

# CITY DESK

## City of Coppel | Water Bill Insert

### Coppel Connection Volunteer Program



The City of Coppel recognizes and welcomes the extraordinary value that volunteers bring to the public stewardship, citizen engagement, and

expanded resources of our programs, projects, events, and activities.

The City of Coppel is committed to a collaborative relationship that encourages, develops, and honors volunteer contributions as vital to the quality of life in our community. Coppel residents choose this community because of its great schools, excellent location, and hometown feel. Your volunteer efforts make Coppel a special place to live.

For more information and to sign up, visit [coppelltx.gov/volunteer-connections](http://coppelltx.gov/volunteer-connections)



#### Sign up for Coppel Clips

The City's weekly email newsletter.

### STAGE 1 - Water Awareness Stage

No outside watering will be allowed between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., with the exception of the use of non-spray irrigation systems and hand watering. The use of non-spray irrigation systems and hand watering will be allowed all days, at all times during Stage 1.

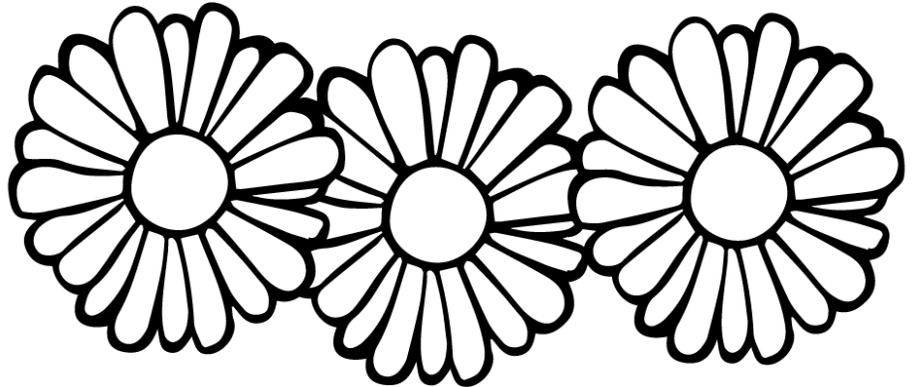
### Summer Movie in the Plaza

School's out! Grab your blankets and chairs and join us in Town Center Plaza for a movie under the stars. Kick off summer with the ultimate summer movie, *Camp Nowhere*, the camp where kids RULE! Friday, June 6 at 8 pm. Free popcorn will be provided by Coppel Parks and Recreation. Free and open to the public.

### Holiday Closings



City of Coppel offices will be closed on Monday, May 26, 2014 in observance of Memorial Day.



## City to Hold Series of Public Input Meetings for Major Projects

The City of Coppel will hold a series of public meetings to garner input on the development aspect of two major projects; the redevelopment of Andy Brown Parks, the Open Space / Streetscape Improvement Projects, and the Coppel Life Safety Park. Public input meetings for all of the projects will start in mid-May.

The Coppel Life Safety Park is a unique project intended to provide educational opportunities for school children, families, and the general public regarding overall life safety programs such as fire-safety procedures, severe weather response, and pedestrian caution. The facility will support not only a broad spectrum of public educational needs, but also provide community features including a park, museum, party room, and public classrooms. In addition, the facility will incorporate an emergency operations center, the primary location for managing the City's response to emergency situations.

The Andy Brown Parks Redevelopment Project will focus on balancing active and passive green spaces fostering opportunities for small group outings, smaller family and friend gatherings, as well as large group activities during seasonal events and community celebrations.

Re-branded sports areas are anticipated to anchor Andrew Brown West and Central as tournament destinations and regional draws for youth sports. Recovered open space, expanded natural areas, trail connections and picnic pavilions should provide enjoyment and preservation of the beautiful, natural setting that have made Andrew Brown Parks a favorite destination.

The Drainage and Open Space Project seeks to create visual enhancements adjacent to the intersection of Sandy Lake Rd. and MacArthur Blvd. by enclosing the drainage channel and allowing developable land. The west side of MacArthur could become a linear park with trail, park benches, water fountain, etc...

The Streetscape Improvement Project will address median and intersection upgrades throughout the city. The goal of this project is two-fold: 1) create visual enhancements, such as landscaping and burying of nearby overhead power lines; 2) increase intersection capacity.

These projects are the first of many intended in the future to improve major intersections and medians throughout the City, and to enhance them visually. Phase 1 will address the intersection of Denton Tap at Sandy Lake.

Majority of the cost for these projects are eligible to be funded through the Coppel Recreation and Development Corporation 1/2-cent sales and use tax, which voters authorized the continuation and broadened use of, in November 2013. Based on historical collections, about 65% of the sales tax collected in Coppel is derived from non-Coppel residents due in part to the successful economic development efforts established in the city's west-side business district. This type of sales tax revenue collection provides significant funding for eligible projects, rather than depending on property tax.

Input meetings for the two projects will be held in the Council Chambers located in Town Center, 255 E. Parkway Blvd. Multiple evenings will be offered to increase community input. Each meeting will incorporate staff and architect presentations, followed by public input. Citizens need only attend one meeting for each project to offer input.

Public meetings for the **Coppel Life Safety Park** will be held in the Council Chambers at 255 E. Parkway Blvd. on the following dates: Sat., May 31 at 10 a.m., Mon., June 2 at 7 p.m., and Tues., June 3 at 7 p.m.

Public meetings seeking input for the **Andy Brown Park Redevelopment** project will be held in the Council Chambers, 255 E. Parkway Blvd. on Mon., May 19 at 7 p.m., Tues., May 20, at 7 p.m., Thurs., May 22, at 7 p.m. and Thurs., May 29 at 7 p.m.

Public meetings seeking input for the **Open Space / Streetscape Improvement** project will be held in the Council Chambers, 255 E. Parkway Blvd. on Thu., June 12 at 7 p.m., and Tue., June 17 at 7 p.m.

For more information, please call 972-304-7065 or email [slogan@coppelltx.gov](mailto:slogan@coppelltx.gov)



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### Library Teen Volunteer Fair

The William T. Cozby Public Library is hosting its fourth annual Teen Volunteer Fair on Thursday, May 22, at 6:30 pm in the library program room. The event is free and open to the public. Representatives from local organizations will be available to meet teens and discuss volunteer opportunities.

### Upcoming Library Programs and Events

#### TEA TIME

**Saturday, May 24th • 2 p.m.**

Enjoy a spot of tea with friends and neighbors. Our guest speaker, Betsy Wilcox the President of the Friends of Coppell Nature Park, will talk about the Biodiversity Center and the Coppell Nature Park. Space is limited. Sign-up is required, please call 972-304-3658 or email [cozbyprograms@coppelltx.gov](mailto:cozbyprograms@coppelltx.gov).

#### LIBRARY ANNIVERSARY PARTY

**Saturday, June 7th • 1 - 4 p.m.**

Help us celebrate the 40th anniversary of the William T. Cozby Public Library! You and your family can enjoy different activities around the library to help us spotlight this special milestone.

#### SUMMER READING CLUB KICK-OFF!

**Saturday, June 7th**

Don't stop reading just because school is out! The library has summer reading programs for all ages, adults too! The first day to sign-up for Summer Reading Club is June 7<sup>th</sup>. Track your reading online and win cool prizes! We also have special events for school-age kids and teens.

### Airport Noise Complaints

If you are experiencing excessive noise from aircraft utilizing DFW Airport you will need to call TWO complaint lines. Please call the City's Airport Noise Complaint Monitoring System at 972-393-4888 and record your complaint.



To complete the complaint process and for it to be properly registered you must also call the DFW Airport Hotline and leave the same complaint. The telephone number for the DFW Airport Hotline is 972-973-3192.

### Keep Coppell Beautiful Class - Hands On Composting

Don't send your yard waste to the landfill! Come and learn how to turn leaves, grass, and kitchen scraps into rich compost that will nourish your lawn and garden. Visit the award-winning Coppell Community garden at 450 S. Coppell Rd. on Saturday May 17, at 11 AM. Please visit [coppellcommunitygarden.org](http://coppellcommunitygarden.org) for more information.

### Keep Coppell Beautiful: Sustainable Homes - Energy

Whether you are interested in saving on home energy costs, or doing your part to be more green, the sustainable home energy class will help you reach your goals. Learn how you can make a difference with lighting, shading, sealing your home and choosing energy-efficient appliances, heaters and cooling equipment. This class will focus on saving energy, money and the environment.

Attend the class at the Biodiversity Education Center at 367 Freeport Parkway, Saturday May 31 11 AM to 12:30 PM.

## Brick Paver Replacement and Temporary Closure

The City's Engineering Department is preparing for reconstruction of the intersection of Belt Line Rd. and MacArthur Blvd. This project will include the replacement of the intersection's brick pavers with stamped concrete pavement. The anticipated start date for this project is Summer 2014.

In order to perform this work, the contractor will need to temporarily close various lanes of traffic. One lane of traffic will be allowed northbound and southbound on MacArthur at all times. Belt Line Rd. will be closed from its intersection with MacArthur to the west, approximately 350 feet, where there is a median opening to allow traffic to make a u-turn. Belt Line Rd. will be closed from its intersection with MacArthur Blvd. to the east, approximately 650 feet, where there is a median opening to allow traffic to make a u-turn.

Vehicles traveling on MacArthur Blvd. seeking access to E. Belt Line will be detoured, through a temporary traffic signal at Riverchase Dr. via Fairway Dr. to E. Belt Line Rd. Vehicles traveling on MacArthur Blvd. seeking access to Belt Line Rd. to the west will be detoured via Sandy lake Rd. and Denton Tap to Belt Line Road.

Vehicles traveling westbound on E. Belt Line will be detoured north on Fairway Drive to Riverchase Drive. Vehicles traveling from the west seeking access to MacArthur Blvd. should use Denton Tap Rd. to Sandy Lake. Motorists are encouraged to seek alternate routes during construction.

Once the road closure begins, the contractor will have 30 calendar days to re-establish all lanes of traffic through the intersection and will receive an incentive/disincentive bonus based on this time. Drivers will soon see message boards and signage along MacArthur and Belt Line informing the traveling public about the scheduled closure.

## Farmers Market Features New Location

Look for the Coppell Farmers Market around the corner in the public square located in Old Town Coppell at 768 W. Main Street. If you liked the old site, you'll love the new site, just one short block away!

The Coppell Farmers Market will have a new configuration, with many vendors under the pavilion, T-ing off into a large open space for the large trucks with trailers. Extra signage and volunteers will be ready on opening day to help customers find their favorite vendors. All vendors will be returning this year so there will be plenty of familiar faces along with some additional farmers growing sustainable produce, though not all will be present on Opening Day. Parking for the market is along the one-way streets around the square, including a parking lot to the northwest of the pavilion.

The Coppell Farmers Market is open every Saturday now, 8 AM to Noon. The farmers market accepts Lone Star Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) and bank ATM cards used to purchase wooden market tokens (market cash) at the CFM Info booth and free coffee. For the most current market news and events, join the Coppell Farmers Market on Facebook and Twitter and subscribe to a weekly email update at [coppellfarmersmarket.org](http://coppellfarmersmarket.org).

## June Meetings

Park Board	6/2	6:30 PM	Senior and Community Center
Board of Adjustment	6/5	7 PM	Town Center
City Council	6/10	7:30 PM	Town Center
Library Board	6/12	7 PM	William T. Cozby Public Library
Planning & Zoning	6/19	6 PM	Town Center
Keep Coppell Beautiful	6/19	7 PM	BioDiversity Education Center

## Floodplain Information

Coppell has four major tributaries flowing through or adjacent to the city. These tributaries are Denton Creek, Grapevine Creek, Cottonwood Creek, and the Elm Fork of the Trinity River. Also, there are numerous small tributaries meandering through neighborhoods and eventually joining with the major tributaries. This article is to provide information about the floodplain in the city and ways to protect you and your property.

Flooding occurs when the runoff caused by precipitation is too great to be confined in normal water channels. Rising water could damage or destroy any structures or objects in the floodplain. Also, any property damaged or destroyed by rising water is not covered under homeowners insurance. The only way to insure your property from rising water is to purchase a flood insurance policy separate from your homeowners insurance.

The City keeps a copy of floodplain literature and maps for viewing at the Library, or you can stop by the City's Engineering Dept. in the Development Center at 265 Parkway Blvd. If you have any flooding or drainage concerns on your property, we have City staff available to provide advice and/or site visits. Please contact Michael Garza, P.E. (972)304-7019 [mgarza@coppelltx.gov](mailto:mgarza@coppelltx.gov).

Before any development or improvements will be allowed in the floodplain, a floodplain development permit must be obtained from the Engineering Department. As part of the floodplain permit, additional information may be required such as a flood study to determine if the improvements will be allowed.

If you are interested in purchasing floodplain insurance, you can contact your local insurance company or contact the National Flood Insurance Program.