOT DAY**
We remember those lost on September 11, 2001. Thank you to our fallen heroes. We will never forget.
- 14** **WEBSTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MEETING**
*6 p.m. at City Hall**
- 21** **CITY COUNCIL MEETING***
6 p.m. at City Hall
- 24** **SENIOR GAME NIGHT**
6 p.m.-9 p.m. at the Recreation Center, 311 Pennsylvania Ave.

*Special meetings may be added, and meetings may be canceled if there are no agenda items. Check the City website at cityofwebster.com for meeting information.

COMING UP...

FALL CLEAN UP WEEK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18 UNTIL
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

Find more information on the website
and in the October newsletter.

HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30
TEXAS AVENUE PARK, 17100 TEXAS AVE.