

## City Administrator Report – December 14, 2021, City Council Meeting

December is always one of the best times of year in Montgomery with all of the festive decorations and activities in the City. Light Up the Park was held on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. This event was well attended with many people walking through the park to see the decorated poles, hanging around the pavilion area for the entertainment and social time, and the children getting to meet Santa. Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> (which occurs before the City Council Meeting) will include the City events of the Christmas Parade, Snow Party, and Cinema Under the Stars showing of Polar Express, as well as the Montgomery Historical Society Events of the Cookie Walk and the Candlelight Historic Home Tour.

The regular meetings and events in which I attended and participated since the last report include the Regular City Council Meetings of October 26 and November 9, and the Montgomery Economic Development Corporation Meeting of November 15. I also attended a community lunch meeting to introduce State Senator Lois Kolkhorst to the Montgomery/Magnolia area (her district now includes part of the City after redistricting). On November 30 I attended the Montgomery County Economic Forecast Lunch put on by the Greater Houston Building Association. I also attended various meetings with staff and consultants related to ongoing items.

This City Council Meeting has a busy agenda, partly due to only having one meeting in November and partly due to the number of items that happened to be ready to appear before the City Council at this meeting. While there is no specific agenda item this meeting for Redbird Meadows, the City Attorney and City Engineer may be able to provide progress reports on their work towards bringing an ultimate development agreement together.

January begins the new insurance year for City staff. There are 9 total staff members that reach across all departments who are utilizing the new benefit for dependent insurance coverage.

The upcoming holiday schedule for City Hall is:

Friday, December 24 – Closed for Christmas Eve Monday, December 27 – Closed in observance of Christmas Day Friday, December 31 – Closed in observance of New Year's Day Monday, January 17 – Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

I look forward to seeing each of you at this upcoming meeting. If you have specific questions on items within the reports, please feel free to contact me or the appropriate department head prior to the meeting. Also, please let us know if you will be unable to attend this City Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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