



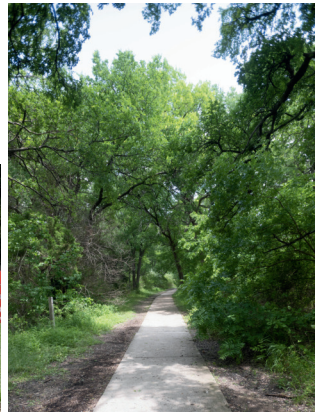
CITY ADDS PARKING AT HARRY MYERS

Residents spoke, and we listened. The City has expanded parking at Harry Myers Park by adding nearly 60 new spaces (see new parking areas shown in red). Our 70 acre, award-winning community park is packed full of amenities, making it a premier destination for both residents and visitors alike. Things to enjoy at Harry Myers include:

- 3 lighted, covered pickleball courts
- Kidzone Playground (1/2 acre "all-abilities," "all-inclusive")
- 18-hole disc golf course
- dog park (both large and small dog areas)
- a community swimming pool
- splash pad play area
- a community center
- butterfly garden
- covered pavilions
- baseball fields
- BBQ grills
- hiking trails
- 3 ponds



Harry Myers is also host to various city-sponsored special events each year, including the city's annual Independence Day fireworks show, the Rib Rub Run & Roll event, and Founder's Day Festival. For more information, including other city parks as well as Parks & Recreation related events, visit www.rockwall.com/parks.asp.



Congratulations

Congratulations to recently promoted Fire Department staff and twelve new firefighters hired through the SAFER Grant.



Matt Winkelvoss, Battalion Chief



Jay McKee, Battalion Chief



Brad Vallance, Battalion Chief



Jimmy Cowan, Captain



Trey Patterson, Captain



Josh Turner, Captain



Firefighter New Hires

Back Row (left to right): Firefighters Benjamin Butler, Jeffrey Rich, Taylor Ahlfinger, Carson Day, Joseph Wharmby, Cody Baumann

Front Row (left to right): Firefighters Luke Speaker, Joseph Evans, Trevor Reger, Florentino Lopez, Kelvin Reyes, Joshua McIntire

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE SPACE ADDED

In the current fiscal year budget, the Rockwall City Council approved funding to accommodate the provision of much-needed additional office space for some of the city's public safety personnel. Staff from the Fire Administration, Fire Marshal, and Police Department recently moved into a 22,000 sq. ft. office space. The new offices became a necessity over the last several years as both the Fire and Police Departments have notably grown.

"Several Fire Marshal staff members were officing out of bedrooms at one of the fire stations, and the work areas for police department staff have been overcrowded for quite some time. As the City has added new firefighters, utilizing those bedrooms for office space was no longer an option, and police personnel needed more space too. We're fortunate to have this additional 22k square feet to accommodate our needs without having to issue debt, a win-win for both staff as well as tax payers," said City Manager, Mary Smith.

Happening Around Town

Annual Founder's Day Festival

Saturday, May 18

Harry Myers Park (815 E. Washington St.)

Kids Activities - 1 to 6 PM

Mike Ryan (opener for evening concert) - 6:30 PM

The Eli Young Band - 8 PM

San Jacinto Music Series

Friday & Saturday evenings, starting May 3

The San Jacinto Plaza (off downtown square), 7-9:30 PM

Weekly schedule:

www.rockwall.com/mainstreet_music.asp

Concerts by the Lake

Thursday evenings, starting May 2

The Harbor (2059 Summer Lee Drive), 7-9 PM

Rockwall Farmer's Market

Saturdays, starting May 4, 8 AM-12 PM

Historic courthouse, downtown square