

Rhome Record

April – 2024

Hello Rhome!

We have a very busy spring ahead of us! The City will hold local elections on May 4, 2024, for three (3) council places – Mayor, Place 4, and Place 5. There will also be three (3) bond questions on the ballot and the rollback vote for the tax rate. We hope you are able to get out and cast your vote.

Council Places

The Council is the elected body of representatives who serve the community and give of their time and talents to help make Rhome a better place to live and work. The Mayor, Place 4 and Place 5 seats have candidates running to serve on the Council.

Mayoral Candidates:	Patricia Mitchell (Incumbent) Kenny Crenshaw
Place 4 Seat:	Kristi King (Incumbent) Shirley Mize
Place 5 Seat:	Kasey Shumake (Incumbent) Deborah BeCraft

Bond Propositions – Public Infrastructure:

- Proposition A:* Issuance of \$3 million dollars to drill, construct, and improve water wells.
- Proposition B:* Issuance of \$11 million dollars to construct, improve, and extend the West Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- Proposition C:* Issuance of \$3.5 million dollars to construct, improve, and extend the sanitary sewer system.

You may find more information on the city's website www.cityofrhome.com. **There is also a final town hall style meeting that will be held at the Community Center on Wednesday, the 17th of April at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the city's public infrastructure. All are welcome to attend!**

Rollback Election

The City also received a rollback petition that places the overall tax rate on the ballot for voter approval. Council kept the tax rate at the same level for this budget year \$.437815 per \$100 valuation. This tax rate would generate approximately \$225,000 that was restricted for roadway repairs.

If voters select the rollback rate, the tax rate for the current fiscal year would be \$.335372 per \$100 valuation. This tax rate would not generate the projected money that was restricted for roadway repairs.

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Construction work on FM 3433 Bridge at US 81/287

Staff were recently notified that the current bridge at FM 3433 will receive a much-needed facelift! TxDOT will be resurfacing the bridge and doing other repairs to the structure; unfortunately, they will need to close the area for approximately five (5) months. We will bring you more information as it becomes available.

Siren Testing for Emergency Weather Events

We would also like to remind our community that our emergency alert sirens are generally tested on the first Wednesday of each month at around 1:00 p.m. If the first Wednesday looks like it will have a bad weather event (rain), we will not test the sirens that day so we can actually warn our residents if the need arises.

The By Well sirens are currently not working properly and we have contacted the vendor for repairs. Until they are operational, we urge our residents in this subdivision to seek alternative ways to stay up to date on severe weather conditions.

Important Dates to Remember:

- ✓ April 22nd thru April 26th – Early Voting at the Community Center
- ✓ April 27th – “The Big Event” with Northwest ISD
- ✓ May 4th – Election Day

Meetings at the Marie Moore Educational Center (Community Center next to the Fire Dept.)

- ✓ Council Meeting(s) – April 11th and 18th at 6:00 p.m. (18th is a new date)



“The Big Event”

The city will partner with Northwest ISD as part of “the largest one-day, student-run service project in the nation”. This year, we will focus on the city of Rhome’s Veteran’s Park and the Family Park. We look forward to being a part of this worthy event and working with the students.

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