



CITY OF *Burbank* Bulletin

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



Dan M. Foy
Mayor

LOOKING FORWARD

This year, the City of Burbank intends to continue with infrastructure improvements and initiatives. We are also continuing our Hometown Hero Banner Program. This program has proven to be a great success and we feel it's important to continue to honor our very own Hometown Heroes! Special thanks to all of our residents for participating, in our various programs, and for helping to make Burbank a fine place to call home. We look forward to another great year for our city!

On behalf of the entire City Council, may the Easter season bring you and your family happiness, health, and a safe enjoyable Spring and Summer!



LED STREET LIGHTS

The LED street lighting program, on State Road and on Narragansett, is now complete. The upgrade, to LED lighting, means a reduction in energy consumption and, overall, requires less maintenance and is much more cost efficient! LED lights improve illumination while casting a clean, white light. They reduce glare, increase visibility and improve illumination.

RECYCLING EVENT

The city held an electronics and medication disposal recycling event, at our public works department, this past November. It was a great success as many residents donated old television sets, computers, unwanted electronics and medications. The event was hosted by Mayor Dan Foy, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Commissioner Mariyana Spyropoulos (pictured below) and Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart. We would like to thank all of our participants and hope to make this an annual event.



RIBBON CUTTING CELEBRATIONS ...

I am pleased to announce and welcome to the City of Burbank, the following new businesses:



RamPa Smoked BBQ-Pizza
5612 West 87th Street
Ribbon Cutting ~ October 15, 2021



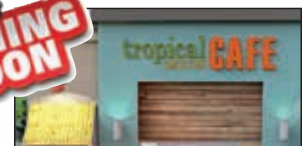
Carnitas Quiroga
6403 West 79th Street
Ribbon Cutting ~ October 27, 2021



Jackson Hewitt
8548 South Cicero Avenue
Ribbon Cutting ~ October 20, 2021



New Ing's Palace
6955 West 79th Street
Ribbon Cutting ~ November 4, 2021



Tropical Smoothie Cafe
7784 South Cicero Avenue

In addition to smoothies, the café will offer sandwiches, wraps, salads and more.

In the year to come, I hope to continue Cutting Ribbons on diverse new businesses that will enrich our city!



Barry Szymczak
City Clerk

**CITY CLERK
OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday and Friday:
8:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Wednesday:
8:30 AM to 6:30 PM

Saturday & Sunday:
Closed

LOCATION

6530 West 79th Street
Burbank, IL 60459
708-599-5500

2022/2023 CITY VEHICLE STICKERS

Renewal applications were mailed out the week of March 28, 2022 with sales beginning April 4th and continuing thru 5:00 P.M. Tuesday May 31st. Vehicle stickers must be displayed by June 1, 2022 to avoid penalties, *(no exceptions)*.

After reviewing your application, online purchases using your credit card (2.3% service charge) can be made at www.burbankil.gov by clicking on the hyperlink and following the directions on the V-Pay site. Purchases are also available by mail (check or money order only) and over-the-counter (cash/check-credit card) at City Hall.

During the month of April, Saturday hours will be 9:00 AM until 12:00 Noon on April 9th, 23rd and 30th only. Saturday sales will not be available during the month of May.

Remember, new residents have 30 days to purchase a vehicle sticker from the time of property closing and/or 30 days from the time of vehicle purchase, with documented proof in both instances. Senior citizens reaching the age of 65 before June 1, 2022 shall pay a reduced sticker fee of ***\$15.00 for one (1) passenger vehicle per household or*** vehicles with handicapped registration license plates (*hanging placard does not apply*) shall pay a reduced fee of ***\$15.00 for one (1) passenger vehicle per household***. If you wish to transfer a sticker from one vehicle to another, you have 30 days. You must bring in the old sticker. If the sticker can be re-used, there is no charge. If the sticker is destroyed in any way, a \$5.00 fee will be applied.

“NO SOLICITORS INVITED”

Stickers are available at the Clerk’s Office. Valid solicitors are instructed to honor all “NO SOLICITORS INVITED” stickers properly displayed at the residence. In the past, we have had issues with various solicitors in reference to their sales tactics. The City will **THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATE** any complaints from citizens regarding questionable sales tactics and will suspend or revoke the solicitors permit if necessary. **DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL 9-1-1 or THE CLERK’S OFFICE WITH COMPLAINTS.**



YARD WASTE

Stickers are available at the Clerk’s Office. Yard waste begins April 1, 2022 and ends November 30, 2022.

REAL ESTATE SALES

Please note that the City of Burbank now requires proof of full payment of water and refuse bills prior to the issuance of a real estate transfer tax stamp. (Ord. #29-11-17) passed on 11/22/2017.

ANIMAL REGISTRATION

Please make sure you register your pets. Animal licenses are available at a cost of \$5.00 for each pet.

BUSINESS REGULATORY CERTIFICATES

All businesses in Burbank must obtain a business regulatory license. This certificate may be obtained only after passing inspections by our Building and Fire Departments, as well as meeting the necessary requirements of the Stickney Township Environmental Health Department. Please contact the Clerk’s Office for further information at 708-599-5500. Certificate applications are available at City Hall or on the City’s website (www.burbankil.gov) on the Home Page under “Quick Links”

or on the Clerk’s page under “Forms”. Business Certificates are renewable annually and expire on December 31st. Renewal forms are mailed out mid-October as to give all business owners ample time to fill out the necessary information. There is a monthly penalty payment of \$100.00 after January 1st until the fee is paid. All vending, amusement and video gaming machines must be noted on this form and the appropriate stickers applied.



**POWER OUTAGE
INFORMATION**

ALL power outages should be reported to ComEd customer service:

800-EDISON1 (800-334-7661) or text “OUT” to 2-6-6-3-3.

Please do not assume that your neighbor has reported the outage; make the call yourself.

You may also report an outage, online, through the ComEd website at <https://www.comed.com/customer-service/outage-information/Pages/report-an-outage.aspx>. Ask for the “outage ticket number” so that you may track the progress of the report.

PROCEDURE FOR BRANCH PICK-UP

Branches are to be cut into four (4) foot lengths, tied, and set out with your yard waste. These branches will then be collected, by our refuse provider, on your regular pick up day. Smaller amounts of branches may be put into yard waste paper bags or a 30-gallon container marked **yard waste**.

Yard waste service runs from April 1 thru November 30.

Logs are to be cut no larger than two (2) feet in length and set on the parkway for pick-up. Logs of a large diameter must be cut into a size that can be handled, comfortably, by one man. For pickup service, please call the Department of Public Works at 708-924-7390.

Should you wish to remove an entire tree, please call the Department of Public Works for detailed instructions!

All private tree service companies are required, per City Ordinance Section 8-790, to be licensed and bonded. Further, they are responsible for the **removal** of their materials and debris. A list of professional tree service companies may be obtained from the Building Department.

The Department of Public Works will not pick-up branches and tree material when a contractor or any person, **other than the homeowner**, has performed the service.

IS YOUR 96-GALLON GARBAGE OR RECYCLING CART DAMAGED?

Public Works can replace Lids, Wheels and Axles.

Please note: a \$62.50 replacement fee is charged for carts that are lost, stolen or damaged beyond repair.

Replacement carts can be purchased at the following locations:

- Public Works—acceptable forms of payment include check/money order
- City Hall- acceptable forms of payment include cash, credit card, check/ money order

REFUSE SERVICE: (City Ordinance Section 7-644)

The City of Burbank would like to remind residents that every occupant and owner of a single-family and two-family residential structure shall provide and pay for weekly collection of garbage, landscape waste and recyclables by a licensed scavenger having a current scavenger franchise agreement from the City. The City contracts with Republic Services for its waste collection. Residents on stop-service or without garbage service are subject to a \$150.00 fine. For garbage service please contact Republic Services at (708) 385-8252.

BLIGHT DEPARTMENT

The Blight Department would like to remind residents and property owners of the following:

- No trash/debris or abandoned vehicles are to be parked or stored on the property.
- No storage, of any kind, is permitted on empty lots.

If you see an abandoned house, graffiti or other potential blight issues, please contact the Blight Officer at 708-924-7390.

WHEN THE LIGHTS GO OUT

To report outages or malfunctions, with regard to a street light or an alley light, please refer to the following numbers:

FOR STREET LIGHTS:

Please call the Department of Public Works at 708-924-7390

FOR ALLEY LIGHTS: (located on wooden poles)

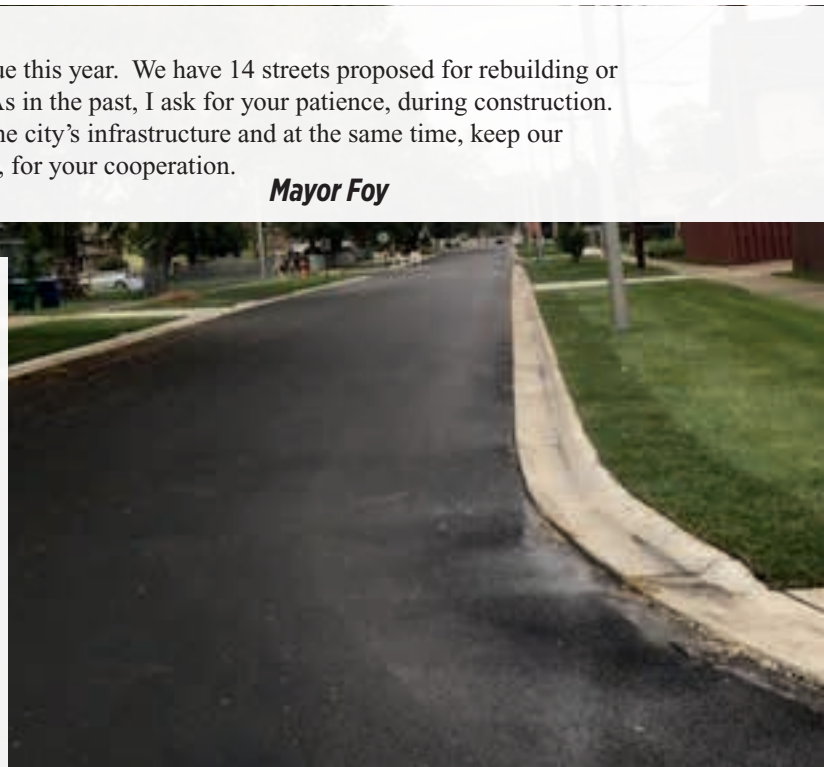
Please call Commonwealth Edison at 1-800-334-7661

STREET IMPROVEMENTS

We are pleased to inform you that street improvements will continue this year. We have 14 streets proposed for rebuilding or resurfacing. I have listed all streets scheduled for improvements. As in the past, I ask for your patience, during construction. I realize it can be an inconvenience but it's important to maintain the city's infrastructure and at the same time, keep our streets safe and our city looking beautiful. I thank you, in advance, for your cooperation.

Mayor Foy

STREET	FROM	TO
New England Ave	78th Street	77th Street
Oak Park Ave	87th Street	79th Street
82nd Place	Nashville Ave	Narragansett Ave
Mulligan Ave	Narragansett Ave	82nd Street
86th Place	State Road	Melvina Ave
Meade Ave	87th Street	85th Street
Major Ave	80th Street	79th Street
Massasoit Ave	81st Street	79th Street
Latrobe Ave	83rd Street	79th Street
Lamon Ave	84th Place	83rd Street
84th Street	Menard Ave	Central Ave
Melvina Ave	79th Street	77th Street
Laramie Ave	79th Street	State Road
Leamington Ave	79th Street	78th Street





NICOR GAS INSIDE METER MOVE OUT (IMMO) PROJECT

Nicor Gas is currently working on the relocation of existing gas meters located inside homes to an exterior location as a safety measure. This IMMO project is scheduled to relocate approximately 75 inside residential meters to an outdoor location.

NICOR GAS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Nicor Gas, as part of their Investing in Illinois Program Initiative, will begin replacing gas mains and gas services in the following areas this year:

- Laramie Avenue to Lamon Avenue & 83rd Street to 79th Street
- State Road to Lotus Avenue & North of 83rd Street

The existing steel gas mains in these areas are approximately seventy years old and are in poor condition. The project will include the installation of 2" diameter polyethylene gas main and 3/4" diameter gas service lines. The installation of the new gas main and service lines will be completed by directional boring methods to minimize disruption of the parkways. Nicor and their installation contractor will notify the affected residents in these areas as these projects get underway.

BUILDING PERMITS

If you are contemplating construction work in your home or on your property, please obtain all required permits from the Building and Zoning Department, located in City Hall, before you begin work. Permits are required for not only new construction but for specific home-improvement type jobs, as well. If you are considering remodeling such as installing a new roof, siding, deck, driveway, etc., please contact the Burbank Building Department at (708) 599-5500. Staff members will answer your questions and advise you of any city ordinances relating to your project.



CLEAN WATER IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

10 Things You Can Do to Prevent Storm Water Runoff Pollution

1. Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways and sidewalks
2. Never dump anything down storm drains
3. Vegetate bare spots in your yard
4. Compost your yard waste
5. Avoid pesticides; learn about Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
6. Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces
7. Take your car to the car wash instead of washing it in the driveway
8. Check car for leaks, and recycle motor oil
9. Pick up after your pet
10. Inspect and pump your septic tank regularly



RESPECT YOUR NEIGHBORS

(City Ordinance #19-8-21)

The City of Burbank maintains a noise violation ordinance and, when necessary, will enforce said ordinance.

Please be advised that between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., the maximum decibel level is 70 dB (A) and between the hours of 9:01 p.m. and 6:59 a.m., the maximum level is 60 dB (A).

Fines for ignoring this law can be no less than \$250 and not more than \$2,000 per each violation. Each instance noise, measured in excess of the allowable limits, shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

Please be a considerate neighbor and keep the noise at a respectful level!



Dave Gilgenberg II
Fire Chief

FROM THE DESK OF FIRE CHIEF GILGENBERG

Spring is always a good time to consider how ready you and your family are in case of an emergency. The threat of severe weather is always a concern and something to plan for. Making sure you have enough food, water, and medication is the highest priority...and don't forget about the pets!! The website, READY.GOV, is a great resource to help you plan for all-hazard emergencies.

I also want to thank our Burbank community for your continued support, especially with regard to our annual *Pancake Breakfast*. Last year, we tried something different and offered it in the fall. As a result, we received a lot of positive feedback, specifically as to how much nicer the weather was. For this reason, we will again offer our *Pancake Breakfast* in the fall (date to be determined) so please keep a look out!!



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Engineer
George Lamoureaux

This month's spotlight is on Engineer George Lamoureaux. George is 50 years old, and a 21-year veteran of the Burbank Fire Department. He is a 2nd generation firefighter, beginning his career (with his father George) at the Chicago Ridge Fire Department, as a paid-on-call firefighter in 1991. George has filled many positions throughout his career in Burbank, most notably are: Technical Rescue Team Specialist, Hazardous Materials Technician, Fire Officer I, and has been a certified paramedic for 27 years. In 2003, George was awarded Firefighter of the Year for rescuing a man who was stuck inside of a trench 10 feet below ground. George has also served as the department's lead mechanic, handling anything from routine scheduled maintenance to complete engine rebuilds. In 2019, he was promoted to the rank of Engineer.



On April 21st, George will work his final shift, as he plans to retire from the Burbank Fire Department. He is looking forward to spending time with his wife Marie as they move forward in the next chapter of their life.

The City of Burbank and the Burbank Fire Department thanks you for your 21 years of service and wish you all the best in your future endeavors. Congratulations George on your well-deserved retirement!



NEW CPR SYSTEM

The Burbank Fire Department is now utilizing the Lucas device automatic CPR system. CPR is the most vital lifesaving treatment for patients in cardiac arrest. Continuous CPR is critical in these patients. By implementing the Lucas device, we can provide continuous CPR without interruption. This is difficult to accomplish with standard manual CPR, while moving patients from the scene into the ambulance. CPR is not interrupted while defibrillation takes place, which cannot be done with manual CPR. Recent studies have shown that the Lucas creates about 20% more blood flow to the brain than manual CPR. Research has shown improved neurological outcomes in patients that have returned to spontaneous circulation (ROSC) by utilizing the Lucas device. These ROSC rates have also gone up from 26% to 41%. It is our goal to provide the best possible outcome for our citizens by using the best tools possible.



LET'S ALL DO OUR PART TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE!

As the holiday season is now over and we look forward to the spring/summer months, it is important to do everything we can to reduce crimes of opportunity in our community. Your police department asks you remain committed to the following:

- **DO NOT** leave your vehicle running, unattended, with keys located in the car.
- **NEVER** leave car keys in your vehicle while it is parked.
- **DO NOT** leave valuables, in plain view, inside your vehicle.
- Keep your vehicle doors locked, at all times, when your car is unattended.
- Lock and secure all doors and windows when you are away from home.
- Be aware of individuals attempting home improvement scams.
If you did not schedule work, individuals should not randomly show up at your home.
- And most of all, if you observe suspicious activity,
CALL 911 - If it does not look or seem right, it probably is not!

WORKING TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE SURE OUR COMMUNITY IS THE SAFEST POSSIBLE.



Lt. Ed Hargus

IMPORTANT RECYCLING INFORMATION

We at the Burbank Fire Department hope everyone has been staying safe and healthy this winter and are sure everyone is looking forward to warmer days ahead. It is our mission to help those in our community live the safest and healthiest lives they can. Often residents reach out to the fire department with various questions and we do our best to provide answers to these questions.

We are frequently asked about the best way to dispose of various household items ranging from medicine and needles to oil and gasoline. The following options should make disposing of these hazardous items more realistic.

When it comes to the disposal of prescription medications an old practice was to just throw them in the garbage or even flush them down the toilet. Per the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency these are not good ideas and can have a dangerous impact on our environment and our drinking water. The safest way to dispose of medications is at a drug take back event, which the City of Burbank will have in the summer, or a drop box. Thankfully we have a drug drop box in the lobby of our Burbank Police Department located at 5650 W. 75th Place.

Disposing of needles in approved sharps containers can be challenging. Some pharmacies offer an exchange program when you receive needles and sharps containers. Republic Services (our local refuse service) offers a Sharps and Needles Disposal Service. For a fee, you can order the correct size sharps container delivered to your home. Once filled, you place the container in the pre-paid shipping box and mail it back for disposal. You can contact Republic Services at: www.republicsharps.com or call 1-855-737-7871

If a sharps container is not available, you can place used needles in a strong, plastic container, like a laundry detergent or bleach bottle. The container should be leak-resistant, remain upright during use, and have a tight-fitting, puncture-resistant lid. When the container is about 3/4 full, seal the lid with heavy duty tape, and write "DO NOT RECYCLE" in black marker. Put the plastic container in the household trash - don't recycle!



DISPOSING OF WASTE OIL AND GASOLINE

Disposing of waste oil and gasoline has long posed a difficult task. There are not many options available for residents to safely and correctly dispose of these hazardous combustible/flammable liquids. Because of this, the City of Burbank has arranged for oil and gas to be dropped off at our public works facility. Residents may call 708-924-7300 and arrange for a drop off.

As always it is our priority to ensure the health and safety of our residents and community. We hope you have a relaxing, and fun filled summer.

When the container is 3/4 full, put the lid on, seal it with duct tape, and label DO NOT RECYCLE.





Jack Garcia
Police Chief

I would like to thank the Mayor’s office, our Alderman, Fire Department, our police officers and all the other city departments for the support and assistance I have received since being appointed your Chief. As a former resident of our town and product of our school system, it is an honor to return to my roots and serve as your Police Chief. As I continue my transition, I want to stress the safety of our community and residents is the priority for myself and our police officers. Working together with our residents will ensure we have the safest community possible, as you are a critical source of information in fighting crime. The “SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING” attitude will continue to serve our community well.



NEW EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Welcome Aboard

With the support of the Mayor’s office and our Police and Fire Commission, the Police Department recently added three more officers. Officer Ruiz-Rangel was a lateral transfer from another local Police Department while the other two new officers, Damian Zoldak and Joseph Hyzynski are completing their training at the Chicago Police Academy. These new officers will assist the Police Department in fulfilling our mission of public service.



Left to right:
Officers Zoldak and Hyzynski



Officer Ruiz-Rangel

In addition to the new hires, William Casey was appointed as Deputy Chief of Police, Richard Thielen was appointed Commander of our Patrol Division, Jonathon Malacina was appointed Commander of the Investigations Division, Ms. Karen Kielar was appointed Office Manager of the department and will supervise our civilian staff, Ms. Leticia Garcia will continue to serve as the Executive Assistant to the Chief.

These individuals bring with them a wealth of experience and supervisory expertise, and will assist me greatly in ensuring your police department is operating properly and efficiently.

POLAR PLUNGE

Members of the Burbank Police Department participated in the 2022 Manteno Polar Plunge on March 5, 2022 to help raise money for Special Olympics athletes. Through everyone’s support, members of the Burbank Police Department raised \$6,415.00 to help athletes with intellectual and physical disabilities discover new strengths, abilities and help them reveal their inner champion by participating in the Special Olympics. On behalf of the members of the Burbank Police Department, we would like to thank everyone who donated and helped us support the Special Olympics.



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LOCAL POSTAL CUSTOMER



ADMINISTRATION OFFICES 708-599-5500

Mayor's Office
Dan M. Foy, Mayor
(Administration)

City Clerk's Office
Barry Szymczak, City Clerk
(License & Registration)
(Employment Referral Program)

Treasurer's Office
Dave L. Viverito, City Treasurer
(Budget & Payroll)

Zoning Dept.

Building Dept.
(Permits & Inspections)

Zoning Board of Appeals

Public Information Office
(Maps, Newsletters & Publications
Mayor's Office)

Civil Defense

Emergency Tornado
Information 599-9551

POLICE DEPARTMENT
Police Service 911
(Emergency and Non-Emergency)

Information (8 A.M. - 8 P.M.) . . 924-7300

Youth Office 924-7300

FIRE DEPARTMENT
Fire Alarm &
Emergency Ambulance 911
Information 599-7766

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Street Repairs 924-7390

BLIGHT OFFICER 924-7390

ALDERMANIC COMMITTEES

Burbank City government works effectively through aldermanic committees, holding public meetings on a regularly scheduled basis. At the meetings, the Mayor and the department heads meet with the aldermen on the committees, do studies, and then make recommendations to the council for enactment. The City council meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall. Residents are invited to attend the meetings and also make requests to the aldermen according to their committee assignments.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN & MEMBERS

Meet the 3rd Wednesday of every month
7:30 p.m., City Hall

PUBLIC SAFETY AND CIVIL DEFENSE

Barbara Gagle, Chairman
Claude Haerr

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Claude Haerr, Chairman
Robert Contreras
John Pacella, Jr.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Sheri Gustafson, Chairman
Mitchell Piznarski

ZONING COMMITTEE

Robert Contreras, Chairman
Thomas Phillips

YOUTH-SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Mitchell Piznarski, Chairman
John Pacella, Jr.

BLIGHT COMMITTEE

Sheri Gustafson, Chairman
Barbara Gagle
Thomas Phillips

1st Ward

Ald. Barb Gagle 927-5175

2nd Ward

Ald. Robert Contreras 655-6712

3rd Ward

Ald. Sheri Gustafson 267-4651

4th Ward

Ald. Claude Haerr 217-9669

5th Ward

Ald. John Pacella, Jr. (773) 447-0674

6th Ward

Ald. Mitchell Piznarski 638-2703

7th Ward

Ald. Thomas Phillips 599-4351

special holiday closings

The City of Burbank will be closed in observation of the following holidays:

Memorial Day
Monday, May 30

Juneteenth Day
Sunday, June 19
(observed Monday June 20)

Independence Day
Monday, July 4

Labor Day
Monday, Sept. 5

