

Council Calendar:

April 6 – Regular City Council Meeting – In Person/Virtual – 5:30 p.m.

April 20 – Work Session/Regular City Council Meeting – In Person/Virtual

May 4 – Regular City Council Meeting – In Person/Virtual – 5:30 p.m.

HUMAN RESOURCES – *(Staff contact: Stephen Pearl, HR Director, 936-559-2565)*

City of Nacogdoches current Job Opportunities:

Animal Shelter Attendant - Animal Services

Payroll Coordinator - Finance

Firefighter - Fire Department

Office Assistant I - Municipal Court

Part-time Laborer - Parks

Communications Dispatcher - Police Department

Police Officer - Police Department

Police Officer Recruit - Police Department

Driver/Equipment Operator - Sanitation Collection

Laborer - Street Department

Part-time Recreation Assistant - Recreation

Temporary Part-Time Volunteer Coordinator - Recreation

Laborer - Utility Construction

Plant Operator: Ground Water and Wastewater Operations - Wastewater

Utility Construction Operator - Utility Construction

For more information on the current job opportunities or to apply, please visit the City's website at <https://www.nactx.us/Jobs.aspx>.

HISTORIC SITES & MAIN STREET – *(Staff contact: Jessica Sowell, Historic Sites & Main Street Manager, 936-560-4441)*

The Nacogdoches Main Street Wine Swirl is right around the corner! Join us on the brick streets on April 10th to sample wine from 16 different wineries from all over Texas. Tickets are on sale for \$40 and are available on EventBrite, at the Fredonia Hotel or at Red House Winery.

RECREATION - *(Staff contact: Joy Palmer, Recreation Supervisor, 936-559-2960)*

Corporate Challenge is happening in May! Staff is working on a schedule now and hopes to have the event finalized soon. You can help the City of Nacogdoches battle against other companies in town in a variety of games and competitions. We are planning for Golf, Bass Fishing, Washers, Kickball, Trivia, and more!

LIBRARY - *(Staff contact: Mercedes Franks, Library Manager, 936-560-2970)*

From November 2020 until this week, the library has loaned technology equipment to families, City departments, and after-school programs to assist with remote learning or work from home. Webcams have been checked out three times, hotspots 40 times and laptops 52 times. Funds for some of this equipment came from the #NacBends Technology Grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

Since the library opened to 100% capacity on March 10th, the public computers have been in such high demand that it became necessary to increase capacity. City IT staff installed additional terminals and updated equipment this week. The library now offers seven one-hour computers and two 15-minute computers with enough space between customers to maintain the proper social distancing.

These computers had been part of the library's inventory but had been put away when the library was operating at reduced capacity.

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE – *(Staff contact: Bethanie Griffin, Interim Public Information Officer, 936-462-8267)*

KTRE:

Why don't more people run for Nacogdoches city council? candidates have their views
Some azalea plants in Nacogdoches were affected by February's winter weather storm (Sherry Morgan quoted)
Crews work to expand sidewalks in the City of Nacogdoches (Case Opperman quoted)

Daily Sentinel:

Duplex plans stir traffic concerns (Steve Bartlett quoted from City Council)
Experience at SFA led Canizares into city management (Mario Canizares interviewed)
Officials discuss outreach as vaccinations continue (Keith Kiplinger quoted)

ENGINEERING – *(Staff contact: Case Opperman, Public Works Assistant Director, 936-559-2515)*

The 2020 Street Paving Project continued this week with the paving of Lady Elaine Drive and the remaining eastern section of Lady Diane Drive. With that completion, the whole neighborhood has now been repaved since 2019. Reconstruction of Dolph Street also began this week with remixing and recompaction of the existing surface and road base. The new asphalt surface will be installed next week, weather-permitting.

The Pioneer Drive Relocation and Drainage Improvements Project continued this week with forming and pouring of the concrete seal slab and wing wall apron for the new box culverts at the creek crossing. (Exhibit A)

FIRE – *(Staff contact: Keith Kiplinger, Fire Chief, 936-559-2541)*

Staff continues to coordinate vaccine distribution and held clinics at Eaton, TFP Nutrition, Pilgrim's Pride and SFA. Next week will be the busiest vaccine week to date.

Over 26% of the eligible population in the County has received at least one COVID vaccine.

We expect to open up online scheduling and a call center to allow greater access to vaccines next week. On Monday all Texans over the age of 16 are eligible to receive a shot.

We are working with the SFA School of Social Work and NISD's social workers on a plan to increase vaccine information delivery across our community and those efforts will be visible very soon.

ADMINISTRATION - *(Staff contact: Mario Canizares, City Manager, 936-559-2501)*

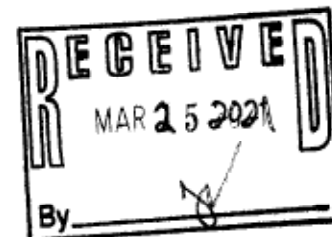
Thank you letter from NISD School Board attached. (Exhibit B)

Exhibit A - Pioneer Drive





Board of Trustees



March 1, 2021

Nacogdoches Fire Department
Keith Kiplinger, Fire Chief
P.O. Box 635030
Nacogdoches, Texas 75963

Dear Chief Kiplinger:

The Nacogdoches ISD Board of Trustees want to express our sincere appreciation for your department's response during the unprecedented weather event last month.

When the Brooks-Quinn-Jones sprinkler heads that had frozen burst, the responding Fire Department personnel immediately went into action and had already rolled up entry mats and used them as a means to block water from going down a second hallway when Ralph LaRue arrived. They also opened up three different outside doors and pushed water outside. All of these efforts greatly reduced the flooding of the building.

In addition, they turned off the water to the Old University Building when an outside leak developed. This required them to find a shut off valve box and dig out the dirt that had filled it in order to find the valve. Their effort in responding to an outside leak saved the interior of the OUB, as pipes had frozen and split inside. When the temperature warmed up, the split pipes would have flooded the OUB had the water still been on.

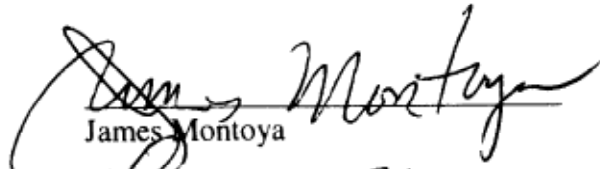
We commend them for truly going above and beyond the call of duty in responding to the emergencies, and their efforts prevented major damage to our school and a treasured Nacogdoches historical landmark.

We are grateful and appreciative of your departments care and concern for their community.

Sincerely,



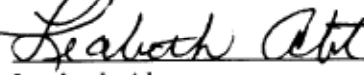
Pam Fitch



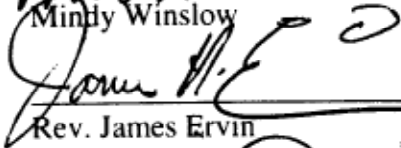
James Montoya



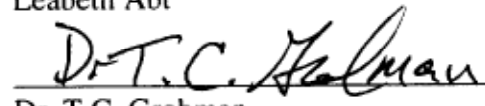
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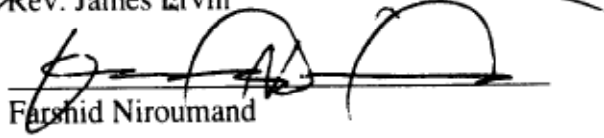
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Rev. James Ervin



Dr. T.C. Grohman



Farshid Niroumand

- Cc: Gabriel Trujillo, Superintendent NISD
- Cc: Mario Canizares, City Manager ✓
- Cc: Shelly Brophy, Mayor