

THE CITY OF ANTHONY

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RE: Trees and Tree Planter Boxes in the Right of Way

Anthony Business Patrons,

The city is excited to share with you the effort the Anthony Tree Board has been making to return the presence of trees to Main Street. As some of you may have seen, a prototype tree planter box was developed to gauge the size, material type, color etc. for potential tree planter boxes that will be permitted on Main Street. The Tree Board, working in cooperation with the Anthony City Commission, is narrowing down the final specifications of planter boxes and tree species that will be approved to be placed in the right of way in Anthony.

The Tree Board was awarded a grant from the Wayne Dennis Fund to help pay for a portion of the startup costs to produce the final approved planter box and is working with Chaparral High School as a school project for the production.

As excitement grows to join in with the trees, we ask that businesses please be patient as the Tree Board and City Commission finalize the details of this project including the planter box specs, tree species, location allowances, maintenance roles, etc. The Tree Board will reach out to the businesses once these plans have been finalized to share how businesses interested in having trees on Main Street can participate.

Please remember the sidewalk of Main Street is city property and has been dedicated as city right of way. Items placed in the right of way should have preapproval from the City Commission. We appreciate your patience as we all work cooperatively together to bring opportunities for enhanced beautification and attraction for downtown Anthony.

The Tree Board will provide further information on trees very soon!

Respectfully,

Cyndra Kastens City Administrator