



Quick Fact:

City Water Usage

August 2018
77,668,000

August 2017
86,801,000

YTD 2018
285,176,000

Total 2017
502,241,000

Your City Representatives

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Harvey Crowder

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Message From The Mayor

Betwixt and Between Garbage Cans and a Stormwater Utility

We have some important news to discuss this month regarding the establishment of our new stormwater utility, but before diving in too deeply on the utility, just a quick reminder to be sure to remove your garbage cans from the street by the end of your assigned collection day. Our code states:

The garbage can be placed at the stopping point only during the 24-hour period which starts at 7:00 p.m. the day prior to collection and ends at 6:59 p.m. on the day of collection. All garbage cans shall be kept to the rear of the front yard setback line of any lot, parcel, or tract of land in any residential zoning district of the city.

So please, be sure to remove your garbage can within the 24 hours...and please remember to store it to the rear of the set-back line. For residential lots in the city, this is typically 20 feet from the back of the sidewalk. *Thank you!*

Now on to stormwater...

On Tuesday evening (9/25/18), City Council established a new stormwater utility in response to what is effectively a Federal mandate dictating measures that cities must take to protect the nation's aquatic resources (read that as our local streams) from polluted stormwater runoff. The Clean Water Act has been on the books since 1977 and applied to larger cities since 1990 and more recently smaller cities like our own since 2003. Along with establishing the utility, Council also passed a rate resolution instituting monthly rates. For residential lots, this works out to \$9.19 per month based on the average lot having 3500 square feet of impermeable surfaces (roofs, driveway, walks, etc.). Non-commercial lots

are assessed \$9.19 per 3500 square feet of impermeable surface. “Impermeable” just means that it’s a hard surface and that stormwater will run-off as opposed to infiltrate into the ground. If you’ve been following the stormwater discussion, you are probably aware that this is considerably less than half of what we would need to fully fund the program. We’ve decided to locally fund our day-to-day operational costs and then take our chances with funding nearly all of our stormwater capital costs (equipment, facilities) through grants available through state and Federal channels.

There will be some rate relief for some lots. Lots that collect and manage all of their stormwater in an on-site facility qualify for a monthly \$2.63 credit. Lawns do not qualify, but if you have an engineered facility (drywell, infiltration trench, swale, etc.) that meets City standards, then yes, you can apply for the credit. The same is true for non-residential lots and for homeowners within an association whose stormwater is directed to a commonly-held (community association) facility. Homeowners whose association manages and maintains public facilities may also qualify for this credit. You do have to apply for this credit. We are looking to have an application form available for download on our web site (www.cpwa.us). Qualifying community associations that pay water and sewer fees for their membership will be able to submit a single application on behalf of their membership. That should simplify things for some of us.

We also have some rate relief available for our low-income senior and disabled citizens. If you are interested, please contact the Blue Mountain Action Council at 529-4980 to apply for their utility bills discount program. If you are already signed up and receiving relief on your water and sewer bills, you don’t need to do anything more. Your stormwater bill from the City will be automatically reduced by the 20% available under this program. Finally, when does all this start? Well, it’s already started for us here at the city. We are getting ready to begin assessing impermeable areas for non-residential lots, bringing resources on board, and schooling ourselves on the in’s and out’s of compliance. But as for the rates themselves, they begin coming at the start of the New Year.

Thank you again for your understanding and patience as we move navigate the “storm” through these new “waters”...*pun intended of course.*

-Harvey Crowder, Mayor

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CITY OF COLLEGE PLACE

Fall Festival

Wednesday, October 31st from 3 to 6 pm

Trick or Treating on College Ave,
Activities at City Hall—625 S College Ave



PHOTO PROPS

- ⇒ POLICE CAR
- ⇒ FIRE TRUCK
- ⇒ MUG SHOT



HARVEST MAZE

VENDORS

ACTIVITIES

COLORING

PRIZES

TRICK OR TREAT



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WEAR YOUR BEST COSTUMES!

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A Note From The City Administrator



Hard to believe it is Fall already. Thanks everyone for patronizing our Farmer's Market. It was successful once again and everyone seemed to like the move to Lions Park. Please join us when the market comes back again at the end of May 2019. The City is wrapping up several Public Works projects. Davis Street from 6th to 8th and Broadway Avenue from 12th to just south of Mountain View were repaved. The Fourth & Academy Way project is slated to be complete by October 23rd at the latest. The drinking water well replacement project is ongoing. The goal is to have a replacement well for Well #1 this Winter and to have a replacement for Well #2 next Summer. The City is ramping up its budgeting process for Fiscal Year 2019. Please check www.cpwa.us for updates to the process. The City's Planning Commission is also working on updates to the Development Code. The goal is to have this complete by early next year.

Please join us for the College Place Fall Festival on October 31st from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Participating businesses will have candy and treats for trick-or-treater's along College Avenue from 13th to C Street. The Municipal Campus (625 S. College Ave) will have Farmer's Market vendors giving away free candy, a maze in the Fire Department, a Bouncy House, Face Painting, and Balloon Twisting. This event is sponsored by Andy's Market, College Place Lions Club, and the City of College Place employees.

Community Calendar



Oct 1st at 5:00 PM – Economic Development, Tourism, and Events Commission

Oct 2nd at 5:30 PM – City Council Workshop

Oct 3rd 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM - Coffee With A Cop @ Hot Mama's Espresso

Oct 8th at 2:00 PM - Planning Commission Neighborhood Tour

Oct 9th & 23rd at 7:00 PM – City Council Meeting

Oct 18th at 4:00 PM - Historic Preservation Commission

Oct 22nd at 4:30 PM – Youth Advisory Board

Oct 23rd at 10:00 AM – College Place Local Arbor Tree Planting @ Kiwanis Park

Oct 26th at 7:30 AM – Park, Arbor & Recreation Board

Oct 31st 3:00 PM–6:00 PM – College Place Fall Festival

Unless specified all events are at
City Hall— 625 S. College Ave

