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Annual Tree Tour set for May 27 at Whitley Place Park *Parks staff will conduct walking tour and answer questions*

PROSPER (May 12, 2021) The unmistakably critical role that urban forestry plays in maintaining the environmental health and stability of the planet and all of its inhabitants is undeniable, as trees in urban and suburban areas improve air quality, enhance aesthetics, increase property values, and provide wildlife habitats.

In recognition of their significant value to the local environment, the Prosper Parks and Recreation Department is hosting the annual Tree Tour, taking place on Thursday, May 27 starting at 5:30 pm at Whitley Place Park, 4001 Glacier Point Circle.

Parks staff will conduct a walking tour through the park to share information on the different tree species present and their individual traits. The tour is especially important for families with young children, giving the youngsters an early introduction to the importance of planting and maintaining trees.

Participants in the Prosper Tree Tour will enjoy a leisurely evening stroll through the park, as Town staff will serve as guides, pointing out the rich variety of tree species and their specific characteristics. Attendees should arrive before 5:30 p.m. and remain in the parking lot area where the walking tour will initiate. Families and members of the same household should remain together, allowing proper spacing between groupings.

“This informal community gathering gains popularity each year and we look forward to seeing as many Prosper families as possible,” said Dudley Raymond, Director of Parks and Recreation. “Staff will describe the various trees in the park and be available to answer questions.”

Responses to questions about the annual event can be obtained by calling the Prosper Parks and Recreation Department at 972-569-1160. The latest news and information on Town programs are available at the Prosper Parks and Recreation Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ProsperParksandRec/> or at www.ProsperParksandRec.org.

In the event of inclement weather, notices of cancellation or postponement will be posted on these sites.

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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 28,000 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 70,000 residents, Prosper’s vision is to remain a “Place Where Everyone Matters.”