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THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF FORT BEND

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Keshav Kumar who being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Acting publisher of **Fort Bend Independent** and that said newspaper meets the requirements of Section 2051.044 of the Texas Government Code, to wit:

1. It devotes not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of its total column lineage to general interest items;
2. It is published at least once each week;
3. It is entered as second-class postal matter in the county where it is published; and
4. It has been published regularly and continuously since 2008.

Publisher further deposes and says that the attached notice was published in said newspaper on the following date (s) to wit:

March 11, 2020

TRAFFIC Jordan Ranch, Section 13; Modify the Major Thoroughfare Plan;



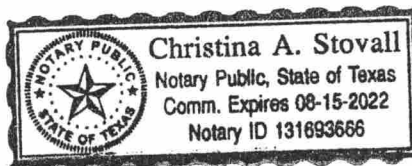
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Publisher

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME by Keshav Kumar who

- (a) Is personally known to me, or
- (b) Provided the following evidence to establish his/ her identity,

On this the 2 day of APRIL, 2020 to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.



Notary Public, State of Texas

AUTOMOBILE: Toyota Tacoma TRD Offroad

By BARBARA FULENWIDER

The 2020 Toyota Tacoma, America's best-selling mid-size pickup for 13 years in a row, got more stylish with tech, comfort and convenience features that make the 2020 Tacoma even more competitive.

The third-generation Tacoma is available in 32 different configurations so offers a model for all seasons. Six model grades include: work-ready SR; high-style, high-value SR5; athletic TRD Sport; adventurous TRD Off-Road; ultimate off-road TRD Pro; and top-of-the-line Limited. All Tacoma models come standard with a pre-collision

system with pedestrian detection, high-speed dynamic radar cruise control, lane departure alert and automatic high beams.

For 2020, the Tacoma TRD Off-Road got a new grille, LED foglamp, LED/DRL headlamp availability, chrome insert taillamp and the addition of passenger Smart Key. Double Cab models also got a multi-terrain monitor for improved visibility. It also got multimedia with 8-inch touchscreen and power adjustable driver's seat.

Tacoma's new cast-aluminum 16-inch wheels are each 4.188 lbs. lighter than on the 2019 model and TRD engineers also tweaked the shock and spring tuning to improve off-road ride and handling.

On Tacoma 4x4 models, 4WDemand part-time four-wheel drive uses an electronically controlled transfer case and either an Automatic Limited Slip Differential or an electronically controlled locking rear differential. The TRD Off Road has a selectable, electronically controlled

locking rear differential for off-road environments.

The TRD Off-Road has an off-road tuned suspension that uses Bilstein shocks. With Toyota's multi-terrain select system (automatic transmission only), the driver can choose a drive mode to match different types of terrain. The TRD Off-Road model is ready-made for tough terrain with locking rear differential, hill start assist, clutch start cancel (manual transmission only), active traction control, and crawl control.

The available Tow Package includes a Class IV towing receiver hitch, engine oil cooler, transmission fluid cooler (automatic transmission only), power steering cooler, 130-amp alternator, 4- and 7-pia connector with converter, and trailer-sway control.

Tacoma power comes with the standard 2.7-liter DOHC four-cylinder engine with VVT-i that produces 159 horsepower and 180 lb-ft of peak torque. The available 3.5-liter V6 makes 278 horsepower and 265 lb-ft of peak



torque.

Either engine can be teamed to a six-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission with intelligence, while the V6 can also be paired with a 6-speed manual transmission. When equipped with an optional V6 Tow Package the Tacoma can pull up to 6,800 lbs.

The Access Cab models ride on a 127.4-inch wheel-

base and have a 73.7-inch-long bed. The Double Cab is offered in two versions: the 127.4-inch wheelbase with a 60.5-inch bed or 140.6-inch wheelbase with the 73.7-inch bed. The bed deck features two-tier loading and an integrated deck-rail utility system with four standard adjustable tie-down cleats.

For all that is on the Tacoma TRD off-road double cab

the bottom line is \$37,575. With options the total came to \$44,732. Options included dual zone climate control, a technology package, black out package, premium audio, blind spot monitor, etc.

The Tacoma is a most comfortable, in-city, good looking truck. If you are in that market do set up a test drive in it. Toyota will willingly oblige.

LEGAL NOTICE

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Wine and Beer Retailer's Permit (BG) by CREPETOVITY LLC dba Sweet Paris Sugar Land, to be located at 15911 City Walk, Sugar Land, Fort Bend, Texas. Officers of said corporation are Carlos Rueda (Member), Pilar Guerrero (Member), Johana Rueda (Member), and Andres Gonzalez, member.

City of Missouri City
LEGAL NOTICE

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***** Due Date of the RFP is March 17, 2020 at 2:00 pm. *****

Request for Proposals for the provision of Executive Recruitment Services
Commodity Code: 952-39, 961-30, 918-95

Responses must be sealed, marked on the outside of the delivery envelope with the RFP name and number as listed above, and the date of opening. Responses must be delivered to the attention of

City of Missouri City
Attn: Purchasing Office - RFP No. 20-029 Executive Recruitment Services
1322 Texas Parkway
Missouri City, Texas 77489

Prior to the acceptance deadline, Responses marked improperly and therefore misdirected may be disqualified. Until final award of the contract, the City reserves the right to reject any or all responses, to waive irregularities or technicalities, to re-advertise, or proceed to do the work otherwise when in the best interests of the City. No proposal may be withdrawn during the 60 days following the proposal due date.

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The hearing will be held in the Commissioners Courtroom at 401 Jackson Street, Second Floor, Richmond, Texas. You are invited to attend and state your approval or objection on this matter.

Submitted by:
Laura Richard
Fort Bend County Clerk

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NOTICE FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Mobile Data Terminal Package

The City is seeking proposals to fulfill the requirement to replace existing Mobile Data Terminals ("MDTs") with new MDTs that will be capable of utilizing the City's existing in-car equipment. All proposed equipment must meet, or exceed the existing standards for ruggedized computer operations. These MDTs will be utilized in a mobile police unit, which undergoes the normal ranges of heat, and cold that can typically be expected in South-Central Texas. The contracts between daylight brightness, and nighttime dimness; the physical stresses associated with rapid accelerations, decelerations, and lateral forces that are typical of police operations. As well as the human factors that are associated with computer usage such as spills, drops, frequent screen opening and closing, with rugged handling. The City of Stafford is requesting proposals for (18) new MDTs. Because this Request for Proposal is a grant, respondents who are suspended or debarred from doing business with the Federal government will not be considered. This eligibility requirement will be confirmed by performing a search on the System for Award Management webpage (www.sam.gov) for individuals or entities with exclusion records.

Sealed proposals in duplicate, marked "Mobile Data Terminal Package" addressed to the City of Stafford will be received by the City Secretary, Ms. Tomaka R. Lewis, at the Stafford City Hall, 2610 South Main, Stafford, Texas 77477 until 4:00 pm, local time, Wednesday, March 18, 2020. Proposals received after closing time will be returned unopened. The proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time. Notice of the award of the contract will be given by the City within sixty (30) days following the opening of proposals.

Plans, specifications and proposal documents may be picked up from the City Secretary's Office at the Stafford City Hall, 2610 South Main, Stafford, Texas 77477. Any questions concerning this bid may be directed to RYoung@staffordtx.gov.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and waive any or all informality. No proposal will be withdrawn until the expiration of sixty (60) days from the date proposals are opened.

City of Missouri City
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***** OPENING DATE OF March 25, 2020 at 2:00 PM C.S.T. *****

Request for Qualifications - Agreed Upon Procedures

Commodity Code: 918-04, 946-11, 949-25, 949-26

Responses must be received via email to the following email addresses:

Allena.Portis@Missouricitytx.gov
Shannon.Pleasant@Missouricitytx.gov

Prior to the acceptance deadline, Until final award of the contract, the City reserves the right to reject any or all responses, to waive irregularities or technicalities, to re-advertise, or proceed to do the work otherwise when in the best interests of the City.

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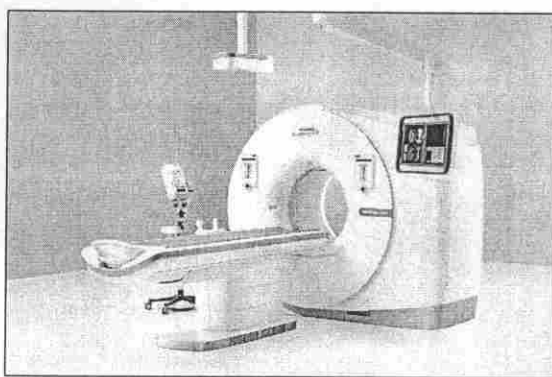
New technology enhances CT scanning at Houston Methodist Sugar Land

Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital is using a breakthrough technology that allows doctors to obtain clearer images of the body without requiring patients to hold their breath.

The new Revolution Apex computed tomography (CT) scanner from GE Healthcare delivers high-resolution, super-clear images with ultra-low dose radiation. The scanner's speed - most scans take just one second - and reduced kilovoltage use makes it possible to extend advanced imaging to all patients, including those who previously could not undergo CT scans.

The new CT scanner is especially valuable for planning cardiac intervention procedures, because it provides high-resolution images even in patients with heavily calcified coronaries, or those with plaque and stents. With a single, rapid, low-dose scan, doctors can get significantly clearer images at various heart rates.

"This is a major step forward for us because we can quickly and easily obtain high-resolution images with minimal impact on the patient," said B. Keith Ellis,



Revolution Apex computed tomography (CT) scanner

M.D., director of Cardiovascular Services at Houston Methodist Sugar Land and director of the hospital's Chest Pain Center. "The new CT scanner is especially valuable in planning transcatheter aortic valve implantations or replacements because we can view the entire heart in a single heartbeat. It is easier for patients and more accurate for the physicians."

Traditional CT scanners require patients to be still and hold their breath, because movement - either of the body itself or from the rise and fall of the lungs while breathing - blurs the image. That made it difficult to use with children, or patients with certain health conditions, such as those suffering from a pulmonary embolism which make breathing

difficult. Those patients can now be easily scanned with the new CT scanner, since its scanning speed decreases the concern of movement.

To schedule an appointment, visit houstonmethodist.org/imaging or call 281.274.7170. For more information about Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital, visit houstonmethodist.org/sugarland.

Library Podcast Club focuses on women in March

The new Podcast Club at Fort Bend County Libraries' University Branch Library will focus on "Celebrating Women" for Women's History Month in March.

Similar to a book club, the Podcast Club provides an opportunity for podcast listeners to get together to discuss podcast selections from a themed podcast-listening list and share their opinions on trending topics. Each month features a different theme, along with a short list of podcast episodes.

The next meeting of the University Branch Library Podcast Club will take place on Thursday, March 26, beginning at 7:00 pm, in Conference Room 1 of the library, located at 14010 University Blvd in Sugar Land, on the UH campus.

The list of podcasts from which to choose includes:

- "Women's Social Clubs" - No Man's Land by The Wing (30 minutes). There was

a time when Charles Dickens banned women from dinner, FDR forced Japanese Americans into Internment Camps, and symbolic Civil Rights Legislation was in peril, so Women's Social Clubs were formed to give women a voice. Get to know clubwomen of yore, who were so much more than the white-gloved-ladies-who-lunch.

"The Sculptor, Edmonia Lewis" - What's HerName (39 minutes). What if you had a minute for your life, but absolutely everyone around you told you it was impossible? Edmonia Lewis lived a life so improbable, that if we didn't have the actual evidence that she really existed, we'd never believe it! The orphaned daughter of a Native American mother and Caribbean father in mid-19th-century America, she set out on the most unlikely path: to become a famed classical sculptor in Rome, all while people of her race were

literally enslaved in her homeland. Her journey to gain the education that was denied her, to buy her own boat fare, and to make her impossible way in the world, defied the expectations of everyone, and still does.

"The Secret History of International Women's Day" - Stuff Mom Never Told You (46 minutes). International Women's Day, celebrated every March 8, is a holiday inspired by factory women going on strike for better wages and working conditions. Get to the bottom of the holiday's history in this classic episode.

"The Untold Story of Women & Space History" - When Women Win (34 minutes). This show is about women in space, in science, and in history. Hear about the many women who were involved in global space programs in the 1960s, including members of the Mercury 13.

"Finally, An All-Female

Spacewalk" - Short Wave NASA astronauts Christina Koch and Jessica Meir completed the first all-female spacewalk in October 2019. The historic moment came 35 years after Kathryn Sullivan became the first American woman to spacewalk. In this podcast, hear from Koch, Meir, and Sullivan. Former NASA chief scientist Ellen Stofan also talks about why she says this moment is long overdue.

A direct link to the podcasts can be found on the University Branch Library's online calendar on the Fort Bend County Libraries website.

The Podcast Club is free and open to the public. For more information, see the Fort Bend County Libraries website (www.fortbend.lib.tx.us), or call the University Branch Library (281-633-5100) or the library system's Communications Office (281-633-4734).

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