



Harris County

Municipal Utility District

No. 81

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Note from the Board of Directors

In response to the new coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 81 (MUD 81) Board of Directors is taking a variety of actions to assist our residents through this challenging time and to help keep our personnel and our residents safe, many of which are discussed in this newsletter. Please rest assured that we are continuing our operations to provide you with safe drinking water that complies with all applicable federal and state requirements. We appreciate your patience and cooperation during this unprecedented event. For more information, please visit the MUD 81 website, at www.hcmud81.com.

Administration Building Closure & Water Bill Payments

In response to federal, state, and local guidance, including the issuance of a Stay Home, Work Safe Order by the Harris County Judge, MUD 81 closed the MUD 81 administration building, located at 805 Hidden Canyon, Katy, during the week of March 23rd, and the building will remain closed until further notice.

Checks and money orders for MUD 81 water bills are still being accepted at the Municipal District Services drop box at 406 West Grand Parkway South, Katy. For more information or any questions, please contact Municipal District Services, at (281) 290-6500, or visit their website, at www.mdswater.com.

Please be advised that processing may be delayed due to precautions being taken related to COVID-19.

Please visit the "Payment Options" page on the MUD 81 website, at www.hcmud81.com/payment.html, for additional ways to pay your water bill. For more information about Harris County's Stay Home, Work Safe Order, please visit www.readyharris.org/Stay-Home.

Suspension of Service Terminations

In order to assist our residents during this challenging time, and in response to state and local guidelines to encourage residents to stay home and stop the spread of COVID-19, the MUD 81 Board of Directors has agreed not to terminate any customer's water service during the COVID-19 pandemic. Please be advised that MUD 81 customers will continue to receive water bills during this time period, and any unpaid balances will remain on your account until paid.

Postponement of May 2020 Directors and Bond Elections

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Postergación de las Elecciones de Directores y Bonos de mayo de 2020

El 18 de marzo de 2020, en respuesta a la propagación de COVID-19, el Gobernador Abbot emitió una proclamación permitiendo a los gobiernos locales como el MUD 81 postergar las elecciones del 2 de mayo de 2020 para el 3 de noviembre de 2020. Animó a todos gobiernos locales a postergar sus elecciones para reducir el riesgo de propagación del COVID-19. El MUD 81 tenía programado celebrar una elección de bonos para que los votantes determinen si el MUD 81 debe participar en las mejoras de drenaje propuestas por el Condado de Harris para las subdivisiones Cimarron y Memorial Parkway y una elección de directores para elegir dos miembros de la Junta Directiva. Para asegurar la seguridad de los funcionarios electorales y de los residentes y para hacer nuestra parte para reducir la propagación de COVID-19, la Junta Directiva del MUD 81 votó postergar su elección de bonos y directores para el 3 de noviembre de 2020. Para más información y fechas importantes de las elecciones postergadas, visite el sitio web del MUD 81 en www.hcmud81.com.

Hoañ Toả Chòuc Cuoãc Baàu Cõu Traùi Phieáu vaø Cauc Giaùm Ñoác Thaùng Naêm 2020

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推遲2020年5月的董事和債券選舉

於2020年3月18日，為了應對COVID-19的傳播，Abbott州長發佈公告，允許像MUD 81這樣的地方政府將2020年5月2日的選舉推遲到2020年11月3日。他鼓勵所有地方政府推遲選舉，以減少傳播COVID-19的風險。MUD 81原計劃舉行一次債券選舉，要求選民確定MUD 81是否應參加Harris縣擬議的Cimarron和Memorial Parkway分區的排水改進，以及舉行一次董事選舉，以選舉兩名董事會成員。為了確保選舉工作人員和居民的安全並儘我們最大的努力減少COVID-19的傳播，MUD 81董事會投票決定將其債券和董事選舉推遲至 2020年11月3日。有關推遲選舉的更多信息和關鍵日期，請訪問MUD 81網站，網址為 <http://www.hcmud81.com/>。

Cancellation of Community Shred Event

Please be advised that, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the community shred event scheduled for Saturday, April 18th, is cancelled. The MUD 81 Board of Directors will reschedule the event when it is safe to do so. We appreciate your cooperation in reducing the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Best Trash Garbage & Recycling Collection Coronavirus Update - Please Bag Your Garbage!

In response to the continuing effects of the new coronavirus (COVID-19) and in observance of our employee's safety, we are asking that all trash and other household waste be placed in plastic bags and tied off before placing them in your trash cart to avoid any direct contact with the garbage.

Please continue to place your recycling loose in your container. However, if anyone in your household is exhibiting symptoms of any transmissible illness, please place recyclables in plastic bags and dispose of them with your regular garbage.

Trash and Recycling Collection Services will continue as normal, but we are experiencing an increase in the amount of residential solid waste as a result of residents spending more time at home. Please be patient as we are doing our best to get everyone collected.

Green waste collection will continue; however we anticipate delays in service. By taking the following steps, residents can help minimize these delays:

- Mulch leaves and grass clippings instead of bagging them for disposal
- Limit the amount of pruning and tree trimming to only what is essential
- If utilizing a landscaping company, ensure all green waste is collected and hauled off by the contractor

Pending Engineering Projects

Emergency Generator and Motor Control Center (MCC) Replacement, Water Treatment Plant No. 4:

Scope: Replace existing diesel-powered emergency generator (~21 years old) with a natural gas-powered emergency generator and replace existing MCC (also ~21 years old) with new MCC equipment.

Additional improvements include a new transformer, new electric service, a new electric main disconnect, a new proposed automatic transfer switch (ATS) that automatically fires up the emergency generator during power outages, and a new autosensory panel that controls the water well and booster pumps.

Status: Existing emergency diesel generator with attendant foundation and supplemental fuel tank and existing MCC and existing transformer have been removed. The foundation for the new natural gas-powered emergency generator has been installed.

The new transformer has been delivered and is awaiting final installation; the new emergency generator, MCC equipment, and autosensory panel are in manufacturing; and the new ATS has been delivered.

Anticipate completion of project in June 2020.

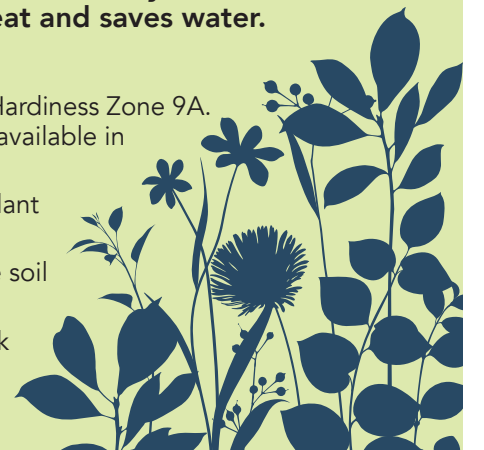
Water Treatment Plant No. 4, Water Well No. 4 Profiling:

Scope: Profile the existing water well to determine which water-bearing sands may be contributing to arsenic levels in the existing well, which have increased in recent years but are still within all applicable federal and state standards, and complete modifications to the existing well per the results from the profiling.

STEPS TO ADD NATIVE AND ADAPTIVE PLANTS TO YOUR YARD

Native plants are a great way to save water, but did you know they're also easy to maintain? Follow these steps and you'll have a beautiful garden that looks great and saves water.

1. Head to your local nursery.
2. Select your favorite plants that are native and/or adaptive to the USDA Plant Hardiness Zone 9A. Texas Lantana is one plant we recommend because it's hardy, beautiful and is available in abundant color varieties.
3. Select a spot in your yard that meets the sun requirements for your selected plant type. Sun requirements can be found on the plant label.
4. Use a garden spade to dig a hole deep and wide enough to cover most of the soil from the pot.
5. Water your new plant immediately after planting, and a couple of times a week for the next month to help it establish roots.
6. Once your plants are established, there's no need to add any extra water.



Status: Existing well has been televised, brushed, and debris removed from the existing well. Currently installing a test pump to assist in upcoming profiling exercises.

Anticipate completion of project in May 2020.

Sanitary Sewer Survey – Memorial Parkway Sections No. 1 & No. 2:

Scope: As part of MUD 81's continuing efforts to be proactive and to maintain its existing infrastructure before there are major problems, MUD 81 is in the process of televising gravity sanitary sewer lines beginning with the oldest lines in the District (~40 years old) to determine if repairs are required.

Status: Memorial Parkway No. 1 & No. 2 gravity sanitary sewers are approximately 80% complete.

Anticipate completion of project in April 2020.

Sanitary Sewer Manhole Survey:

Scope: At the request of the Engineer for the West Memorial Wastewater Treatment Plant and in an effort to be proactive and to maintain its existing infrastructure, MUD 81 is in the process of televising the existing sanitary sewer manholes that convey sewage to the West Memorial Wastewater Treatment Plant due to infiltration (groundwater entering the existing sanitary manholes) experienced during rain events to determine if repairs are required.

Status: Televising of gravity sanitary sewers manholes that convey sewage to the West Memorial Wastewater Treatment Plant is approximately 10% complete.

Anticipate completion of project in May 2020.

Storm Water Drainage Improvements – Memorial Parkway:

Harris County has defined a proposed drainage project with an estimated construction cost of ~\$2,900,000.00. Harris County has determined that 38% of the proposed storm water drainage improvements are to be paid by HCM 81 (~\$1,102,000.00). BGE Inc., the MUD 81 Engineer, has been selected by Harris County as the engineer for these improvements and is in the process of negotiating an engineering contract with Harris County Engineering.

Storm Water Drainage Improvements – Cimarron Sections 2,3,4, & 5:

Harris County has defined a proposed drainage project with an estimated construction cost of ~\$10,850,000.00. Harris County has determined that 50% of the proposed storm water drainage improvements are to be paid by HCM 81 (~\$5,425,000.00). BGE Inc., the MUD 81 Engineer, has been selected as the engineer for these improvements and is in the process of negotiating an engineering contract with Harris County Engineering.