



Mayor's Message – June 1, 2020

It's summer in Horseshoe Bay! With a low key, but honorable Memorial Day weekend behind us – we are looking ahead to what summer might look like in Horseshoe Bay.

- Most all businesses are open to some degree and the Resort has expanded its amenity access – which will also include outside visitors now returning to the hotel, pool, and other locations. We continue to have a zero level of COVID. You can help us to keep this going as you encounter non-locals and larger groups. **Social distancing is crucial....**and use of masks in settings where you might have close encounters over time to help us protect each other. **We can do it all** – have fun, get out and about, engage in activities together, AND stay safe!
- Thinking ahead to July, we are all going to miss the larger July 4th traditional events (parade/ Quail Point)....but it will still be an occasion of celebration. **See the attached suggested plan** by your City **to RAISE (a flag) and SHINE** to keep our shared pride strong and visible!
- Rumors of an **occurrence of Oak Wilt in HSBay are true**, but this is from a home that has managed this for over 8 years....responsibly working (at great cost/energy) with Texas A&M ag extension so that it is contained to that one property. THANKS! But it is a good reminder as we move into summer when the ban on tree trimming drops off (in July). We **MUST be diligent to not trim** between February and July when beetles are active to protect our trees. It would be devastating to have them move through the community (rapidly). If a storm knocks down a limb during those months, quickly seal the wound to keep access closed off. Informational workshops will be held by the city in coming months to keep our trees safe-details to follow.
- With more out of towners and outdoor workers, there are also strangers who enter our community with ill will. The **recent break-ins** along Horseshoe Bay Blvd resulted in the arrest of some out of town teens vandalizing cars – and serves as a **reminder to us to be cautious**. Lock any cars parked out of garages (better-park inside), keep garage doors closed and doors locked. Be sure you have good lighting at night...and keep an eye out for any suspicious activities. Horseshoe Bay is a safe haven, but that is largely due to our vigilant care for our community.
- Our **churches are opening back up** with careful planning. Contact church offices for details. If you're new to the community, you are welcome to the join all faith community celebrations.
- **YOUR City Council will have open meetings again** starting in June. Seating will be limited due to spacing, but the Council Comments will be in the paper with details of all discussions/actions. This month we will recognize **Baylor, Scott, and White** for their continuous partnership in keeping our community healthy year round.
- **LAST CHANCE** (through June 14) to let your views be heard. **The Long-Range Plan** survey welcomes your hopes for the future of HSBay (horseshoebaysurvey.com). Also, **please complete the US Census** online to support Horseshoe Bay accurate census data that effects funding and representation for our interests (2020census.gov). Paper forms are available if preferred.
- **Finally**, in this difficult time for our nation I am so proud of the demeanor of our citizens. We can agree to disagree without hateful speak or action – and remember that we are Americans. As we open up (and cabin fever dissipates), we will hopefully be able to focus on the extraordinary goodness of the USA. As we watched the Space Launch, we were filled with a familiar pride in our ingenuity, work ethic, neighborliness, and commitment to quality life. Thank you all for helping keep Horseshoe Bay a living symbol of that American dream.

See attached 'suggested' plan for July 4th weekend RAISE and SHINE....to help you plan ahead!

Cynthia Clinesmith, Mayor

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for CoVid19 details/county and state actions