June 2018 Urban Landscape Report

New Plantings & Features

The City Hall landscape area renovations and additions were competed this month, at a price of $50,100. An additional $1,300 was spent on post-job irrigation repairs and plant replacements. The new landscape is different from the "Go Native" philosophy adopted for the most of the other city landscape areas. Where most of the properties focus on native, perennial, low-water requirement plants, the new landscape's focus is annual, high-color, water-sensitive plants. The new areas have been added to the city's bed maintenance contract, and will be serviced for weeds, trash, fire ants, and light trimming every 2 weeks during the warm season and monthly during the cool season. It will cost an estimated $30,000 annually to maintain this type of landscape.

New City Hall Landscaping

Recreation Center Landscaping

Tree Pruning & Landscape Maintenance

The Forestry crew spent a significant amount of time watering new trees and applying pesticides around tree mulch areas in several parks. June was also a busy month for irrigation system repairs at City Hall, Recreation Center, Buffalo Run Park, and Public Safety HQ. Several of these landscape areas were treated for insect problems as well. Finally, approximately 70 trees were pruned, chipped and fertilized at Ridgeview Park, along the Right Tree Trail, playground, and pavilion areas.

Events & Outreach

The City of Missouri City will once-again partner with the Houston Area Urban Forestry Council and Texas Forest Service to conduct the 2019 Houston Area Tree Planting Competition at Buffalo Run Park. This partnership started in 2017, with 300 volunteers planting 2300 trees along the shoreline of the new water retention pond. The February 2019 aims to plant an additional 1500 trees along the remaining barren pond shoreline. CenterPoint Energy will once again sponsor the trees and the Houston Area Urban Forestry Council will manage the event.

HOUSTON AREA URBAN FORESTRY COUNCIL

2019 Regional Tree Planting Competition

Saturday, February 9
10:00 am
Buffalo Run Park

1122 Buffalo Run Blvd Missouri City, TX 77489

Teams are invited to participate in the 12th annual tree planting competition for the Greater Houston Region. Teams can have 11 persons per team (1 captain, 10 planters) and must bring their own shovels. Each team (3 per organization max.) will plant 100 trees properly while being timed and judged. The event is $50 per team. Lunch and a t-shirt is included for all participants.

For more information contact Monica Singhania, Regional Urban Forester by calling 713-688-8932.

CenterPoint Energy

Houston Area Urban Forestry Council

Texas A&M Forest Service 1915

Missouri City Texas

2019 Regional Tree Planting Competition Registration

Team type: professional amateur student

Team Name(s): _____

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Team Captain(s) with contact phone number and email:

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If including a donation, please make check payable to: "Houston Area Urban Forestry Council" with "Tree Competition" as the memo.

Deadline: Friday, February 1, 2019

Please send completed registration and $50 check by mail to:

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