

CWD Rates for Residential Solid Waste and Recycling	
Base Residential Services for All Lucas Residents	Monthly Rate
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
Optional Residential Services for All Lucas Residents	Monthly Rate
Additional Trash Cart (each)	\$13.19
Additional Recycling Cart (each)	\$5.44
Concierge Service for Solid Waste Only (once a week – CWD cart)	\$30.81
• 0 ft – 100 ft from public street to point of collection	
• 100 ft – 300 ft from public street to point of collection	
• 300 ft and more from public street to point of collection	
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

WHAT IS WATER CONSERVATION?



Water is an essential part of our everyday life. Yet for most of us, we probably do not think about water very often. We have come to expect that water will be there when we turn on our faucet. In reality, every drop has been on a journey through hundreds of miles of pipes, treatment plants, and delivered 24/7 by your neighbors here at the North Texas Municipal Water District.

Water conservation is the practice of using water efficiently to reduce waste. Water conservation and the efficient use of today's supply is more important now than ever. With the NTMWD's service area population doubling over the next 50 years, a quarter of our water supply will be what we can use wisely today. Conservation not only helps extend water supplies during frequent Texas droughts, but it is also critical to meet future water demands.

With just a few simple changes, you can actually make a big impact to reduce your water footprint. For tips on how you can help conserve water, visit the North Texas Municipal Water District website at: www.ntmwd.com/help-us-conserve/#

SAVE THE DATE: PUBLIC LANDS TRAIL CLEANUP

The Public Lands Trail Cleanup will be held on Saturday, September 17, 2022, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The City is partnering with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Trinity Trail Preservation Association to remove trash and debris along the Trinity Trail at Lavon Lake in observance of National Public Lands Day. All volunteers will receive cleanup supplies and City staff will safely transport volunteers to cleanup areas. A special volunteer lunch will be provided at the end of the trail cleanup. If you are interested in volunteering at the Public Lands Trail Cleanup, please fill out an adult or minor volunteer registration online form at: www.lucastexas.us/event/2022-public-lands-trail-cleanup. Please look in the next newsletter for information regarding the check-in location for the cleanup event. All volunteers will be contacted prior to the cleanup event with further information. The City encourages you to volunteer in the trail cleanup as we continue to promote the beautification of Lucas and public lands.

CITY CONDUCTING A WATER RATE STUDY

The City has contracted with Capex Consulting Group to conduct a five-year water and wastewater study. The purpose of the study is to design and implement a rate plan that will enable the water fund to meet operating and capital expenditure requirements. The study considers each customer class (residential and commercial) to make sure any rate structure is just and reasonable. It also reflects national and industry standards for ratemaking, as well as making sure rates are competitive with other water providers in the area. The Capex Consulting Group began this study on Monday, July 11, 2022, and should take approximately three months to complete.

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS FOR LEMONTREE AND KINGSWOOD

At City Council direction, the engineering firm Birkhoff, Hendricks, and Carter LLP is working closely with staff to prepare plans for drainage improvements in the Lemontree and Kingswood neighborhoods. City Council selected the Rimrocks Detention Pond Embankment Improvement Project and the Orchard Road South Culvert and Channel Improvement Project based on the conclusions of previous studies. Stormwater modeling predicts that, in combination with past projects, these are the improvements likely to have the greatest positive impact on drainage in this area. For more information, please contact Engineering staff at 972.912.1208 or email engineering@lucastexas.us.

FOREST GROVE ROAD CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

Road construction is scheduled to begin on Forest Grove Road from Orr Road to Stonegate Boulevard during the week of August 3, 2022. This will consist of milling the existing pavement, cement stabilizing the base of the road and adding new asphalt. Though the road will remain open during construction, motorists are encouraged to use an alternative route during construction to avoid delays. For more information, please contact Engineering staff at 972.912.1209 or email engineering@lucastexas.us.

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

By Jim Olk

Upcoming Trash and Recycling Transition

Beginning in October 2022, Community Waste Disposal (CWD) will become the new residential trash and recycling services provider. The new base residential trash and recycling services will include one free CWD trash cart and one free CWD recycle cart. All residents will receive weekly

collection of trash, recycling, and brush/bulk. In addition, all residents will have the opportunity to request door side collection of household hazardous waste or used electronics twice per year. These services are included with your base residential rate of \$26.10 (including taxes and fees). A senior citizen discount rate of \$23.49 (including taxes and fees) is also available to request if you meet the requirements. There are also optional services you may request for an additional fee such as extra carts, concierge service, and manure/stable matter collection. In preparation for the upcoming residential trash and recycling services transition to Community Waste Disposal (CWD), please be aware of the following transition process from Barnes Waste Disposal and Republic Services to CWD:

Republic Services Recycle Carts Removal

The last day of subscription-based recycling service by Republic Services is September 23, 2022. Please leave your Republic recycle carts out after your regular recycling pickup has been collected. Your Republic recycle carts will be removed beginning September 24, 2022. Republic Services will be sending out notifications to remind all subscribers to leave their recycle carts out so they can be removed. If your recycle cart does not get removed, please continue to leave the cart out to be removed throughout the first week of October.

Barnes Waste Disposal Trash Carts Removal

The last week of trash service by Barnes Waste Disposal is September 26-30, 2022. Please leave your Barnes trash carts out after your regular trash pickup has been collected. Your Barnes trash carts will be removed throughout the weekend and the first week of October. If your trash cart does not get removed, please continue to leave your cart out as work crews will continue to remove any remaining carts.

CWD Delivery of New Trash and Recycle Carts

CWD will be delivering one new trash cart and one new recycle cart to each Lucas residence beginning October 3, 2022. Your new trash cart and recycle cart will be delivered on your new service day. There will also be a CWD brochure attached to your new cart which provides information on the new available services and collection schedule. You will also receive a mailed copy of the CWD brochure in advance. Please look out for more information in the next newsletter and in the CWD brochure on how to find out your new service day prior to the transition.

Senior Citizen Discount Rate

The City will offer a senior citizen discount rate for seniors ages 65 or older on base residential trash/recycling services only. Seniors ages 65 or older can apply for the senior citizen discount rate. This discount does not apply to additional optional services such as extra carts, concierge service, excess bulk, or manure/stable matter collection. To learn more about the requirements and how to submit an online request form for the senior citizen discount rate, please go to: www.lucastexas.us/senior-citizen-discount-request.

Optional Additional Services

If you are interested in requesting additional optional services such as reducing your existing trash carts, adding extra carts, concierge service and manure/stable matter collection, please submit a trash/recycling request form at: www.lucastexas.us/trash-recycling-services-request-form.

If you have any questions, please contact Assistant to the City Manager Kent Souriyasak at kent@lucastexas.us or 972.912.1213.

SIGN UP FOR CITY EMERGENCY ALERTS WITH NIXLE

The City is encouraging all Lucas residents and businesses to sign up for city emergency alerts with Nixle. You will receive important alerts such as road closures, traffic accidents, flooding issues, water service disruptions, and much more. The City partners with Nixle to implement a community notification system to alert residents in real-time for localized emergency situations and relevant community advisories. Sign up for Nixle with your email address to receive detailed alerts and mobile phone number to receive text alerts at: <https://www.lucastexas.us/nixle/>.

Upcoming Events

The City will no longer be using Zoom for meetings. City meetings will still be available through live-streaming with SwagIt. To watch live meetings, or to view prior meetings, visit: www.lucastexas.us/departments/public-meetings. Live streaming for City meetings are active approximately 15 minutes prior to the start time.

- August 4** City Council Meeting
City Hall | 6:30 pm
- August 11** Planning and Zoning Meeting
City Hall | 6:30 pm
- August 18** City Council Meeting
City Hall | 6:30 pm
- August 24** Board of Adjustment
City Hall | 6:30 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 13** Lucas Farmers Market
Community Park | 8:00 am - Noon
- August 27** Lucas Farmers Market
Community Park | 8:00 am - Noon

LUCAS FARMERS MARKET

Summer is here and the Lucas Farmers Market is in full swing.

This year the Farmers Market has more produce, beef, wagyu beef, chicken, berkshire pork, and eggs than ever before. The Market also has some new vendor items this year including cake pops, goat cheese, CBD and beer soap. Additionally, the youth booths continue to impress with lemonade, cutting boards, and more.



The Farmers Market “Events Under The Pavilion” continues to be lots of fun. July saw a hula hoop contest for kids and an amazing sous vide demo featuring roast beef and pan seared sea scallops.

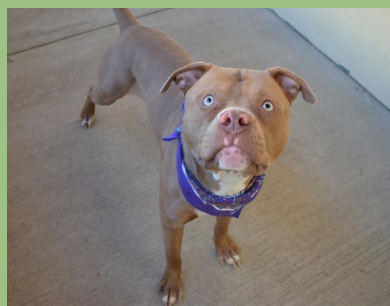
August will have a great back-to-school market with dunk tanks for school principles and a gun safety demo by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD).

As a reminder, please bring canned goods to the Farmers Market to help support All Community Outreach and Samaritan Inn. These booths are present at every market and will be accepting canned goods to further support communities in our area.

Upcoming Market Events

- August 13 Back-to-School Event
- August 27 TPWD - Gun Safety/Hunting Regulations
- September 10 Lucas Fire-Rescue Event & 9/11 Memorial
- September 24 Bee Keeping 101 Demonstration
- October 8 World Food Day Celebration
- October 22 Pumpkin Decorating for Kids

ADONIS IS LOOKING FOR A LOVING HOME



My name is Adonis (946636) and I am a loving one year old Staffie mix boy. I am all things awesome: playful, loving and gentle. I am also fun and goofy! So if you like to laugh and love to cuddle, I am the guy for you! If you would like to visit Adonis or other animals at the shelter, Collin County Animal Services is located at 4750 Community Avenue in McKinney. For more information, visit the Collin County Animal Services website: www.collincountytx.gov/animal_services/Pages/default.aspx.

CONGRATULATIONS TO LUCAS FIRE-RESCUE



Fire protection in the City of Lucas is receiving the highest Public Protection Classification rating awarded by the Insurance Services Office and approved by the Texas Department of Insurance and the Texas Fire Marshal’s Office. The City of Lucas will join approximately 75 other communities in Texas with a Class 1 rating.

The Insurance Services Office (ISO) is a leading supplier of statistical, underwriting and actuarial information for the property/casualty insurance industry.

As part of its evaluation, the ISO collects information on municipal fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States. ISO’s Public Protection Classification (PPC) Program helps establish appropriate fire insurance premiums for residential and commercial properties and provides insurance companies with reliable, up-to-date information about a community’s fire protection services. The formal assessment process consisted of three major areas:

- Fire department (staffing, equipment, training, and emergency response capabilities).
- Water supply system (highlighting the water supply a community uses for fire suppression).
- Fire alarm and communications system (dispatch).

The ISO evaluation of the fire department accounts for 50 percent of the rating; while water supply accounts for 40 percent, and the department’s communication system accounts for the final 10 percent. The ISO rating is used to measure the quality and effectiveness of fire protection in a community. Additionally, it allows residential and commercial property owners the opportunity to obtain the best possible insurance rates. Our new ISO Class 1 rating takes effect on October 1, 2022.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE CITY SECRETARY STACY HENDERSON

Stacy Henderson has resigned from the City of Lucas to join the City of Farmers Branch to become their next City Secretary. This is an amazing opportunity for Stacy to continue to provide her expertise in elections, records management and local government operations while also providing her with an opportunity to be a leader in a much larger and diverse city. Stacy joined the City of Lucas in February of 2015 and has been instrumental in the implementation of many improvements and helped us to become more efficient while keeping a focus on service. Stacy will be missed, and we all wish her the absolute best in her new position! The City of Lucas has opened the hiring process for the City Secretary position. For more information, visit www.lucastexas.us/job-opportunities/.



DONATIONS FOR LEGACY 4-H



In June of this year, the Legacy 4-H Family and Community Health (FCH) Quiz Bowl Senior Team pulled off a clean-sweep victory against 16 other teams at the Texas State Round Up. Their undefeated championship performance qualifies them to advance to the Western National Round Up in Fort Collins, Colorado in January 2023. The cost for the 4-day event is estimated at \$9,000, and the Legacy team is already hard at work raising the needed money. They have participated in Lucas’ award-winning

Farmers Market, offering produce, eggs, flower bouquets, and other locally grown items. So far, they have raised \$2,600, but it’s a long way to Colorado, and the Texas sun is no friend to farm products.

The team welcomes the generosity of fellow Lucasites to help them reach the championship tournament. Please stop by City Hall to make a donation near the 4-H sponsored seed library. Your generous contribution is greatly appreciated!

Legacy 4-H provides kids ages 8-18 with valuable life skills and actively supports our community through service projects. For more information about the club, go to www.Legacy4H.club.

ICMA RECOGNIZES CITY OF LUCAS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXCELLENCE AWARD

The City of Lucas will be honored by the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) as a recipient of the Local Government Excellence Award for Community Partnership for the Lucas Farmers Market. ICMA’s Local Government Excellence Award for Community Partnership recognizes programs that demonstrate innovation, excellence, and success in multi-participant involvement between a local government, private sector businesses, individuals, and/or nonprofit agencies to improve the quality of life for residents. As the recipient of the ICMA Local Government Excellence Award for Community Partnership, the City of Lucas will be honored in various platforms including ICMA’s Annual Conference from September 17 through September 21, 2022.

The mission of the Lucas Farmers Market is to create a safe and pleasant social experience for our community and visitors by providing access to local farmers, food producers, and artists. The market’s success is due in large part to the strong partnership between the City, the Lucas residents who serve on the Lucas Farmers Market Committee, the Parks and Open Space Board, and the volunteers who contribute their time to help the market operate. Together, they identify needs and resources, address safety concerns, and resolve any conflicts. Countless hours have been invested in this partnership to create a special experience benefitting the entire community.

CITY OF LUCAS 2022 GOVERNOR’S COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



On June 29, 2022, First Lady Cecilia Abbott recognized the City of Lucas as one of the winning communities of the 2022 Governor’s Community Achievement Awards (GCAA) during her keynote address at the Keep Texas Beautiful GCAA Dinner in Austin. This marks the first time the City has been awarded the GCAA for Keep Lucas Beautiful. Keep Texas Beautiful, in partnership with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), has awarded the Governor’s Community Achievement Award to Texas communities for more than 50 years. The award is one of the most coveted annual environmental and community improvement honors in Texas. Lucas also received a Gold Star Affiliate recognition, the highest form of annual recognition by Keep Texas Beautiful, and \$130,000 to be used for a landscaping project. The City established Keep Lucas Beautiful in 2016 as an affiliate member of Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB), whose mission is to inspire and empower Texans to keep our communities clean and beautiful. The City continues to support Keep Lucas Beautiful by providing resources and developing programs annually, including cleanup events, environmental conservation efforts, sustainable practices, beautification, and educational initiatives. This year’s achievements could not have been possible without the dedication and support of the City Council, Parks and Open Space Board, volunteers, and citizens of Lucas. KTB and TxDOT prepared a video of Lucas as the winning community and it can be viewed at: www.lucastexas.us/city-of-lucas-2022-governors-community-achievement-award.