

October 2024 Bi-Monthly Newsletter

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REMINDERS:

Please remind everyone in your household, and visitors, to slow down while driving through Fox Creek. Please lookout for the many dog owners, kids, and walkers in our neighborhood.



Covenant Reminders:

Friendly reminder that any major home improvements such as remodels/additions to existing home or adding a new structure (such as a shed/extra garage) must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee. Please submit any plans directly to the board: FCOA@foxcreekacres.info

Throughout our neighborhood various covenants are not being followed so we ask that you review them to be sure that they are being abided by. They can be found on our neighborhood website:

http://www.foxcreekacres.info

FCOA Board Members:

Hannah Fahey – President (began 3-5-23) Adam Casady – Vice President (began 3-5-23) Dana Huey - Treasurer (began 4-7-24) Mandy Bunkers - Secretary (renewed 4-7-24) Dan Bergeland – Website (renewed 4-7-24) Jim Kunath – (began 3-5-23) Natalie Gruss - (began 3-5-23)

FCOA Committees:

<u>Architectural Control Committee</u> - Zach Bunkers

Fox Creek Benefited Water

District: (separate entity of the FCOA, a legal subdivision of Dallas County) https://www.foxcreekwater.com/

- Scott Sandberg
- Ken Tow
- Randy Leventhal





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Trick-Or-Treat night in Waukee and Fox Creek will be Wednesday, October 30th from 6:00pm – 8:00pm



SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, October 17th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

The Women's Clothing "Boutique on Wheels" by Simply Stella Rose, will once again be in our neighborhood and will be parked at <u>33205 Jerry TRL</u>. She will have women's boutique clothing and accessories, jewelry, gift items and home decor!



https://simplystellarose.com/

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Annexation Update

The below questions were asked to West Des Moines regarding the 10 sliding-scale tax abatement that they are offering. In red, below are their answers. We wanted to share these with the residents:

- Will any Fox Creek Resident receive that 10-year tax abatement if they sign the voluntary annexation document? Those that do not, will not receive this? State law requires that all property owners within the annexation boundary be offered the same abatement whether they sign the application or not.
- 2. If West Des Moines gets to a point where they are close to the 80% (of the 80/20 Rule), will they reach out to our board to offer the 10-year sliding scale tax abatement for residents that then want to annex voluntarily? All properties within the boundary will receive the 10-year sliding scale. If the city can get to 80% without

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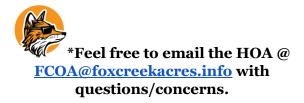
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offering the abatement, which is a possibility, Fox Creek would not be getting the abatement. Again, if whatever is offered to one property owner must be offered to all property owners in the annexation boundary.

3. Does the 10-year tax abatement offer expire? Yes. The City's offer will expire sometime in the first quarter of 2025. There is no specific deadline by state code. To be fully transparent, the City does have other options to annex the developable AG land to the west of Fox Creek (which is the primary goal of this annexation) and omit the Fox Creek neighborhood entirely.



If there is anything you'd like to see added to the newsletter, please let us know... we welcome your ideas! Please email your submissions, suggestions, and comments to <u>hannah.fahey@hotmail.com</u>