



# ROCK BEATS

MONTHLY EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER



YOUR MONTHLY PULSE ON  
**WHAT'S HAPPENING**  
AT THE CITY OF ROUND ROCK

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# Construction begins on Bob Bennett facility expansion

Work will make additional space for pair of City departments

Employees from two City departments will be moving into new digs upon completion of a recently begun phase of the Bob Bennett building complex expansion project. Construction on the project's second phase began in December, with completion slated for early 2027.

It includes a 43,595-square-foot expansion of the main administration building at 3400 Sunrise Road, as well as 14,500-square-foot and 19,300-square-foot additions to the utility shop and warehouse on-site, respectively.

The additional space means more room for the **Public Works Department**, which includes moving **Transportation Operations** to the complex as well as new space for the **Community and Neighborhood Services Department**.

Consolidating additional work groups from Public Works at the completion of Phase 2 will help the department by having more employees located at the same complex.

Phase 1 of the complex was completed in October 2019, consolidating administrative and operational functions for the Public Works Department, including Utilities and Environmental Services and Transportation Divisions.

In 2020, it was renamed in honor of late City Manager Bob Bennett. In May 2024, the City Council approved a contract with Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. for design of the additional phases of the site.



# THE HR HUB

## ▶ **NEW lessons available on Round Rock Learning**

Find Round Rock Learning at [employees.roundrocktexas.gov](https://employees.roundrocktexas.gov) > Quick Links

- **[Understanding How People Deal With Conflict](#)**: In this short micro-learning lesson, you'll discover five ways people deal with issues, along with examples in which each reaction is or isn't helpful.
- **[Working with Different Communications Styles](#)**: In this lesson, you'll learn four communication styles and how to identify each. By identifying the style in which you and others communicate, you can learn to adapt your communication style to work with others more effectively.
- **[Time Management](#)**: In this course, you'll first learn what effective time management is – and how it helps you juggle competing responsibilities and interests. Then, you'll learn how to track, analyze, prioritize, and schedule your time so that you can maximize each day.

## ▶ **Fertility, maternity support now provided through UnitedHealthcare**

United Healthcare presents Maven Support, available at no cost to City employees and their spouses on UnitedHealthcare plans. Services include pediatric care, parenting and family support, maternity and newborn care and fertility planning.

Learn more at [mavenclinic.com](https://mavenclinic.com).

## ▶ **Benefits Reminders:**

- The **Employee Wellness Center** is open daily from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. at 901 Round Rock Ave. Each employee may bring one guest (an immediate family member, age 16 and above, only). Access the center using your City ID badge.
- City of Round Rock employees enjoy **free membership at Clay Madsen Recreation Center**, 1600 Gattis School Road. Employees may also receive discounted family membership. Apply in person at the Rec Center and present your City ID badge.
- Employees may obtain **free library cards** at the Round Rock Public Library. Apply in person at the library, 200 E. Liberty Ave., with your City ID badge and state-issued ID (current address needed).

# SERVING ROUND ROCK, EVERY DAY



General Services



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Parks and Recreation



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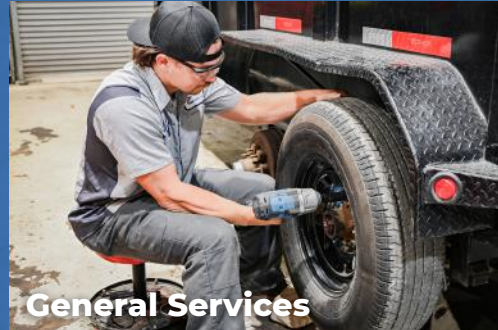
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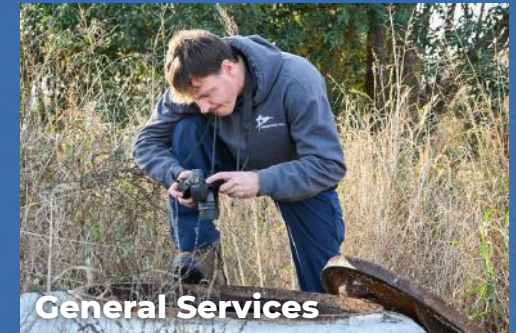
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CELEBRATE HEALTH AND WELLNESS LIKE  
EVERY DAY IS A



**SCAN TO  
REGISTER**



# EMPLOYEE BENEFITS & WELLNESS FAIR

Friday, April 17  9-11 a.m.

SHARON PRETE PLAZA

Activities | Art | Benefits | Food | Music | Prizes | Vendors | Wellness

Featuring a **mariachi performance** by the C.D. Fulkes Middle School Band



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## EMPLOYEE EVENTS

[VIEW EVENTS ON  
EMPLOYEEENET](#)



### Wednesday, April 15

- **TMRS Informational Webinar** – 2 p.m. | Online | [Click here to register](#)

### Thursday, April 16

- **AllOne Health: Digital Detox Webinar** – 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. | Online | [Click here to register](#)
- **Airrosti Carpal Tunnel Syndrome Webinar** – 3 p.m. | Online | [Click here to register](#)

### Tuesday, April 28

- **Airrosti Carpal Tunnel Syndrome Webinar** – Noon | Online | [Click here to register](#)

### Friday, May 1

- **The Supervisor Series: Interpersonal Communication** – 10 a.m. to noon | Bob Bennett Building Training Room, 3400 Sunrise Rd. | Managers and supervisors can [register to attend](#)

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Wednesdays

- **Music on Main** – 7 to 9 p.m. | Prete Plaza, 221 E. Main St. | [INFO](#)

### Tuesdays and Thursdays

- **Hometown Parklet Shows** – 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Downtown Round Rock | [INFO](#)

### Saturday, April 18

- **Shred for a Paws Cause** – 9 a.m. to noon | Bob Bennett Building, 3400 Sunrise Rd. | [INFO](#)

### Saturday, April 18

- **Earth Day** – 9 a.m. to noon | Yonders Point, 3103 Aten Loop | [INFO](#)

### Tuesday, April 21

- **Taste of Round Rock** – 6 to 8 p.m. | Round Rock Sports Center, 2400 Chisholm Trail | [INFO](#)

### Saturday, April 25

- **Mainly Art** – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Downtown Round Rock | [INFO](#)

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CALENDAR](#)



# EMPLOYEES ON THE MOVE

## NEW HIRES



### **FIRE**

DYLAN DUST  
CAROLINE HEARD  
DILLON KRENEK-HERNANDEZ  
TIMOTHY OSIO  
WILLIAM PARSLOW  
DAVID PATENAUDE  
JAMES ROGERS  
NICHOLAS WRIGHT

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

ROBERT TATHAM  
NICHOLAS NOLTE  
JEREMY COTE  
AUDREY NOBLES  
MANASA GUBBALA  
ANTHONY DEAMARAL  
PAUL PEDRAZA

### **GENERAL SERVICES**

TAYLOR DE LA ROSA

## PROMOTIONS



### **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

JAKE MORRISON (PROMOTED TO CHIEF INSPECTOR - RESIDENTIAL)

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

IRVING GRANADOS (PROMOTED TO UTILITY SERVICES WORKER - SR)  
DONAVAN RAMIREZ (PROMOTED TO UTILITY SERVICES TECH)  
OWEN WOODS (PROMOTED TO UTILITY CREW LEADER)

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## COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING

MARCIAL GUAJARDO (1)  
NEIL SCANLON (2)

## COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

GRAYSON ROBERTS (7)

## FINANCE

NORA MARCANO (2)  
DAVID CARTER (5)  
SYLVIA WILLHITE (22)  
MICHELLE ALVARADO (26)

## FIRE

GABRIEL GARCIA (1)  
CARL DIAZ (2)  
JOSHUA CONFER (2)  
QUINN DICK (2)  
DARRICK GRAY (2)  
RYAN HASTINGS (2)  
ROSS HENDRICKSON (2)  
KEVIN KERLIN (2)  
AIDEN KETCHUM (2)  
TAYLOR KELLOGG (2)  
MORGAN MAGNESS (2)  
NATHAN NICHOLS (2)  
TYLER VAIL (2)  
ZACHARY WIRTH (2)  
PAMELA WARD (4)  
DERRICK STEFFEK (9)  
JASON SLADECEK (9)  
ADAM JOHNSON (9)  
DANIEL DEJESUS (9)  
KYLE AUSTIN (9)  
SETH MONROE (9)  
SPENCER GRAY (9)  
MATTHEW DEEMER (11)  
MATTHEW TANZER (11)  
HERBERT HOUSTON (11)  
HECTOR SANTIAGO (11)  
CHARLES BRADY (11)  
PATRICK BATENHORST (11)  
DANIEL O'SAIL (14)  
JOANNA VIRGNE (20)  
JEREMY PORTER (20)  
STEVEN CREW (20)  
BRYAN ZOCH (20)  
RICKY VIRGNE (20)  
DANIEL JIRASEK (20)

## GENERAL SERVICES

JUAN BENITEZ (3)  
JASON SMITH (3)  
CORINA FERNANDEZ (13)

## HUMAN RESOURCES

TORIE HENDERSON (2)

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

DANIEL LEWIS (5)  
RAMSEY SAAD (18)

## LIBRARY

PAULA MAROON (1)  
JASON VASCHE (8)  
AIMEE ACOSTA (8)  
CHRISTINA COELLO (11)

## PARKS AND RECREATION

ALEXANDRIA SCHINDLER (1)  
BRYAN GOYA LEON (1)  
DARLENE MORALES (1)  
PAUL TINER (1)  
DAVON JACKSON (1)  
RICHARD BROUSSARD (1)  
GARRETT MAGUIRE (2)  
CHRISTOPHER PAYNE (2)  
EMILIANO ALMAGUER (2)  
MATTHEW BOLTON (2)  
TRAVIS CARLISLE (2)  
JALIL FRANCOIS (3)  
MAYA GRANT (3)  
MARGARET BOWMAN (3)  
HENRY POLLOCK (3)  
COLIN SHERRILL (3)  
TYLER CARTER (4)  
SYDNEY SMITH (4)  
JOHN MCLEAN (6)  
KEVIN JACQUET (7)  
ALBERT HENDRICKSON (12)  
CHANCE GOFF (14)  
MARY HEMENES (25)

## PLANNING

JASMINE MACIAS (5)  
CAITLYN REEVES (7)

## POLICE

BRANDON MACIAZEK (1)  
AUBREY HANSEN (1)  
JACOB RENTSCHLER (1)  
JULIAN ORTIZ (1)  
DYLAN THOMAS (1)  
JAMES HEAD (1)

## POLICE (continued)

AEREN MESSINA (1)  
COREY KUROPAS (1)  
GRAHAM DAVIS (1)  
ALEXANDER DIXON (1)  
TOMAS AVALOS (1)  
CARINA ALMENDAREZ (1)  
MIGUEL MEDRANO (1)  
CLAYTON LYLES (1)  
HANNAH JACKSON (1)  
JONATHAN GAGE (2)  
SERGIO PENA (2)  
ANDREW LINDEMANN (2)  
TYLER FRY (4)  
SHANNON KAYE (5)  
MARIKKA GATEWOOD (8)  
EMMALEE KOHLER (9)  
SEAN RANDOLPH (10)  
PAUL GARZA (10)  
ANGELA BUTLER (12)  
LOGAN HARPER-HILL (15)  
JEFFREY KOPP (15)  
TODD SPRADLIN (18)  
KEVIN FRUGE (18)  
DEBORAH THACH (18)  
ROBERT RAMOS (19)  
KAREN CARRICO (20)  
CHRISTOPHER YBARRA (23)  
MICHAEL KROGMANN (23)  
MELISSA GRUBBS (23)

## PUBLIC WORKS

MERLY GOMEZ-GARCIA (1)  
PEDRO SANCHEZ (1)  
EDNA JOHNSON (2)  
ASHISHKUMAR GABHAWALA (2)  
RYAN MANILLA (2)  
SANTIAGO GONZALEZ (3)  
JOHN STRMISKA (3)  
SHAUN MASERANG (3)  
EVAN LARSON (3)  
NAKEEA ATTAWAY (4)  
RUFINO FLORES (4)  
COREY HILL (5)  
HARVEY STAFFORD (7)  
GERARDO GONZALEZ (7)  
RANDY JACKSON (8)  
JESUS OLAGUE (22)  
CHRISTINA JUSTICE (23)  
BILL STABLEIN (26)  
JIMMY VRABEL (34)

## SMAT

RILEY SCOTT (5)  
ABEL SAAVEDRA (9)

# MANNEQUIN CHALLENGE: CITY EDITION

We don't always cross paths, but we're all part of the same crew! Employees from several City departments recently came together to recreate a mannequin challenge popularized in 2016. Check out the **full reel on [Instagram \(@roundrocktxas\)](#) and [Facebook \(@roundrock\)](#).**



# MEET YOUR COWORKER

## ★ Caitlyn Reeves ★ *Principal Planner*



**With CORR since:** I've been with Planning and Development Services since April 2019.

**Job Responsibilities:** As a principal planner, I review projects like zoning requests, plats, and site plans to make sure they fit the City's plans and standards. I work with developers, engineers and internal teams to move projects from concept to approval and present cases to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

**Favorite Hobbies:** In my free time, I enjoy reading, watching sports, baking, camping, and getting creative through crocheting, painting, sewing and scrapbooking.

**Favorite Movies/TV Shows:** I'm not a big TV or movie watcher, but I've rewatched "Bones" more times than I can count! There's just something entertaining about a quippy scientist paired with a snarky law enforcement agent.

**Favorite Food:** Lately, I've been a big fan of turning my favorite meals into bowls – like burger, banh mi and taco bowls. If I can eat it with a chip, that's a bonus.

**Tell us something interesting about yourself:** I tend to be a craftier person. I love to tinker with things and try out new hobbies. I just started quilting in September and I've made five quilts so far. I enjoy expanding my hobby skills and hope to try ceramics, glasswork and maybe even some metalwork eventually.

## CARE WITHOUT THE COST

**RockCare** is the City of Round Rock's medical clinic for wellness and primary care services, and is free for those enrolled in either of the City of Round Rock's healthcare plans. Both virtual and in-person appointments can be made by calling 512-843-0697, visiting [careatc.com/patients](http://careatc.com/patients) or downloading the [CareATC app](#).

### Virtual Care is available!

Try it for sick and well visits, follow-ups, medication reviews and more.



### In Person at 901 Round Rock Ave., Suite 300

By appointment: *Monday-Thursday: 7 a.m.–4 p.m. (closed 12–1 p.m.); Friday: 7 a.m.–3 p.m.*

Walk-in hours for sick visits: *Monday–Friday, 7–7:45 a.m. and 1–1:45 p.m.*



# PETS of the MONTH



REDD

**Name:** Redd

**Owner:** Travis Carlisle, Parks and Recreation

**Age:** 6

**Breed:** Australian Cattle Dog / Red Heeler

For a working breed known for high energy and wild behavior he is very chill and actually quite lazy. This all changes when he gets near water: He loves to swim!

**Want to submit your pet to be featured?**

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**Name:** Cocoa

**Owner:** Catondra Thomas, Communications and Marketing

**Age:** 17

**Breed:** Miniature Schnauzer mix

Meet Cocoa, the Miniature Schnauzer mix who proves that looks can be deceiving. She may look like a “Cinnamon Blonde” senior today, but she started life as a dark chocolate ball of energy. Known to her family as “The Survivor,” Cocoa has lived through a rattlesnake bite and a territory dispute with a pit bull. At 17 years young, she’s officially retired from the security business. These days, Cocoa’s “to-do” list is strictly limited to napping, sunbathing, gourmet dining and riding shotgun with her favorite humans.



COCOA

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