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City seeks volunteers to serve on CIP Committee

MURPHY (August 8, 2016) Residents interested in serving the City of Murphy as part of the newly-formed Capital Improvement Projects Committee are invited to submit an application to be considered for one of the positions on the committee.

While Murphy has been operating without such a committee in the recent past, many Capital Improvement Projects have been undertaken and completed, usually under the auspices of either any of the other boards and commissions already in place or the staff.

“We are now at the point that a CIP Committee is necessary,” said Interim City Manager Bill Shipp. “There are several current and future capital projects that require citizen oversight, and creating a committee made up of residents is the best way to manage that process.”

Registered voters with a City of Murphy address who do not have outstanding liens or other indebtedness to the City will be considered for appointment.

Capital Improvement Projects are generally large construction or infrastructure developments that usually make use of funding from several sources. These projects are important for the City to drive progress and influence development, especially on a large scale.

The CIP Committee will serve as a recommending body to the City Council, which has ultimate decision-making responsibility for any of these projects. The CIP Committee is expected to hold frequent meetings, perhaps weekly during some periods of their six-month term.

The members will be chosen from the list of residents who express an interest and who meet the criteria set by the Council. Appointments will occur in September and be valid until February 2017. Applications are available online at <http://www.murphytx.org/643/>.

“The work of this committee will have long-lasting effects on the City,” said Shipp. “CIP projects are often invisible to residents, but their impact is definitely far-reaching.”

Deadline for applying for consideration is Friday, Aug. 26.

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ABOUT MURPHY -- Murphy is a fast-growing community located in Collin County. The population is approximately 18,020, generally characterized as highly educated with a median household income above the state average. With more than 70 percent of the land developed, the community is dominated by single-family residences. City planners strive to preserve a country feel while exhibiting an aggressive economic development stance. Money Magazine has dubbed Murphy as the 27th Best Place to Live in America for small cities, and D Magazine placed Murphy as the fifth best suburb in the 2014 list, where it has consistently ranked in the top 10.