

COUNCIL WRAP UP

FROM MAYOR LEWIS



COUNTY-WIDE HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Every five years, the County-wide Hazard Mitigation Plan is reviewed and updated. This extensive document covers all areas of disasters from wildfires to tornadoes and is designed to create safer and more disaster-resilient communities in Kaufman County. FEMA recently approved the updated plan, and the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM) sent a letter of commendation to the Kaufman County Office of Emergency Management for this huge accomplishment.



FORNEY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The City of Forney has several boards and commissions serving areas such as Parks and Recreation, Economic Development, and Planning and Zoning. Area residents volunteer their time for two-years terms and are appointed by Council. Due to vacancies, Council often appoints new members on an as-needed basis throughout the year and several new appointees were made at last night's meeting. If you are interested in serving on a board or commission in the future, you can complete an application [here](#). Applications are kept on file for 2 years.



WEBSITE UNDER CONSTRUCTION

On Wednesday January 12th, the City of Forney will publish its new website. ForneyTX.gov will have a new look and will be more user-friendly for residents and visitors. The City is also in the process of implementing an app for residents to report issues directly to City departments. Stay tuned for more information!



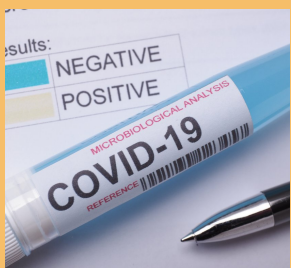
CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

The Forney Police Department will be starting its Citizens Police Academy soon. Beginning Tuesday, February 15th, classes will start for the 14-week academy and will be held from 6 - 8 PM every Tuesday night. Applications can be requested by sending an email to Detective Clay at mclay@forneytx.gov.



FREE COVID-19 TESTING

Starting Monday, January 10th, free COVID-19 testing will once again be available at the Shops at Terrell. The tests will be available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 301 Tanger Dr., Ste. #103 next to NIKE at the Shops of Terrell (I-20 @ SH 34). There will be both rapid tests and PCR tests available. PCR test results will take 48 to 72 hours.



The next Forney City Council Meeting will be on January 18th. Watch live at forneytx.gov