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Turn Neighborhood Plans Into Realities

The Neighborhood Partnership Office (NPO) realizes that neighborhoods want to do much more for their residents but are limited in many cases by a lack of resources.

Many neighborhoods struggle each year to make ends meet. The various costs that neighborhoods incur drain most of their funds to the point where they may be lucky to have a single social event or project each year with the savings.

That's why the NPO has been building successful partnerships with neighborhoods in Carrollton since 1999. The NPO assists them by providing up to \$5,000 in Neighborhood Enhancement Matching Grant Program (NEMGP) funds towards accomplishing eligible neighborhood projects.

The Grant Process is Easy

These NEMGP grants are an excellent way to maximize your neighborhood's contributions to a project. Not only can the city match dollar for dollar up to \$5,000, it can also match dollars for donated professional services, general labor or materials. This means that even neighborhoods that may not have a large income may participate through different means.

Some of the neighborhoods have successfully applied more than once for a matching grant and have used the funds to accomplish multiple phases of a long-range plan.

In addition, the projects have begun to attract the attention of residents in other neighborhoods. This helps to facilitate an even greater effect on residents by fostering a greater sense of community.

Some of the projects that have been completed by neighborhood organizations are:

- 📍 Parks
- 📍 Entryway signs
- 📍 Irrigation systems
- 📍 Solar Lighting
- 📍 Landscaping
- 📍 Community gardens
- 📍 Infrastructure Enhancements

Under the program, neighborhoods are only limited by the creativity and ambition of their residents.

The main NEMGP criteria are:

1. The neighborhood must register with the city by completing a simple application form and updating the information on an annual basis.
2. The neighborhood must fill out the application for funding and describe the neighborhood proposal in detail.

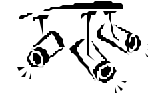
There are two application cycles each year for NEMGP proposals—spring and fall. A neighborhood may be awarded up to \$5,000 in one year's time. This allows a neighborhood to do two small projects (one for each cycle) or a single large project.



For more information on how to register your neighborhood or apply for NEMGP funding, please call the NPO at 972-466-4215.



Non-Profit Spotlight:



ELK FACTS

CHARITABLE PROGRAMS

Full participation in Elks National Foundation and Major Project of State Elks Association. Special entertainment for hospitalized veterans.

LODGES

There are over 2,300 lodges throughout the U.S.. Ninety percent of Elks Lodges own their facilities, most of them offering club amenities.

WHO ARE ELKS?

There are more than 1,500,000 Elks and 49.7% are professionals, executives and proprietors. A Market Profile showed that 89% are married and 89% are homeowners, 46.2% have a college education, and 97% own an automobile. The median annual family income is above the

national average.

PATRIOTIC ACTIVITIES

Shows and other entertainment sponsored by Elks National Service Commission are staged for disabled veterans in every V.A. Hospital in the country throughout the year. Local Lodges and State Elks Associations co-sponsor these patriotic events.

Elks pioneered the observance of June 14 as Flag Day in 1907. Today, millions of Americans participate with Elks Lodges each year in community programs honoring the anniversary of Old Glory's birth on June 17, 1877.

DID YOU KNOW. . .

The Elks National Foundation annually awards more than \$2.1 million in scholarships to a total of 508 students, and an additional \$500,000 in emergency educational grants for children of deceased or disabled

Elks.

The Elks Drug Awareness Program prints and distributes, free of charge, up-to-date information about drugs to school children, their teachers and their parents. Since the program's inception in 1983, the Elks have distributed more than 110 million pieces of literature.

Each State Elks Association has its own major project. These include summer camps for children with disabilities or who are financially disadvantaged; in-home treatment for people with disabilities; children's hospitals; cancer research; and providing safe, temporary havens for abused families.

For further information, please visit the Elk's website at www.elks.org

Contact the National Headquarters:

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the USA
2750 North Lakeview Avenue

Hear Yet!
Hear Yet!

TOWN HALL MEETING AUGUST 20, 2001

Find out more about your city on Monday, August 20 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Polk Middle School.

Speak with the Mayor and City Council about the city services and programs of interest to you. They seek your ideas, service requests and suggestions.

Find out about key transportation projects in Carrollton. What's the latest with the President George Bush Turnpike and I-35E Interchange? See renderings for the widening of Belt Line Road, the new Carrollton Justice Center and other major projects. And hear about the sites endorsed by the city for three DART light rail stations.

Ask the city staff questions about issues such as library facilities and programs, street/alley/sidewalk conditions, public safety services, water conservation, traffic management, etc. and receive handouts that you can use throughout the year.

Hear about new construction projects and transportation challenges. Get the most up-to-date information on key infrastructure projects such as street construction, signal-timing and city facility improvements.

Find out about the Mayor and Council's short and long-range strategic plans and hear how they will impact our citizens and neighborhoods. There will be exhibits and opportunities to request services.

For more information, please call the City Manager's Office at 972-466-3001





NEWS YOU CAN USE...

Youth Task Force



On June 14, 2001, the City Council appointed the following new members to the Youth Task Force:

Sandy Stewart, 10th grader at Newman Smith; Dave Shahani, 9th grader at R. L. Turner; Mary Beth Cagle, 11th Grader at American Heritage; Kira Cha, 9th grader at Hebron; Puneet Gupta and John Graham, both 11th graders at Creekview; Rachael Evans, 11th grader at Carrollton Christian Academy.

Congratulations to all the new members. We are looking forward to learning more about all of their up-coming plans and projects.

SOLID WASTE

HOLIDAY SERVICES

July 4th Independence Day Schedule: Monday and Tuesday collections will be collected as scheduled.

Wednesday, July 4th, there will be no collections. Wednesday's routes will be collected on Thursday.

Thursday's routes will be collected on Friday.

For more information, please call Solid Waste at 972-466-4950.

Rosemeade Recreation Center Expansion Update

The Rosemeade Recreation Center, located at 1330 Rose-



meade Parkway, is expanding in the near future. The project budget is \$2.6 million, and includes new amenities such as: a new gymnasium, a fitness center, a dance/aerobic studio, staff offices, rest-rooms, registration area, patio area and parent viewing area.

For more information regarding this expansion that will begin in September 2001, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 972-466-3080.



Citizens can recycle numerous types of materials either by curbside pick-up or by dropping-off recyclables at the city's Drop-Off Recycling Center, located at 2155 Sandy Lake Road. The materials that Carrollton citizens can recycle are:

- Newspapers Aluminum Cans
- Glass Steel/Tin Cans
- Plastic (#'s 1 & 2) Scrap Metals
- Mixed Paper Organic Materials

(Those items underlined above are accepted at curbside only.)

If you have questions about recycling opportunities in Carrollton, call the Solid Waste and Recycling Division at 972-466-4950.

Tall Weeds and Grass

It's summer again and, as usual, tall weeds and grass greater than 12 inches are a problem throughout Carrollton. Such conditions can cause poor air quality, increased insect/rodent populations

and fire hazards.

The city's Environmental Services Department receives numerous complaints about people or businesses not maintaining their landscaping. These complaints, if not remedied, are followed-up by: an inspection by environmental health code enforcement officers; a letter to comply within ten days; a certified letter; and a legal ad to notify of a possible lien against the subject property.

The consequences far outweigh the costs of remedying the situation. Please do what you can to maintain your landscaping.

If you have questions regarding the landscaping ordinances and regulations, or if you know someone who has tall grass and weeds, please call the Environmental Services Department at 972-466-3060.

Water Conservation Tips

Use these easy tips to conserve water and reduce your water bills:

In the Bathroom

- Take showers instead of baths
- Replace older, larger use toilets (with greater than 3.5 gallon tanks) with more efficient toilets (of 1.6 gallons)



- When brushing your teeth, run the water only when wetting and

Matching Grant Projects Recommended for Funding



In June 2001, the Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC) voted to recommend the Rosemeade Heights Homeowners Association and the Highlands Neighborhood Association matching grant projects to the City Council for funding.

Rosemeade Heights, located at the northeast quadrant of the intersection of Rosemeade Parkway and Old Denton Road, plans to improve their west-facing entryway by adding landscaping and irrigation improvements. The budget for the project is \$6,435.13, of which half

could be funded by the city. The neighborhood has committed cash, sweat equity (labor) and donated services / materials for the remainder of the amount.

The Highlands Neighborhood Association, located north of Rosemeade Parkway and between Kelly Boulevard and Marsh Lane, plans to complete a screening wall which runs along Rosemeade Parkway and their neighborhood at the northwest corner of the intersection of Kelly Boulevard and Rosemeade Parkway. The budget for this project totals \$20,320.79, of which \$5,000 could be funded by the city. The remaining amount is accounted for by neighborhood funds, sweat equity and donated services and materials.

After approval by the NAC, the projects are placed on the City Council's consent agenda, where they are acted upon and the contract stage begins. After the contract is drafted by the city and signed by all relevant parties, the projects will commence. These projects are anticipated to begin later this year.



If you have questions about the Neighborhood Enhancement Matching Grant Program, or have an idea for a project in your neighborhood, call the Neighborhood Partnership Office at 972-446-4215.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AUGUST 7, 2001



From 7 to 10 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7th, residents in neighborhoods throughout Carrollton and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police. Many neighborhoods throughout Carrollton will be hosting a variety of special events such as block parties, cookouts, parades, visits from police, flashlight walks, contests, youth activities and anticrime rallies.



Call the Police Department Crime Awareness Unit at 972-466-3521 for more information and assistance.

CARROLLTON'S

July 4th 'Celebration 2001'

Live music by 'Emerald City' Band
 Fireworks by Pyrotex!
 Children's Activities & Games! Food Vendors!

FREE!

7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Continuous shuttle bus service begins at 6 p.m. *

Kelly Blvd. South of
 Keller Springs

Citizens are encouraged to bring the entire family for a picnic, entertainment, games for all ages, fireworks and fun.

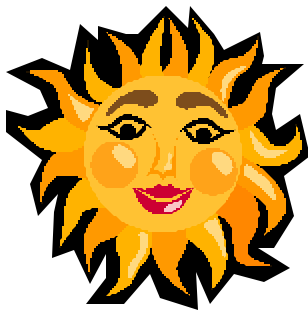
'Celebration' activities will be underway from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 4th. This year we are featuring the hottest band in the Metroplex, Dallas' own "Emerald City" band on the main stage, the Carrollton Community Band, a children's stage, clowns, jugglers, games, and bounce houses. Participants may bring their own food or purchase it from the wide variety of food vendors. The city of Carrollton in partnership with Carrollton Farmers Branch ISD and the Columbian Country Club annually coordinate this event.

Free shuttle bus service to the event from City Hall, First Baptist Church, Hebron & Josey.

There will be no public parking available at the event site. Kelly Boulevard will be closed to traffic between Keller Springs and Country Club Drive (except for the city-provided shuttle buses).

Enjoy the fireworks display at 9:30 p.m.

★ For more information, call the Parks & Recreation Department at 972-466-3080.



Christmas in July Food Drive

The following non-perishable food items are needed:
 Flour, Sugar, Salt, Cornmeal, Oil, Shortening, Baking Mixes,
 Toilet Paper, Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent, Mouthwash,
 Toothpaste, Shampoo, Shampoo for Lice, Deodorant, Razors,
 Shaving Cream, Women's Feminine Supplies,
 Disposable Diaper, Diaper Wipes

Please bring your donations to the Christmas Tree in the lobby of the Carrollton City Hall at 1945 E. Jackson Road between July 9 and 20.

This Event Benefits the Metrocrest Social Service Food Pantry



July Events

- 7/2-**AARP Tax Assistance** (February-April), Frankford Village Branch Library, 972-466-4800.

* 7/4-**Independence Day "Celebration"** - FREE Show & Fireworks!, 7-10 p.m., Parks & Recreation Department, 972-466-3080, Ted Polk Middle School Athletic practice field on the east side of Kelly Blvd South of Keller Springs.

- 7/4-**City offices & facilities closed for Independence Day.**

• 7/4-**Holiday Solid Waste Collection Schedule.** Wednesday and Thursday collection routes will be delayed one day. The Citizen Collection Station & Drop-Off Recycling Center will be closed Wednesday, July 4. Solid Waste Division, 972-466-4950.

- 7/5-**Mayor Mark Stokes Public Office Hours**, 5-7 p.m., City Hall, 972-466-3001.

• 7/5-**Planning and Zoning Commission**, 7:30 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, 972-466-3040.

• 7/7-**Police "National Night Out"**, 7-10 p.m.. For further information, please call the Police Department Crime Awareness Unit at 972-466-3521.

• 7/10-**City Council meeting & worksession**, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, 972-466-3582. Agenda at www.cityofcarrollton.com

• 7/10-**Free Blood Sugar/Blood Pressure Check** (seniors only), 10-11 a.m., Carrollton Senior Center, 972-466-4850.

• 7/10-**Animal Safety** (ages 6+) FREE, 10-11 a.m., Elm Fork Nature Preserve, 972-466-9813.

• 7/11-**Free guided tours of the Museum!** 10-11:15 a.m., A.W. Perry Museum, 972-466-9800 or 972-466-9810.

• 7/12-**3-D Thursdays** (ages 7+) FREE, 4 p.m., Frankford Village Branch Library, 972-466-4800.

• 7/13-**Neighborhood Advisory Commission**, 6:30 p.m., City Hall, 972-466-4215.

• 7/14-**George the Magician** - Nifty, Nutty and Noisy (all ages), 10:30 a.m., Frankford Village Branch Library, 972-466-4800.

• 7/14-**City Championship Individual Stroke Play**, Indian Creek Golf Course, 972-492-3620.

• 7/17-**City Council worksession**, 6 p.m., Briefing Room, City Hall, 972-466-3582.

• 7/17-**Mayor Mark Stokes Public Office Hours**, 3-5 p.m., City Hall, 972-466-3001.



• 7/18-**Creature Feature** (ages 3+) FREE, 3:30 p.m., Frankford Village Branch Library, 972-466-4800.

• 7/18-**Mysterious Quilts** (all ages) FREE, 10-10:30 a.m., A. W. Perry Museum, 972-466-9800 or 972-466-9810.

• 7/19-**Planning and Zoning Commission**, 7:30 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, 972-466-3040.

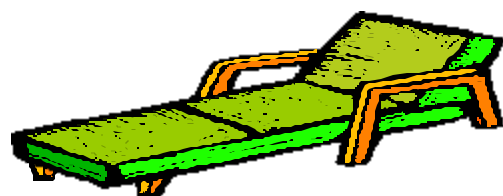
* 7/21-**Carrollton Public Library Grand Opening** at Hebron & Josey, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., (see page 7)

• 7/23-**Parks & Recreation**, 6:30 p.m., City Hall, 972-466-3080.

• 7/24-**City Council meeting**, 6 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall—Budget discussion, 972-466-3582.

• 7/27-**Quickfoot - 6 on 6 Soccer** Tournament, McInnish/ R. E. Goode Soccer Complex, Parks and Recreation, 972-466-3080 or visit the city's website at www.cityofcarrollton.com

• 7/27-**Where's Waldo?** FREE, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., both Libraries, 972-466-4800.





President George Bush Turnpike

Grand Opening Community Celebration



It's H.O.T. in Carrollton! Happening on the Turnpike

Saturday, August 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the northeast corner of Trinity Mills/PGBT and Josey Lane (in the Trinity Valley Shopping Center). The celebration will be co-sponsored by the North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA), the city of Carrollton, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), and the Trinity Valley Shopping Center. There will be transportation displays, entertainment, kid's activities, clowns, sidewalk sales, exhibits,

Adults, Kids! Families! YOU ARE INVITED to the GRAND OPENING of the New CARROLLTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

**NEW
site!**

DATE: Saturday, July 21, 2001

TIME: 10:00 a.m., Dedication Ceremony
Activities until 4:00 p.m.
Open house until 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: 4220 N. Josey Lane at Hebron Parkway,
Northeast Corner

Join this Community Celebration Featuring:

10:00 a.m.	Dedication Ceremony by Mayor and City Council
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	Performance by the Hallelujah Brass Band
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Balloon Artist
1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	Travels with Richard Ray, Fox 4 News
Until 4:00 p.m.	Craft activities for children
4:00 p.m.	Drawings for American Library Association
Until 5:00 p.m.	Self-guided tours and refreshments

FEATURES

- Electronic classroom
- Drive up window...just call ahead to pick up your materials without leaving your car!
- After hours pick up boxes...pick up your "on hold" items after the library closes from these secure post office-style boxes
- Quiet reading lounge
- Community meeting rooms with kitchen area
- Café area (coming soon)
- Self-service check out station, an "express lane" to speed you on your way
- Children's Storytime Room
- 37,000 square feet

**Call, CLICK
Or Visit Us!**

972-466-4800

www.cityofcarrollton.com

**Carrollton Public Library at
Hebron and Josey 4220 North
Josey Lane at Hebron Parkway**

FREE 'tattoos', mousepads, magnets & refreshments!

Early Voting to begin July 25th CHARTER AMENDMENTS ELECTION



An election will be held Saturday August 11, 2001, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for amendments to the City Charter of the City of Carrollton. Voters will be casting their ballots "YES" or "NO" on the following Charter amendments:

Proposition 1: Shall the Carrollton City Charter Section 2.01: "Number, selection, term" be amended to change council member terms from two years to three years.

Proposition 2: Shall the Carrollton City Charter Section 2.02 "Qualifications" (paragraph 3) be amended to provide term limits of two consecutive three year terms instead of three consecutive two year terms?

Proposition 3: Shall the Carrollton City Charter Section 2.02 "Qualifications" (paragraph 3) be amended to exclude partial terms when determining limits?

Proposition 4: Shall the Carrollton City Charter Section 2/03 "Compensation" be amended to provide pay for city council members of \$200.00 per month and for the Mayor \$375.00 per month?

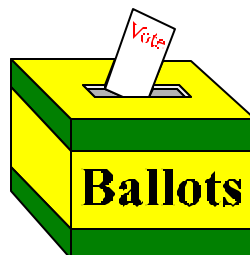
Proposition 5: Shall the Carrollton City Charter Section 7.04 "Number, selection, term of council: (paragraph 4) be amended to provide new selection dates for council members elected to three year terms?

Proposition 6 : Shall the Carrollton City Charter Section 8.01 "powers of the city" be amended to relate to all persons using the rights of way and defending persons to include governmental entities?

Proposition 7: Shall the Carrollton City Charter Section 8.02 "right of way authority of council" be amended to include all persons?

Proposition 8: Shall the leading paragraph of Carrollton City Charter Section 8.04 "right of regulation" be amended to remove the words "public utility or utility service and include the words "to use the public rights of way"?"

Proposition 9: Shall Carrollton City Charter Section 8.04 "right of regulation" [paragraph (4) (a)] be amended to apply to persons holding a franchise, license or other authorization to use the public rights of way if the person is a utility that keeps certain accounts?



Early Voting in the City of Carrollton will be conducted in the first floor lobby of City Hall, 1945 E. Jackson Road, and the Denton County Government Center, 1029 W. Rosemeade, and all other locations as designated by the Dallas County Elections Administrator.

July 25—July 27 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
(Wednesday through Friday)

July 30—August 3 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
(Monday through Friday)

August 4 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
(Saturday)

August 6-August 7 7-a.m.-7 p.m.
(Monday and Tuesday)

August 11, 7 a.m. -7 p.m.
(Saturday)

POLLING PLACES and ELECTION PRECINCTS **Dallas County**

Crosby Road Recreation Center
1400, 1407, 1408 and 1409

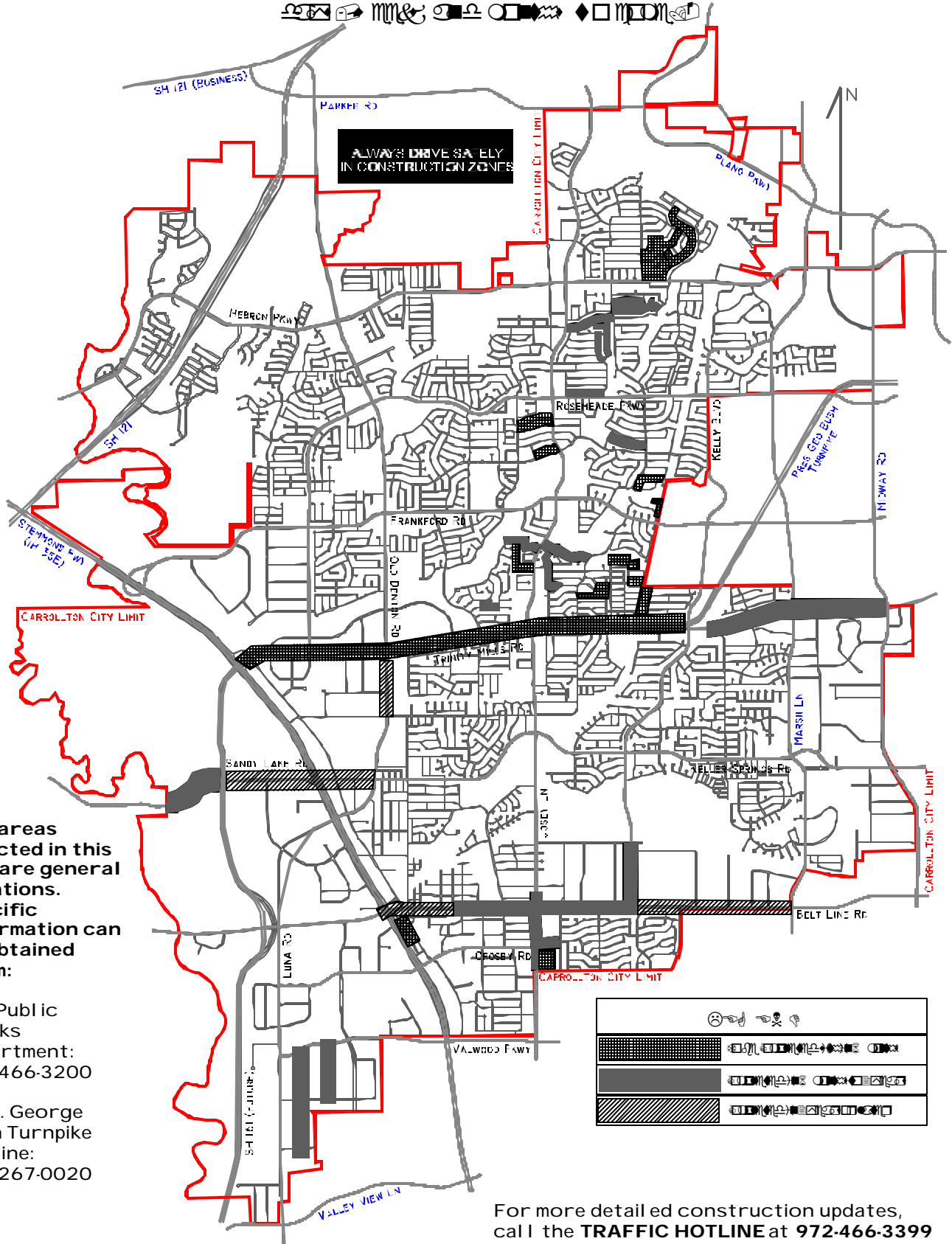
Newman Smith High School
2335 North Josey Lane
1402, 1403, 1404, 1405 and 1305

Country Place Elementary School
2115 Raintree
1406, 1410, 1411 and 1600

Denton County
Rosemeade Recreation Center
1330 Rosemeade Parkway
204, 206, 211, 215, 217, 218 and 310

Thompson (Woodlake) Elementary
2915 Scott Mill Road
205, 209, 212, 214, 225

**Carrollton Public Library
at Hebron & Josey**
4220 North Josey Lane
200, 203, 208, 213., 221, 224 and 227



The areas depicted in this map are general locations. Specific information can be obtained from:

The Public Works Department:
972-466-3200

Pres. George Bush Turnpike Hotline:
972-267-0020

For more detailed construction updates, call the **TRAFFIC HOTLINE** at **972-466-3399**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On October 1, 2001, the city of Carrollton will receive \$790,194 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This amount includes \$777,000 in Program Year (PY) 2001 funds and \$13,194 in funds from reallocated PY 2000 Dallas Area Entitlements. According to Federal law, these funds must be utilized for the principal benefit of persons of low- and moderate- income in Carrollton.

Activities eligible for funding under the CDBG Program include: the enhancement or rehabilitation of community facilities; reconstruction of streets and sidewalks; replacement of water mains and sewer lines; improvements to public parks; housing rehabilitation; first-time home-buyers assistance; etc.

The Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC) held a public hearing on April 12, 2001 to receive public input on the use of these CDBG funds and met on May 10, 2001 to formulate a budget recommendation to the City Council. The NAC proposed PY 2001 Carrollton CDBG Budget is as follows:

Grant Administration and Planning	\$ 75,194
Renovation of Old City Hall	\$775,245*
Total PY 2001 CDBG Budget	\$850,439

**Includes \$60,245 in reprogrammed funds from the PY 2000 CDBG Sidewalk Reconstruction Program*

The City Council will hold a final public hearing on July 10, 2001, to receive your comments on the proposed PY 2001 Carrollton CDBG Budget. This public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers on the 2nd Floor of City Hall, 1945 E Jackson Road.

If you are unable to attend, you may submit written comments, concerns and/or ideas to the following address:

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