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Subject:

Town Manager's Weekly Report (#72)

Mayor & Board of Aldermen(Women):

Please accept the following as the Town Manager's Report for the Week-ended Thursday, April 17, 2014.

- My weekly report is being produced and disseminated on Thursday this week because Town Hall will be closed tomorrow (Good Friday) in observance of the official Town Holiday.
- It was learned this week that the Dallas Historic Courthouse Foundation (DHCF) has been awarded a \$25,000 Grant from the local, "David Belk Cannon Foundation" to go toward renovation and preservation of the historic Courthouse building. I had written and submitted this Grant (in the original request amount of \$40,000) on behalf of the DHCF back on March 22, 2013. It is expected that an actual check will be issued within the next week or so. Also, this past week was the Gaston Community Foundation's Annual, "Run for the Money" fundraiser and our own Public Utilities Director Bill trudnak was the official runner on behalf of the DHCF. It appears as though some \$4,000+ was pledged to the DCHF through this event and that amount will then be matched (last year it was 38%) by some additional level of contribution from the Community Foundation. So, a pretty good week for the Courthouse Foundation fund-raising efforts.
- We have been informed by Gaston County that this year's election primary will be held on Tuesday, May 6th from 6:30 a.m. until polls close at 7:30 p.m. In Dallas, as usual, the two precinct locations will be at Town hall and the Civic Building. Town Hall will remain open to the public for business as well that day. There is no cost to the Town for this election except the use of our facilities, since no municipal offices are up for election.
- At this month's Gaston County Commission Meeting, the County Board of Commissioners will be voting on a rezoning request from Venture Church to rezone the lands the church owns fronting along Lower Dallas Highway
 across from "Fatbacks Tire & Auto", from the current "I-2 General Industrial" classification, to "C-3 General
 Commercial". These properties are just beyond the current Town limits of Dallas.
- This week was spent finalizing the comprehensive Town Draft Budget for the fiscal-year 2014-2015 (July 1, 2014 June 30, 2015) and I now feel reasonably comfortable that such effort is complete enough to develop the narrative explanation along with the line-item details all of which will be distributed in final form to the Mayor & Board of Aldermen by no later than Tuesday, May 6th.
- The Town's new automated, mechanical-arm trash truck was delivered this week and we will be placing it into service as soon as the final graphic decals are affixed and once our drivers have been satisfactorily trained on its safe and efficient operation. As a result of this delivery, we will now bring to the May 13th Board Meeting, an action request that our oldest truck (orange) be declared surplus and offered for sale to the highest bidder.
- May you all have a Happy and Joyous Easter!

Thank You,

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