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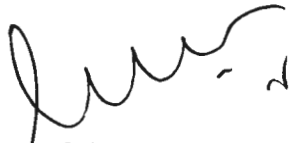
COUNTY OF FORT BEND

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared who being by me duly sworn, requirements of Section 2051.044 of the Texas Government Code, to wit:

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**June 5 and June 19, 2024**  
**Fort Bend County Traffic Notices**


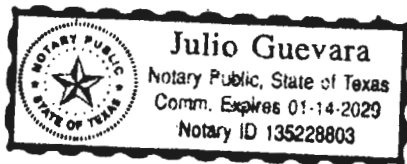


**Seshadri Kumar**  
Publisher

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME by Seshadri Kumar who

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

On this the <sup>13<sup>th</sup></sup> day of June, 2025 to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.



Notary, Public, State of Texas

# Central Fort Bend Chamber's 2024 leadership class graduates

The Central Fort Bend Chamber celebrated 32 business and community leaders as they completed the 37th class of the Leadership Fort Bend program at an Ending Retreat in Galveston on Friday, May 3, 2024.

The Leadership Fort Bend program, presented by Johnson Development Corporation and SiEnergy, was formed in 1986 under the direction of the Central Fort Bend Chamber and has a long history of developing leaders in Fort Bend County. "Our Leadership Fort Bend Program is one of the Chamber's most valuable assets," states Kristin Weiss, IOM, Central Fort Bend Chamber, President & CEO, and Leadership Fort Bend Class of 2009 graduate. "Bringing together 32 individuals with different backgrounds and work experiences enhances our program, grows our network and reach and builds strong and lasting relationships."

Over the last nine months, the Leadership Fort Bend participants gained awareness of the challenges, issues and successes in our community,



Leadership Fort Bend Class of 2024 at Ending Retreat and at the Texas State Capitol

Fort Bend County and the State of Texas. The program started with a team-building opening retreat at Camp Allen in Navasota, Texas, and continued through sessions covering County History, Education, City Government, the County Judicial System, State Government, Infrastructure & Manufacturing and Health and Social Services.

The Leadership Fort Bend,

Class of 2024 graduates include: Alan Bagwell-Frost Bank, Charles Batiste-Rainbow of Love, Sean Berman-Cryer Physical Therapy, Andy Boswell-Compass Environmental Solutions, Jennifer Brown-Child Advocates of Fort Bend, Louis Brown-Pape-Dawson Engineers, Georgann Calzada-Wharton County Junior College, Scott Cunningham-HR Green, Inc., Janet Espinal-Capital Title Sugar Land, Benito Flores-Generator Service Center, Amanda Flynt-Johnson Development Corp., Andrew Fugett-AccessHealth, Izzy Gaviria-Memorial Hermann Sugar Land Hospital, Fritz Guthrie-East Fort Bend Human Needs Ministry, Todd Hamilton-The Signorelli Company, Stephanie Harris-

Reining Strength Therapeutic Horsemanship, Nicole Hayes-Rischer Lifestyle Management, Ryan Herweck-SiEnergy, Stacey LaViola-Superior Fence & Rail, Kamela Lewis-Lamar Education Awards Foundation, Phil Martin-Mike Stone Associates, Daisy Montano-Tamara Osina DDS, Ryan Nolen, Jennifer Pinti-YMCA of Greater Houston, Deigo Quijano-NRG, Veronica Reyes-The University of Texas MD Anderson  
Cancer Center, Laura Rosilez-Texas Party Box, Terri Stuart-Fort Bend County District Attorney's Office, Charlie Tang-Odyssey Engineering Group, Alberto

Urbina-Houston Community College, Kaneshia Waites-Lamar Consolidated ISD and Bailee Wootan-Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital.

For more information on the Leadership Fort Bend Program, visit <https://www.cfbc.org/leadership-fort-bend/>. To complete an application to participate in the Leadership Fort Bend, Class of 2025, visit Leadership Fort Bend. For more information on the Central Fort Bend Chamber upcoming events, membership information: [www.cfbc.org](http://www.cfbc.org) or call the office at 281-342-5464.

**FOR SALE**  
**Southwest Village Barber Shop**  
11851-Wilcrest Drive Houston, TX 77031  
Call/Text  
832-792-1887 or 281-779-3729

## LEGALS

**MISSOURI CITY TEXAS**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
PURPOSE: A public hearing will be held by the Planning & Zoning Commission of Missouri City, Texas to receive comments for or against proposed amendments to the City of Missouri City Zoning Ordinance regarding applications for the use or establishment of a cemetery.  
LOCATION/DATE: The public hearing on proposed changes in zoning regulations pertaining to applications for the use of establishment of a cemetery is scheduled as follows: Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 7:00 pm Missouri City City Hall 1522 Texas Parkway (36-2234), Missouri City, Texas  
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Additional information is available for review. You may call 281-403-8541 or email the Development Services Department-Planning Division at [planning@missouricitytx.gov](mailto:planning@missouricitytx.gov) for further information.

**MISSOURI CITY TEXAS**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 0-24-20**  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS, ADOPTING AN UPDATE TO THE BAR PLAN OF THE FORT BEND COUNTY INTER-JURISDICTIONAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING A PENALTY; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.  
1. Crystal Roan, City Secretary of the City of Missouri City, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the caption of said Ordinance No. 0-24-20 approved on the second and final reading by the City Council at its regular meeting held on May 20, 2024, as the same appears in the records of my office.  
Crystal Roan  
City Secretary

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
The Commissioners' Court of Fort Bend County, Texas has set a public hearing on Tuesday June 25, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. for acceptance of the traffic control plans for the following:  
1. Cardinal Elm Street, Teal Run Place Drive, Evergreen Square Trail and Jen Street within Teal Run Sections 11, 12, 14, 15, 16 & 17 and Teal Run Meadows Sections 1, 2 & 3, Precinct 2  
2. Twin Oaks Village all Sections, Precinct 4  
3. Stonecreek Estates Section 4, Precinct 4  
4. Trillium Section 6, Precinct 4  
5. Sierra Section 19, Precinct 2  
6. Circle Oak: Murphy Jones Lane Street Dedication, Precinct 4  
7. Colony Lake Estates all Sections, Precinct 3  
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

**INVITATION TO BIDDERS**  
Sealed Bids addressed to Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District No. 2, Attention: Mr. Rabih Khobas, President, Board of Directors, will be received at the office of LJA Engineering, Inc., 1904 West Grand Parkway North, Suite 120, Katy, Texas 77449, until 10:00 a.m. Local Time, Wednesday, June 26, 2024, and then publicly opened and read at LJA Engineering, Inc., 1904 West Grand Parkway North, Suite 120, Katy, Texas 77449 for "Ditch 'C' and Ditch 'E' Slope Repairs for Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District No. 2, Fort Bend County, Texas." In addition to the opening of sealed Bids at the address above, you may attend the Bid Opening by telephone by dialing +1 346-202-6170, Phone Conference ID: 615 551 3144.  
Scope of Work of the Contract Documents includes the following: Slope repair and protection.  
Bids received after the closing time will be returned unopened. A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held in-person on Thursday, June 13, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. Local Time at the office of the Engineer, LJA Engineering, Inc., 1904 West Grand Parkway North, Suite 120, Katy, Texas 77449 to attend the audio format of the non-mandatory pre-bid conference, dial +1 346-202-6170, Phone Conference ID: 619 018 1228.  
Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid bond or a certified or cashier's check, acceptable to the Owner, in an amount not less than two percent (2%) of the total amount Bid, as a guarantee that the successful bidder will enter into the Contract Documents and execute the Bonds on the forms provided and provide the required insurance certificates and Bonds within seven (7) days after the date Contract Documents are received by the successful bidder. If a certified or cashier's check is provided, the successful bidder shall deliver, at the bid opening address, the original certified or cashier's check within one (1) business day of receipt of the bid opening.  
Bidding documents may be examined at LJA Engineering, Inc., 1904 West Grand Parkway North, Suite 120, Katy, Texas 77449, or at <https://www.cycustax.com/>. By submitting a Bid, bidder acknowledges and agrees that the Contract Documents may be accepted, executed or agreed to through the use of an Electronic Signature, as defined by and in accordance with Owner's Electronic Signature Rules for Construction Contracts.  
The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and to waive all defects and irregularities in bidding or bidding process except the time for submitting a Bid. The successful bidder, if any, will be the responsible bidder, which in the Board's judgment will be most advantageous to the District and result in the best and most economical completion of the Project.  
The requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Government Code, may apply to this Bid and the bidder agrees that the Contract Documents can be terminated if the bidder knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.

## JUDGE

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"Additionally, air travel to Morocco is not easy. There are no direct flights from Houston and the flights from Houston take you through Spain, Portugal or other points in Europe or the Middle East, resulting in a longer flight schedule. The most direct flight to Morocco was from New York City (8/9 hours). I traveled to New York City on Southwest Airlines "wanna get away" fare to board direct flight to Marrakesh, Morocco, flyina 4:15:maroc.

"The 3-page invoice provided to your department is the electronic ticket receipt and itinerary provided to me by AirMaroc. It details the airfare breakdown in the manner that

they provide. I am not able to force them to alter their forms or provide me with any other documentation. The fact that Air Maroc payment receipts do not look like what you are used to do not invalidate the fact that it is a detailed receipt for airfare. ... You represented to Commissioners' Court that I did not provide a detailed airfare receipt. I disagree with that statement. The three pages of receipt provided by Air Maroc is detailed.

"In an effort to settle this matter, I am willing to reimburse the county for my hotel stay due to not being able to produce a \$0 balance invoice/receipt only if I am properly reimbursed for my air travel from Houston to Morocco. The Commissioners' Court duly approved my travel expenses

to Marrakesh, Morocco and I submitted the 3 page invoice that was provided to me by AirMaroc. The invoice amount is \$3,336.50, I am requesting reimbursement for the invoice amount."

Watson used the county issued credit card for hotel and air travel and also used her personal credit card for part of the air travel.

According to the county auditor, some of the amount charged to the county credit card is not admissible and the judge has to pay that money back.

According to the county auditor's records: The total reimbursement to Judge Watson for the Morocco trip would have been \$273.64. This amount only covers per diem and mileage. There were charges on the Judge's County

P-card for air and hotel that were deemed unauthorized. The total of these charges was \$1,023.26 and remains due to the County.

Additionally, a charge of 3,336.50 for airfare was charged on the Judge's personal card. Of which, \$2136.50 was requested as part of the reimbursement request. (Although we were not able to obtain a detailed breakdown, the Judge disclosed that the difference was due to an upgrade she was paying for on her own). No reimbursement was made towards airfare due to the item not complying with the County Travel policy.

The moral of the story: The county judge, a stickler for county policy, may have been penny wise and pound foolish.

## What to expect this hurricane season

Hurricane season is here. It began June 1 and will run through Nov. 30, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) predicts an above-normal 2024 Atlantic hurricane season.

The NOAA National Weather Service forecasters at the Climate Prediction Center predict an 85 percent chance of an above-normal season, a 10 percent chance of a near-normal season and a 5 percent chance of a below-normal season. Along with this prediction are 17 to 25 named storms with winds of 39 mph or higher; and of those, 8 to 13 are forecast to become hurricanes with winds of 74 mph or higher, including 4 to 7 major hurricanes, CAT 3, 4 or 5, with winds of 111 mph or higher. And the chance of all this? According to NOAA, forecasters have 70 percent confidence about it happening.

That's because near-record warm ocean temperatures in the Atlantic Ocean, development of La Nina conditions in the Pacific, reduced Atlantic trade winds and less wind shear tend to favor tropical storm formation.

"Severe weather and emergencies can happen at any moment, which is why individuals and communities need to be prepared today," said FEMA Deputy Administrator Erik A. Hooks. "Already, we are seeing storms move across the country that can bring additional hazards like tornadoes, flooding and hail. Taking a proactive approach to our increasingly challenging climate landscape today can make a difference in how people can recover tomorrow."

**2024 Atlantic Tropical Cyclone Names**

Alberto	Helene	Oscar
Beryl	Isaac	Patty
Chris	Joyce	Rafael
Debby	Kirk	Sara
Ernesto	Leslie	Tony
Francine	Milton	Valerie
Gordon	Nadine	William

From 2013 to 2023, Data shows 90 percent of hurricane fatalities occurred from water from 2013- 2023, with most from heavy rain, storm surges and people getting stuck in automobiles.

Residents are encouraged to prepare by developing an evacuation plan, checking insurance and documenting possessions, assembling disaster supplies like food, water, batteries, chargers, radio, cash; coming up with a communication plan with a list of contacts; also strengthen a home by trimming trees, sealing outside wall openings and also installing storm shutters.

NOAA has come up with enhanced communications for 2024 season. It will implement improvements to its forecast communications, decision support and storm recovery efforts this season. Beginning on or around August 15, NHC will start to issue an experimental version of the forecast cone

graphic that includes a depiction of inland tropical storm and hurricane watches and warnings in effect for the continental U.S. Research indicates that the addition of inland watches and warnings to the cone graphic will help communicate inland hazards during tropical cyclone events without overcomplicating the current version of the graphic.

Also, this season, the NHC will be able to issue U.S. tropical cyclone watches and warnings with regular or intermediate public advisories. This means that if updates to watches and warnings for storm surge or winds are needed, the NHC will be able to notify the public in an intermediate advisory instead of having to wait for the next full advisory issued every 6 hours.

There will also be new tools for hurricane analysis and forecasting this year including NOAA's new generation of Flood Inundation Mapping.

It will provide information to emergency and water managers to prepare and respond to potential flooding and help local officials better prepare to protect people and infrastructure. And in partnership with the NHC, NOAA's Weather Prediction Center will issue an experimental rainfall graphic for the Caribbean and Central America during the 2024 hurricane season. This graphic provides forecast rainfall totals associated with a tropical cyclone or disturbance for a specified time period.

Starting this month, dozens of observational underwater gliders are planned to deploy in waters off the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico and the eastern U.S. coast. A new lightweight dropsonde called Streamsonde will be deployed into developing tropical storms, collecting multiple real-time observations to collect valuable wind data.

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