

BV/S HOA Annual Meeting

Thursday evening, neighbors joined together for the Annual Meeting. Representatives from COA Code Enforcement and the 183 Mobility Project brought us up to date on their projects.

Mackenzie Kelly, our council person, shared interesting news such as arranging a substation in the office space at the Candlewood Hotel. The space will be available as a breakroom room for police and sheriffs in Travis and Williamson Counties. She also is working on getting a new ladder truck for our fire station.



Ms. Kelly spoke about the potential zoning changes and her attention to unintended consequences that may affect other city services.

Caleb McLain, our President, highlighted the many ways the HOA works with the community through sharing timely information, improving safety via the Constable Patrols, as well as understanding our deed restrictions. The written reports from Board members Don Gutierrez (Membership) and Linda Strickland (Communications) are available.

[LINK HERE.](#)

Our big project this year is the new HOA website. A preview was available for "test drives" and got great reviews. It will go live after Christmas, so continue to use the current website for paying dues and ordering trees. There may be a lag during the domain change.



Dues and Trees

It is the time of year to pay dues (\$50 annually) and order trees. The HOA arranges a delivery of trees for purchase by residents at \$50 for members and \$60, non-members. It is not a fundraiser. They are available on a first come - first serve basis, so order now. The button will take you to the HOA website where you may pay by check, credit card, or PayPal.

[Dues & Trees](#)



'Tis the Season to Decorate

While planning your outdoor decorations, remember the bucks will be walking around, and every year at least one of them wears lights in his antlers for a few days.

Each year people from around the city drive our streets enjoying all the lights and decorations. When the tradition started in the 1980s, most residents sank a short piece of PVC pipe in their front yards near the curb as holders for the trees. You also can temporarily sink a 4' green steel fence stake adjacent to the PVC pipe and zip-tie your tree for extra support.

The HOA sponsors a contest for best lighting display, with 3 winners in Balcones Village and 3 in the Spicewood subdivisions. The winners receive \$50 and a Winner sign in their yards. Only paid members of the HOA are eligible to win.

Last year we tried something new and asked for volunteer judges, especially from families

with tweens and teens. It was a success, with reports of it being a wonderful family activity. We will provide maps, scoring tips, and score sheets. Send an email now, and we will get you started. [EMAIL LINK](#)

Great Time to Volunteer

The tree team needs volunteers

- on Friday evening, December 1, to help unload the trees from the delivery truck. There will be hot chocolate!
- on Saturday morning, December 2, to deliver the trees. Several families have done this together, and the kids really enjoy it. We'll offer breakfast tacos, too!

Contact Jason Lee at (512) 689-4650 or plinking@yahoo.com to volunteer.

If you need help setting up your tree in the yard, or you want to help set up trees, email Suzie LaPlant at suzielaplantx@gmail.com.

November 7th - Election Day

The links below go to the League of Women Voters for descriptions of the 14 State Constitutional Amendments, as well as the propositions for Williamson County, Travis County, and RRISD. The Wilco and Travis links go to their voting information pages with addresses of voting sites.

[Voter Guide](#)

[Wilco Site](#)

[Travis County](#)

Resolution 126 & Zoning Petition

The resolution continues to make its way through the City departments, and the productive actions appear to be speaking at the sessions. If you are unsure about speaking, you can allot your time to another. In some cases speaking via phone has been allowed.

While no one is opposed to more housing for middle-income buyers/renters, there are several issues pertaining to unintended consequences that may affect other city services. An internal report from City's Housing Department outlines some of the issues.

[REPORT LINK](#)

The HOA Board is monitoring this situation closely because interactions with deed restrictions remain unclear.

The Planning Commission has two dates in November (14 and 28) when this issue may be discussed. Schedules are not yet published, so check the website for more info. [WEBSITE LINK](#)

The City Council set December 7th as the date for the final meeting on this subject. Check the website for more info. [WEBSITE LINK](#)

Lastly, we did receive clarification from the City regarding the petitions. All residents living at an address whose names appear on the deed may sign one protest form. You can print pages 4 and 5, fill out, sign, and mail, but it must be postmarked by November 30th.

[COA PETITION LINK](#)

Helpful Tip For Home Insurance

If you recently replaced your roof, check with your insurance company to see if you qualify for a credit. Some people who replaced older roofs received welcomed news.

Save the Date

November 2023

2	Thursday	BVS HOA Annual Meeting - BCC
5	Sunday	Daylight Savings Time changes
9	Thursday	RRISD – Teacher workday
10	Friday	Veterans' Day Observed & RRISD – Teachers' workday
11	Saturday	Veterans' Day
21-24	Mon-Friday	RRISD – Thanksgiving holiday

December 2023

1	Friday	Christmas trees delivered to HOA **volunteers**
2	Saturday	HOA delivers trees to you **volunteers**
12	Tuesday	BVS HOA Board Meeting – 5 PM - BCC
15	Friday	RRISD – Teacher Workday
15-17	Fri-Sunday	Holiday Lights Judging **volunteers**
18-31		RRISD – Winter Break



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