

# TRAVIS COUNTY ESD #1 AND THE CITY OF LAGO VISTA TEAM UP TO LAUNCH FIRE PREVENTION PROGRAM



## Advantages of a Fire Prevention Program

The City of Lago Vista and Travis County ESD #1 have joined together to create the first ever fire prevention program for the city. This program will help to reduce the ISO rating of our community which directly affects the cost of insurance for home and business owners in our city. Part of this program will be to provide annual fire inspections and pre-plans for local businesses to ensure safety for the community as well as the firefighters who would respond to these emergencies.

### Common Questions

**Q: Will there be a charge for the inspections?**

A: The answer is yes. This charge will help to offset the cost of the program.

**Q: If a code violation is found what will happen?**

A: When a violation is found you will be given the opportunity to correct that before your re-inspection.

**Q: If I have an annual fire inspection and my business requires an operational permit do I have to pay for both?**

A: The answer is yes. Your annual inspection and the operational permit are two different items in the fire code.

**Q: How often am I required to have an inspection and renew my operational permit?**

A: The answer is one year from the date of inspection or date of issue on the operational permit unless otherwise stated on the permit or inspection certificate.

**Q: When will the savings on my insurance take effect?**

A: This will not happen overnight as our department has to be re-evaluated by the Insurance Services Office (ISO) and that can only happen once every five years. We are currently due to be re-evaluated at this time; however we need to get our fire prevention program up and running to take full advantage of this savings.

**Q: What is a pre-plan?**

A: A pre-plan is a detailed floor plan and description of your building that we keep on file at the fire department. This is accessible to all units responding to an emergency at your location. This would provide locations of exits, utility shut offs, hazardous chemicals, fire suppressions systems, Knox box locations, and other emergency information. This information is crucial to effectively manage and mitigate any emergency situation that should occur at this location.

**Q: Where can I find the forms or information needed to schedule and pay for the inspections and permits?**

A: All of the information can be located on our website <http://tcesd1.org>. Simply go to the webpage and click on the tab prevention and the information and necessary forms will be there to fill out with instructions on how to submit them.



Our goal is to provide a safer community through fire prevention.

If you have any questions about the new program

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