

# COMMUNITY WASTE DISPOSAL COMING TO LUCAS IN OCTOBER 2022

The City of Lucas and Community Waste Disposal (CWD) have entered into an agreement for solid waste and recycling services beginning October 1, 2022. CWD will be replacing Barnes Waste Disposal and Republic Services as the new solid waste and recycling services provider. In 2021, the City received notice from Barnes Waste Disposal stating that they were unable to continue to provide solid waste services to Lucas residents. The current agreement with Barnes Waste Disposal expires on September 30, 2022. In January 2022, the City released a Request for Proposal (RFP) to seek proposals from companies interested in providing solid waste and recycling services to Lucas. The City received proposals from BlackJack Disposal, CARDS Recycling, CWD, and Republic Services. City staff assembled an evaluation team to review and evaluate the proposals based on criteria in the RFP. CWD was ranked the highest overall, followed by Republic Services, BlackJack Disposal and CARDS Recycling.

In April 2022, the City Council voted to select CWD as the new provider for residential solid waste and recycling services. The City's current recycling provider, Republic Services, will continue to provide recycling services until the transition to CWD has been completed. The City will be communicating new information to residents on the transition to CWD. Please stay tuned for more details regarding the transition process. If you have any questions regarding solid waste and recycling services, please contact Assistant to the City Manager Kent Souriyasak by phone 972.912.1213 or email at kent@lucastexas.us.

Rates for Residential Solid Waste and Recycling	
<b>Base Residential Services for All Lucas Residents</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>
Solid Waste Service (once a week – trash cart included)	\$26.10
Recycling Service (once a week – recycling cart included)	
Unlimited Bundled Brush Collection (once a week)	
Limited Bulk and Unbundled Brush Collection (once a week)	
Doors Side Household Hazardous Waste and Used Electronics Collection (twice per year per resident)	
Senior Citizen Rate (age 65 or older) for Base Residential Services	\$23.49
<b>Optional Residential Services for All Lucas Residents</b>	<b>Monthly Rate</b>
Additional Trash Cart (each)	\$13.19
Additional Recycling Cart (each)	\$5.44
Concierge Service for Solid Waste Only (once a week – CWD cart)	
• 0 ft – 100 ft from public street to point of collection	\$30.81
• 100 ft – 300 ft from public street to point of collection	\$61.63
• 300 ft and more from public street to point of collection	To Be Determined
Excess Bulk and Brush Accumulations Collection (per yard)	\$15.00
Manure and Stable Matter Collection (once a week – CWD cart)	\$29.00
Additional Manure and Stable Matter Collection Cart	\$19.00
Replace Lost/Stolen Trash or Recycling Cart (each)	\$76.05

## New Residential Solid Waste and Recycling Services

### Solid Waste Collection

- Once per week collection of a CWD provided 95-gallon gray trash polycart
- All solid waste must be placed inside the cart with the lid closed.
- Collection to occur on the resident's scheduled day, Monday – Friday between 7 am – 7 pm.

### Recycling Collection

- Once per week collection of a CWD provided 95-gallon blue recycle polycart
- All recyclables must be placed loosely in cart with lid closed.
- Recycling services are provided to all Lucas residents and is not on a subscription basis.
- Collection to occur on the resident's scheduled day, Monday – Friday between 7 am – 7 pm.

### Unlimited Bundled Brush Collection

- Once per week collection of unlimited bundled brush.
- Each tied bundle cannot exceed 4 feet by 2 feet nor weigh more than 50 pounds per bundle.
- Collection to occur on the resident's scheduled day, Monday – Friday between 7 am – 7 pm.

### Limited Bulk and Unbundled Brush Collection

- Once per week collection of 2 cubic yards of bulky waste and/or unbundled brush
- Maximum length for an unbundled limb is 6 feet and no single limb or bulk item weighing more than 150 pounds.
- Collection to occur on the resident's scheduled day, Monday – Friday between 7 am – 7 pm.

### Door Side Household Hazardous Waste/Used Electronics Collection

- Twice per year collection offered to each Lucas resident.
- Residents contact CWD 10 business days prior to the scheduled collection (offered 1x month). CWD will mail a collection kit and instructions on how to properly package the material and when the scheduled collection will occur.

### Optional Concierge Service for Solid Waste Collection Only

- Once per week collection of a CWD provided 95-gallon gray trash polycart
- This is an optional residential service. CWD has the right to approve or deny the service at a particular residential location.
- If a resident selects this service, the resident will provide CWD unrestricted access to the solid waste polycarts between 7 am – 7 pm on the scheduled collection day.
- Concierge service will only apply to solid waste collection and does not apply to bulk, unbundled/bundled brush, recycle or manure/stable matter collection.
- Concierge services will be billed based on the distance from the public road to the point of trash cart collection. All charges will be in addition to the standard residential rate.

### Optional Excess Bulk and Brush Accumulations Collection

Residents with excess bulky waste and unbundled brush can contact CWD to receive a quote for a paid special collection. Quote is based on a per cubic yard rate and is billed directly by CWD to the resident prior to the collection.

### Optional Manure and Stable Matter Collection

- Once per week collection of a CWD provided 95-gallon gray trash polycart.
- CWD polycart cannot be filled more than halfway due to weight restrictions.
- This is an optional residential service and CWD has the right to approve or deny the service at a particular residential location.
- CWD will bill the resident directly.
- Residents will not be required to use CWD for manure or stable matter collection.

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

By Jim Olk

This month I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the volunteers that help keep this community a true gem in Collin County. Let me start with the City Council. Yes, they are elected positions, but our Councilmembers volunteered to put their names on a ballot, and they spend hours preparing for and attending meetings as well as responding to questions from citizens.

Most of the Councilmembers volunteer in additional capacities sitting on boards and committees representing the interests of the residents of Lucas. Councilmembers are liaisons to the Board of Adjustment, Parks and Open Space Board, and the Planning and Zoning Commission. City of Lucas Councilmembers also volunteer their time to work with other organizations such as the North Texas Municipal Water District, North Central Texas Council of Governments, and Friends of Lucas Fire-Rescue to name just a few.

If you haven't recently looked at the City's calendar, please do. You will notice that there is a ton of things going on for such a small community. All these things are not possible without volunteers. Founders Day, which will have already happened by the time you're reading this article, had roughly 20 volunteers that helped out. Additionally, the City and the Farmers Market received voluntary help from those who put on our bi-weekly Farmers Markets. There is a large Farmers Market Committee that works all year round to make sure that the Farmers Markets will have a variety of vendors and that local products will be highlighted during the event. These events, along with Movie in the Park and Country Christmas, all come through our Parks and Open Space Board. This Board is appointed by the City Council and does a tremendous job highlighting what can happen when we work together.

There are two other groups that I mentioned earlier, the Board of Adjustment and the Planning and Zoning Commission. Both groups are also appointed by the City Council and their responsibility is to help maintain the atmosphere and quality of life that we so cherish here in Lucas. They listen to the community, thoroughly study issues that are brought before them, and make decisions and recommendations that focus on Lucas values. These volunteers

spend time reviewing issues and requests that are brought before them. Their viewpoint and input are invaluable in ensuring that we maintain the vision that we have for Lucas. I know that I have only touched on a small percentage of the volunteers that help us keep Lucas running. I do want to thank all of our residents that make this type of impact, but I would also be remiss if I didn't thank our great City staff. Undoubtedly, without great staff, we wouldn't have the excellent Fire and EMS that we enjoy; we wouldn't have roads to drive on; we wouldn't have clean water delivered to our faucets; and we wouldn't have the many, many events that we enjoy.

So, if you happen to meet someone that mentions that they volunteer or work for the City of Lucas, please give them a big THANK YOU. Without them I am not sure where we would be.

## DEALING WITH WILD HOGS



by Chase T. Brooke,  
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Wild pigs are more than just a nuisance; they cause severe economic harm in communities across Texas and throughout Collin

County. A part of what makes these swine so challenging is how they rapidly reproduce and are notorious for tearing up property, creating health hazards, and creating a public safety risk. Often times, damage on a property is caused by either rooting or wallowing of wild pigs. As opportunistic omnivores, they are able to eat a wide variety of plant and animal matter and will often root in fields, pastures, and gardens to find food. Additionally, wild pigs wallow in moist areas near ponds and streams to cool off. Preventing property damage is challenging, however, effective fencing is the best means of preventing new wild pig incursions onto a property. Any wild pig populations within the fence will need to be removed via trapping or other means. Trapping may be conducted by the landowner, or by hiring a trapper or licensed contractor. For more information about feral hog management, visit: <https://feralhogs.tamu.edu/>.

# Upcoming Events

The City continues to use Zoom to allow for remote public participation. To download a video conferencing link, go to <https://www.lucastexas.us/zoom-link-for-city-council-board-meetings/>.

- June 2** City Council Meeting  
City Hall | 6:30 pm
- June 9** Planning and Zoning Meeting  
City Hall | 6:30 pm
- June 16** City Council Meeting  
City Hall | 6:30 pm
- June 22** Board of Adjustment  
City Hall | 6:30 pm

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 11** Lucas Farmers Market  
Community Park | 8 am - Noon
- June 25** Lucas Farmers Market  
Community Park | 8 am - Noon

## LUCAS FARMERS MARKET IN FULL SWING

June is upon us and the local gardens in Texas are in full production now. You can expect to find fresh greens, tomatoes, fresh herbs, fennel, leeks, garlic, onions, zucchini, peppers and more at the Lucas Farmers Market!

### June 11 - 2nd Annual Ice Cream Crank Off

Join us for the 2nd Annual Ice Cream Crank Off. Come out with your best, crazy, wild ice cream and compete for bragging rights for the next year. The Lemmon Family holds the current title and dares someone to take it away! The proceeds from this event will go towards benefiting the All Community Outreach nonprofit. For more information, email [farmersmarket@lucastexas.us](mailto:farmersmarket@lucastexas.us)



### June 25 - Yoga in the Park and Kids Kraft Day

The Farmer Market will include a special "Yoga in the Park and Kids Kraft Day" event. The yoga session will be led by Lori Langford Washko. Yoga will begin at 8:30 am, and the Kids craft session with the Turnbow Family is at 10 am.

### Canned Goods Reminder

Remember to bring your canned goods to every Farmers Market event. We will be collecting non-perishables for All Community Outreach and Samaritan Inn.

## ATTENTION LUCAS QUILTERS!

An organizational meeting will be held based on response of Lucas residents who would be interested in getting together for the love of quilting. Skillset is not a qualification. Lucas holds a rich history of past residents who have gotten together in homes, churches and schools to socialize and share their common hobby. Today, many are interested in quilting for the artistry, tradition, and history of this pastime.

For anyone who might be interested, please contact Kathleen Lo Sapio at [gigilsapio@yahoo.com](mailto:gigilsapio@yahoo.com). A meeting date and place will be determined after responses have been received.

## ALL ENGINES GO FOR THE LUCAS CAR SHOW

The first Lucas Car Show was held on Saturday, May 7 at Creekwood United Methodist Church. Complete Customs of McKinney and Homes by J. Anthony hosted the special event sponsored by the City of Lucas. Donation proceeds were collected at the Lucas Car Show to go towards the restoration of the City's first fire engine known as Ol' Streaker. The Lucas Car Show was a success featuring 102 custom cars including classics, sports, and lifted trucks. Congratulations to the winners of the Lucas Car Show: Bob Kirk, Rob Bennett, Andy Cox, Trey Spangler, Steve Butler, Chris Duhon, Bob Gant, Buddy Martin, Billy the Plumber, and Lisa Bennett. We appreciate all the participants who featured their special cars at the Lucas Car Show. A special thank you to Creekwood United Methodist Church, Complete Customs of McKinney, and Homes by J. Anthony for providing a wonderful special event to the community.



## FIREWORKS PROHIBITED

### KNOW THE RULES



The City of Lucas wants everyone to have a safe summer, but please do not include discharging fireworks as part of your festivities. We want to remind everyone that the use of fireworks is prohibited. More importantly, the City of Lucas prides itself on being animal-friendly and fireworks can be very dangerous to our pets and livestock. The City is also blessed with beautiful trees; the risk of fire from the use of fireworks is significant and presents a substantial risk to homes in the area. Discharging fireworks can also cause problems for our veterans and families with young children as well. Using fireworks is prohibited by City ordinance in the city limits of Lucas, and any person found in violation will have their fireworks confiscated and may also receive a citation.

## HISTORICAL LUCAS PICTURES

Do you have pictures of Lucas from long ago when the City was not as built up as it is today? If so, the City would love for you to send in your photos to help build the City's historical photo inventory and displays. Please send any historical photos you may want to contribute to City Secretary Stacy Henderson at: [shenderson@lucastexas.us](mailto:shenderson@lucastexas.us)

## SUMMER SAFETY TIPS

### Swim Smart

Kids aren't the only ones who need to practice safe swimming. Adults need to keep swimming safety in mind, too. Whether enjoying the pool, beach, lake, or river, any body of water can be dangerous if the appropriate precautions aren't taken.

### Wear Daily Sunscreen

Reduce your skin cancer risk by wearing sunscreen daily. The American Academy of Dermatology recommends applying sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or higher.

### Stay Hydrated

Staying hydrated is always important for optimal body functioning, but especially during the hot and humid months. If you plan to spend a lot of time outdoors, make sure you keep water with you and drink it often.

# Founders Day

CELEBRATION

The City of Lucas held its Founders Day event on Saturday, May 14 at the Community Park. Founders Day featured the Lucas Farmers Market, mini golf, carnival games, stick horse rodeo, pony hop derby, Lucas

historical exhibit, and silent auction by the Legacy 4-H Club. The Founders Day Parade was held at Hart Elementary School which featured special participants including the Service Tree Award recipients, Lucas Car Show winners, and horse riders. In-N-Out Burger provided a generous in-kind donation of free meals and beverages to the public. Coserv also provided free popcorn and cotton candy. Founders Day featured new food vendors such as Smokin' Joe's with specialty hot dogs and Texas Ice Cream with various ice cream flavors. We hope the community thoroughly enjoyed this family friendly event and we look forward to celebrating Founders Day with you in 2023.



2022 Service Tree recipient Gary Johnson and his wife.



2022 Service Tree recipient Tammy Duke and her family.

## PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES

### SMART PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT

Public Works has implemented a more data-driven, asset focused approach to the maintenance of Lucas streets. The city contracted NEXCO Highway Solutions of America Inc. to provide a condition rating for every street in Lucas, in 33-foot intervals, that identifies each pavement distress in the city. Public Works got to work right away by filling newly identified potholes and will be performing crack sealing city wide this summer to preserve existing roadways. Public Works is also evaluating each street to determine the most efficient, long-term solution for every road segment in the City's street network. If you have questions, contact Patrick Hubbard, Management Analyst, at City Hall by calling 972-912-1209 or email [phubbard@lucastexas.us](mailto:phubbard@lucastexas.us).

### BLONDY JHUNE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

Public Works/Engineering and Development Services staff met with the contractor that will be reconstructing Blondy Jhune Road as it extends from Country Club Road to the existing concrete. The contractor anticipates starting construction on the roadway within the next three weeks and will provide traffic control throughout the duration of construction. The roadway will be reduced to one lane with only inbound traffic from Country Club Road permitted to travel through the roadway. This ensures efficient access for emergency vehicles. City staff will monitor this construction through the duration of the project and are working with the contractor to ensure that this phase of the project moves swiftly.