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CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS MAY 2, 2026

The candidate filing period has now passed for the Saturday, May 2, 2026 General Election for City Council Places 2, 4, and 6. Rockwall City Councilmembers are elected "at large" and serve two-year terms. The following candidates have filed applications and are listed below in the order they will appear on the ballot.

Place 2	Place 4	Place 6
Mark Moeller	John Hagaman Catherine Casteel (write-in)	David Schoen Anna Campbell

In addition to city council candidates appearing on the ballot, voters will also have an opportunity to consider possible amendments to the city's Home Rule Charter. The following Charter-related propositions will also appear on the ballot:

1. Shall Sections 11.08 and 11.10 of the City Charter be amended to require submission to the qualified voters of the City to eliminate provisions which have become inoperative because they have been superseded by state law; replace obsolete references; update terminology to current legal usage, and eliminate obsolete transitional provisions?
2. Shall Sections 3.01 (c) of the City Charter be amended to require the resignation from office of any city elected official who becomes a candidate for any other municipal office other than the one currently held and such resignation shall become effective at the time of canvassing of the election?
3. Shall Section 5.04 (1) of the City Charter be amended to require more than 50% of votes cast to be elected to any municipal office?
4. Shall Section 6.07 (1) of the City Charter be amended to increase the number of days the City Secretary has to verify signatures on a petition from twenty-one days to thirty-days?
5. Shall Section 7.15 of the City Charter be amended to require that the solid waste contract be competitively bid at least every five (5) years and such contract require city council approval?
6. Shall Section 11.14 of the City Charter be amended to allow the City Council by ordinance to amend the City Charter to correct typographical errors, grammatical errors, references to laws which have been changed or which references are, for any reason, incorrect, and to neutralize all gender references; provided, that no such amendment shall change the meaning or substance of the Charter?
7. Shall Section 11.14 (1) of the City Charter be amended to require the City Council to appoint a Charter Commission at least every ten (10) years?

Election information, including a copy of the existing Home Rule Charter, additional dates and polling locations, are or will soon be available on the City Secretary's webpage at <https://www.rockwall.com/citysec.asp> or on the Rockwall County Elections website at <https://www.rockwallvotes.com/>.

SPRING EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Families are invited to hop in to spring at the Spring Eggstravaganza on March 28th from 1-4 PM! This free event features an exciting Easter Egg Trail, bounce houses, carnival games, and music for an afternoon of nonstop fun. Bring your Easter baskets to collect eggs from community vendors while enjoying activities for all ages. Don't miss out on this egg-citing celebration!



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INTERSTATE 30 UPDATES

TxDOT's ongoing construction projects in Rockwall continue to bring major roadway improvements. Along the eastbound frontage road at the lake, crews are working on bridge decks and will soon begin constructing the approaches and railings. On the westbound side, crews have completed the drill shafts and columns in the lake and are now moving forward with substructure work and preparing for deck pours.

At Horizon Road, bridge decking for the new side is being constructed. At Ridge Road, crews are building retaining walls and extending the substructure to support the bridge widening. Over on John King Blvd, crews have been prepping for deck pour.

For up-to-date information on daily lane closures, please visit drivetexas.org
Sign up for text alerts at
<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/TXDOT/signup/35720>



PET OF THE MONTH: VINCENT

Say hello to Vincent, an approximately 1 year old, Catahoula mix that weighs 56lbs. He was found in Rockwall, but we were sadly unable to locate an owner. Vincent is still very much a puppy at heart. He's smart, playful, and thrives on interaction and activity. With continued training, structure, and lots of positive outlets for his energy, he's going to grow into an amazing, loyal companion. Vincent is looking to be the only dog in the home so he can soak up all the attention and focus on building a strong bond with his people. He would also do best in a home without cats, as he's unlikely to be a good match for feline roommates. He is neutered, microchipped, up to date on his rabies, DAPPV, and Bordetella vaccines, and is heartworm negative. His adoption fee is \$125, which helps cover his veterinary care. Apply online to come meet Vincent!

Rockwall Animal Adoption Center
825 Airport Road (972) 771-7750 RockwallAdoptions.com

TRAVIS' TOOLBOX

Spring is arriving and it's time to give your landscape the attention it needs to thrive. Start by scalping your turfgrass at least one inch lower than where you finished last season. This removes dormant brown leaf blades and allows new growth to emerge without competition. Ideally, Hybrid Bermudagrass should be maintained at 1 to 2 inches, while St. Augustine thrives at 2 to 4 inches, and finally Zoysia, depending on variety, can range from 1 to 3 inches. Fertilization is key to a strong turfgrass. The first application should be made when about 50% of your turf has turned green, typically before April 1st. Continue fertilizing in March, June, July, and October, applying 1 to 1.5 pounds of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet during each cycle to maintain a yearly total of 4 to 6 pounds. Your lawn only needs about 1 inch of water per week, whether from rainfall or irrigation. To encourage a dense, weed-resistant turf, aim to mow twice per week throughout the growing season. Do not over water as most disease and turfgrass issues are a result of overwatering!

Did you know? Turfgrass doesn't actively start growing until the combined daytime and nighttime temperatures reach at least 140°F.

Remember: many common projects such as adding a deck, fence, roof replacement, accessory buildings, or other structural or mechanical changes, require a permit to ensure safety and compliance with city codes. Visit the Building Inspections webpage for a complete list of residential projects that require a permit and details on how to apply: www.rockwall.com/buildinginspections-int.asp

TIPS FROM TRAVIS SALES, DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND REC



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Fishing Derby - April 25
Harry Myers Park, 9am-11am

Shred Day - April 25
The Center, 8am-12pm

Founders Day Festival - May 16
Downtown and Harry Myers Park

Rockwall Farmers Market
Saturday Mornings, May-September

Concert by the Lake series
Thursday Nights, May-July & October

San Jacinto Music series
Friday and Saturday Nights, May-October



Check out more events online
https://www.rockwall.com/event_Calendar.asp