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The Voice of Business

The Pearland Chamber of Commerce recently voted to support all four bond packages on the May ballot. We believe the four packages will benefit the business community. The Chamber started the conversation with Pearland City Council in December 2021 on a stormwater bond and now it will be brought to the voters in May. Additionally, on February 22 and 23, the Chamber hosted Pearland Day in Austin. Our annual advocacy trip brought important issues to our state legislators including the need for a change in the community college funding model and a behavioral health facility in Brazoria County.

Development in Pearland

The Pearland Economic Development Corporation's Winter Newsletter highlighted the ongoing partnership between the PEDC and the Chamber including www.WorkInPearland.com and the Young Professionals of Pearland. The Brazoria County Economic Indicators newsletter is a great overview of the county including county wide housing and sales tax reports.

[Click here for the PEDC Newsletter](#)

[Click Here for the Brazoria County Economic Indicators](#)

Employment Situation – Pearland has second lowest unemployment in region

The report is delayed till mid-March because of release of benchmark revisions on the data. Our March Pearland Data will include the report.

Sales Tax Update

The City of Pearland receives updates on sales tax collection from the state. Sales Tax collections is a great tool to evaluate the local economy. The report is always from two months prior, so in February, the City receives December numbers (holiday shopping). The total net collections increased compared to previous year by \$397,774 or 8.8% and 3.4% over the city's amended budget.

[Click here for the full report](#)

Pearland Innovation HUB

The Pearland Innovation HUB is in the process of surveying businesses. Your responses will enable Hub operations to understand its effectiveness in reaching our target audience. This survey will take no longer than 20 minutes to complete.

[Click Here to access the Survey](#)

Chamber Report

The Chamber's State of the City with Mayor Kevin Cole included nearly 500 attendees, and the event covered many important topics. The livestream of the event is available on our Facebook page. Our annual Golf Tournament is scheduled for April 3 at Golfcrest Country Club, and our next monthly luncheon features Pearland ISD Superintendent Larry Berger.

[Click here for the State of the City video](#)

[Click here for information on Golf Tournament](#)

[Click here to register for Monthly Luncheon](#)