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Wow, what a difference 24 hours makes!

Yesterday we were in the midst of a Hurricane, today is a beautiful clear day, with no wind, no rain, just the humming of generators...unreal.

Seriously, this crap is getting old. Seriously.

OK, let's answer a few questions below:

-Las Alameda's dump is open again, only for our residents, so please give them the attached form filled out to take to the dump. Again, HUGE thanks to the owner for opening this up to us and saving us significant money.

-The Harris County Precinct 3 contracted heavy trash pickup crews will be back in the area soon to begin cleanup.... again. Thanks to our Super County Commissioner Tom Ramsey for setting this up for us, and also saving our City a ton of money. Please be patient here and bring your Storm debris ONLY out to the curb, same as last time. No Bags or other debris. Logs and limbs only! If you have other debris/trash, you must have it disposed of by your own contractor, especially fence debris, make your contractor dispose of it. Any resident leaving such trash left out front will be notified to have the material disposed of. Sadly, there are a few who still have their fence junk out front. It is unsafe, unsightly, unfair to your neighbors, and will not be tolerated.

-CenterPoint has 7,000 out-of-town repair trucks in the process of flooding the area and getting our power back on. Unlike "Derecho" or whatever stupid name that storm from last month had, they had good lead time to rally the troops and they are coming in full force. Please don't email or text me asking about when (you know who you are), as I don't know. They are working hard on it.

-Regular household trash service resumes today. Please do not put yard debris in with your household trash, as they will not pick it up, the County will.

-At the suggestion of our Police Chief, we have re-instituted a curfew, so please stay off the roads from midnight to 6 am. This is to make it easier for our Police to see any illintentioned dirt bags who may be looking to do bad stuff around here. Once the power is restored, this will be lifted. Sorry for any inconvenience.

-The City is waiving any/all fees associated with tree removal, fence repair, or damage to houses due to the storm. Driving around yesterday, I still saw many trees leaning, sickly or just hanging dangerously over roads or homes. Now's the time to get them removed, as it's only July and sadly, we have lots more of Hurricane season to go.

-Spoke to 4 guys yesterday who are waiting for their Generators to get installed. I've heard that all of the dealers are months out for delivery and installation, so the sooner you get in line the better. City staff will help expedite inspections and permitting of any generators needing installation, so don't let them blame us for any delays, it's them.

-As always, Kudos to our Police and Fire, both of whom were out clearing roads and setting up roadblocks where power lines were down. Special Kudos to our own Tom Fullen, City manager who was running around all day getting the City hall generator working, the stop light generator working, and doing whatever anyone needed!

As usual, please check on your elderly neighbors and take care of each other. It's not our first rodeo here and won't be our last. I will never again take for granted the blessing of dependable quiet electricity, clean water, safe secure streets, no flooding, and the beautiful park-like setting that life in our Villages provides.

Thank God we had no storm-related fatalities, which is miraculous considering the widespread devastation. Thank you, Lord, for your continued protection.

Now, let's clean up and get ready for the next one!

Jim Pappas,

Mayor