



Winter Storm Mara update February 17, 2023

>> Police Chief participated in daily zoom calls with the State Operations Center regarding cleanup efforts in the affected disaster zone.

>> Police Chief and Public Works Director met with the county Texas Department of Emergency Management representative to update damage assessments into the Disaster Summary Outline (DSO) Preliminary Damage Assessment and Public State of Texas Assessment Tool portals.

>> City Council received an emergency response briefing report from city staff at the February 7, 2023 City Council meeting.

>> Development Services issued 30 permits of which 27 have been released to energize. Two are awaiting their electrician and one is scheduling repairs (they have power just damage).

>> Public works collected 500 cubic yards of brush from City parks.

Trees that are on City property but not blocking any critical infrastructure such as the greenbelt and non-operable alleys will be addressed in future as resources become available.

>> Public Works provided support for Sip, Shop and Stroll and cleaned Veterans Memorial Park for the Elgin Farmers market.

>> Community Services provided an information table with bilingual Winter Storm Mara recovery resources at Sip Shop and Stroll.

>> City providing free limb and tree removal curbside, waiving building or trades permit fees, providing delayed final electrical inspection for storm related damage, and waiving false alarm fees for valid permit holders from January 31 to February 5.

>> Information about Winter Storm Mara City programs and community resources are available in English and Spanish at the Elgin Recreation Center 361 Hwy 95 North, Elgin Public Library 404 N Main Street and Advocacy Outreach, 202 Depot Street and online <https://www.elgintexas.gov/1065/NewsEmergency-Updates> Information is posted in the windows at the library and is visible from the parking lot.

>> Elgin Public Library provides free Wi-Fi and computer stations Tuesday and Thursday 9am to 7pm, Wednesday and Friday 9am to 6pm and Saturday 9am to 2pm at 404 N Main Street.

Other Disposal Options for Limbs

>> If you live outside of Elgin city limits or want collection options other than the free curbside pickup that City of Elgin is providing – these are some options: Fenske Sand and Gravel, Hornsby Bend BioSolids Management Site, Austin Wood Recycling, Texas Trash.com. The Elgin Chamber of Commerce is a resource for additional options. None of these are provided as recommendations.