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Well, that was interesting....

I've been here 50 years and never seen such extensive damage as occurred last night.

Thankfully there were no injuries reported and everyone is safe. West Houston and most of Houston is a total mess, but that can be cleaned up. Please check up on elderly neighbors as needed and help where you can.

As our Police Chief has reported in his email, both MVPD (Police) and VFD (Fire) crews were very busy all night clearing roads and assisting residents with gas and water leaks all over the Villages. Several reports of tornados' seen by residents and although this was bad, could have been much worse had they touched down.

Power remains out all over, and several power lines are down. Stay away from them regardless of where they are, and CenterPoint is aware of their location. Also, if you smell gas, please call the Police Dept. 713-365-3700 and get away from the area affected.

We have arranged with our super County Commissioner Tom Ramsey to have County crews out to pick up the debris over the coming days. Pull limbs and storm debris out to the curb so they can pick it up. Please cut up any large branches so they can be picked up by the crews, no huge branches, cut them into smaller pieces please. ONLY STORM-RELATED ITEMS WILL BE PICKED UP.

Due to many power lines being down and poles broken all over (due to falling trees), it is difficult to say when power will be back on, so please be patient. CenterPoint is giving us their full attention here and repeated calls won't help. They know where the power is out and are working with all haste to get it back on.

Wish you had that Generator now, don't you?....

I know everyone wants to drive around and assess the damage but, if possible, please stay off the roads. Down wires, hanging limbs and potential of continued tree falling makes it dangerous and we need to give repair crews as much room as possible.

Great opportunity for kids out of school to make easy money cleaning up debris for neighbors. I did it after Alicia, easy summer money, and this damage is worse. Again, stack your debris out at the curb/edge of property where debris crews can access as easily as possible, and the smaller the limbs the better.

Household trash service at your backdoor will continue, please be patient as they navigate around fallen trees to get to your street.

OK, that's it. I will forward any pertinent news as I find it out.

Again, Thankful no one got hurt, and we will clean up.

Jim Pappas

Mayor