



**OUR OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED  
ON**

**New Year's Day**

Monday, January 1, 2024  
and

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

Monday, January 15, 2024



**"The time is always right to do what is right."**

**-Martin Luther King, Jr.**



## Stay Safe this New Years Eve...

**The City of Hutchins Police Department has a reminder for those celebrating the New Years holiday.**

It is illegal to possess, store, handle and/or use of fireworks in the city limits and officers may write tickets for those violating the law. This offense is punishable by a fine up to \$2,000 and officers may seize the opened fireworks.

Also, discharging a firearm in the city limits is not only illegal, but also very dangerous. What goes up, must come down. Every year, across the country, people are hurt or even killed by stray bullets from celebratory gunfire. This offense is punishable by a fine up to \$4,000 and up to one year in jail.

Preventing dangerous driving on New Years Eve:

- If you plan to drive later in the night, do not drink alcohol.
- Know how you are getting home:
  - Do you have a designated driver in your group?
  - Will you use public transportation, and if so, have you confirmed that it will be operating in the hours you plan to head home?
  - Will you use a ride-share service?
- See what local programs are available that may offer safe rides home on New Year's Eve.
- If you do not have a safe ride home, stay with the party's host.

The Hutchins Police Department will be working DWI enforcement during the New Years holidays. If you are suspected of Driving While Intoxicated, officers will secure a search warrant for blood samples and criminal charges will be forwarded for prosecution.

Happy New Year!

## Boards and Commission Information and Recruitment Event

Dear Citizens,

We are delighted to invite you to the City of Hutchins' Boards and Commission Information and Recruitment Event. This event aims to provide you with valuable information about the various boards and commissions in our city and how you can get involved. We believe that your participation and input are crucial in shaping the future of our community.

Date: Thursday, January 18, 2024

Time: 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Location: Hutchins Community Center

Address: 500 W Hickman, Hutchins, TX 75141

During this event, you will have the opportunity to learn about the different boards and commissions, their roles, and the impact they have on our city. Whether you are interested in parks and recreation, library, planning and zoning, or public safety, there is a board or commission that aligns with your interests and expertise.

The council has also officially approved the formation of the Keep Hutchins Beautiful (KHB) Advisory Board. This decision reflects our commitment to preserving and enhancing the natural and aesthetic qualities of our community. The boards are open to citizens, those who own and/or operate a business in the city during the term of office, and students.

To make this event even more enjoyable, we will be serving dinner.

RSVP is required to ensure we can accommodate all attendees. Please RSVP by January 7, 2023 by contacting:

Cynthia Olguin, TRMC | City Secretary

[colguin@cityofhutchins.org](mailto:colguin@cityofhutchins.org)

Main: 972-225-6121 | Direct: 972-225-7435

We kindly request that you provide your name, contact information, and the number of guests attending with you.

We encourage you to bring any questions you may have about the boards and commissions or the application process. Our team will be available to provide guidance and assist you in finding the right fit for your skills and interests.

Your involvement in our city's boards and commissions is vital to the success and growth of Hutchins. We value your input and look forward to working together to make our community an even better place to live, work, and play.

Thank you for your time, and we hope to see you at the event!

## May 2024 General Election Information

The Hutchins City Council election is held on the first Saturday in May of each year. The next City Council election will be Saturday, May 4, 2024, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and two city council members at large.

### Notice of Candidate Filing Deadline

The first day to file an application for a place on the ballot is January 17, 2024, and the last date to file for a place on the ballot is February 16, 2024, at 5:00 pm.

## Upcoming Events

- January 2** City Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- January 16** City Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- January 16** Library Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- January 18** Planning & Zoning Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm