



# City of Willow Park

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Regular City Council Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the WP Municipal Complex 516 Ranch House Road

## Meet the council member: Nathan Crummel

A new member of the City Council will start his term in May – Nathan Crummel, who has lived in Willow Park for 7 years, will officially take office in the Place 5 council member seat.

Crummel bought his home in Willow Park one month before he and his wife got married, and the pair have since added two family members: Kade, 11 months old, and Kyle, 3 years old.

Crummel is a landman in the oil and gas industry, a career he happened upon entirely by accident. Crummel majored in broadcast journalism at Abilene Christian University after growing up on the west side of Fort Worth.

After realizing a journalism career wasn't for him, he returned to Fort Worth and took a job working as a personal banker at Wells Fargo.

"One day I was helping a couple with their business loan, and during the income portion of the application, I realized they were making more in a month than I was making in a year," said Crummel. "I jokingly asked if they were hiring and attached my resume to their application the next day. I've been in oil and gas ever since."

Crummel and his wife chose Willow Park because of her roots in the area and the proximity to both their jobs.

"Growing up so close to Aledo ISD, I was always a little jealous of the kids who got to go there," said Crummel. "Now I have the opportunity to raise my boys as Bearcats." He said he's seen a lot of positive change in Willow Park since he became a resident.

"As an outsider, to me it used to always just be some place where you got speeding tickets," Crummel said. "But since I've been here I've realized what an important contributor Willow Park has become in east Parker County. Willow Park is a really nice compliment to cities such as Hudson



Oaks and Aledo and has made an impact." Public service has been of interest to Crummel since his college days, when he interned in the communications department for the city of Abilene.

"I did some video PSA's and some other tasks helping get messages out to citizens, and I really enjoyed it. It was my first taste of local government," he said.

When Place 5 council member Gary McKaughan decided not to seek reelection, Crummel saw it as an opportunity to get more involved in his city.

"I did some research and met with the city manager and mayor, and after a lot of prayer and discussion with my wife, decided it was the right time for me," he said.

Crummel said he will take an interest in business development in the city, building on the work that has already been done.

"I'm very grateful for the businesses we have now, and I think there are even more opportunities in Willow Park," he said. "I think it's important to continue to support the right kind of businesses for our city while keeping that small-town feel."



## Thank you, Council Member McKaughan!

Place 5 Council Member Gary McKaughan completes a two-year term on the Willow Park City Council this month. On behalf of the staff, residents, and businesses, we thank Gary for his service to the city and contributions to the community.

## COVID-19 Update: Reopening Texas

Texas Governor Greg Abbott outlined his plans to reopen Texas in a press conference from Austin on April 27.

With a focus on continuing to protect the most vulnerable in the population, maintain social distancing, and heeding expert advice from doctors, Gov. Abbott will allow his “stay at home” order to expire Thursday, April 30. Phase 1 of the reopening will begin Friday, May 1. Under the Phase 1 guidelines:

- All retail, restaurants, movie theaters, and malls will be allowed to reopen at 25 percent capacity;
- Museums and libraries will be allowed to reopen at 25 percent capacity but “hands on” displays and exhibits should remain closed;
- Churches can expand capacity but should continue to use social distancing;
- Outdoor sports such as golf are allowed but in groups of no more than four people.

If Phase 1 goes smoothly, Phase 2 is expected to begin May 18, which would allow for greater capacities in the establishments mentioned above.

It is important to note that barbershops and salons are NOT allowed to reopen under the Phase 1 guidelines.

## Outdoor watering guidelines

- Residents with addresses ending in even numbers may water Saturday and Wednesday
- Residents with addresses ending in odd numbers may water Sunday and Thursday
- Businesses may water on Tuesdays and Fridays

### DO:

- Use drip irrigation or soaker hose at any time - but only for two hours
- Use hose-end sprinklers BEFORE 10 a.m. or AFTER 6 p.m. on assigned days
- Get a variance from the City before establishing new turf
- Use a hand-held bucket and a hose with a positive shut-off valve to wash your car at home

### DON'T:

- Hose paved areas such as sidewalks, driveway, parking lots, etc
- Hose buildings or other structures for purposes other than fire protection

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