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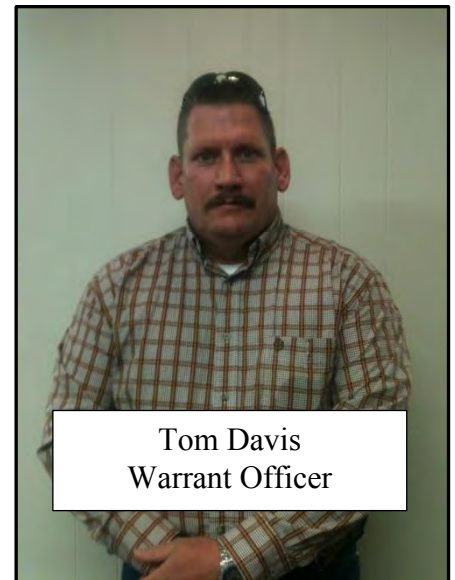
“Courage is fear holding on a minute longer.” George S. Patton, _____
the extra degree™, by s.l. parker

“Don’t worry about people stealing your ideas. If your ideas are any good, you’ll have to ram them down people’s throats.” Howard Aiken,
www.businesspundit.com

FOCUS ON EMPLOYEES (Courtesy of Vince Capell, City Manager)

Good Job Award!!!

*I would like to nominate **Police Warrant Officer, Tom Davis**, for the “Good Job Award”. Officer Davis has been with the City of Kingsville PD since January of 2006. He was hired as a Patrol Officer and brought skills he had acquired from his previous employment as a police officer in Florida. In FY 2012 the Kingsville Police Department with the assistance of City Manager, Vince Capell, was able to get a new Warrant Officer position assigned to the Municipal Court. Due to his personality, tenacity, work ethic, and skills, Officer Davis is perfect for this position.*



Officer Davis has been very successful in carrying out his mission. He changes his methods depending on the nature of the warrant being served. On many occasions he has stayed late into the early morning hours to perform surveillance and has used his long list of contacts in an effort to locate those individuals having warrants. Officer Davis has developed partnerships with law enforcement personnel in other municipalities. He has leveraged the use of social media via Nixle, Twitter, and Facebook to report information about subjects who have outstanding warrants, which has led to increased citizen reporting. Officer Davis’ knowledge is also tapped by other field officers as well as state and federal officials who come to our community looking for subjects who have arrest warrants.

Officer Davis has performed admirably and effectively for Kingsville Municipal Court in its attempt to address and get a satisfactory disposition to old and outstanding warrants.

Thank you for considering Officer Davis for the Good Job Award. Sincerely,

Deborah Balli, Finance Director & Ricardo Torres, Police Chief

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Let's Remember Our Award Winners!!!

2013 Safety & Recognition Awards

*Ruth Valdez – R.J. Kleberg Public Library - **Employee of the Year***

*Garage staff – Garage Division in the Public Works Department - **Injury Free Award***

*Chris Sanchez – Sanitation Division in the Public Works Department - **Safety Hero Award***

2014 Good Job Awards

Tom Davis	Police Department	3/20/14	Diligence to duty
Julian Cavazos, Jr.	Police Department	3/10/14	Going the extra mile
Don Erebia	Fire Department	2/24/14	Dedicated leader and mentor
Rey Loera	Public Works Dept./Sanitation	2/10/14	Positive attitude/performance
Marco Jimenez	Public Works Dept./Water Const.	1/27/14	High expertise/dependability
Jason C. Torres	City/County Health Department	1/13/14	Consistently superior service

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE (Courtesy of Vince Capell, City Manager)

Commission Workshops Coming

The regular City Commission Meeting will not be held at its regular date and time on Monday, March 24th. Instead, a Special Commission Meeting and Work Shop will be held on Thursday, March 20, 2014. Staff also plans to schedule a workshop in April to update the City Commission on short and long term strategies and objectives for improving City streets:

- (1) Thursday, March 20, 2014 @ 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. - Second workshop with the City Commission to discuss proposed additions and updates to the City's planning codes. The City Commission will be asked to consider proposed code additions and updates during the March 24th and April 14th City Commission Meetings after also being considered by the City's Planning Commission. Main presenters will be consultant to the City, Mike Kellam from CK Consulting, LLC and Robert Isassi, Director of Planning and Development Services.
- (2) April (date to be announced and confirmed with City Commission) - Update on the City's Streets Inventory and Conditions Rating Index and 10-Year Streets Plan by City Engineer and Public Works Director, Charlie Cardenas and other City staff.

Wildwood Trails

City staff is working with Mark Dizdar of Wildwood Trails housing development. Mr. Dizdar indicates that they should be ready for City paving assistance sometime within the next 60 days. We'll keep you posted.

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CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Emilio H. Garcia, Director)

Administration Division

City of Kingsville Webpage meeting

City-County Health Director, Emilio H. Garcia, met with Jonathan Swindle, owner of Hi Res Creative. The City of Kingsville hired Jonathan to up-grade and simplify the city webpage and he also requested to meet with all department Directors to review their particular webpage. Jonathon and I discussed the idea of the City-County Health Department/Animal Control Division being able to upload pictures of dogs and cats with a brief description ready for adoption. Also discussed was the same concept, but for lost or impounded animals in our care. This would be a great way to advertise our animals that are ready to be adoption through our own City of Kingsville website.

Employee Recognition & Safety Meeting

The Employee Recognition & Safety Committee met on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 @ 2:30 a.m. The meeting was held at Public Works. The committee reviewed several accident reports and deemed them either preventable or non-preventable. Attending the meeting were Melissa Perez, Risk Manager, Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary, Theresa Cavazos, Customer Service Rep., Carol Rogers, Public Works-Administrative Assistant I, Marco Jimenez, Water Supervisor, Joey Garcia, Public Library, Jennifer Bernal, Community Appearance Supervisor and Emilio H. Garcia, City-County Health Director.



Health Department Training

The City-County Health Department Health Inspectors, Jason Torres, Connie Allen and Health Director Emilio H. Garcia recently attended an annual pipeline safety program in Corpus Christi, Texas. The program was held at the Ortiz Center on March 11, 2014 from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm. The program is part of an on-going national effort to increase knowledge of safe digging, damage prevention for underground utilities and emergency responses regarding pipeline emergencies. The program was well attended by Law Enforcement, Fire Departments, Emergency Management Personnel, Public Works employees, County elected officials and their employees. Other City of Kingsville Employees attending the pipeline program were Jennifer Bernal, Committee Appearance Department Supervisor, Daniel Ramirez, Building Official, Ernest Davila and Eric Ovidio, Equipment Operators I, Robert Isassi, Planning and Development Service

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Director, Valerie Valero, Assistant Engineer, GIS Tech, Sharam Santillan and Austin Jurica. The sponsors of the program were pipeline companies and gas companies. Photographs provided by Emilio H. Garcia.

Jennifer Bernal and Daniel Ramirez are listening to the program announcer.



Connie Allen and Jason Torres are waiting for the program to start.



Valerie Valero, Sharam Santillan and Austin Jurica are enjoying their meal. Robert Isassi is checking his e-mails on his laptop.

Health Department Spring Trimming & Mowing

With all the light rain and drizzle we've been receiving lately, it's been enough to make the grass grow though out the City-County Health Department compound. Therefore it was time to do some much need mowing and weed trimming. Pictured is Animal Control Officer, Ernest Espinoza weed eating the grass along the fence line that faces F.M 1355.

City-County



Great Job Ernie!

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Consumer Health Division

Food Service Food Service inspections are conducted on a quarterly schedule per year based on the risk category to insure compliance with the Texas Food Service Establishment Regulations and local food sanitation ordinances. Risk levels include low, moderate and high risk. Establishment scoring is based on a demerit system, as per The Texas Food Establishment Rules. There are two types of violations. Critical violations are 5 and 4 points demerits per violation and non-critical violations are 3 points demerit violations.

Critical Violations are improper practices and actions that directly contribute to food contamination and temperature abuse that may pose a potential risk to the public health, resulting in food borne illness. Critical violations must be corrected immediately or as directed by the Health Department.

Non critical violations are unacceptable practices that normally relate to the physical condition of an establishment, including equipment, cleaning and storage. Non Critical violations must be corrected before the next routine inspection or as directed by the Health Department.

Food Establishment Inspections Scores

Blue Ribbon Deli/CoffeeBar-93	Kingsville Headstart-100	Sunny Mart-87
Riviera School-100	K2 Food Mart/6 th ST.-85	American Legion Post 99-94
KISD Central Warehouse-100	B&B Mini Mart-86	Pepe's Patio-91
Pan American-91	Sixth Street Café-97	A&J Food Mart-92
VIP Adult Daycare-97	Donut Palace-93	Superette Food Mart-89
Bella Roma Restaurante-85	Our Lady of Good Counsel-89	El Tapatio #1-92
Mexican Grill Restaurant-85	Asian Buffet-71	Elks Lodge-97

Regular & Fundraiser Food Handler Classes

Food Handler Class	12 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class- Kaufer High School/Riviera, Texas
Food Handler Class	2 Students	Regular Food Handler Class-Health Department
Food Handler Class	7 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class-Relay for Life/Group

Permitted Temporary (Fundraiser) or Permanent Food Events

St. Martin Church	Temporary Food Event (Fundraiser)-Carne Guisada plate sale
Trevino's-Relay for Life	Temporary Food Event (Fundraiser)-Gordita's & Bake sale
Elks Lodge	Temporary Food Event (Fundraiser)-Fish plate sale
Sara Simichek Fish Truck	Temporary Fresh Fish sale 3/6/2014

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Sara Simichek Fish Truck	Temporary Fresh Fish sale 3/7/2014
Our Lady of Good Counsel	Temporary Food Event (Fundraiser)-Fish plate sale
Iglesia Del Valle	Annual Food Permit-For Fundraising
Gregory Tschoepe	Annual Food Permit-Produce & Pecan Sales
Elks Lodge	Annual Food Permit-For Fundraising
Our Lady of Good Counsel Church	Annual Food Permit-For Fundraising
Hope's Courage/Relay 4 Life	Temporary Food Event (Fundraiser)-Sausage wraps & Fajita Tacos

Animal Control Division

Did you know?

- ✓ There are more than 350 different breeds of dogs worldwide.
- ✓ Cats have over one hundred vocal sounds, while dogs only have about ten.



Animal Control Food Donation –Thank you Barbara Jesse

The City-County Health Department/Animal Control Division recently received a \$50.00 monetary donation to assist our shelter with food or any other supply. We would like to thank Kingsville resident Barbara Jesse for her generous donation.

Food Donation-Thank you Wal-Mart

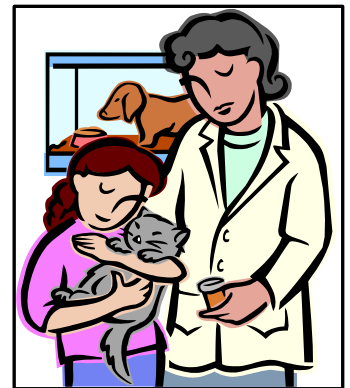
Wal-Mart donated 65 pounds of dry cat food, 45 pounds of dry dog food, 1 box of dog treats and 2 cans of dog food. Thanks Wal-Mart for your continuous food donations to our animal shelter!

Another Wal-Mart Food Donation

Wal-Mart donated 75 pounds of dog food, 20 pounds of cat food, 25 pounds of kitty litter and a plastic dog house. Thank you Wal-Mart for your food donation!

Animal Control-Next Monthly Pet Adoption Day

Please join us at our next Pet Adoption Day
Saturday, April 12, 2014
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Tractor Supply Company
2405 S. Brahma Blvd



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Come by and see our variety of dogs and cats!
 Adoption fee is \$20.00 and a \$15.00 refundable vaccination fee
 For questions please call the City-County Health Department @ 361-592-3324

Statistics-Consumer Health, Animal Control & Vector Control

Consumer Health	Food Establishment Insp.	Restroom Insp.	Food Handler Attendees	Day Care & Foster Homes Insp.
Oct 2013	40	29	84	4
Nov 2013	22	46	71	3
Dec 2013	24	42	10	3
Jan 2014	38	56	38	3
Feb 2014	51	46	200	1

Animal Control	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Jan 2014	Feb 2014
Dogs impounded	88	120	134	116	146
Dogs adopted	25	14	19	31	30
Dogs released	22	22	30	16	27
Dogs Rescue (Groups)	3	1	13	12	13
Cats impounded	154	121	97	89	107
Cats adopted	3	3	7	4	4
Cats released	0	3	3	3	1
Cats rescued (Groups)	0	0	2	8	4
Opossum in traps	70	61	40	59	37
Other animals impounded	3	2	2	3	3
Other animals adopted	0	0	2	0	1
# of humans bitten	4	3	9	3	2
Animals obs. 10 days	3	2	4	2	3
Warnings issued	1	0	0	0	0
Citation issued	21	20	25	55	51

Vector Control	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Jan 2014	Feb 2014
Calls pertaining to bees	18	11	4	3	3
Removal of swarms	8	8	0	0	1

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Site unable to abate	10	3	4	3	2
Mosquito surveillance	1	0	0	0	0
Larvacide applications	6	0	0	0	0

Fees collected	Consumer Health	Animal Control
Oct 2013	\$897.00	\$1,185.00
Nov 2013	\$869.70	\$1,715.00
Dec 2013	\$1,809.45	\$1,305.00
Jan 2014	\$1,377.29	\$2,545.00
Feb 2014	\$1,393.00	\$815.00

Mosquito Control Division- (Vector)

Mosquito Workshop

On Tuesday, February 25, 2014 Univar USA provided a half day Mosquito Workshop for the City-County Health Department, and Kleberg County employees. The workshop was held at the City-County Health Department from 8:30 am to 11:30 am. Topics covered were mosquito anatomy, spraying techniques, how to correctly read the label on the pesticide container, proper ways of handling and transporting pesticides, IPM-Intergrated Pest Management, Laws & Regulations and mosquito surveillance techniques. All attendees earned 5 (CEU's) of continuing education units toward their license as required by the Texas Department of Agriculture-TDA. Pictured to the left, is Jason Torres, Health Inspector II, Connie Allen, Health Inspector I, Kleberg County Precinct 3 employees, Daniel Saldana, Candelario Jimenez and Johnny Hernandez, and standing Mark T. Theriot from Univar USA. The picture to the right is Animal Control Officers Robert Puente, Jesse Ybarra, Ernest Espinoza, and Kleberg County Employee Precinct 1 Avelino (Java) Valadez. The third picture is Brain McFall with Univar USA waiting to give his presentation on mosquito biology. The last two pictures are staff listening to Mark Theriot's presentation on laws and regulations. Photographs provided by Emilio H. Garcia.



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FINANCE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Deborah Balli, Director)

Finance Administration Division

Luck of the Irish

Some may have the luck of the Irish, but you should not rely on luck when it comes to managing your money. Smart financial management is the biggest gift you can give yourself, this means putting money directly into a savings account or retirement fund the minute you receive every paycheck. Even if your monthly expenses seem exorbitant, put away 1% of what you normally would. A little bit goes a long way over a long period of time, and something is always better than nothing when you're saving.



CAFR Schedule

It is that time of year again and we need everyone's assistance in completing this task quickly. We will be winding down the audit soon and the sooner we get this information from everyone, the better in order to allow us time for inputting all of the data for the CAFR.

Your Department contact should have received an email on March 10th if we need specific information from your department. We need your information back in the Finance Department (via email) by Wednesday, March 19 @ 5pm.

If you have any questions about the schedules, please call Stacie at ext. 011 or James at ext. 023. Your cooperation on completing the required information and sending it back to us on time is greatly appreciated.

In other CAFR news, Luke Womack and his staff arrived at the City, February 24th to start working on the City's audit. They have entered the trial balances and have been requesting samples of journals and payables for review. We anticipate having them onsite until the end of April at the earliest.

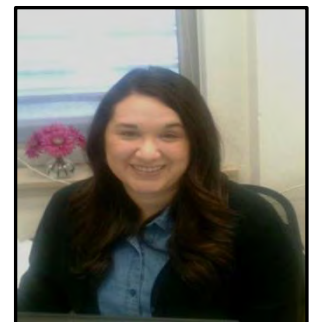
Congratulations

Best Wishes to Stacie Pena for passing all four sections of the CPA exam. This is quite an accomplishment. We are very proud of her achievement. To even qualify to take the CPA exam you must meet the following qualifications.

- Be of good moral character.

- Hold a Baccalaureate or higher degree from a board-recognized United States college or university, or an equivalent degree as determined by board rule from an institution of higher education in another country.

- Complete 150 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of college credit.



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- Complete 30 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of upper level accounting courses from a board-recognized college or university, of which 15 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents must be in traditional face-to-face courses. Within the coursework two-semester hours of accounting or tax research and analysis are required.
- Complete 24 semester hours or quarter-hour equivalents of upper level related business courses. Within the coursework two-semester hours of accounting or business communications are required.
- Complete a 3-semester-hour Board-approved ethics course.

Sales Tax Information

Below is the Sales tax collected for the City's current fiscal year. The budget for the first 5 months is \$1,817,015. The actual Sales tax received totaled \$1,907,169. That is \$90,154 over what was projected for this period of time.

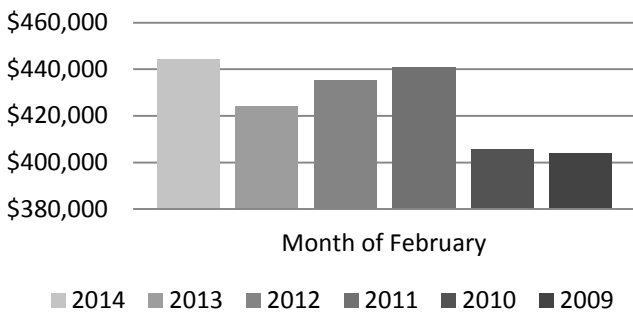
	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Jan 2014	Feb 2014
Budgeted:	\$363,403	\$363,403	\$363,403	\$363,403	\$363,403
Actual:	\$372,750	\$387,038	\$353,824	\$349,502	\$444,055

Below is the historic information pertaining to the net payments received from the State for local sales tax for the month of February. Sales tax collections in 2013 comprised 24% of the city's revenue sources.

Sales tax has remained stable at above \$400,000 through the last six years and has increased by 10% for the time period provided.

Year	Receipts
2014 (budget)	\$444,055
2013	\$424,003
2012	\$435,343
2011	\$440,594
2010	\$405,710
2009	\$403,842

SALES TAX RECEIPTS



Meetings

Finance staff has participated in several meetings the first two weeks of March, 2013. We participated in a meeting with Purchasing regarding Accounts Payable processing and P-Card usage for traveling and training. We have met with the Fire Department pertaining to travel expenditures and budget transfers. We have met with Task Force in relation to Grant reimbursements for overtime costs. The Police Chief and Finance met with regards to the Warrant Round up and to discuss Grant reporting.

The Finance staff met with Ms. Balli to discuss best practices for processing the daily work within the department and the responsibilities and job duties of each member in Finance. This resulted in some shifting of duties among staff. Additionally, it was decided that due to pending staffing concerns in Municipal court, Terri Vasquez would start cross training with Victoria Butler and Victoria Cavazos in their department to assist while they are out on leave.

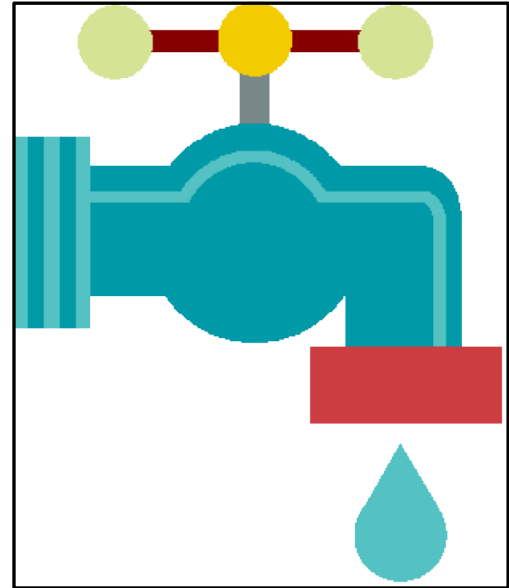
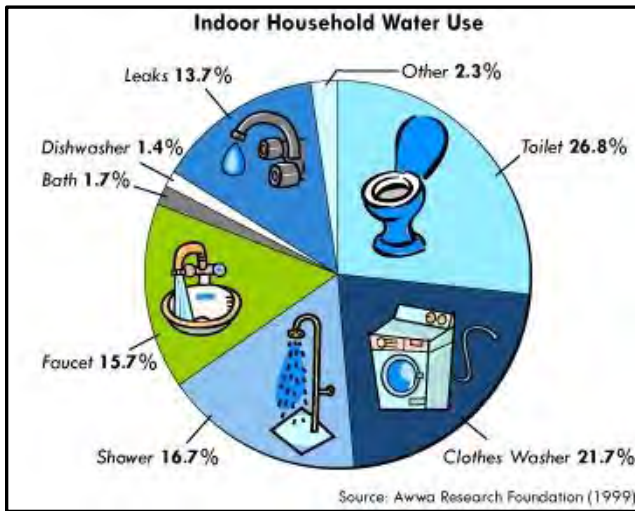
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Incode Version X

Finance had a training session with Rebekah Hummer of Incode in relation to user setup and permission access. If you find that you do not have access to reports or information that you were previously able to see in Incode Version 9 please send James Bryson an email letting him know what it is you need access to.

Utility Billing Division

Facts about water use



Utility Billing Monthly Transaction Report (For the Month Ended 2/28/14)

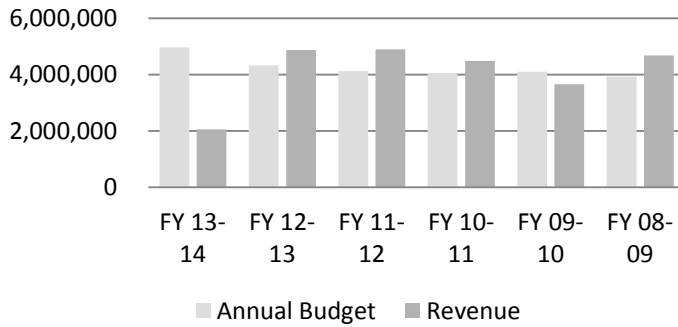
Month	# of Customers	Billed Water Consumption	Cash Collected	Bank Drafts	Online Payments	Deposits Applied
Average	3255	42,883,975	348,722	29,225	37,165	3,587
October	7780	117,404,300	813,516	74,932	80,452	12,178
November	7756	111,583,100	806,014	74,474	88,913	5,035
December	7834	114,083,400	1,025,306	97,630	104,218	8,208
January	7853	89,062,000	753,834	39,380	88,757	9,920
February	7832	82,474,900	785,997	64,281	83,644	7,700
Totals		514,607,700	4,184,667	350,696	445,984	43,041

Annual Water Revenue Comparisons

Below is a historic comparison of water revenues for the last six years (6). With the exception of FY 09-10, revenues have exceeded budget every fiscal year and have been over \$4 million annually. Revenues shown for the current fiscal year 13-14 are through March 13, 2014 and reflect 5.5 months of revenue which is 46% of the fiscal year. Revenues are trending to meet budget.

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Water Revenue - Budget vs Actual



Fiscal Year	Annual Budget	Revenue
FY 13-14 (partial)	4,959,921	2,058,558
FY 12-13	4,325,783	4,868,000
FY 11-12	4,123,349	4,892,806
FY 10-11	4,061,355	4,490,078
FY 09-10	4,096,080	3,660,208
FY 08-09	3,935,294	4,684,153

Reminders

Any payments dropped off in the night drop need to be in the form of check, money order, or cashier check. A utility bill stub should be included in order to process your payment to your account or a referenced service address and account number will suffice. If you are in jeopardy of having your services disconnected for non-payment on Tuesday and Thursday, then your payment in full, including penalties, needs to be dropped off before 8 a.m. that Tuesday or Thursday to avoid a disruption in water service as well as additional penalties. This information is also listed on the red notices.

All roll outs must be out by 7 a.m. for trash pickup. Once your roll out has been serviced, it must be removed immediately from the curb or street and moved out of public view. See the following City Ordinance:

Sec. 5-1-35. When collections made:

B) For customers served by city roll-out containers, the time for placement of city roll-out containers shall be 7:00 a.m. on the date of collection and removed from the street or curb by 8:00 p.m. on the date of collection.

(1962 Code, § 8-5-13; Ord. 93005, passed 4-12-93; Ord. 2001-06, passed 2-26-01; Ord. 2006-18, passed 4-17-06; Ord. 2008-09, § I, passed 2-11-08)

For all Sanitation Related Issues please call 361-595-8094.

For Community Appearance issues (high grass, trash, etc.) please call 361-595-8093.

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Municipal Court Division

2014 Texas Warrant Roundup

The 2014 Texas Warrant Roundup Event ended March 9, 2014. Preliminary numbers are provided below. These are subject to change and actual numbers will be provided in the next report.

- *334 warrant orders cleared by Kingsville Police Department, Linebarger & Goggan Law firm and Omnibase
- *406 cases placed back on the docket for collections
- *Overall collections of \$107,129.17 dollars
- *Cash Bonds Posted \$12,427.50 dollars

In addition, \$58,528.92 in collections by payment plans extensions orders or jail time credit. The Kingsville Municipal Court staff would like to thank everyone who was involved with these orders, as well as the people who resolved their matter.

A friendly reminder to the public, that even though this event is over there is still a possibility of arrest, anytime, for active warrants out of this office. This unpleasant moment can happen anytime during the year, and into the next year. This is a great opportunity to stop by the court office to inquire of any pending cases or warrants. After hours, a person can go the city website and inquire if there are any pending warrants.

Court Business for the period of February 26, 2014 through March 11, 2014

There were 141 new cases filed with the city court. Of these, there were 101 traffic violations, 2 code enforcement offenses, and 38 FTA (failure to appear). Aside from the new cases, there were 339 cases resolved, 282 warrant orders executed, and 65 new arrest orders published in the local newspaper and the worldwide police website. There were collections of \$75,006 from settlements of payment plans and all other executed orders.

Court Hearings for February 27, 2014

Inmate Court Hearing, during the :00 o'clock session, there were four inmates transported to the Municipal Court Alcorn Chambers by the Kingsville police department. The disposition of these individuals are as follows: One individual was placed on a payment plan and released from custody, two others were committed for contempt of court-nonpayment of fines, and the other individual was approved time served for the full balance owed.

Pre-Trial Setting, during the 9:00 o'clock session, there were six people scheduled to meet with the State Prosecutor/City Attorney, Mrs. Alvarez. Of these, the disposition are as follows: one individual case proceeded into a trial hearing, four individuals cases went before the court for motions of dismissals to compliance and justice, and the last individual agreed to the state's plea offer and settled out of court.

Regular court hearing, during the 3:00 o'clock session consisted of 0 people (196 cases).



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Prior to the court hearing, 16 people requested another court date. Another 19 people made their court appearance; the disposition of these 44 cases is as follows: eight cases payment plan orders and two cases approval for the 30-day extension court order. There were 21 cases closed, six cases dismissed due to compliance of the law and justice, 1 case for further review, and two (six cases) people were transported to the Kleberg County Jail on commitment orders for nonpayment of fines.

For the remaining who did not make their court appearance, 45 individual driver's licenses were reported to the OmniBase (Department of Public Safety) for suspension, and 89 records of arrest and failure to appear charges for non-appearance and contempt of court.

The court staff would like to express many thanks to Kingsville Police department for the security provided by Officer Dodd and Officer Escobedo...GREAT JOB!

The public is encouraged to contact the court office for additional information on traffic and all other Class C misdemeanors at **361-592-8566**. Also as a reminder, the court does not accept payment by personal checks. Visa, MasterCard, money order, cashier's check, or cash may be accepted for payment.

Available on the city website is the option to pay for any outstanding balances due to the court, including active warrants or payment plans and extensions. Please visit our website at <https://www.cityofkingsville.com>

Annual Revenue History for Municipal Court

Below is a recent history of total annual revenues collected by the Municipal Court. Due to significant improvements implemented by staff over the past few years total annual revenues show a significant upward trend (approximately \$240,000 higher in 2013 than in 2011) after experiencing significant annual declines three years in a row from 2009 through 2011. Revenues for 2014 are expected to continue this upward trend as some of the improvements are just now taking full effect. Revenues collected so far this fiscal year are approximately \$16,000 over the budget projected for this period.

Revenue Category	FY 13-14 (Partial Yr.)	FY 12-13	FY 11-12	FY 10-11	FY 09-10	FY 08-09
	Fines & Fees	\$306,149	\$666,484	\$542,851	\$434,024	\$453,212
Building Security Fees	4,695	10,663	9,160	7,078	7,957	8,582
Technology Fees	5,972	14,105	12,518	9,615	10,819	11,633
Totals	\$316,816	\$691,252	\$564,529	\$450,717	\$471,988	\$502,017

Upcoming Municipal Court Hearing Dates

Pre-Trial Hearing March 25, 2014
Inmate Hearing March 27, 2014 / April 10, 2014 / May 22, 2014 / June 5&19, 2014
Regular Hearing March 27, 2014 / April 10, 2014 / May 22, 2014 / June 5&19, 2014
Bench Trials May 22, 2014 / June 19, 2014

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FIRE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Joey Reed, Fire Chief)

Training and Professional Development

New Hire Paramedic Evaluations – New paramedics are being trained in Kingsville EMS protocols and evaluated on their skills.

Landing Zone Coordinator Training Class – Class presented to all 3 shifts by Halo Flight training staff.

Planning

Naval Air Station Air Show Planning – The Fire Chief attended 2 meetings at the Naval Air Station to discuss Air Show safety plans for the March Air Show.

TAMUK “Bigger Event” – The Fire Chief attended a planning meeting for the Bigger Event to discuss possible projects for TAMUK volunteers.

Other Department Activities

TML Discovery Program – The Fire Chief had a follow up meeting on the Discovery Program that evaluates operations including injury and training records.

First Responders BBQ – Boy Scout Troop 271 provided food to on duty first responders during lunch on March 6th at the Sheriff's office. A few personnel were able to attend and appreciate the kindness of our local Boy Scouts.

New Kingsville High School- The Fire Marshal and Fire Chief toured the new high school to look at fire safety systems and the building layout.

Fire Stations Prepping for Construction – Both fire stations did some house cleaning and moving of personal items to prepare for upcoming remodeling projects.

Termites – Fire Station 1 has again discovered termites. An infestation was discovered back in 2008, and now termites are starting to move into the new section of the station. A local exterminator was called in to inspect the damage and provide a quote for remediation.

Committee Meetings

Officers Meeting – March 7th, Officers discussed building projects, policies, and new employee evaluations.

Equipment Status

Engine 2 – Leaking hose reel Chicksan valve repaired by personnel. Muffler has rusted through. New muffler ordered.

Medic 2- Emergency lights switch is malfunctioning.

Engine 2 – Emergency lights system repaired.

Medic 3 - New brakes installed by the Warehouse. Oil leaking from rear main seal, needs repair.



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Projects

Extractor Washer – Chemical dispenser installed and machine programmed. Training to take place at the end of March.

Fire Station 2 Exterior - Construction has begun on project. Delayed a couple of days due to water line being too shallow. Water Department will be installing a new line to proper depth so that new concrete can be laid over the top of it.



Dispatch – Radio equipment ordered and contractor doing preliminary work on the system.

Fire Station 1 Restrooms, Upstairs/Downstairs – Pre-construction meeting held. Work to begin the week of March 10th if City permitting is completed. Upstairs restrooms to be remodeled first followed by downstairs restrooms.

Fire Station 1 Electrical Project- Project quotes received.

Fire Station 2 Interior – Waiting on updated quotes from 2 contractors. Contract expected the week of March 14th.

Fire Department Response Statistics for the period February 28 to March 14

Fire/Rescue/Other Calls -	20
Emergency Medical Service Calls (EMS) -	91
Total Emergency Responses -	111

No Major Events During the Period



HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Diana Gonzales, Director)

Did You Know?

What is one of the benefits for working for the City of Kingsville? --- Answer: Contributions to a retirement account with TMRS.

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What is TMRS?

TMRS is the Texas Municipal Retirement System and administers a retirement program for 850 Texas cities. TMRS was established in 1947 and is administered in accordance with the Texas Municipal Retirement System Act (Texas Government Code, Title 8, Subtitle G). TMRS is a qualified retirement plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The System offers a choice of benefits so that each participating city can design a plan to suit its needs and budget.

Each participating TMRS city has its own retirement benefit structure within the general framework of the TMRS Act. Provision may vary from city to city, depending upon the options selected by each city.

The City of Kingsville has been a member since 1968. Full-time employees deposit 7% of gross income and the City matches at 1 ½ to 1. The vesting requirement is 5 years and service retirement may be reached with 5 years of service/age 60 or 20 years of service at any age.

The plan offers restricted prior service credit which means if an employee had previously worked with another eligible entity then credit is given toward the vesting and service time with the City of Kingsville. Eligible entities include the following:

- Retirement Systems of Texas (Employees, Teachers, Judicial, Texas County and District, Municipal or City of Austin Employees)
- Employees Retirement System of Texas
- Federal Government
- Any public authority, agency, state, territory, political subdivision of US
- An institution of higher education at which the person is commissioned as a campus security personnel employee

The plan offers Military Service Credit Purchase which allows currently employed members who are contributing members on December 31, 2003 to purchase up to 60 months of active duty military service credit at \$15.00 per month. In addition there is an eligible service credit for time only as long as the employee had been contributing to TMRS for five years.

Another credit available under the City of Kingsville plan is the Updated Service Credit which improves retirement benefits by using a member's average monthly salary over a recent 3 year period to recalculate the member's retirement credit as if the member had always earned that salary and made deposits to the system, matched by the City, on the basis of that average monthly salary.

Employees have easy access to view their individual accounts by simply visiting www.tmrs.org and selecting MyTMRS tab on the top right of the TMRS homepage. A quick registration process and employees have access to their information including retirement estimates and news from TMRS.

Annually employees receive a mailed statement regarding their account and this year TMRS will be mailing out the summaries on or about March 25, 2014.

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Advertised Positions

Police – Telecommunication's Operator
Street – Equipment Operator I
Tourism – Tourism Services Director, Equipment Operator I
Wastewater – Equipment Operator II, Wastewater Operator

New Employees



Stephanie Ramos
Telecommunications Operator
Police Department

Separations - None

Workshops/Seminars/Meetings

City of Kingsville representatives including the Human Resource Director Diana Gonzales and City Attorney Courtney Alvarez met with the Kingsville Firefighters Association, IAFF Local 2390 on March 11th to discuss amendment to portions of the existing collective bargaining agreement. With the complete re-write and restructuring of the agreement, items regarding payment on holidays required additional clarification. The items were discussed and scheduled for association and City Commission presentation.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Robert Isassi, Director)

Planning Division

New City Hall

The plans for new City Hall are 50% complete. City staff has been provided layouts for final review. A scheduled March 18th meeting will be the final opportunity to make any changes to the layout of the building.

Dumpster Enclosure Project

Phase 3 of the Dumpster Enclosure Project plans will be complete on March 19th. Following final plan review, we will begin taking bids on this project. The goal for this project is to continue beautifying the City by hiding dumpsters in attractive enclosures.

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City Ordinance Changes

Planning & Zoning Commission has been going through the proposed new ordinances and ordinance changes. They have since reviewed a new fence code, accessory structure/use, solar and wind energy systems, planned unit development, and land use codes. A workshop was held on March 11th and will be further discussed on March 19th. City Commission will review Planning & Zoning Commission's comments on March 20th at a planned City Commission workshop.

JAZB Workshop Planned

The City will be presenting a Joint Airport Zoning Board (JAZB) workshop to better understand the powers of the JAZB as well as procedures for board enforcement. The City Attorney will going over the board rules and regulations. The meeting is scheduled for 6PM on April 3rd.

Building Services Division

Permits Pulled

Residential Remodel:	7	Commercial Remodel:	0	Electrical:	11
Commercial Buildings:	2	Mechanical:	1	Moving:	0
New Residential:	3	Fire Inspection:	8	Gas Inspection:	7
Cert. of Occupancy:	3	Commercial Meter:	7	House Leveling:	0
Plumbing:	4	Residential Meter:	10	Re-roof:	5
Sprinkler:	1	Sidewalk:	1	Sign:	0
Curb:	1	Swimming Pool:	0	Demolition:	0
Total Permits Pulled:	71				

New Business

No new businesses to report. The Building Services. Division has been extremely busy with contractors' pulled permits for several projects throughout the community. The Building Official and Inspector work diligently to offer quick turn around on projects so construction can begin within an efficient amount of time. The Permit Tech, Theresa Cavazos, handles day to day operations in the office. This includes answering calls from contractors/builders to schedule inspections, providing permits to contractors as well as assist in the noticing of substandard structures among other tasks.

Community Appearance Division

Inspections

Recent activity (February 26-March 12) by Community Appearance Inspectors is as follows

Notices Sent:	74	Abatements:	14	Obsolete Sign Violations:	1
Inspections:	100	Court Cases:	0	Placards Posted:	2
Re-Inspections:	106	Illegal Dumping Cases:	0		
Compliances:	65	Yard parking violations:	8		

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Typical Violations & Compliances

Below are photos of recent examples of success in the removal of trash and debris due to our community appearance division efforts:

308 E Corral Property Owner Abated
BEFORE **AFTER**



512 W Fordyce Property Owner Abated
BEFORE **AFTER**



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**915 E Yoakum Community Appearance Abated
BEFORE AFTER**



**308 E Kleberg Property Owner Abated
BEFORE AFTER**



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Pipeline Safety Awareness Training

Community Appearance Supervisor along with operators, Eric Ovedio & Ernest Davila, attended the Pipeline Safety Awareness seminar held in Corpus Christi. This training covered emergency strategies in cases of damage to natural gas or other hazardous gas pipelines while working in the field. Our operators need to be aware of gas lines while mowing lots and this training gave examples of types of signs to look for in determining type of pipelines located in that area. Other city staff in attendance was the Health and Engineering Departments. Overall it was a very interesting session and we look forward to more of these safety trainings.



Bigger Event

Preparations have begun on the projects scheduled for this year's Bigger Event. Many projects have been submitted by department heads however if there are any departments that did not get the chance to submit anything, please feel free to contact Jennifer Bernal to relay that project over to the student volunteers at TAMUK. The Bigger Event is scheduled for Saturday March 22 from 9-11 am.

Application in Process for Texas DMV for Access to Vehicle Registration Database

An application for membership with the Tx Dept. of Motor Vehicles has been submitted to access their vehicle registration database. Code Enforcement Officers will begin citing registered owners of vehicles who are in violation of front/side yard parking ordinance. This process will be similar to Police Officers citing junk and abandoned vehicles. Code officers have been mailing notice of violations to the tenant and property owner, it is clear that the registered owner should be held responsible for the vehicle.

Crackdown on Front and Side Yard Parking

Front and Side Yard parking is prohibited within city limits. In order to be effective in the beautification of our great city we need to include the proper use of our green space on lots. According to city codes every residential and commercial structure must have on the premise a designated parking space. The value of surrounding properties decrease because of the unattractive lots caused by vehicles parking in the yards.



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Keep Kingsville Beautiful (KKB)

Unfortunately KKB is not the proud owner of an incredible grant offered through Keep Texas Beautiful. Members from KKB worked diligently in gathering information on community events and improvements to submit in the grant. The grant was for the amount of \$210,000 to be spent on beautification and community improvements. A rundown of our strong and weak points will be delivered to us sometime in April. This tool will be very helpful when we apply again next year. We will have a better sense of what is expected by the judges.

In the meantime, the grant we received from Union Pacific Railroad will be put to use at Flato Park by the end of March. The Javalina Athletics group will volunteer their time to reinvigorate this park. Residents from the surrounding area are excited to see the changes that are set to come.

Community Appearance: Billing

Community Appearance Division has begun tracking the monthly totals being billed each month due to City private property cleanups. These cleanups include mowing and abatements of noxious matter through FY '4.

OCT \$9107.08 / NOV \$6550.24 / DEC \$9605.00 / JAN \$7148.91 / FEB \$6117.44 / MAR ?

Condemnation of Unsafe Structures within the Community Initiative

The Building Department will be presenting ten (10) dilapidated structures to City Commissioners for review on the last meeting of each month. To date 2 condemnations have been approved by commission since October 2013. As part of our building structure evaluations, four (4) notices have resulted in property owner agreements to demolish the unsafe buildings.

Below is an updated list regarding properties currently in violation and awaiting a condemnation hearing.

Date	Property Address	Status
3/5/14	629 E. Lee	Voluntary Demo
3/6/14	715 E. Richard	Voluntary Demo
3/26/14	324 E. Henrietta	Demo Order
3/26/14	619 W. Warren	Demo Order
5/26/14	501 ½ W. Ave D	90-day Extension granted 02/24/14
5/26/14	504 W. Caesar	90-day Extension granted 02/24/14
5/26/14	508 W. Caesar	90-day Extension granted 02/24/14
Pending	315 E Santa Gert	Voluntary Demo
Pending	519 N. 6 th	Awaiting re-hearing for Demolition Order Request

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As always, Community Appearance would like to thank all those involved with all the efforts towards the beautification of our legendary city.

629 E Lee – Voluntary Demo (Before, During and After)



Top Ten Priority Property Clean Ups

Community Appearance Inspectors are following up on previous City abatements to ensure compliance since abatement. Additionally, inspectors have determined the properties, sent notices and obtained photos of those to be listed in the top ten clean ups for the 23rd Phase to be completed in March. As in the past, owners or occupants of the properties have failed to abate these nuisances after being noticed. The current top ten properties are as follows:

PHASE 23 (Compliance Date 3/28)

Property Address:

409 W King / 930 E Ave C / 1031 E Ragland / 323 S 26th / 704 Lyndale / 902 E Lee / 627 W Ave B / 719 W Ave I / 408 E Ave D / 412 W Huisache

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230 Private Property Cleanups since Program Inception

As shown in the table below, the number of owner abatements on noticed properties within the “top ten” monthly clean ups have risen. The intent is to get to 100% property-owner compliance with no reoccurring junk and debris violations. These numbers indicate the property owners are increasingly taking the initiative to come into compliance, thereby demonstrating a change in behavior; hopefully due to the increase public awareness of City codes.

<u>Top Ten Phase#</u>	<u>#of Cleanups Conducted</u> <u>By property owner</u>	<u>Top Ten Phase#</u>	<u>#of Cleanups Conducted</u> <u>By property owner</u>
PHASE 1	0 out of 10	PHASE 12	8 out of 10
PHASE 2	2 out of 10	PHASE 13	9 out of 10
PHASE 3	2 out of 10	PHASE 14	6 out of 10
PHASE 4	3 out of 10	PHASE 15	9 out of 10
PHASE 5	3 out of 10	PHASE 16	9 out of 10
PHASE 6	3 out of 10	PHASE 17	8 out of 10
PHASE 7	4 out of 10	PHASE 18	8 out of 10
PHASE 8	7 out of 10	PHASE 19	8 out of 10
PHASE 9	5 out of 10	PHASE 20	9 out of 10
PHASE 10	8 out of 10	PHASE 21	7 out of 10
PHASE 11	7 out of 10	PHASE 22	4 out of 10
		PHASE 23	(In Process)

POLICE (Courtesy of Ricardo Torres, Chief)

Administration

TEXAS WARRANT ROUNDUP

The City of Kingsville Municipal Court and City of Kingsville Police Department continued participation in the 2014 TEXAS WARRANT ROUNDUP until March 7th, 2014. The Roundup is designed to target thousands of defendants with traffic, parking, city ordinance, penal code and higher charge warrants for participating jurisdictions. It is believed to be the largest joint operation of its kind with arrests expected to continue for several days.

Hundreds of thousands of notices were mailed statewide by participating entities. Numerous counties, justices of the peace, constables and municipalities of all sizes will participate in the roundup. Listed below are the phases of this roundup:

- The second phase, which begins March 3rd and ends March 7th, 2014, is ENFORCEMENT WEEK. During this week, individuals will be rounded up and taken to jail or if court is in session they will be brought to the court to address the outstanding warrants before the Municipal Court Judge.

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- The final phase is the service of outstanding warrants during targeted enforcement days throughout the remainder of 2014.

Warrant Roundup was successful! Municipal Court will have information regarding number of warrants served and fines addressed.

Information Technology

Crime Mapping: KPD is working with BAIR Analytics and their RAIDS Online Crime Mapping product. We are importing our data and making sure everything is in there. The results will hopefully be live by the time this goes out. Our data will get updated daily once we get the bugs worked out.

<http://www.raidsonline.com/?address=Kingsville%2CTX>

AT&T Fiber Install: We have a new conduit from the pole over to the building. We're waiting on the AT&T crew to come in, pull the line, and get it connected inside the building.

Patrol Division (February 27 – March 13, 2014)

Traffic Highlights

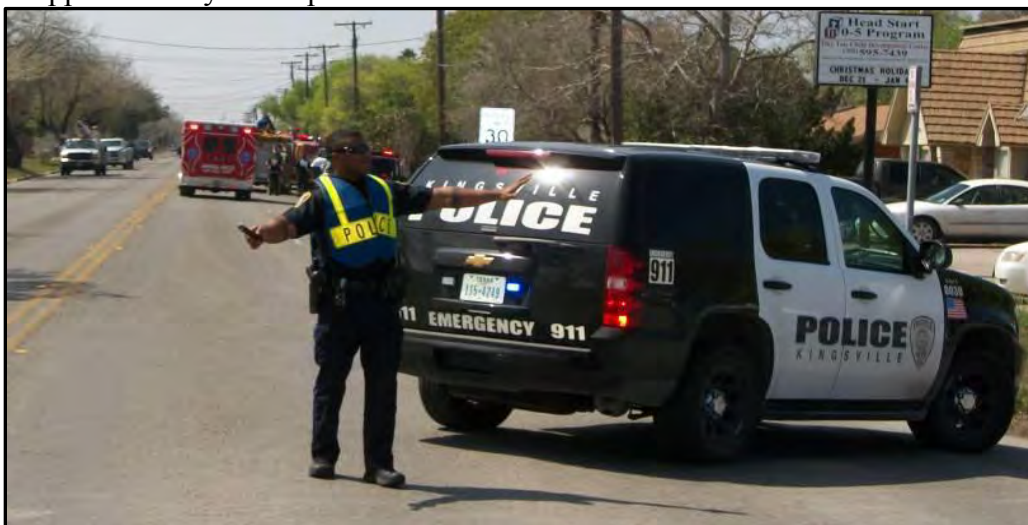
Patrol officers issued 82 citations and 77 written warnings.

Patrol officers responded to eight collisions.

A traffic stop located two undocumented subjects who were turned over to the Border Patrol. The same officer then assisted Task Force officers at a local motel to apprehend four more from the same group.

Reid Wallace was stopped on S. 13th Street and arrested for DWI.

Abdulrahman Emad Alreshoud was arrested for Reckless Driving after going northbound on N. Armstrong at approximately 100 mph.



Officer Grant providing traffic control for the Fire Department.

Steven Weinberger was arrested after barely missing a KPD officer and TXDOT employee who were directing traffic due to a shutdown of Highway 77. Weinberger was arrested for DWI.

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Patrol Activity

An officer observed a male walking in the 400 block of S. 14th. The male continued walking southbound for two more blocks in the middle of 14th Street. An officer contacted Carlos Saldivar in the 600 block and found him very intoxicated. Saldivar was charged with Public Intoxication and Resisting Arrest.

Four female college students saw a male peeking through the residence window at the Village Park Trailer park. One of the females went outside and confronted the male who continued looking through the window while she is yelling at him. He calmly walked off. Responding officers could not locate the male. A male reported that he had purchased a vehicle but had never received it. The male said he had found a vehicle on Craigslist. He sent \$5,000 via Money Gram and has yet to receive the vehicle. The male was told that he was the victim of a scam. Theft report taken.

A Dodge utility van was reported stolen while parked at the construction site at H.M. King High School. As of this date, the van has not been located.

Ralph Hooker of Oklahoma City was arrested in the pool area of the Quality Inn after getting into a fight with his co-workers, who were also staying at the motel. Though assaults had occurred, nobody wanted to talk about it and refused to pursue charges. Hooker went in for Public Intoxication.

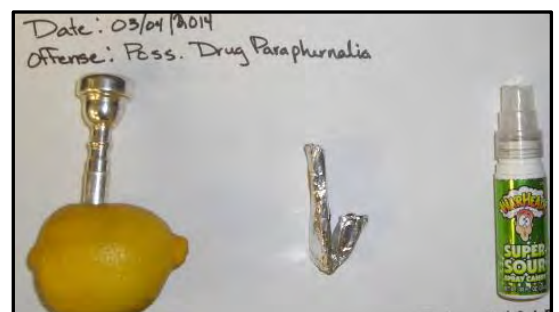
While in the parking lot of Cowgirl's at closing time, officers observed a male so intoxicated that he had to be helped to walk. A closer look identified the male Joel Gonzalez (18). He was arrested for Consumption of Alcohol by Minor. Officers conducted a thorough search at the jail and cocaine was found inside Gonzalez' sock.

A male reported his dogs stolen in Refugio County. Photos of the dogs were posted on Facebook. He received a call from Jose Garza in Kingsville who offered to sell him the dogs for \$750. The male agreed and contacted KPD. The victim met Garza at the Love's Truck Stop parking lot. Patrol officers arrived and arrested Garza. Jose Garza is a friend of the victim's neighbor in Refugio County. Jose Garza initially lied, but said that he was aware that the dogs were stolen.

Officers took a call regarding the Online Solicitation of a Minor. The case has been handed over to Detectives.

Officers assisting Bishop Police Department went to an address in the 600 block of W. Yoakum to locate Gerald Joseph Larkins, who had felony warrants. A foot pursuit lasted several blocks before Larkins was arrested. He resisted and was Tasered. He was interviewed at KPD before being taken to the Nueces County Jail by Bishop officers. He was charged with Aggravated Sexual Assault, Kidnapping and Robbery. Misdemeanor charges of Evading Arrest and Resisting Arrest will be filed later. He is on parole and pre-trial probation.

A patrol officer was sent to Memorial Middle School in reference to a female being in possession of marijuana. The officer seized



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the marijuana and her homemade pipe (instrument mouthpiece stuck into a lemon). The girl was transported to the Police Department, where she was processed for Possession of Marijuana < 2 ounces in a Drug Free Zone (Class A Misdemeanor) and cited for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. She was released to a parent.

Officers were dispatched to 1200 E. Nettie in reference to a person looking into and attempting to open parked vehicles in the overnight hours. Elma Hernandez was found wearing dark clothing, carrying a flashlight and loose change. She has a history of vehicle burglary arrests. She was arrested for Possession of a Criminal Instrument. It could not be determined if she had stolen anything.

Training

All officers are continuing with their assigned, online TML courses.

Officers Maggie Fonseca and Josh Grant took the 16-hour "Intermediate Use of Force" course at the Del Mar Regional Academy.

Corporal Vince Murray and Officer Tony Macias attended a DEA-sponsored class entitled "Patrol Officer Response to Drug Crimes", a 40-hour class hosted by CCPD.

Corporal Ochoa took the 24-hour "Sexual Assault & Family Violence Investigators Course" which was held at TAMUK.

Patrol officers assigned to SWAT received 8 hours of training during this period.

Lieutenant Lile attending meetings involving the Air Show, Crime Stoppers and the Kingsville Intelligence Group.

Criminal Investigations Bureau

Det. #1 has been assigned this case 12-00012066 Burglary of Habitation. On 1/2/2013 Det#1 made contact with the victim, who didn't have any leads on this case. During the initial investigation a small blood sample was located inside the house. It appeared the blood sample was from the intruder. Det #1 sent off the blood sample for analysis and cold cased the case. On 10/4/2013 the sample returned with a DNA strain. The DNA was placed into CODIS and on 12/10/2013 Det. #1 received a CODIS hit matching the DNA of a Jose Elias Buentello. Jose E. Buentello has been indicted for Burglary of Habitation by the Grand Jury.

There were no Call Outs during the past two weeks.

The CIB Supervisors read and properly filed 62+ cases, and assigned and inactivated 89 cases.

During the past two weeks there were 54 cases assigned to Detectives.

During the past two weeks Det. #1 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 9 cases, filed 4 cases with District Court, Pended out 4 cases, and cold cased 6 cases. wrote 22 reports, conducted 11 interviews, took 3 statements, received payment of \$345 awarded to the City for Sex Assault Exams, worked on the Macareno case and prepared to testify in the punishment phase in the conviction of Marcareno, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det. #2 During the past two weeks Det. #2 has done the following activities; Graduated from Basic SWAT School in Ft Worth Tx, assigned to 10 cases, filed 1 case with county court, filed 3 cases with Juvenile Court, wrote reports, conducted 7 interviews, entered a few of the local sex registered offender's in our community into a State database, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

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Det. #3 During the past two weeks Det. #3 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 4 cases, filed 1 case with District Court, filed 5 cases with County Court, filed 1 case with Juvenile Court, and X-Cleared, Pended out, and cold cased 7 cases total, wrote 13 reports, took 2 statements, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det. #4 During the past two weeks Det. #4 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 12 cases, filed 1 case with county court, filed 4 cases with municipal court, X-Cleared, Pended out, and cold cased 1 cases total, wrote 3 reports, conducted 1 interview, Assisted another agency with a case, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det. #5 During the past two weeks Det. #5 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 9 cases, filed 1 case with District Court, filed 6 cases with County Court, filed 1 case with City Court, filed 3 cases with Juvenile court, X-Cleared, Pended out, and cold cased 4 cases total, wrote 11 reports, conducted 2 interviews, took 2 statements, assisted the Warrants Officer with the apprehension of Mark Mendoza who was wanted for an MTR Felony Warrant, involved as a SWAT Operator in a SWAT Raid where narcotics were confiscated, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det. #6 During the past two weeks Det. #6 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 15 cases, filed 1 cases with District Court, filed 3 cases with County Court, filed 2 cases with City Court, filed 1 cases with Juvenile court, X-Cleared, Pended out, unfounded, and cold cased 11 cases total, Wrote 13 reports, conducted 2 interviews, took 3 statements, took a trip to Corpus Christi, TX to recover video from an incident that occurred at HEB, dropped off Medical subpoenas at Memorial Hospital, spent several hours entering CR-43 into the computer, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

Det #7 During the past two weeks Det. #7 has done the following activities; has been assigned to 5 cases, filed 1 case with County Court, X-Cleared, Pended out, and cold cased 6 cases total, wrote 3 reports, conducted 3 interviews, entered a few of the local sex registered offender's in our community into a State database, and completed Mandatory Classes on the TML website.

The Evidence Tech assisted with 8 cases, wrote 17 supplements, finger printed 14 subjects, processed 31 items of evidence, took 20 photographs, and maintained the Evidence room in an orderly fashion.

Photo below is a Samurai Sword take from a subject who was arrested at HEB, who fought with the police while being arrested. The sword has been processed by the Evidence Tech.



Total number of Cases Filed with Kleberg County Attorney is 17

Total number of Cases Filed with Kleberg District Attorney is 7

Total number of Cases Filed with City Attorney is 10

Total number of Cases Pended Out is 14

Total number of Cases that were Cold Cased is 22

Total number of Cases pending lab reports is 1

The Bi-Weekly List of Indictments: Justo N. Rodriguez

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Evading Arrest/Smuggling of Persons, Uriel Mayorquin Money Laundering, Veronica C. Acevedo Possession of Marijuana (POM), Mario E Acevedo POM, Arnold Rodriguez Possession of a controlled substance (POCS), Samuel Rodriguez Engaging in organized Crime, Monalisa Rosales Engaging in organized Crime, Anita Lichtenberger Engaging in Organized Crime, Michael Lichtenberger Engaging in Organized Crime/Theft, Jose E Buentello Burglary of Habitation, Celestino Garcia continuous violence against a family member, Eric D. Perez Agg Assault. and Eliseo O Ruiz Agg Assault causing serious bodily injury.

Total number of cases filed with Juvenile Probation is 4

Total numbers of Accidents Public Street Accidents taken in by Accident Investigator is 10

Total number of DWI/DWLS/DWLI cases assigned to an investigator is 4
This completes the Bi-Weekly Criminal Investigations Bureau report.

Street Level Operations Team

Traffic stops – 148

Calls for Service/assist patrol – 33

Possession of Marijuana Arrest – John Garza and Tyler Roscoe

POCS Arrest – April Gonzalez and John Salinas

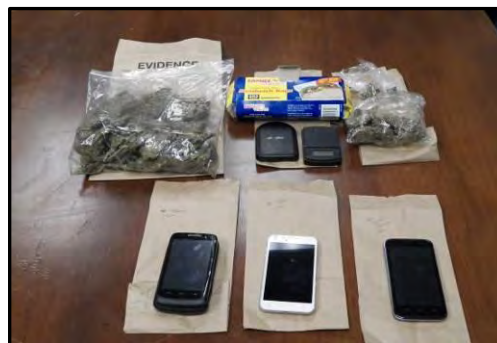
Warrant Arrest – Vincent Alegria, Michael Franco, Ruben Ortiz, Mark Cavazos (assisted with the apprehension of Jack Larkins)

Assault Arrest – Estavan Cantu

Undercover Narcotics Purchases - 4

District Court Cases Filed – 15

County Court Cases Filed – 27



Narcotics Search
Warrant 423 W.
Lott – Jason
Resendez was
arrested for Man
Del CS
PG1>4g<200G,
Man Del CS PG
2-A >=400G,
Money

Laundering >=\$1500<\$20K, Prohibited Weapon Knuckles and POM <=2oz DFZ.

Narcotics Search Warrant 425 E. Doddridge – Kamar Shelton 18 YOA was arrested for Possession of Marijuana >4oz<=5lbs Drug Free Zone. Approximately 1.25 pounds of marijuana was seized from this location.

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Neighborhood Improvement Office

Week 9

The following stats are from Week 8:

- Abandoned Vehicles - 2
- Junk Vehicles – 5
- Parking Citations – 9
- No Compliances this week

Week 10

The following stats are from Week 10:

- No Abandoned Vehicles
- Junk Vehicles – 4
- Parking Citations – 11
- Compliance-Junk Warning – 2
- Compliance-Abandon Vehicle - 2

So far for the year of 2014 38 vehicles have been tagged (Combination of Abandoned and Junk Autos) in the City of Kingsville. There have been a total of 3 tows and 34 compliances for the year. NIO has also issued a total of 83 Parking Violations (Citation and Warning Combined) for the year.

These are some photos of citizens who have complied.

1208 E Ragland Ave



700 S 15th S



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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Charlie Cardenas, Director)

Engineering Division (2/27 – 3/12)

Engineering/ Road Construction

Engineering, Public Works and Purchasing have teamed up to perform a "Mandatory Pre-Bid walk through" with contractors to address the 2014 Concrete Street construction. The project consists of repairing areas of concrete at 11 locations (sections of street) through the city. The projected cost of this project is \$164,000.00. Areas of concern included drainage, road repair, curb and gutter, driveways and drainage inlets. The project is scheduled to start in April. GO TEAM!



Street Division (2/23 – 3/8)

Road Construction – Crews continue work on road construction on Project #36 – 7th St. Street crews have completed placing Hotmix on three blocks on of 7th Street from Warren to Fordyce. 350 tons of Hot Mixed Asphalt Concrete (HMAC) was placed, at a cost of \$27,016.50. The cost of the 3 blocks of 7th street is \$49,714.10. Street crews will be paving limestone the two blocks of 7th street between Fordyce and Johnston. New curb and gutter has been placed between Fordyce and Johnston as well as ripping out the old street. Crews worked on limestone from Fordyce Ave to Johnston Ave. Cut and finished setting hubs, cut finish into 2 blocks, cut out man holes, checked safety devices and swept intersections. Swept seal coat and intersections and loaded piles of aggregate.



Mowing/ Weed Eating

North Y

Sage Rd. From Young Drive to Armstrong Ave.

Armstrong Ave. from 135 to Ave I

Young Drive from Corral Ave. to FM 1355.

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General Cavazos Blvd. from Hwy 77 to the Base
FM 3320 from Carlos Truan Blvd to FM 1717
6th St from Alexander to Dick Kleberg Park

Weed Control/Round Up

- 6th St. from Corral Ave. to Loop 428

Gutters

- Miller Ave. from 11th St to 6th St.
- 7th St. & 8th St from Miller Ave to Caesar Ave
- Hoffman Ave. from 6th St. to 8th St.
- Shelton Ave. from 8th St. to 14th St.
- 13th St. from Shelton Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Hoffman Ave. from 13th St. to 11th St.
- 11th St. from Caesar Ave. to Shelton Ave.
- 5th St. from Ailsie Ave. to Briarwood.
- 5th St. from Briarwood to Candlewood
- Briarwood from 5th St. to 3rd St.
- Candlewood from Briarwood to 5th St.
- 4th St. from Candlewood to Birchwood

Street Sweeping

- Yoakum Ave from 6th St to 3rd St.
- 3rd St. from Yoakum Ave to King Ave.
- 4th St from King Ave to Henrietta Ave.
- Henrietta Ave. from 4th St. to 2nd St.
- 2nd St. from Henrietta Ave. to Yoakum Ave.
- 17th St. from Corral Ave. to Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- 6th St. from General Cavazos Blvd. to Corral Ave.
- King Ave. from Hwy 77 to University Blvd.
- Carlos Truan Blvd. from 14th St. to Ailsie Ave.
- Armstrong Ave from Corral Ave to King Ave.
- Corral Ave. from 6th St. to Armstrong Ave.
- 8th St. from King Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- 9th St. from Yoakum Ave. to Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- Henrietta Ave. from Armstrong Ave. to University Blvd.
- Richard Ave. from Armstrong to Lantana Ave.
- Ella Ave. from 6th St to 10th St.
- 7th St., 8th St. and 10th St. from Ella Ave. to Santa Gertrudis
- 9th St from Ella Ave to Santa Gertrudis Ave
- Johnston Ave. from Lantana to Wells

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- Wells from Johnston Ave. to Doddridge Ave.
- Doddridge from Wells to Armstrong Ave.
- General Cavazos from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- 6th St. and 14th St. from General Cavazos Blvd
- King Ave. from 14th St. to 8th St.
- 11th St., 10th St., 8th St., 7th St., and 3rd St. from Yoakum Ave. to King Ave.
- 9th St from Yoakum ave to Kleberg Ave.
- 6th St. from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Kleberg Ave from 3rd St to 11th St.
- General Cavazos Blvd. from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- Huisache Ave. and Fordyce Ave. from 8th St. to 6th St.
- King Ave. from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- Corner of Armstrong Ave. and Corral Ave.
- Lee Ave. from 10th St to 9th St.
- 10th St. from Alice Ave. to Lee Ave.
- Santa Gertrudis Ave from Hwy 141 to University Blvd.
- University Blvd. from Santa Gertrudis Ave. to Yoakum Ave.
- Carlos Truan Blvd from 14th to Ailsie Ave.
- Santa Monica, Santa Maria, Santa Cecilia and Santa Fe from Santa Rosa to Santa Elena
- Santa Elena from Santa Fe to Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- Santa Gertrudis Ave. from Santa Elena Ave to Santa Rosa
- Santa Rosa from Santa Gertrudis to Santa Fe
- Lee Ave from tracks to 6th St
- Yoakum Ave. from 6th St. to 14th St.
- Santa Gertrudis Ave. from 14th St. to Armstrong Ave.
- General Cavazos Blvd. from 14th St to Hwy 77
- Ave B from 13th St to 14th St.
- King Ave. from 14th St to University Blvd.
- University Blvd. from King Ave. to Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- 14th St. from Ave B to King Ave.
- Corral Ave. from 6th St. to 14th St.
- Kenedy Ave. from 14th St. to 16th St.
- Kleberg Ave. from 11th St. to 3rd St.
- 3rd St., 11th St., 10th St., 8th St., 7th St. and 6th St. from Yoakum Ave to King Ave.
- 9th St. from Yoakum Ave to Kleberg Ave.
- Armstrong Ave from Sage to Caesar Ave.
- Caesar Ave. from 6th St to 14th St.
- 13th St. from Caesar Ave to Hoffman Ave.

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Patching – Crews patched and filled in potholes

Fordyce Ave. from 15th St to the Dead End.

- 7th St. and 11th St. from Caesar Ave to Alexander Ave
- Alexander Ave. from Caesar Ave to Hoffman Ave.
- 7th St and Ailsie Ave.
- Lott Ave. from 2nd St to 3rd St.
- 7th St. from Johnston Ave to Fordyce Ave.
- Ave D and Ave C on 13th St.
- Ave C and Ave B on 7th St.
- Ave C and Ave B on 8th St.
- Ave C and Mesquite ave on 9th St.
- 616 W. Yoakum Ave
- Lee Ave and Henrietta Ave on Wells St.
- Doddridge Ave and Fordyce Ave. between 15th St and 16th St.
- Warren and Doddridge Ave. between 9th St and 10th St.
- Caesar Ave. and Ragland Ave between 9th St. and 10th St.
- 1017 S. 10th St.
- 500 block E. Johnston Ave.
- Between Fordyce Ave. and Johnston Ave.
- Between Johnston Ave and Doddridge Ave.
- Between Lott Ave. and Huisache on 6th St.
- Huisache Ave and Fordyce Ave.
- Johnston Ave. and Warren Ave between 14th St. and 15th St.
- Johnston Ave. and Doddridge between 13th St. and 14th St.
- Doddridge Ave. and Warren Ave.
- 12th St and King Ave.
- Armstrong Ave. and Ave I
- Intersection of Lawrence and Lawndale
- 17th St and Santa Gertrudis Ave
- Yoakum Ave from 5th St to 4th St.
- 12th St. and Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- Police Dept.
- 6th St.- North and South Bound Lanes
- 500 Block E. Johnston Ave
- 616 W. Yoakum – Alley
- 1017 S. 10th St.
- 616 W. Yoakum Ave.
- Intersection of Lawrence and Lawndale
- Armstrong Ave and Ave I.
- 12th St. and King Ave.
- Alley on Warren Ave and Doddridge Ave between 9th St. and 10th St.

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- 1105 E. Doddridge Ave – Alley

Alley Maintenance

- Johnston Ave and Lott Ave. between 17th and 18th St.
- Richard Ave and Santa Gertrudis Ave between 12th and Creek
- Pasadena alley
- Ave A and Ave B between tracks and 5th St.
- Hall St. and Lyndale St. between Caesar Ave and Johnston Ave.
- Lyndale and 18th St between Caesar Ave. and Warren Ave.
- Yoakum Ave and Henrietta Ave. between 13th and 14th St.
- Corral Ave. and Mesquite Ave. between 15th and 14th St.
- Alice Ave and Richard Ave. between 10th St and 11th St.
- King Ave. and Kleberg Ave between 17th St. and 18th St.
- Richard and Santa Gertrudis between 10th St and 12th St.
- Ave A and Ave B between 10th St and 12th St.

Miscellaneous and Sign Shop

- Watered trees on General Cavazos Blvd. from 14th St to Hwy 77
- Watered trees on Santa Gertrudis Ave. from Hwy 141 to Seale and 6th St.
- Repaired leaning stop sign on 24th St.
- Cut trees on Carlos Truan Outside of base and on Sage Rd.
- Fixed weed eater and chainsaw
- Drove to Closner to see Distributor and Hot Mix Machine
- Put new pipe anchor and wrench on Carlos Truan Blvd and on 4th St and Ella Ave to repair fallen signs.
- Cut trees on Sage Road and cleaned out creek
- Cleared branches out of creek on Corral Ave.

Installation of New Benches and Trash Receptacles

Crews have placed four (4) benches and six (6) trash/recyclable receptacles on the 200 block of Kleberg Ave. Downtown. Street crews are also in the process of painting parking stalls and crosswalks in downtown as well. The existing benches and trash cans will be salvaged and used in other locations downtown where there is currently not a bench or trash can.



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Water Production Division (2/23 – 3/8)

Water Well 23 is back in service.

Joe Casillas and Michael Cantu attended a Pump and Pumping class February 24-6 04, hosted by Kingsville's Waste Water Department at the City of Kingsville Public Works Bldg. The elevated tanks annual cathodic inspection is scheduled for March 13, 2014.

Construction at Well 19 is now complete and well is back in service.

As part of well #19 pump house project and service, the ground storage tank was cleaned and disinfected. The new pump house is in operation. The color scheme of the pump house is beige and a "terra cotta" roof and meets the themes of the city. TCEQ compliance samples are scheduled for March 13, 2014.

Routine Job

Collected 12 routine Bacteriological Samples; collected 14 daily chlorine residual, delivered Ammonia to 6 sites; delivered Chlorine to 6 sites.

Water pumped to distribution (2/9 – 2/22) - Wells – 38,736,000 gallons; Surface – 4,585,000 gallons; 0 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 43,321,000 gallons; Average –3,094,357.14 gals/day



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Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant Division (2/23– 3/8)

Wastewater Treatment North Plant

Operators and Helpers cleaned primary and secondary clarifier troughs and weirs. Operators shoveled sludge from sand drying bed. Helpers and Operators are replacing and cleaning UV modules. We continue wasting in wedge and sand drying beds and wire drying beds. Robert Mendez, Contractor completed the installation of 6" sleeve on discharge airline. Environmental Engineering students came to 3MGD for a tour. Lab Tech and Operators attended TWUA School in Corpus Christi.

Wastewater Treatment South Plant

Operator cleaned clarifier troughs and shoveled sludge from sand drying beds. Crew is wasting in wedge wires and sand drying bed. Operators and helpers mowed grass around Plant and Lift Stations. Crews are wasting sludge into drying beds. Operators drained 1MGD clarifier.

Wastewater Collection – Had 5 call outs for sewer backups

829 W. Yoakum / 716 W. Ragland Ave. / 813 W. Ave G / 1244 E. Ave C / 2001 Kelly Lane / 612 E. Fordyce Ave

Hauled sludge and sand mixed with sludge from 3MGD

1 – Replaced sewer main, 4– line locates; 4 –disconnected sewer; 1 – repaired clean out; 2 sewer line repair; 1 – vacuumed; 1 - manhole repair 1 –sewer line marking and started working on extending line at 1997 S. 2nd St.

Water Distribution Division(2/23– 3/8)

Water Division Crews repaired 2 Main Breaks and answered approximately 22- Service Calls, 6- Locates, 4 - Service line leaks, 3- Meter Leaks, 8 - Backfills, 1 – customer side leaks

6"	Main Break	1300 Johnston Ave.
"	Main Break	9 th and Nettie.

Water crews repaired a leaking Fire Hydrant at 700 E. Corral Ave. Water crews made a " Tap at 35 W. Yoakum Ave. We continue to lower water meters in the Paulson Falls Subdivision. Water crews are also laying a " line on the 00 and 3000 blocks of E. Henrietta.

City Garage Division (2/23 – 3/8)

Maintenance

11 Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 30 scheduled work orders;498 nonscheduled work; 8 Service calls; 1 Call out; 22 New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 11 flat tire repairs and balances; 20 pending work orders. Unit 334/337 (sanitation) is in for repairs and we are working to repair center boom on Unit 545. The garage has been repairing hydraulic lines on sanitation trucks.



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Welder

2 work order; 3 pending work orders; 8-nonscheduled work orders; 2 scheduled work order; and 3 service calls. Welder is repairing stands.

Solid Waste Division (2/23– 3/8)

Landfill - (223 – 3/8)

Landfill crew continued litter clean up in and around facility. The Magnet Trailer is being used to pick up nails around the facility and on the roads leading to the Landfill. Stewart and Stevenson worked on Boomag Compactor. Pete consulted with Waukesha-Pearce regarding articulated dump truck. Henry's Glass was called out to fix the window on the D6-T dozer. Task Force returned Unit #1105. An order was placed to the Garage to replace the leaf springs and shocks on Unit #1327. Holt Cat hauled off Scraper Unit 9303. The Landfill completed 2nd Quarterly Solid Waste Report and sent it to TCEQ. Landfill Operator repaired the tire ramp stand. The 2010 GW Statistical Reports and data were taken to Naismith in Corpus Christ. The Storm Water Benchmark Report for 2013 was completed and sent to TCEQ.

Trash –909 tons; Brush –100 tons; Construction and Demolition (C & D) –165 tons; Concrete –29 tons; Asphalt –; Litter – .40; and Tires –.5 tons;

Landfill crews are using an Alternative Cover Source (ACS). It is a tarp that is used instead of daily dirt to cover the work area at the end of the work day. Then, the next morning, the tarp is removed and work commences. The use of this system saves landfill air space, cover dirt and money.



Sanitation

Residential waste collected from 2/23– 3/8 – 652,279 pounds; Commercial waste collected 758,600 pounds; Brush collected 91,480 pounds and construction debris collected 22,920 pounds. The brush crew completed Zone 3 and White Goods was picked up on March 7th. Crews are working on abatements and demos when possible. Sanitation has been helping Community Appearance finish small abatements as needed. Sanitation is also helping with the enclosure suggestion in the City for the dumpsters used in commercial collections. Sanitation is



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helping to clear the brush on Carlos Truan Blvd. near the Naval Base. The Sanitation Dept. also supported the Antique Car Show downtown with roll out and service. Two demolitions were completed, one at 715 E. Richard and one at 629 E. Lee. Recycling for the month of February totaled 31.09 tons from the Recycling Center taken to Corpus Christi. As with all departments at Public Works, appearance and clean equipment is held to high standards and helps with safety.

PURCHASING AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of David Mason, Director)

Purchasing Division



Purchase Orders

The last two weeks Purchasing issued 97 Purchase Order valued at \$381,902.34. P-Card review is under way. We are reviewing 108 P-cards with a total of \$75,119.75. Errors this month included wrong coding, late, not turned in at all, tax charges and missing back up information.

Training

Purchasing/ IT Director has completed educational and testing requirements for the Certified Texas Procurement Manager (CTPM). A total of 48 classroom hours of training were included in Basic Public Purchasing, Advanced Public Purchasing, Cost and Price Analysis, Negotiations, and Contract Administration.

Technology Division

New City Hall

In light of the Old High School team meeting IT staff has begun to write some rudimentary requirements electrical, cooling, spacing for the architect to consider when building the final plans. Primarily we are concerned with the installation of a backup power generator and redundant power sources. Since power issues seem to be the main cause for failure at the current facilities.

Webqa

We are currently working on porting over the information from the Iworq system and start the training for the Public Works, Engineering areas of our operation.

Laserfiche

It is very important that for those who have licensing for laserfiche please make sure to scan in any new information any question on retention records should be forwarded to Mary Valenzuela and any question about how to store document/record be sent to MCCI.

XP Conversions

This is the current status of the XP conversions by location. The conversion are going as well as could be expected the only thing that we are lacking are the docking stations for the tablets. Status of the departments follows: Community Appearance: Compliant; Health Department: 2 machines on XP; Public Works: 3 machines on XP; Tourism: Compliant; Fire Department: Compliant; Task Force: 1 machine on XP; Landfill: Compliant; Waste Water: 1 machine on XP; City Hall: 1 machine on XP

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R J. KLEBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY (Courtesy of Robert Rodriguez, Director)

Adult Literacy Help

A recent study put out by the Texas Center for the Advancement of Literacy and Learning shows that 19% of adult Texans cannot read a newspaper. At the local level in Kleberg County, 23% of our population struggle with the exact same issue. It is these numbers that fuel the Kleberg County Adult Literacy Council, a local non-profit organization to help address the issue and offer assistance to adults when possible. The Kleberg County Adult Literacy Council has been operating since 1986 and helps qualifying residents of both Kleberg and Kenedy Counties overcome their literacy issues by providing to them free classes that help strengthen their literacy weaknesses. Based at the Robert J. Kleberg Public Library, the Adult Literacy Council is staffed by a group of dedicated volunteers who tutor students from designated public locations within the community and provide to those individuals or groups instructions on improving their reading, writing and/or English speaking skills. The Kleberg County Adult Literacy Council also maintains working partnerships with local school districts to help capture migrant parents who students are attending school and need assistance in improving their English speaking and writing skills. For more information about the Kleberg County Adult Literacy Council, contact Carla Meyer, Adult Literacy Coordinator, at 361-595-1010 or visit their website at www.klebergcountyadulthoodliteracy.com.



Literacy Resources

The Kleberg County Adult Literacy Council offers many in-person services for those needing assistance, but there are also a variety of in-house resources available at the library that can help further a person's learning experience. People seeking to expand their English as a Second Language (ESL) skill can take advantage of our *Inglés Sin Barreras* courses available in book, audio and video format. Our popular *Mango® Languages* suite also offers learning experiences online and on *Playaways®*, portable MP3 players with pre-recorded, pre-loaded material. *LearningExpress 3.0®*, an online practice exam service available through *Discovery Texas – TexShare Database*, gives both patrons and literacy students' access to materials and practice tests that provide real-time, diagnostic feedback to help them gauge where they stand on a variety of subjects before they take the actual exam. Students and residents who wish to access this database will need to have a valid library card to obtain the username and password. The library also makes these services available to non-residents who possess a valid library card. In addition, periodicals and books in every reading level are available for checkout. These materials can be read in the student's spare time which can help strengthen what the student learns in the classroom. For more



information about any of the literacy and online resources, call the library at 361-592-6381 or visit the library's website at www.kleberglibrary.com.

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RISK MANAGEMENT (Courtesy of Melissa Perez, Manager)

Customer Service & Backing Up Safety Training

Risk Manager Melissa Perez has scheduled Monthly Safety Training for the Public Works department for Wednesday March 19th. The Topics will be: Customer Service & Backing up Safety. Employees will be notified by flyer of the Training and will be shown a Power Point Presentation, a discussion will follow. Several Public Works employees will be there to also discuss with their employees the importance of giving good customer service to Kingsville residents and the hazards that can happen when driving a motor vehicle or motorized equipment (Safe Backing Up).



Risk Manager Trains New Employee for the Police Department

Risk Manager conducts new employee Safety and Health Orientation to Stephanie Ramos on March 4th 04. Stephanie was given a copy of the City's Health and Safety Handbook and was trained on all subjects in the handbook to include Workers Compensation Policies, Notification of Injuries, Ombudsman Program and Monthly Training Schedules. Stephanie seemed very anxious to start working in the Police Department and was also given a City of Kingsville Cap. After finishing up with the Risk Management Department Stephanie headed across the hall to Human Resource Office to conclude her Orientation process with Diana Gonzalez Human Resource Director.



Risk Manager attends Texas Association of Counties Training -San Marcos Texas

Risk Manager Melissa Perez attended (Texas Association of Counties) Risk Management Training in San Marcos Tx on March 10th & 11th. With the formation of the Texas Association of Counties in 1969, Texas counties joined together to improve and promote the



TEXAS ASSOCIATION of COUNTIES

value of county government on a statewide basis. TAC is the representative voice for all Texas counties and county officials and, through TAC; counties communicate the county perspective to state officials and the general public. Understanding the way county government works and the value of county services helps state leaders preserve counties' ability to serve their residents effectively. This cooperative effort is managed by a board of county officials and every county office is represented on the board. This group of local officials, each of whom is currently serving his or her community, establishes policy for TAC. During its annual budget process, the board establishes the scope of TAC services and the amount of money that will be allocated to provide those services.

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Employee Recognition and Safety Committee

Employee Recognition and Safety Committee Members gathered together at Community Appearance to review a few Workers Comp Injuries. Members of the committee gather at least every 2 months to review injuries and find if the injury was a preventable injury or unpreventable injury. Committee Members pictured are: Mary Gonzalez (City Secretary), Carol Rodgers (Admin Asst; Public Works), Theresa Vasquez (Permits; Admin Asst), Emilio Garcia (Health Director). Other duties that the committee has are: Finding preventable measures for injuries from reoccurring, finding ways to improve safety practices and department procedures, assisting and coordinating events for the Professional Development Program.



TASK FORCE (Courtesy of Guillermo "Willie" Vera, Commander)

Financial Impact on the Drug Trafficking Industry

On Sunday March 2, 2014 Kingsville Task Force Agent Ruben Villalobos conducted a traffic stop on U.S. Highway 77 northbound at County Road 772 in Kleberg County on a grey Chevrolet pick-up truck. Upon interviewing the driver, a 26 year old Houston resident, Agent Villalobos requested consent to search his vehicle. The driver gave consent to search the truck. Task Force Agents found anomalies in the interior back walls of the pick-up truck. Closer examination revealed 8 packages of a controlled substance hidden in the walls of the pick-up truck. 14.4 pounds (6.5 kilograms) of crystal meth and 4.8 pounds (over 2 kilograms) of cocaine were found inside the walls. The combined street value of the crystal meth and the cocaine is estimated at over \$300,000.00. Two (2) adult brothers (driver and passenger) were arrested for possession of a controlled substance and booked in the Kleberg County Jail. Investigation is ongoing.



Agent Kirkpatrick Visits with TAMUK's Chemistry Class

On Wednesday March 5, 2014 Kingsville Task Force Agent Richard Kirkpatrick visited with Dr. Jingbo Louise's Chemistry graduate class from Texas A&M University Kingsville. Agent Kirkpatrick gave a presentation on analytical approaches of spectroscopy. The lecture was highly valuable in training the graduate students to identify drugs and related substances with a hands-on approach.

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Drug Trafficking Proceeds Traveling South on U.S. Hwy 77

On March 5, 2014 Kingsville Task Force Agent Jeremy Loftin was working criminal interdiction on U.S. Highway 77 when he conducted a traffic stop on a 2010 Nissan travelling southbound at County Road 2155 in Kleberg County. The driver, a 30 year old male, showed indicators of deception and gave Agent Loftin consent to search his vehicle. Upon searching the vehicle Task Force Agents found money concealed in the center console and in a gym bag inside the vehicle. In all \$20,626.00 was recovered. The suspect driver was arrested for money laundering and booked at the Kleberg County Jail. Investigation continues.



Hidden Contraband Compartment Found by Agents

On Monday March 10, 2014 Kingsville Task Force Agent Mike Tamez conducted a traffic stop on a truck tractor and semi-trailer on U.S. Hwy 77 in Riviera. Both vehicles' had Texas one-way temporary license plates. Due to receiving inconsistent stories from both the driver and passenger, Agent Tamez asked for and was granted verbal consent to search the truck and trailer. Task Force Agents Villalobos and Loftin along with DPS Trooper Wilhite assisted with the search. During the course of their search they located a depth discrepancy within the trailer's front wall. Once 2 panels were removed from the front wall, they located a 1-foot false compartment within the front wall. The compartment was completely lined with lead. Since no contraband was located, the truck and trailer were released and appropriate measures were initiated.



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TOURISM SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Bob Trescott, Director)

February 28 – March 13, 2014

Air Show

The City is making an in-kind commitment of approximately \$25,000 in support of the Naval Air Station biennial Wings over South Texas Air Show. That commitment is in support of safety, security, sanitation and cleanliness – as well as in marketing.



This year, we will also provide regional visitors information services. This year, we will be utilizing a 40 by 50 foot aircraft canopy, bring provided by the Navy, at the entrance to the airshow midway as a regional tourism information pavilion for the tens of thousands of visitors to get a taste of Kingsville and to get information about area attractions.

We are offering regional tourism partners space and support in this facility.



Partners invited to participate include:

- Kingsville Chamber of Commerce
- Bishop Chamber of Commerce
- King Ranch Saddle Shop
- King Ranch Visitors Services
- 1909 H M King School
- Conner Museum
- Kenedy Ranch Museum
- Kleberg County Parks
- Police, Fire & Volunteer Fire Departments
- Library

We are planning on staffed service desks, brochure racks, displays, tables and chairs, demonstrations, etc. We will decorate the pavilion with banners, etc.

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We are planning for static displays that may include:

- Police vehicle
- Fire truck(s)
- Chuck wagon
- Hunting Vehicle
- Fishing Boat
- Bookmobile

We hope to encourage visitors to extend their stay and to revisit.

Lions Club Bicycle Events

We have had several meetings with the Lions Club that is hosting two upcoming bike events, a 400 mile bike ride that is passing through town on or about March 5 and their annual "Ride on the Wild Side" event planned for late April. The Lions were advised of the interests of the various City departments concerned with safety and liability and agreed to submit plans. This is in addition to the interest of the Tourism Department in both safety and in marketing.



Kingsville Auto Club

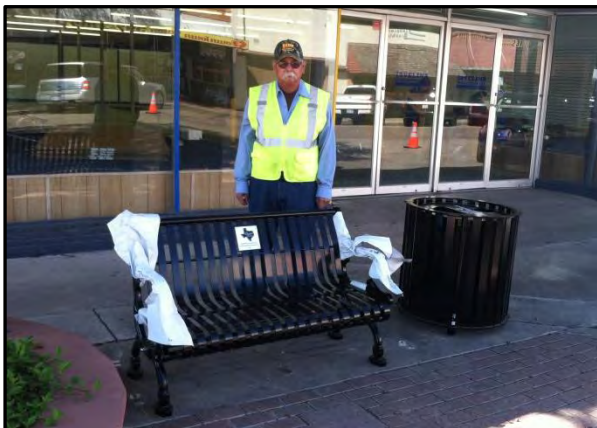


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Downtown

Project Facelift is a program to encourage maintenance, repair, and upgrades to downtown properties. We have seen progress with façade grants and we are now tightening procedures for building code enforcement in the downtown core. Procedures and policies are being updated in cooperation with the Planning Director and with the Building Official to upgrade a program of visits, inspections, letters of warning and violation, and violation actions. This program will now have “carrots and sticks”. Historic Board is to visit Lowe’s, Zarsky’s and McCoys to learn about products and their features for historic building remodeling.

New Benches and Receptacles Benches and trash receptacles installed today in the 200 block of E Kleberg. The old benches and trash receptacles will be stored at and refurbished by Public Works. The old benches will be relocated to pre-selected spots in the 300 block of E. Kleberg.

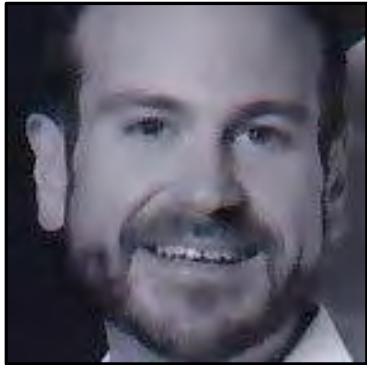


Eugenio Mendieta, Bill Donnell, Apolonio Cadena and Cynthia Martin were there.

New Parking and Cross-walk Striping Coming to Downtown

On-street parking and crossing striping will be updated in the downtown core.

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Texas Historical Commission

Marcus Watson, Certified Local Government Coordinator at Texas Historical Commission visited with Cynthia Martin, Historic Preservation Officer; Maggie Salinas, Chair of the Historic Board and Bob Trescott, Director of Tourism and Heritage.

Marcus was here to conduct a 4-year evaluation of Kingsville's Certified Local Government program. This review is a requirement of the program. The purpose of the meeting is to assure that each government fulfills its responsibilities as provided for in their agreement with the Texas Historical Commission. After a one-on-one meeting with Mr. Trescott, Marcus spent an hour and a half looking over documentation and asking questions. After that, Cynthia Martin and Maggie Salinas took him on a tour of the historic districts pointing out significant properties and relating their history. Marcus was impressed that the City of Kingsville cared enough about their heritage to restore and use historic buildings such as the former Kleberg Bank, the former Dr. Pepper Bottling Plant and former HM King High School to house City offices. He very much enjoyed the tour. The Texas Historical Commission will send formal results of the evaluation.

MEETINGS, EVENTS AND REMINDERS (Courtesy of Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary)

Regular Commission Meetings (Robert H. Alcorn Commission Chambers)

Monday, April 14, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Monday, April 28, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Monday, May 12, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Monday, May 26, 2014	6:00 p.m.

Special Commission Meetings/Workshops (Commission Chambers)

Thursday, March 20, 2014	4:00 p.m.
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Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers)

Thursday, March 27, 2014	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 10, 2014	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 24, 2014	3:00 p.m.

Board Meetings (Commission Chambers)

Planning and Zoning Board	Wednesday, April 16, 2014	7:00 p.m.
Historic Development Board	Wednesday, April 16, 2014	4:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustments	Thursday, April 10, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Civil Service Commission	TBA	11:00 a.m.

Board Meetings (Respective Location)

Library Board	Wednesday, April 30, 2014	4:00 p.m.
City/County Health Board	(3 rd week of every other month @	5:30 p.m.)

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Texas Municipal League Region 11 Quarterly Meeting

Henrietta Memorial Center 405 N. 6th Street
 Thursday, March 27, 2014 4:00 p.m.

“Wings Over South Texas” Air Show 2014

March 29th & 30th, 2014 – Naval Air Station-Kingsville

City of Kingsville/KISD Joint General Election

Election Day: Saturday, May 10, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Early voting by personal appearance

Main Early Voting Polling Place

Kingsville City Hall
 200 E. Kleberg Avenue

Date and Hours

April 28 – May 2, 2014 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 May 5 & May 6, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Temporary Branch/Mobile Polling Places

KISD Administration Bldg. 207 N. 3 rd Street	April 28 – May 6, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Harrel Elementary School 925 South Armstrong	April 28, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Memorial Middle School 915 South Armstrong	April 28, 2014	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Harvey Elementary School 1301 E. Kenedy	April 29, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Perez Elementary School 1111 E. Ailsie Ave.	April 29, 2014	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Kleberg Elementary School 900 N. 6 th Street	April 30, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Gillett Intermediate School 1007 N. 17 th Street	April 30, 2014	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
H.M. King Fine Arts Building 2210 Brahma Blvd.	May 1, 2014	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Reminders:

City Secretary requests Commission Member Nominations for the following Vacant Board Positions:

Board Name	Vacancies	Recommendations		
Zoning Board of Adjustments	0	0	Joint	Airport
Zoning Board	0	0		
Civil Service Commission	1	0		
Historic Development Board	0	0		
Planning & Zoning Commission	0	0		