



# A MESSAGE FROM OUR MAYOR

JULY 2022

CLS Citizens and Business Owners,

Are you getting ready for the Fourth of July Weekend? We have a lot going on this weekend with the Civic Club hosting a 4th of July Parade on Saturday, July 2 around the island starting at 11:00 (Yes Saturday before the 4th on Monday! That's how we do it here on the Island as it doubles for the Civic Clubs membership Drive!) then moving in to a great picnic at 12:00pm at Jarboe Park with Hamburgers and Hot Dogs for an awesomely low price and many fun games for all members of the family to join in with while listening to music sponsored by Soulfreak. Now I want to remind everyone that it is unseasonably hotter than normal and very dry as to where Galveston County has issued a Burn Ban. With this, it is nothing new that fireworks are illegal in CLS City Limits (Island included) and although there are firework stands selling fireworks outside our City Limits, right in front of the entrance to CLS, that possession and firing of fireworks are still illegal in CLS and the Police will be issuing tickets if you are found in violation of the ordinance. This is for everyone's safety.

On the City Council front, it was a pleasure to recognize the High School Senior Graduating Class of 2022 with a City Proclamation proclaiming June 7, 2022, CLS Senior Recognition Day. Next, we jumped in and had a Joint Public hearing on four zoning change requests with the Planning & Zoning Committee. All requests for changing these to C-1 Commercial zones were denied by Council with a 4-0 vote with Rick Fisher Absent. Details can be found in the Council meeting agenda and minutes or by viewing the meeting online. In addition, there was unanimous approval for the return of Police Department Safety Vision recording devices to the manufacturer when removed from service, Resolution 2022-07 supporting a no-wake zone in and around the Clear Lake Area on June 24, 2022, during the Texas Outlaw Challenge, Resolution 2022-08 authorizing the adoption of the 2022 Galveston County, Texas Hazard Mitigation Plan update, create an ad-hoc committee to review the existing City Ordinances concerning Short-Term Rentals and provide any recommendations for changes to the City Council by the August 02, 2022 meeting, and lastly to approve a dock box on waterfront lease B-052A. The ad-hoc committee is being led by Councilwoman Ledet consisting of 2 council members, 2 residents, 2 STR owners, City Administrator Spier, and Police Chief Keele. Details of the ad-hoc committee can be found online at [CLS Ad-Hoc-Short-Term-Rental-Ordinance-Review](#).

I hope everyone enjoys their 4th of July celebrations on this great country's Independence Day. Be proud that we are American by heart and soul. Let's celebrate Independence Day with true spirit and remember the brave heroes that made this day possible.

May God Bless CLS,

*Mayor Kurt*

***Where every sunset is celebrated, and we look forward to every sunrise!***

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