AUTO RELATED BUSINESS
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Please join us on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 for an Auto Related Business Compliance Meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the Environmental Services Department office, 300 W. Main St., 2nd floor. Use the north staircase or elevator. During this meeting, City Staff will discuss the new ordinance and how to apply for a permit. A complimentary breakfast will be provided for all in attendance.

This meeting is FREE to attend and is an opportunity for ARB businesses and City staff to have an open discussion on compliance issues or obstacles they are experiencing. For more information, please contact Chandani Rana by phone at (972)-237-8082 or by email at crana@gptx.org.
This business maintains a clean appearance. Their sand trap manifests are well organized.

Express Auto Financial
3501 E. Main

The staff ensures that the floor and working areas are clean and spills are addressed immediately. The business recently re-painted the exterior of building.

MIDAS
618 E. Pioneer

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEW AUTOMOTIVE RELATED BUSINESS ORDINANCE

On January 7, 2020, the Grand Prairie City Council adopted a new ordinance requiring Automotive Related Businesses to obtain a valid permit issued by the City for operation. All automotive related businesses in Grand Prairie must submit an application for the permit no later than April 7th, 2020. The updated ordinance and forms can be found at www.gptx.org/arb.

Here are few of the highlights of the ordinance:

- Permit application is required to include a notarized letter signed by the property owner acknowledging that the applicant intends to operate an Automotive Related Business on the premises.

- The permit application or expanded use application fee for all Automotive Related Businesses is $25. Fees can be paid over the phone by calling us at 972-237-8055.

- Truck storage or transportation businesses and facilities that perform repair, maintenance, washing, sales, rental or leasing of their own fleet are also required to apply for the ARB permit.

- Automotive Related Businesses that are located within 100-year floodplain and are authorized to store more than twenty-five (25) gallons of any hazardous materials, hazardous waste, or other regulated chemicals or materials must provide annual report to the Environmental Quality Manager by January 10th of each calendar year detailing the types and amounts of chemicals stored within the storage area.

- Any permit that automatically terminates for nonpayment of the annual inspection fee, will be reinstated upon payment of said fees and if over thirty (30) days late, an additional fee of fifty dollars ($50.00)
The waste from this business is always properly labeled and the outside of the shop is free of debris and spills. They maintain the inside of the repair shop clean and organized.

This body shop labels waste properly, keeps the paint booth well maintained, and has no wet sanding discharge issues. Outside storage of used oil is in a covered secondary containment unit. The lot is also properly maintained.

This repair/lube shop assures that waste is labeled properly and stays organized. They also keep the shop clean and presentable.

Whether you are tuning an engine, replacing a battery, changing the oil, or doing body work, your vehicle maintenance operations probably generate hazardous wastes. You must follow procedures for safe management of hazardous waste to be in compliance with local, state, and federal regulations.

A registered transporter and disposal company must deliver the hazardous waste to a Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)-approved facility. Each time hazardous waste is hauled, it must be accompanied by a Federal Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest. The generator’s final copy is returned to you by the disposal facility with all signature blocks complete. According to Grand Prairie Ordinance Article XX Section 13-535 (s) all disposal manifests must be kept on site for three (3) years and available for review upon request. Here are few examples of commonly generated hazardous waste.
TEXAS TROUBLE

An automotive repair shop in Nolan County was fined $2,625 for failing to submit initial notification for surface coating operations under the federal rule for hazardous air pollutants and failing to obtain authorization prior to constructing a source of air contaminants.

An automotive refinishing shop in El Paso County was fined $1,312 for failing to notify the commission within 30 days after the change of ownership of the site.

A vehicle sales facility in Harris County was fined $2,626 for failing to ensure a motor vehicle is equipped with either the emission control system or devices that were originally part of the motor vehicle or engine or an alternate emission control system prior to selling the motor vehicle.

A collision repair shop in El Paso County was fined $1,562 for failing to obtain authorization prior to operating a source of air emissions.

A trucking company in Shelby County was fined $242 for failing to clean up and properly manage the release of used oil to the environment.

This Winter...

Encourage employees to:
• Carpool
• Conserve electricity
• Ensure tires are properly inflated
• Maintain consistent driving speed and avoid quick accelerations and heavy braking

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