

Lake Worth to break ground on new Municipal Buildings

Lake Worth City officials have announced that the construction of a new Multi-Purpose complex along with a new Animal Services facility will begin on Saturday January 23rd. A groundbreaking ceremony has been scheduled for Wednesday January 20th at 10:00 am at the site of the new Multi-Purpose Center located at 7005 Charbonneau Drive.

The estimated 14,500 square foot Multi-Purpose Center will be the new home for the Lake Worth Public Library and the Lake Worth Senior Center. Included in the building will also be facilities to accommodate community or municipal events; such as meetings, training classes and other similar activities and will be available for the use of the public. The Multi-Purpose Center will expand the size of both the Library and the Senior Center to double that of the current facilities; and will include many amenities to enhance the use by the public.

The new Animal Services facility, located at 7209 Comanche Trail, will be constructed within two blocks of the Multi-Purpose Center. The proposed facility will allow the City's Animal Services division to more than double the current sheltering capabilities and will include state-of-the-art equipment for housing and caring for the City's homeless dogs, cats and various other animals that are brought to the shelter.

The \$ 3.47 million dollar facilities, along with several other projects within the City, are being funded by a Bond Issue that was approved in September 2008. Both the Multi-Purpose Center and Animal Services Facility were designed by Fort Worth-based Quorum Architecture; a firm familiar with municipal projects. At the regular City Council meeting on January 12th, the construction contract was awarded to V.C.C. Construction based out of Little Rock. V.C.C. has completed projects in all 50 states and has offices located in Irving, Dallas, Atlanta and Phoenix. The project is estimated to take 270 days to complete.

Further information regarding the January 20th groundbreaking ceremony can be found by going to the City of Lake Worth website at: www.lakeworthtx.org or by contacting City Hall at 817-237-1211.