

**CHHC: Panther Creek Estates  
Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm  
Sem Elementary**

**1. I had seen the potholes fixed before, but the quality is not good at all. I would like to ask the Mayor, is there any better ways to fix the potholes on Coit between Eldorado and Main?**

We have repaired potholes on Coit on several occasions using the same method that is common in the industry. Because the road surface of this portion of Coit is what we term a "chip seal" sometimes the existing rock & oil surface will not bond sufficiently with the type D asphalt used in a pothole repair. This is usually not the case however. The reason, I believe, is just the ever increasing amount of traffic along with the numerous concrete trucks and large heavy construction trucks that are now using this road. We will check this often and are in fact repairing about 5 or 6 potholes that were noted today.

**2. The Future Athletic Park across the street from SEM Elementary. What is the plan as I think it has been vacant for some much time and would like to know when something will be built in that big lot.**

This is the site for the Northeast Community Park. The property is approximately 75 acres in size and we have not yet actually master planned the site for specific facilities. The Parks and Recreation Board will be meeting with the Community Development Corporation later this month to discuss the timing for a master plan for this site. Because this is a community park site, we will have lighted athletic facilities (Baseball, Softball, Soccer and Football) that will be an integral part of the park and its function. I would also anticipate seeing restroom and concession facilities, a large playground system and shade pavilions, etc. as a part of the park amenities.

**3. Why are the truckers allowed to park on the side road off of Independence pkwy (between Main St and Eldora do Pkwy)? They were parking up off of Virginia and Independence (in McKinney) and the city of McKinney made them move. They are not construction trucks; they are car haulers and others. There is also a red 18 wheeler parking regularly off of Independence (one block south of Main St.).**

Our ordinance prohibits trucks from parking in areas zoned residential. If the trucks are parked in an area that is not zoned residential and are not a traffic hazard, we would have no enforcement authority. When citizens call in parking complaints, the officer goes out to determine if the vehicles are in compliance.

Here is the ordinance that relates to truck parking. It does specifically mention the parking is prohibited in residential areas.

Sec. 90-113. Restricted areas and times.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate, park or stand any truck with a rated capacity in excess of two tons according to the manufacturer's classification or any bus, semi-trailer, trailer, and/or truck tractor upon any public street, highway, alley or public right-of-way between any street and alley, within any part of the city classified by the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of the city as a single-family dwelling district, two-family dwelling district or multifamily dwelling district. This section shall not prevent the parking or standing of the above-described vehicles and/or trailers upon any public street, highway or alley in any such zoned area, for the purpose of expeditiously loading and unloading passengers, freight or merchandise, but not otherwise. (Ord. No. 89-10-07, § 3, 10-17-1989)

Sec. 90-114. Enforcement.

The city manager shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this division.

(Ord. No. 89-10-07, § 4, 10-17-1989)

We are polling other cities to see if our ordinance needs to be updated.

**4. When are they going to start road construction of Coit Rd between Main and El dorado Pkwy.? That road has constant potholes. It also has seems to be getting more trash along the road.**

Coit between Main and Panther Creek is one of the projects being funded as part of the Collin County Bond Program. The City and County are each funding 50% of the project. We have requested funds for this project in the summer of 2010. At the present time we are awaiting approval of this schedule from Collin County. If approved, the project should be completed by the summer 2011.

**5. When will Eldorado Pkwy be fully completed from Preston to Custer Rd.**

Eldorado from Preston to Custer is also being funded as part of the Collin County Bond Program. The City and County are each funding 50% of the project. We have requested funds for this project in the fall of 2009. At the present time we are awaiting approval of this schedule from Collin County. If approved, the project should be completed by the spring of 2011.

**6. It seems as though the city has eased up on the sign violators. There are more illegal signs constantly going up. What is being done with these violators? Its seems it is the same violators all the time. These signs are very irritating to look at, and are littering up our streets.**

Staff patrols the City trying to catch violators. The difficulty is catching the person in the act. We do ask for the public's assistance in that they witness a violation is to get the license plate number and call Code at 972-292-5302 during the weekday 8AM to 5PM. Call Police dispatch at 972-292-6010 after 5PM and on weekends. We do not want the citizen to confront the person installing the signs.

Trying to prosecute companies such as Frisco Singles is difficult because their domain is outside of the US.

Call Code at the number above and we will remove the illegal signs.

**7. Why are our taxes continuing to go up when there is so much new construction of new homes?**

The city has maintained the tax rate at \$0.45 for two years now. Yes there was a 17.9% increase in the assessed value for fiscal year 2008, however to serve the citizens living in those new homes the city has added personnel in almost every department to maintain service levels to our citizens. This fiscal year alone we added twenty positions in the police department, fifteen positions in the fire department, additional personnel in Streets, Park Maintenance, Health Inspections and Animal Control; total in general fund is 74.8 FTEs. Other costs continue to rise as well, including cost of energy, health costs for our employees, and more buildings to maintain. The City Council committed to maintaining a tax rate at or below the rates projected during the 2006 bond election and has kept the rate below those projections.

**8. I have observed items being tossed out of car windows, such as cigarettes, along Eldorado and other parkways. Is there a program that a phone number can be used to report the vehicle license number?**

Cigarette butts are a huge problem. Although minor in size they are a potential fire threat as well as a nuisance. Best course of action for any type of illegal dumping, large or small, is to take license plate no and report to police

**9. Recently, Panther Creek is having more graffiti on city property as well as home owner's common areas. What is in the city plan to reduce this problem as a city wide problem?**

We work closely with the Police Department when we become aware of graffiti at any of our facilities. Both departments also work to encourage a partnership with the surrounding neighborhoods in observing these areas and contacting us when something improper occurs. Additionally, we all try and work to build certain elements with vandal retardant materials (pavilions, walls, etc.) and to remove graffiti in these areas as soon as possible.

**10. Is there a Middle school proposed for the location west of Coit, between Eldorado and Panther Creek Parkway?**

FISD does have a potential middle school site located west of Coit between Eldorado and Panther Creek. There is not a projected timeline for that school or it's specific attendance zone, but would anticipate that Sem students would be zoned to attend that school when it is built unless something unforeseen occurs.

**11. The current warning siren located near Preston Road and Eldorado is difficult to hear within the homes in Panther Creek Estates. It can be heard while outside the home. Is another siren going to be installed in another location such as in the Coit and Eldorado area?**

The system is a part of the City of Frisco's emergency notification system and is designed to provide warning to those residents who may be located outside their home. In these circumstances these residents may not have access to local radio or television stations, or the local emergency notification station WBAP 820AM. We recommend residents be mindful of regional weather forecasts and monitor local media for up to date information on Texas severe weather. Additional information about the severe weather and the warning sirens can be found at <http://www.friscotexas.gov/departments/Fire/index.aspx?id=265>

As we continue to build the Siren system, additional sirens are added to enhance coverage. There may be a future siren in the area of Panther Creek Parkway and Hillcrest. Siren locations are ultimately dependant on many variables so the exact location has not been determined yet.

You can also access information about the Fire Department and our programs at [www.friscofire.com](http://www.friscofire.com).