



Commonwealth Comments

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Do you have new neighbors?

Please tell them about our email distribution list.

Sign up at news@commonwealthcivic.com

**It's the best way to keep up with what's happening in
The Commonwealth.**

We also have a Facebook page that is restricted to residents.

Timely info can be found there!

"The Commonwealth HOA"



**If you have an idea for a Commonwealth group, or a community
activity, feel free to reach out to the Board.**

We may be able to assist with publicizing your pursuits.

**An electronic newsletter for residents of The Commonwealth:
Bridgewater, Commonwealth Estates, Commonwealth Park,
Oxford, Sutton Forest, Sutton Park and
Sweetwater XII**

www.CommonwealthCivic.com

NEWS

If you have problems with
damage done by the
company digging in the
community for additional
internet/cable service, be sure to
read the article on page 2.

The Commonwealth HOA
is hosting an event for the
FBISD and City of Sugar Land
May election.

Info on page 4

If you are making any updates,
modifications or
remodelling the outside
of your home, please be sure
that you are in compliance
with our deed restrictions.
Not doing so can be quite costly.

March/April 2025

Commonwealth Cable Work

Two companies have been doing ground work in the community.

One company is **Verizon**. They are installing fiber along Commonwealth Blvd. that will connect to a cell tower located at Scenic Rivers Drive.

The second company, which is **Ezee Fiber**, is installing fiber that will provide an additional choice for internet service.

Ezee Fiber is installing fiber along Commonwealth Blvd. and in all of our neighborhoods. The work should have minimal impact on homeowners; however, they have begun digging/boring the area and the HOA Board wants to make sure that homeowners know what is happening.

In reality, they are taking advantage of the Public Right Of Way (PROW) in the front yards. The PROW extends 25 or 30 feet out from the centerline of the street, depending on whether the particular street has a 50 or 60 foot PROW.

Companies are allowed to bury utilities in the PROW, which is why we have 5 or 6 fiber optic cables running along Commonwealth Blvd in its PROW. Most residents of Commonwealth have platted 8 or 10 foot wide buried utility easements in their back yards along their rear fence lines.

Note, if Ezee Fiber had used the buried utility easements a lot of us would have lost gas, electric, cable TV, or telephone service

There have been a couple of occurrences that homeowners need to be aware of- they may damage your sprinkler system, dig holes in your yard, etc.

If this happens to you, the HOA is encouraging you to test your sprinkler system NOW, while they are still in the area.

You need to be sure there is no damage to your water pipes.

It is suggested that most residents use their sprinkler systems much less during the winter months, thus may not be aware that they now have a problem.

Also, any damage to your yard should be repaired by Ezee Fiber. They should clean up any mess from their work in our neighborhood.

If you have any damage, report it immediately directly to:

Todd Spurlock who is with the Ezee Fiber subcontractor MHO. His phone number is (337) 967-1670.

If he is not able to satisfactorily repair the damage, then you can contact the City of Sugar Land at 311.



Healthy trees add value to individual homes and the community in general

The Commonwealth is a treed community.

New residents often comment that they were drawn to The Commonwealth by the trees.

The Civic Association Board encourages residents of The Commonwealth to maintain their trees and to replace them if the trees die or they choose to remove them, such as to protect the home's foundation. There are alternatives to live oaks that are more appropriate for the small front yards in our community, including varieties that do not have aggressive, foundation endangering root systems.

If residents have questions, they should consult a professional arborist and not just rely on a guy with a pickup truck, a ladder, and a chainsaw to handle their arbor care needs.

We will distribute an informational .pdf via our email alert. Check your email.

www.treesaregood.org and
isa-arbor.com websites
provide many other links to useful
arbor care related documents.

RENOVATION REMINDERS

If you are planning improvements/renovations to the outside of your home, please do not forget to submit your MDR application **BEFORE** beginning the work.

Unapproved changes can be costly to the homeowner.

For timely approval, applications should be in the office of Crest Management on or before the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Please visit the Crest Management website for:
Exterior Modification Requests, Contacts,
to Access Account information, policies,
pool tags, meeting dates, etc.

www.crest-management.com

If you have questions or need help downloading a Modification Application from the website reach out to RONALD at Crest at 281-945-4663.



Sign up for our Email Alert Distribution List for local alerts (City, County and more!)

Shoot an email to: news@commonwealthcivic.com

Include your name, physical address and your email address.

**WE DO NOT SHARE YOUR PERSONAL
INFO WITH ANYONE!**



Questions About Trash Pickup?

Visit the City of Sugar Land's website to learn more!

www.sugarlandtx.gov

Search for your area of concern on the site. Or call 3-1-1.

SAVE the DATE

April 2, 2025

6 - 9 P.M.

At The Commonwealth Clubhouse Clubhouse

Please come by and Meet the Candidates

The May election is very meaningful for our area.

There are two positions up for grabs in the Fort Bend ISD race.

You may vote for one candidate in each race.

The City of Sugar Land has over 20 candidates vying for 5 positions.

This means that we could possibly have a whole new Council this summer.

The Mayor is term limited, so voters will be choosing a new Mayor.

There is some jockeying for position of Councilmembers,
so there are many new faces you should probably get to know
before you head to the polls and this is your opportunity.

The Commonwealth votes for Mayor, 2 At Large Councilmembers
and a new Councilman to replace District 4 Councilmember

Carol McCutcheon as she runs for Sugar Land Mayor.

(We do not vote for District 2)

There is also a City of Sugar Land Charter Amendment
on this ballot - more info on that soon.

Ask your questions.

Don't miss this opportunity.

Save this date!

Civic Association Board of Directors Information

The Commonwealth Board of Directors

President
Jim Levermann

Vice President
David Bristow

Treasurer
Jennifer Vance

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Sarah McCoy

Member At Large
Melissa Harrington

Board Member Liaisons

Clubhouse, Pool and Swim Team –
Jennifer Vance

Communications: (newsletter, website, eblasts and marquee) –
Sarah McCoy

Community Events and Clubs –
Sarah McCoy & Melissa Harrington

Enhancement Committee –
Melissa Harrington

Landscape (including electrical, fountains and sprinklers) – Jim Levermann

Modifications Committee –
Dave Bristow

Playgrounds – Jim Levermann

Tennis Courts (tennis leagues & tennis court reservation system)-
Jim Levermann

To send an email
to any board
member, click
the envelope.



Board Meetings are held at
The Clubhouse at 6 p.m. on the
fourth Thursday of each month.

For more information, contact
Heather at
HeatherE@crest-management.com or 281-945-4630.

Additional Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Modifications and Deed Restrictions Committee
meets at the Clubhouse at 7 p.m.
on the third Tuesday of the month.

For more information, contact
ronalddt@crest-management.com 281-945-4663

The Landscape Committee
meets on an as-needed basis.
Contact Crest Management for the next meeting time and date.

First Colony LID #2
meets the FIRST Tuesday of each month at the
Commonwealth Clubhouse starting at noon.
www.fclid2.com
For more information, call Ron at 281-265-0137.

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For accounting matters such as account information,
account balances and payment information

Sugar Land Info

WWW.SUGARLANDTX.GOV

Incorporated in 1959

Mayor of Sugar Land:
Joe Zimmerman

**City Councilmember for District 4
(Commonwealth):**
Carol McCutcheon

**At-Large Sugar Land
Councilmembers:**
*William Ferguson
and
Jennifer Lane*

On the the May ballots

Mayor of Sugar Land
At-Large Position 1
At-Large Position 2
Councilmember District 2
Councilmember District 4

There is also a
City Charter Amendment
on the ballot.

Research the candidates by
websearching them by name (for
websites) or check Facebook.

Commonwealth Meet & Greet at The Commonwealth Clubhouse

Wednesday, April 9th - 6 to 9 P.M.

The current Mayor has termed out and is not able to run again.
Therefore, the position is wide open and has drawn multiple
candidates. Among those running for the position,
are the current Districts 2 & 4 incumbents,
thus opening up their positions.

Residents of Sugar Land may vote for one candidate in
the following positions.

Election Day is Saturday, May 3

Early voting takes place Tuesday, April 22 through Tuesday, April 29

Mayoral Candidates

**Michelle Mikeska
Naushad Kermally
Alex J. Sowell**

**Sarwar Khan
William Ferguson
Carol McCutcheon**

AT LARGE POSITION ONE

**George Kakkanat
Aqeel Virk**

**Maggy Horgan
Jim Vonderhaar**

Muzaffar Vohra

AT LARGE POSITION TWO

Robert Boettcher

Ameer Malik

DISTRICT FOUR

Sapana Patel

Zeenat Mitha

Rick Miller

Fort Bend ISD Candidates

Fort Bend Position 2

Afshi Charania
Angela Collins
Rick Garcia (i)

Fort Bend ISD Position 7

Angie Wierzbicki
Allison Drew
Cheryl Buford

City Charter Amendment

At the time of this writing, the City has not shared the verbiage of the Amendment. We will update you via our Email Alert System before Early Voting.

Spring Veggie Share

Consider joining the community Veggie Share (from Harvest Green).

Commonwealth receives delivery every Tuesday.
Delivery is free as long as we continue to have 10 people in our Veggie Share group.

To sign up, go to:
<https://csa.farmigo.com/join/harvestgreenvillagefarm/vegetableshare>

Select the Commonwealth Drop Site and Public Share to be added to the delivery list.



Details are shared upon request: Sumita at:
rsypsugarland@gmail.com

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Fort Bend ISD Board of Trustees

There are seven Trustee positions on the Board of FBISD.

Residents of the district may vote for one candidate in each position on the ballot.

This year there are TWO positions on ballot.

These are ALL Non-Partisan Elections

Detailed election information can be found at:
www.fortbendcountytexas.gov.

The City of Sugar Land website is
sugarlandtx.gov

Fort Bend ISD website is:
<https://www.fortbendisd.com/>



NOTES and REMINDERS

Have something to celebrate?

Our beautifully decorated Clubhouse is available for rent by residents in good standing with The Commonwealth Homeowners Association.

If you are interested in scheduling a small gathering, please contact Crest Management.

281-579-0761

Be sure to check out The Commonwealth website where you will find documents, forms, a link to pay your dues, newsletters, local information and more!

Visit:
commonwealthcivic.com

The City of Sugar Land regulations require that your dog be leashed, at all times while in front of your home, or walking the neighborhood.

Your dog may not actually BE a threat to others, however, perception is reality!

AND -- we continue to ask that you pick up after your dog. We have dogwaste disposal stations throughout the community, please use them.



**This newsletter is Underwritten by
The Commonwealth Civic Association**

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REMINDER

Trash cans and recycling bins may not be at the curb prior to 5 p.m. on the day before pick up.

This also applies to lawn debris. If your landscape company habitually leaves grass and tree cuttings in front of your home each week, ask them to start taking it with them.

They should be happy to accommodate you.

The HOA will pursue this offense - it does frustrate your neighbors.

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If you have content suggestions, please contact:

news@commonwealthcivic.com

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www.commonwealthcivic.com

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by the write idea: news@commonwealthcivic.com

Useful Phone Numbers

Police (Non-Emergency)	281-275-2020
Animal Control	281-275-2596
Fire Department	281-491-0852
Water & Streets	281-275-2750
Solid Waste Collection	713-726-7307
Public Works	281-275-2450
Street Lights (Centerpoint)	713-207-2222
<i>when calling about street lights, relay pole #.</i>	
CITY OF SUGAR LAND	3-1-1
POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY	9-1-1

Crest Management 281-579-0761

Pool Rentals: A-Beautiful Pools 281-376-6510

A-BeautifulPools.com

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After Hours Emergencies in The Commonwealth

Naturally, if you see anything suspicious or outright illegal, call 9-1-1 (or 281- 275-2500), however, if the sprinklers are watering the streets, we really need you to notify the HOA. Crest Management does have an after-hours number.

After Hours - The after-hours number is **713-935-7331**.

You will reach a recorded message.

Be sure to leave you name, home address, phone number, **the community**, you live in and the reason for your call and a person from Crest will reach back out to them.



Commonwealth Communications

Commonwealth Email Alert Sign Up:

Shoot an email to
news@commonwealthcivic.com
Include your name and address
and we will add you!

The email alert is the way this Association shares emergency weather information with residents. We do not want anyone to miss out on important warnings.

Please encourage your Commonwealth friends and neighbors to sign up for our Commonwealth Email Alerts. That is the only way to receive this newsletter and to ensure you are kept in The Commonwealth loop.

Crest Management also offers an email opt-in.

Their email allows you to receive **OFFICIAL BUSINESS** communications from them via email. Signing up will save the Association printing and postage costs which helps keep annual dues down:

- ◇ Electronic HOA statements can come straight to your inbox
- ◇ Notifications and Violation Letters will arrive quicker

Crest Management Email List Sign Up:

1. Login at www.crest-management.com and click on the user icon by your name.
2. Select User Settings
3. Check the box next to Email Opt-in.
4. Click Update Email Choices

To be best informed, please sign up for **both** the Email Alert Distribution List **AND** the Crest Management Email List.

For those interested, we also have a Facebook Page - The Commonwealth HOA - where we post plenty of items of interest, not all of which is included in our emails.