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Annexations bring new services, charges to area residents

PROSPER (October 13, 2010) Recent annexations by the Town of Prosper have resulted in changes for residents of the affected areas, according to Utility Clerk Pamela Clark. The changes include Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services as well as trash collection and recycling services being provided by the Town. Also, newly annexed residents and businesses will be assessed a monthly Drainage System Utility Fee.

In 2009, the Town of Prosper established its Drainage System Utility, authorized by the state legislature, to collect funds from residents and businesses to provide construction, maintenance and repair of storm water facilities. The fee is dedicated solely to assist the Town comply with state and federal mandates to prevent flooding, protect creeks and reduce erosion.

“Creeks throughout the Town drain into area lakes, which are our sources for drinking water. The fewer pollutants put into our creeks, through proper storm water maintenance, the higher the quality of our water,” she said.

The fee is based on lot sizes and impervious areas such as buildings and parking lots. For residences, there are two tiers categorized by lot sizes. For example, tier one is for lot sizes smaller than 10,000 sq. ft. Tier two is for larger lot sizes. The monthly fee for tier one is \$2.75, and \$3.85 for tier two. Commercial properties, including multi-family residences, the fee is .056 cents for 100 sq. ft. The minimum monthly commercial fee is \$2.75 and will not exceed \$200 per month per property.

Areas annexed in 2010 will see the new charge during the October billing cycle.

For more information on Drainage System Utility Management, please contact the Development Services Department at 972-346-3502 or visit www.prospertx.gov. For billing questions, call 972-346-2640.

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ABOUT THE TOWN OF PROSPER – The Town of Prosper is a fast-growing suburb with small town charm, located 30 miles north of Dallas at the crossroads of U.S. 380, Preston Road and the Dallas North Tollway in Collin and Denton Counties. Prosper sits on 27 square miles and is home to more than 9,000 people. A home-rule municipality, governed by a council-manager form of government, the town has full-time fire and police departments, including its own dispatch service. As the Town grows to its projected build-out population of 90,000 residents, Prosper’s vision is to remain a “Place Where Everyone Matters.”