CITY OF CONROE

CONROE
BY THE NUMBERS

9TH ANNUAL STATE OF THE CITY REPORT
A MESSAGE FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Citizens,

On behalf of our dedicated city employees, it is a pleasure to present the City of Conroe 2013 Annual Report. We recognize the citizens of Conroe present the means as well as the purpose of our work, and it is with great pride that we serve you.

Whether our Public Works Department is hard at work improving our city’s roads, or our Parks Department is planning a day of fun activities for the whole family, we never lose sight of our #1 priority – maintaining and ensuring a high quality of life for the citizens of Conroe.

As the New Year brings exciting changes and progress to Conroe, we hope that every interaction with our hard working city employees reinforces our commitment to our Mission Statement, “To protect and serve the citizens of Conroe and exceed their expectations.” Come see us at City Hall or visit the City of Conroe website (www.cityofconroe.org) and let us know how we may serve you.

Sincerely,

Paul Virgadamo, Jr.
City Administrator
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor
Webb K. Melder

Councilwoman
Marsha Porter
Position 1

Councilman
Jim Gentry
Position 3

Councilman
Guy Martin
Position 4

Councilman
Gil Snider
Position 5

Councilman
Seth M. Gibson
Position 2
ON THE HORIZON

Scheduled to Begin
Spring 2014

4 Buses Delivered Spring 2014
66 Estimated Stops
19 Miles of Bus Routes

1. Lone Star Family Health
2. Conroe Regional Medical Center
3. Kroger
5. Oscar Johnson Center
6. Salvation Army
7. Conroe Municiple Court
8. Conroe City Hall
9. Walter P. Jett Continuing Ed. Center
10. Hobby Lobby
11. Wal-Mart/Sam’s Club
12. Lowe’s Hardware
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

1,045 Acres in Conroe Park North Industrial Park

30 Businesses located within Conroe Park North

2,293 Jobs in Conroe Park North Industrial Park

3,200 Expected future student capacity at Lone Star College – Conroe Center

$932 Average weekly wage in Montgomery County

31,307 Labor Force in the City of Conroe

1,346 Acres encompassed by the Lone Star Executive Airport

248 Acres in the Deison Technology Park

6,284 Total permits issued. (Residential, Commercial, Other)

368 New home starts

$160,308 Average home value

58.5 Square miles is the area of Conroe city limits

83.1 Square miles is the planning area (Regulated portion of the ETJ)

343 Square miles of Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ)
Where the Money Comes From

For the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Adopted Budget, revenues totaled $126.5 million which included the following:

**Beginning Fund Balance**: $69.4

**Revenues (in Millions):**
- Property Taxes: $18.0
- Gross Receipt Taxes: 5.1
- Sales Tax Collections: 35.3
- Other Taxes: 1.6
- Licenses and Permits: 1.4
- Charges for Current Services: 35.8
- Traffic and Criminal Fines: 3.1
- Other Revenues: 2.8
- Intergovernmental Revenue: 4.1
- Transfers In: 19.3

**Total Revenues**: $126.5

**Total Resources**: $195.9

$4,322,826,131 Certified taxable value
$0.4200 Per $100 value, 2013-2014 tax rate
$17,792,752 Ad valorem tax revenue
$35,327,031 Sales tax revenue
$574 Sales Tax per capita

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For the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Adopted Budget, expenses totaled $128.4 million which included the following:

**Total Resources**  $195.9

**Expenditures (In Millions):**
- General Government  $23.2
- Public Safety  27.7
- Community Development  1.8
- Public Works  20.3
- Culture and Recreation  6.3
- Non-Departmental  30.6
- Debt Service  18.5
**Total Expenditures**  $128.4

**Ending Fund Balance**  $67.5

$70,245 Tax base per capita
$816,476 Hotel occupancy tax revenue
$1,187,982 Building permit revenue

$193,415,110 Capital improvement program
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

4:17 Average response time

73,312 Calls for service

4,287 Cases assigned

1,345 Total cases closed

4,628 Arrests

502 Crime scenes processed

19,723 Citations issued

12,625 Warrants issued

3,228 Motor vehicle accidents

21,702 Red light camera citations
FIRE DEPARTMENT

7,118 Calls for service
215 Total fires
23 Fire Investigations
4.5 Average response time
1,424 Commercial Inspections

ISO Rating is the City’s fire classification on a scale of 1 to 10 with 1 being the highest rating
PARKS & RECREATION

26  Parks are at your service in Conroe
6.6  Miles of trails in Conroe’s parks
417  Acres of parkland maintained
89,500  Membership scans at C.K. Ray Recreation Center
68,757  Attendance to Conroe’s Aquatic Center during summer participation
337  Children per day on average attending after school programs
13  Park pavilions
25  Playgrounds
21,588  Hours of athletic field usage
3,103  Hours reserved for pavilions and Heritage Place
35,000 Visitors Guides mailed in the past year

10,000 Attendees at the Conroe Christmas Celebration

30,000 Citizens & visitors attended the Conroe Cajun Catfish Festival

$90,000 in CVB Special Events Grants awarded to local Groups

12,000 People attended the 2013 KidzFest

34,000 Attendees at the Toyota Texas Bass Classic 2013

$1,019,900 Spent by attendees and participants of the Toyota Texas Bass Classic 2013

34,200 Patrons have been entertained at the Crighton & Owen Theatres
PUBLIC WORKS

16 Projects Designed and Constructed

2.5 Miles of League Line Rd. widened

655 Miles of right-of-way mowed

11,236 Miles of streets swept

1,000 Street signs repaired

4,500 Work orders issued

13,269 Total inspections conducted

1,420 Utility cuts repaired

822,510 Linear feet of sewer mains cleaned

3,284 Billion gallons of water produced

10,000 Utility locates completed

30,000 Feet of water and sewer lines installed

5 Houses constructed through CDBG (Community Development Block Grant Dept.)

7 Lots cleaned by CDBG

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90% Recycling participation rate.

9,085 Tons of recycled material diverted from the local landfill since 2010.

6 tons of paper recycled during 2013 Great Paper Chase 3 Event

22,032 lbs. collected during 2013 Electronics Recycling Event
GOLD STAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting (Accounting – 7th yr.)
- Distinguished Budget Presentation Award (Budget – 8th yr.)
- Leadership Circle Gold Member Award (General Finance – 4th yr.)
- Investment Policy Certificate of Distinction (Investments – 4th time)
- Excellence in Technology Award (Municipal Court – 1st yr.)
- Traffic Safety Award (Municipal Court – 5th yr.)
- 100 Best Fleets in North America – 7th Place (Fleet – 7th yr.)
- Blue Seal of Excellence Award (Fleet – 7th yr.)
- Coast Recycling Council Leadership Award (Utility Billing – 1st yr.)
- Participated in the Great State Wide Warrant Round-Up.
- Implemented an on-line payment process in Municipal Court
- Renovated Council Chambers
- Hosted an Electronics Recycling and Annual Paper Shredding Event
- Continued highly successful Curbside Recycling Program
- Financial savings FY 12-13 $1.384 m

- Received the Texas Recreation and Park Society Voluntary Service Organization Award for collaboration with The Ark Church and Maximizing Children’s Ministries.
- Placed 1st with Deep Blue C lifeguard team in municipality and 2nd with Deep Blue C-equal lifeguard team during American Red Cross Lifeguard Competition.
- Completed several phases of the Aquatic Center Capital Improvement Plan- locker room remodel, lifts for ADA compliance, resurfaced educational pool deck, and purchased new picnic tables and deck furniture.
- Constructed two pavilions and two restroom buildings at Candy Cane Park.
- Constructed a Disc Golf course at John Burge Park at Shadow Lakes.
- The Parks and Recreation Department implemented a work order system (Facility Dude).
- Installed a new playground at the Oscar Johnson, Jr. Community Center.
- Acquired adjacent property at the Oscar Johnson, Jr. Community Center for future expansion.
- The Conroe Police Department was 1 of 10 Departments selected nationwide by Target Stores Inc. for “Award of Excellence” for our National Night Out event.
- The Conroe Police Department held its first 3 on 3 basketball tournament with the Community.
Holiday fun, filled with family friendly activities, live Christmas music, vendors, and of course, Santa!

Free Admission
Heritage Place
500 Metcalf St.

Festival
Saturday, December 13
11:00am – 5:00pm

Parade
Saturday, December 13
1:00pm

For more information visit www.CityofConroe.org or call 936.522.3842
Our Mission

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