

City of Kingsville, Texas

Staff Report

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“If all the economists were laid end to end, they’d never reach a conclusion.” George Bernard Shaw. www.quotegarden.com

“Blessed are the young, for they shall inherit the national debt.” Herbert Hoover, www.quotegarden.com

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

Good Job Award!!!

Jerry Trevino, Meter Reader Foreman has been working for the City of Kingsville since September 25, 1990. With his many years of experience as a meter tech he has witnessed many changes with reading meters. At one time meters were read by walking from house to house. As the City looked to modernize this task, Jerry was a key part of this meter exchange project back in 2005-06. Now, all meters are read electronically and he takes the lead with reading each billing cycle and maintaining the meters and inventory. Jerry has trained several employees (meter techs) and has proven to be professional, knowledgeable, detail-oriented, friendly with customers, and precise. Jerry understands the ins and outs of meter reading and repairs. He works well with the Billing Specialists and communicates any issues dealing with reads in a timely manner.



**Jerry Trevino
Meter Reader
Foreman**

Recently, Jerry took on the task of training both the Billing Specialists and the Collections Manager is reading each billing cycle. Jerry walked each through every step of this process as part of the department's cross-training program. Now, the Billing Specialists and the Collections Manager understand what happens before the billing cycles are exported into our billing system. With knowledge comes confidence and the staff can answer most questions in detail that concern how meters are read.

For this and his commitment to his work I would like to nominate Jerry Trevino for the “Good Job Award”.

Thank you.
Diana Medina, Collections Manager

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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

Jerry Trevino	Utility Billing	6/9/14	Expert and helpful service to all
SWAT	Police Department	5/27/14	Commitment to mission
Monica Longoria	City County Health Dept.	5/12/14	New employee/great asset
Tony Wilson	Police Department	4/28/14	Positive change agent
Kathy Rios	Task Force	4/10/14	Supporting Task Force
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	2/14/14	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 (Courtesy of Vince Capell, City Manager)

The City is Winning

The City is winning on many community appearance and safety fronts including cleaning up more and more properties that have been long term eyesores and demolishing old, dilapidated and dangerous structures in preparation for new development.

New is Good

New Street Supervisor Charlie Sosa and the City's new asphalt lay down machine are on board and making it possible for our street crews to improve the condition of City streets.

Partnership with the University

The City's Economic Development Team, which includes City Attorney, Director of Planning and Development Services, Finance Director, Public Works Director/City Engineer and City Manager are working with Dick Messbarger from the EDC and Stephan Nix Dean of TAMUK's Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering in an effort to bring a partnership/lease agreement to the City Commission for its anticipated partnership for the Eagle Ford Center for Research, Education & Outreach (EFCREO) at the now vacant and former CGS Call Center Building on South Brahma Blvd. Staff is hopeful of getting this proposal to the City Commission in late June or early July.

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

Administration Division

City of Kingsville Employees-Safety Training

Mrs. Melissa Perez, Risk Manager, recently sponsored a Safety Training for all City of Kingsville Employees. The training occurred on May 29, 2014 at City Hall, Commissioner Chamber. The training was divided into two sessions at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. City-County Health Employees attended at their assigned times. The topic was a TML "Heat Related Illness" with a brief discussion afterward. Thanks to Mrs. Perez for the training opportunity. Attending the training were Hector M. Garza, Robert Hinojosa, Connie Allen, Monica Longoria, Teresa Orr, Robert Puente, Jessica Montalvo, Emilio H. Garcia, Robert Puente and Jason C. Torres. We look forward to next month's training. Pictured are city employees viewing a video on "Heat Related Illness".



Food Service Division

Food Service Inspections

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.

Gillette Middle School-97	Whataburger/Hwy 77-93	Javelina Mart-81
Gregg's Short Stop-97	Best Western Motel-100	L & M Superette #1-89
IHOP-85	A & J Super Stop-96	Big House Burgers-81
Taco Bell-96	Kingsville Quality Inn-97	Rio 7 Cinema-96
Holiday Inn Express-81	77 One Stop-93	Burger King/Rivera-79
Hampton Inn-100	Kwik Pantry/Ricardo-91	McDonald's/14 TH -94

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Domino's Pizza-100	V & J Food Mart-89	Rodeway Inn-94
Dairy Queen/Riviera-93	Los Cabos de San Lucas-93	El Tapatio #2/Ricardo-95
Mesquite Drive Inn-100	Subway/14 th St.-92	Harrel's Fountain-100
Burger King/Riviera-reinspection-87	Little Caesar's Pizza-89	

Regular & Fundraiser Food Handler Class

Food Handler Class	8 Attendees	Regular Food Handler Class-Health Department
Food Handler Class	16 Attendees	Fundraiser Food Handler Class- St. Paul AME Church

Permitted Temporary (Fundraiser) or Permanent Food Events

Ada Rodriquez Benefit	Temporary Food Event=Chicken Plate Fundraiser Sale
Sarah Obregon Benefit	Temporary Food Event-Chopped BBQ Brisket Fundraiser Sale
Ball Hogs/Kingsville Thunder	Temporary Food Event-Turkey Plate Sale

New Business

Yadira's Paraiso Mobile Unit-Fruit cups & Corn sales

Animal Control Center Division

Did You Know?

Dogs

- Dogs with "squashed" faces have more health problems. The structure of the faces of pugs, boxers, and bulldogs make them more prone to respiratory problems, dental problems and other health issues.
- All Dalmatians are born white. Their spots develop within the first few weeks of life.

Cats

- Cats are lactose intolerant. Like most animals, cats lose the ability to digest milk after infancy. Feeding milk to a cat can encourage stomach upset and diarrhea.
- Calico cats are almost always female. The gene for coat color is sex-linked, so to express both orange and black coloring, the cat must have two copies of the X chromosome. Rarely, an abnormality produces a male cat with XXY chromosome and calico coloring; these cats are always sterile.

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Snakes on the Prowl

Animal Control Officers responded to several calls about snakes. The first call was on Santa Barbara Street. The complainant said she saw two snakes slithering down the hall way of her house. Animal Control Officers located one snake and captured it. The other snake could not be found. The complainant was told to be careful and if she spotted the other snake to call animal control and we would be back. Pictured are Animal Control Officers Robert Hinojosa and

Ernesto

Espinosa

holding a 4 foot Bull Snake!



The second snake call was at County Road 1355. A Bull Snake had



crawled into a chicken coop and the owner was afraid to remove the snake.

Animal Control Officers responded to



the call and removed the snake using a catch pole. Pictured is Animal Control Officer, Robert Hinojosa holding a 6 foot Bull Snake, that is very angry! Lucky for us all the snakes were Bull Snakes and **NOT** Rattle Snakes!

People should take caution when outside doing any type of activities. Snakes are out and looking for water and food. So be **CAREFUL!**

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New Animal Control Equipment

Teresa Orr, Kennel Attendant is pictured scanning an impounded dog for a microchip. This recently purchased microchip scanner has a 2 foot wand attachment to scan animals that are not so friendly. This wand will prevent our animal control personal from being bitten by a dog or scratched by a cat.



Animal Control Center-Next Monthly Pet Adoption Day

Please join us at our next Pet Adoption Day

Saturday, June 21, 2014

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Tractor Supply Company

2405 S. Brahma Blvd

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

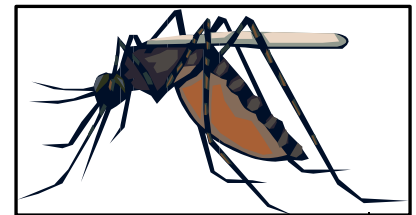
Mosquito Control Division-(Vector)

Mosquito Season is soon approaching - A Reminder to Protect Yourself from Mosquitoes

The past week has brought some rainfall into our area along with a possibility of mosquitoes. So what can you do to help reduce the number of mosquitoes around your home? Always remember that mosquitoes need water to breed, and they will use any source available.

So be sure to:

- Drain any standing water around your home.
- Empty cans, buckets, rain gutters, tires and flower pots.
- Change the water in pet bowls, wading pools and bird baths several times a week.



Mosquitoes are simply annoying, but they can also be dangerous. It is important to protect yourself from a mosquito bite. To prevent any chances of becoming infected with a mosquito borne diseases please do the following:

- Apply insect repellent containing DEET.
- Dress in long sleeves and pants when outdoors.
- Stay indoors at dusk and dawn (these are the times when mosquitoes are most active).

It is important that everyone does their part to help prevent the breeding of mosquitoes. The City-County Health Unit will start mosquito surveillance next month, and will start to spray for mosquitoes if need be. Spraying is done at dusk, and the entire city is sprayed. Chemical pellets have also been placed in standing water to kill mosquito larva. If you have standing water you may soon have mosquitoes, so remember to drain after the rain.

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Deborah Balli, Director)

Finance Administration Division

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

The City's September 30th Financials were completed by Luke Womack and his staff on May 28th. The financials prepared by his firm will be used in finishing the CAFR that is due to the State by June 15th.



The CAFR is a thorough and detailed presentation of the City's financial condition. It reports on the City's activities and balances for each fiscal year and serves as the City's audited financial report.

What's in the CAFR?

The CAFR is presented in three sections:

Introductory section - includes transmittal letter.

Financial section - includes the independent auditor's report and contains management's discussion and analysis, government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, notes to the financial statements, required supplementary information, combining financial statements, and schedules.

Statistical section - includes additional financial, economic, and demographic information.

Budget

June 4th the Finance Department will provide training for directors and/or their staff on how to input budgets into the Incode Version X system. Directors please keep the following in mind when preparing your department's budget:

- 1) Remaining Expenditures
 - a) Use Financial Reports for April - estimate how your expenditures will end up for Expected Annual
 - b) Unfinished Projects – be realistic in project completion schedules.
 - c) Outstanding PO listing
- 2) Entering budgets
 - a) Need more detail for all line items
 - b) If you have employees retiring, make sure you budget for their payouts
 - c) Employee Appreciation needs to be budgeted
 - d) GPS wireless needs to be budgeted
- 3) Budget Responsibility
 - a) Departments are not responsible for:
 - i) Salaries and ii) Utilities – Motor Oil & Gas, electricity

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4) Changes

- a) All requests for computers and tablets will be managed in the IT budget
- b) All software will be managed through the IT budget
- c) Grant revenues & expenditures will be budgeted

5) Deadlines

- a) Need to meet all deadlines as laid out in the calendar
- b) Departments have about 30% of the budget tasks which is why it is imperative for deadlines to be met
- c) Early submissions will have a better review opportunity

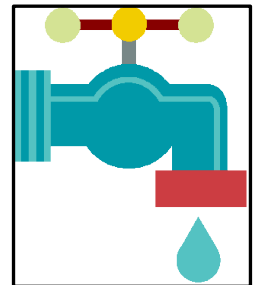
6) Supplemental Forms

- a) Capital Outlay - Need pictures, bid prices, details on all submittals
- b) Personnel Requests – need detail justification
- c) Line Item Request Increases – Need detail justifications – not just overall “spending more”
- d) Capital Projects – completion timelines are critical for cost estimations

Utility Division

Six things everyone should know about watering efficiently

1. **Apply only enough water to moisten the root zone** of your plants (6 to 8 inches deep), then allow the soil to dry before watering again. This means: In clay soils, water no more than one inch per week. This is enough to moisten your plants' roots.
2. **Water when the sun is down.** No sun and less wind mean that the water reaches the roots of your plants rather than evaporating before it hits the ground.
3. **Use low-angle sprinklers** that produce droplets of water. Sprinklers that spray water high into the air or produce a mist lose water through evaporation.
4. **Use multiple start times or a "cycle and soak" feature.** This allows water to be applied a little at a time, eliminating run-off, and is especially helpful for sloped areas and areas with clay soil.
5. **Aim before you shoot:** Direct sprinklers toward your lawn and away from sidewalks and driveways.
6. **Use drip irrigation** for shrub beds, gardens and trees. Drip irrigation systems apply water directly to the root, where it does the most good, and reduces water loss from evaporation. Make sure you slow the flow so the water has time to soak into our region's tight clay and caliche soils —instead of running off.



Watering Do....

DO use a drip irrigation or soaker hose to water shrubs and trees.

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Watering Don't...

DON'T operate an automated irrigation system with broken sprinkler heads; it will waste water and cost you money.

Holiday Reminder

City hall will be closed Friday, July 4th, 2014 in observance of Independence Day. Trash schedule will be as follows:

Residential: Mon/Thurs will be changed to Mon/Wed
and Tues/Fri will be changed to Tues/Thurs

Commercial: Thurs/Fri will be changed to Thursday only
Reminders

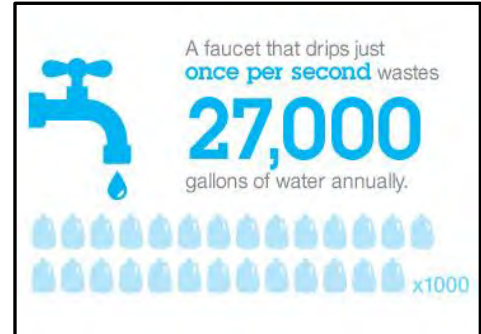
Any payments dropped off in the night drop need to be in check, money order, or cashier check form. A utility bill stub should be included in order to process the payment to your account or a referenced service address and account number will suffice. If you are in jeopardy of having your services disconnected 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)



The lobby window(s) are now open at 8:00am instead of 8:30.

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

Court Business: May 14, 2014 through May 27, 2014

There were a 167 new cases recorded during this period. Of these records, 17 misdemeanors and alcohol cases, 120 traffic citations, 26 parking citations, 2 city ordinance citations and 2 FTA (failure to appear) cases.

Aside from these new cases, there were 745 cases concluded and 100 warrant orders executed.



Cash Collections

During this period, \$31,225.88 dollars from fines and costs were from settlements of payment plans, extensions, and all other executed orders.

Pre-Trial Session

For this setting, there were 35 (40 cases) individuals summoned. The list below encompass the disposition for each case:

1. Eighteen cases' (plea bargain motions) to be reviewed by the court.
2. A motion for dismissal was filed on one case-due to compliance.
3. Four cases were placed into the monthly installed payment plan.
4. One individual paid the full penalty lieu of a trial hearing.
5. State filed 12 new criminal charges for those individuals who did not appearance for this setting and a motion for arrest orders, and suspension of driver's license.
6. Four cases were granted continuance for the next Pre-trial setting.

Court Hearings for May 22, 2014

Inmate Court Hearing, during the 2:00 o'clock session, six inmates were transported to the Municipal Court Alcorn Chambers by the Kingsville Police Department. The disposition of these individuals is as follow: Time serve was ordered and approved for the full balance owed to this court.

Regular court hearing, during the 3:00 o'clock session, 254 people (430 cases) were summon for this hearing. Below is the deposition for these cases:

<u>Disposition</u>	<u>Number</u>		
Payment Plans	13		
Extensions	4		
Trial	2		
Deferments	1		
Driving Safety	2		
Minor in Possession	2		
		of Alcohol: community service & alcohol awareness class orders	
		Non-Appearance (bail jumping) chg- warrant orders	200

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Dismissal-Compliance	15
Continuance orders	34
Committed - contempt of court-non payment	14
Pending: further review	20

Bond Hearing set to new court date	17
Closed case	68
Inmates	32
Juvenile-reset	6

Of 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 200 records of arrest and failure to appear charges for non-appearance and contempt of court.**

New City Ordinance Cell Phone Law, effective May 1, 2014

The City Commissioners approved the *No Cell Phone Law* in March 2014.

There will be a grace period of two weeks, which is the time the local community will be provided information through the local newspaper, radio and signs of this new law. To be familiar with this law, it is available on the city website. Please be acquainted with this law. A finding of guilty by the court will consist of a fine of \$300.00 plus court costs for the first offense, and a \$500.00 fine plus court costs for the second offense and any other additional offenses.

Upcoming Court Dates

June 3 & 17, 2014

Pre-Trial Session-Conference Room
9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

June 5 & 19, 2014

Inmate 2:00 p.m.
Regular Hearing 3:00 p.m.

July 1, 15 & 29, 2014

Pre-Trial Session-Conference Room
9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

July 3, 17 & 31, 2014

Inmate 2:00 p.m.
Regular Hearing 3:00 p.m.

The public is encouraged to contact the court office at 361-592-8566 for information on traffic and all other Class C misdemeanors. Also as a reminder, the court does not accept payment by personal checks or American Express or Discover. Visa, MasterCard, Debit cards, money order, and cashier's check, or cash are acceptable for payment.

In addition, you can pay your traffic and parking ticket online and any other balance. Just go to the City's website: <https://www.cityofkingsville.com>

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FIRE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Joey Reed, Fire Chief)

Public Events

Public Safety Appreciation Barbeque – Members attended an appreciation lunch held downtown on May 7th.

Training and Professional Development

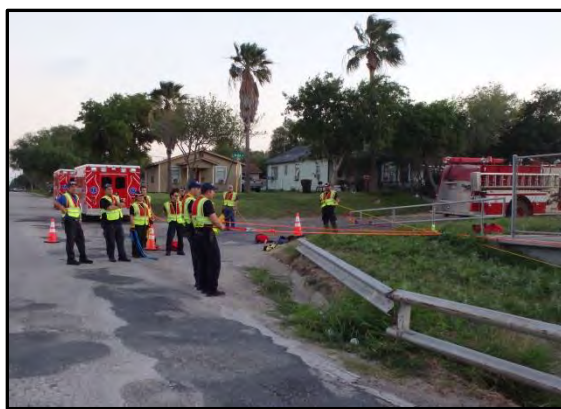
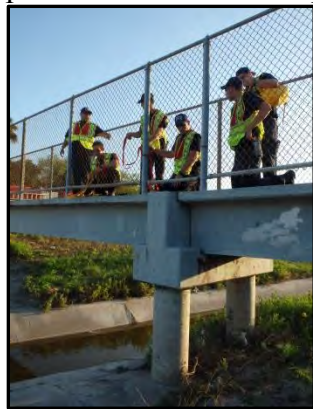
Scott Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Care and Use Class – Firefighter Patton presented classes to the A and C shifts on basic care and use of SCBAs. The



B shift also participated in a buddy breathing class where firefighters donned equipment and simulated running out of air, sharing air lines, then dragging the injured firefighter out of the room. This was all done while wearing a covered mask to simulate black out situations.

Swiftwater Rescue Class – The A shift and volunteer fire department members participated in a swiftwater rescue training class at Tranquitas Creek. Personnel identified possible rescue considerations for persons that become trapped in their cars while trying to drive through low water crossings. Discussion of how

rescues might be made with the ladder truck were discussed and rope systems for inflatable rescue boat pick off scenarios were practiced.



Knots and Rope Rescue Systems – B shift participated in a knots and ropes systems class.

Heat Related Injuries Class – A shift personnel attended the class on heat related injuries presented by risk manager Melissa Perez at City Hall.

Probationary Personnel Evaluations – New firefighter/paramedics are being assessed daily on their knowledge and skills.



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Planning

Nueces County Fire Chiefs Meeting – The fire chief attended the bi-monthly meeting at the Naval Air Station Corpus Christi. Discussions on mutual aid and communications issues were the focus of the meeting.

Kleberg County/Coastal Bend Hurricane Table Top Exercise - The fire chief, police chief, and risk manager all attended the drill at Kleberg County EOC hosted by County Emergency Management Coordinator Tomas Sanchez. The drill helped to identify strengths and weaknesses in our disaster plans.

Website Development Meeting – The fire chief attending a website development meeting where a new website layout was presented and discussions on modifications were encouraged.

Community Project Development Meetings – The fire marshal attended these meetings with personnel from Planning and Engineering departments.

Other Department Activities

County Courthouse Security/Fire Safety Meeting – The fire marshal and fire chief met with the Deputy Chief and Captain at the Sheriff's Department to discuss a new security system and how it might affect egress of occupants.

Hydrant Maintenance – Stations worked on clearing weeds and obstructions around fire hydrants in their jurisdictions.

Committee Meetings

Apparatus Committee Meeting: May 20th, committee met to discuss truck company operations manual. Lieutenant Cabrera introduced a draft manual for review by other committee members. Discussion of delays with South Coast Graphics for vehicle reflective chevrons was discussed. Requirements for engineer promotions exams skills was also discussed.

Apparatus, Equipment, Facility Status

Engine 1 – Engine radiator was inspected and found to be serviceable. A thermostat was replaced. Now waiting for engine to undergo third pump test.

Tower 1 – Serious corrosion found due to small water leak under tower 1. Will need mechanic to survey. Some damage was reported to outrigger plate holders underneath truck. Damage probably occurred due to the truck scraping the street at intersections with deep drainage slopes. The truck was used as a front line unit while engine 1 was out for cooling repairs.

SCBA Air Packs – 4 damaged SCBAs are being repaired by vendor.

SCBA Tracker Out of Service – Waiting on new battery packs.

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Fire Station 1 – Numerous water leaks during last rain storm. Tankless water heater for kitchen is not working and has probably rusted out. New hot water heater for washing machines will supply kitchen sink when installed.

Projects

Fire Station 2 Exterior - Grass and weeds have been sprayed and killed to allow for planting. There is a meeting planned next week to discuss landscaping options for the yard north of station 2. Specifications for a rear fence are being finalized for quotes.



Dispatch – New counters are installed. Radios and recorder should be installed next week.

Fire Station 1 Restrooms, Upstairs/Downstairs – Upstairs restrooms are near completion. Waiting on reordered shower doors. Downstairs restrooms are being demolished and should be completed in approximately 2-3 weeks.



Fire Station 1 Electrical Project-

Contractor has revisited the fire station and is updating quote for a new electrical panel and power lines to 9 apparatus in station 1 to allow for computers and portable radio chargers to be installed in the apparatus.

Fire Station 2 Interior – Interior is near completion. Waiting on front and rear doors to arrive. Also waiting for cabinet to be installed over toilet in new restroom.



Personnel

Captain Don Erebia Retires -Captain Don Erebia retired from the Fire



Department on May 26th after 33 years of service. His dedication and spirit will be missed by all.

Acting Engineer Joey Mendieta's father, Jose Mendieta, passed away this month. Our thoughts and prayers are with Joey and his family.

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Fire Department Response Statistics for The Period of 0800 hrs on May 16th to 0800 hrs on May 30th, 2014.

Fire/Rescue/Other Calls -	17
Emergency Medical Service Calls (EMS) -	136
Total Emergency Responses -	153

Major Events During The Period

May 29th, 2014: Mobile Home Fire, W. Kenedy. Engine 2 arrived on scene with fire showing from both sides of a single wide mobile home. A blitz attack from outside was made followed immediately by an aggressive interior attack. Engine 1 laid approximately 500 ft of large diameter supply line to Engine 2. The fire was knocked down within a few minutes. The home was reportedly uninhabited at the time of the fire. The cause of the fire is under investigation and there were no serious injuries to firefighters.



HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Diana Gonzales, Director)

Do You Know?

City of Kingsville has position(s) available in the Kingsville Police Department. The Police Department is a civil service department consisting of 50 officers. Applicants must meet the minimum qualifications, as set forth by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE), the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 143 and not fall under any of the listed "Reasons for Disqualification".

Advertised Positions

Police – Police Officer (Entry Level and Lateral Hire), Telecommunication's Operator
Street – Maintenance Worker, Equipment Operator I, Equipment Operator II
Wastewater – Utility Worker(s)

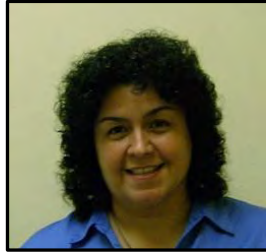


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New Employees



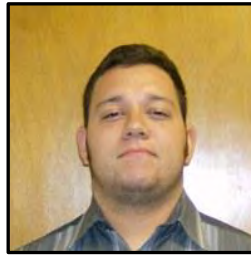
Joshual Carrales
 Utility Worker
 Public Works – Water Division



Mary Jane Lopez
 Temporary Admin. Assistant I
 Tourism Services Department



Samantha Morales
 Temporary Customer Service Rep
 Tourism Services Department



Arnaldo Castillo
 Engineering Technical
 Public Works/Engineering

Separations

Judy Gonzalez – Tourism
 Orlando Prieto – Telecommunications Operator

Milestone Anniversaries - 5, 10, 15 and 20, 25, 30+ years

June 2014

20 years – Arturo Perez (Garage Supervisor)

5 years – Orlando Prieto (Telecommunications Operator)

June has a total of 21 anniversaries ranging from one year to 20 years as follows:

<i>Years of Service</i>	<i># of Employees</i>
20+	1
15-19	3
10-14	0
5-9	4
<5	13

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Workshops/Seminars/Meetings

Human Resource Director and HR Administrative Assistant attended the Heat Awareness and Customer Service training provided by Risk Management on May 29, 2014.

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

Planning Division

Legends Kingsville

Construction on a new student housing complex near Texas A&M University- Kingsville that will contain nearly 200 units in its first phase officially began on Tuesday during a groundbreaking ceremony at the project site. The contractor has started leveling the grounds and a preconstruction meeting is scheduled for June 3rd. The preconstruction meeting is held to open the lines of communication between the City and contractors performing the work.



Dumpster Enclosures

Phase 3 of the Dumpster Enclosure Project has begun. Pecos Fence Company began construction on June 2nd and anticipates completion within the month. The project consists of enclosing 41 existing dumpsters with a dog-eared wooden picket fence to beautify the City.

Wayfinding

The Tourism Department, in partnership with the Engineering and Planning Departments, has been continuing to work on the wayfinding project for the City. This will reassure first-time visitors that they are on the correct path to local destination points by leading them through the City with roadside signs.

New City Hall

Plans for the New City Hall are in and currently under review by the Plan Review Team. Once reviewed and comments addressed, we anticipate construction to begin as early as July 2014.

Kingsville Website Revamp

Hi-Res Creative met with the Technology Team and Directors last week to preview the website. The website is in alpha testing mode and it looks really nice. We hope to have all of the needed information to Hi-Res in the coming week to release it into beta testing.

Leadership Kingsville

Our Leadership Kingsville class held a graduation luncheon May 30th at King's Inn. The graduation luncheon was simply a Certificate of Completion that acknowledges we (Charlie Cardenas and I) completed the course. It was a great year and we hope to have our Disc Golf Course project completed this summer.

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Building Services Division

Permits Pulled:

Residential Remodel: 11	Commercial Remodel: 0	Electrical: 15
New Commercial: 0	Mechanical: 9	Moving: 1
New Residential: 0	Fire Inspection: 6	Gas Inspection: 4
Cert. of Occupancy: 3	Commercial Meter: 15	House Leveling: 0
Plumbing: 10	Residential Meter: 8	Re-roof: 13
Sprinkler: 2	Sidewalk: 0	Sign: 0
Curb: 1	Swimming Pool: 1	Demolition: 1
Total Permits Pulled: 100		

New Business

- Caribbean Ice @ 201 N 12th – waiting for final inspections
- Yadiras Paraiso Mobile Food Unit
- Fearless Compound @ 209 E Shelton is ready for business

Community Appearance Division

Recent activity (May 14-May 28) by Community Appearance Inspectors is as follows

Notices Sent: 73	Abatements: 20	Obsolete Sign Violations: 2
Inspections: 124	Court Cases: 0	Placards Posted: 0
Re-Inspections: 73	Illegal Dumping Cases: 0	
Compliances: 51	Front/Side yard parking violations: 3	

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:

503 N 2nd

Abandoned sign abated by City Contractor

BEFORE

AFTER



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913 E Henrietta – Parking in Front Yard - Owner complied

BEFORE



AFTER



215 W Alice – Broken Concrete -Property owner abated



501 W. Ave. D- Junk and Debris - City abated



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Community Appearance Division

Be A Good Neighbor

Community Appearance has stepped up their game in educating the public on high grass violations. A story on this issue was in the Kingsville Record recently. The story was meant to give the public a “heads up” so to speak, that with the upcoming rains, grass will begin to become a problem if property owners are not proactive in their property maintenance. It also reminds our citizens that high grass breeds another nuisance, mosquitos. We are all aware of the health concerns mosquitos bring, the story serves as a reminder as well.

Community Appearance operators have their hands full with numerous lots that are owned by “absentee landowners”, meaning property owners that live out of town or state. These lots are neglected and become a public health and safety concern because no one maintains these properties.

We ask our community to join the “Be A Good Neighbor” campaign. Remember “CMW”: CLEAR your property from any debris that might hold water to avoid breeding mosquitos and become a dark cool home for other critters such as rats or opossums, MOW your property from street curb to your half of the alley, WEEDEAT along curbs, fences, structures & around trees.



Keep Kingsville Beautiful

KKB voted in favor of donating \$10,000 towards the revitalization of Flato Park located at 10th & E. Doddridge. Susan Ivy, Parks Director, presented a detailed sketch of Flato Park's upgrades. This project will be done in Phases. The first phase is to bring in a new piece of playground equipment and to clean and clear the area where this equipment will be set.

Other phases will be completed as funding becomes available. There is much more in store for this project. Please stop by the Community Appearance building to take a peek of what's to come.



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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 '14.

OCT	\$9107.08	APR	\$3851.83
NOV	\$6550.24	MAY	
DEC	\$9605.00	JUN	
JAN	\$7148.91	JUL	
FEB	\$6117.44	AUG	
MAR	\$7280.90	SEPT	



Demolitions - 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 9 (nine) condemnations have been approved by commission since October 2013. As part of our building structure evaluations, thirteen (13) notices have resulted in property owner agreements to demolish the unsafe buildings.

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

<u>Date</u>	<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Status</u>
Pending	501 ½ W. Ave D	Commission hearing
Pending	504 W. Caesar	Commission hearing
Pending	508 W. Caesar	Commission hearing
5/14/14	519 N. 6 th	Demo Order
5/27/14	804 Wilson(Bruno's Cantina)	Demo Order
5/28/14	306 E Lee	Demo Order
5/29/14	814 E Lee	Demo Order
6/4/14	510 Frances	Demo Order

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

804 Wilson – Demo Order



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804 Wilson – Demo Order (Cont....)



306 E Lee – Demo Order



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814 E Lee – Demo Order



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 26th Phase to be completed in June. 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 26

<u>Property Address:</u>	<u>Date of Compliance Deadline:</u>
1004 W Lott	6/30/14
310 W Yoakum	6/30/14
600 W Caesar	6/30/14
919 W Ave I	6/30/14
512 W Warren	6/30/14

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1245 E King	6/30/14
422 E Ave C	6/30/14
528 S 14 th	6/30/14
820 E Lee	6/30/14
906 E Lee	6/30/14

A Cumulative count of abatements conducted by the property owner for “Top Ten” monthly private property cleanups

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 14	6 out of 10
PHASE 2	2 out of 10	PHASE 15	9 out of 10
PHASE 3	2 out of 10	PHASE 16	9 out of 10
PHASE 4	3 out of 10	PHASE 17	8 out of 10
PHASE 5	3 out of 10	PHASE 18	8 out of 10
PHASE 6	3 out of 10	PHASE 19	8 out of 10
PHASE 7	4 out of 10	PHASE 20	9 out of 10
PHASE 8	7 out of 10	PHASE 21	7 out of 10
PHASE 9	5 out of 10	PHASE 22	4 out of 10
PHASE 10	8 out of 10	PHASE 23	7 out of 10
PHASE 11	7 out of 10	PHASE 24	8 out of 10
PHASE 12	8 out of 10	PHASE 25	8 out of 10
PHASE 13	9 out of 10	PHASE 26	(IN PROGRESS)

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POLICE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Ricardo Torres, Chief) March 31 – April 14, 2014

Administration Division

KPD Employees Participate in "Torch Run" for Special Olympics

The "Torch Run" for Special Olympics ran through Kingsville on May 21. It began in McAllen, then came to Kingsville before moving on to Corpus Christi. Cpl. Gilbert Rodriguez Sr. Detective Rick Salinas, Sr. Detective Tony Contreras, Criminal Investigator Danny Gonzales, Patrol Officers Tony Cervantes, Ernie Martinez and Eric Escobedo, Patrol Secretary Haydee Padilla and Crime Scene Technician Angelita Roy participated in the run for the event.



Patrol Division

Officers responded to hundreds of calls. At least 170 required written reports.

Five reports of Burglary of Building were made (2500 E. King, 208 E. Fairview, 1500 E. General Cavazos Blvd, 303 E. Kenedy, 313 W. Ella).

There were three reports of residential burglaries (902 E. Richard, 518 E. Huisache, 630 E. Escondido Rd).

Victims made three reports of Burglaries of Vehicles: 424 E. Yoakum, 1522 E. Johnston, 930 S. 23rd Street.



Patrol officers took at least 22 assault reports with several arrests made. At least 22 theft reports were taken by patrol officers, with several arrests made. Three sexual assault reports were taken. Officers wrote 178

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citations and 95 written warnings. Officers responded to 12 collisions, 5 "hit and run" cases and several private property accidents.

Patrol Highlights

On May 17, officers were summoned to an apartment complex where an unconscious person was reported. Arriving officers discovered that the male was uninjured but highly intoxicated. He was taken to jail for Public Intoxication.

On May 20, officers made a traffic stop on N. 14th Street. The driver gave a name and date of birth that was untrue. When officers finally discovered his true identity, it was learned that he was wanted. He was taken to jail for the warrants and Failure to Identify-Fugitive From Justice.

On May 24, officers responded to a local restaurant where a customer was yelling and threatening employees. That male was arrested for Public Intoxication.

On May 26, a local store employee reported a shoplifting which had just occurred and provided the license plate for the suspect vehicle. Officers did not locate the vehicle for nearly 20 minutes, when it was found parked in front of a local pawn shop. Officers arrested two males, one who actually shoplifted and the second one for pawning the stolen merchandise.

On May 26, officers responded to a burglary of a church on Avenue D. After breaking in, the burglars used church spray paint to vandalize the interior of the building. A name was written on one of the walls.

Officers knew that a juvenile by the same name lived nearby. When contact was made with this juvenile and a second juvenile, it was seen that both juveniles had the same color of paint on their hands. They were detained and transported to a juvenile facility in Corpus Christi.

On May 28, an officer made a traffic stop at 800 S. Armstrong. The driver of the van, from Arkansas, was arrested for Possession of Controlled Substance (Meth) and Unlawful Possession of Firearm.

Patrol Training

All officers have received credit from the TML online training. Officers Grant, Escobedo and Perez attended a two-day "Patrol Rifle" course given by KPD at the King Ranch shooting range. Lieutenant Lile attended a free, 36-hour course in El Paso entitled "FBI Command College."

Patrol Other

Alex Perez started his FTO training.

Michael Chavana is attending the Regional Police Academy, which began on May 27.

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Criminal Investigations Bureau

Detectives Supervisor assigned 129 cases and inactivated 24 cases as of May 28th, 2014. Along with these cases there were also 1 DWI and 10 Crash reports.

Detectives #33 and #39, were working night shift assisting patrol and working surveillance for burglars. While watching the area of west Corral Ave. they noticed a suspicious male subject near the apartment complexes. After watching the subject for a while they observed him stealing a bicycle from the bike rack. They were able to apprehend the subject and transport him to the Kleberg County Jail.

Detectives #39 and #37, while being assigned to the evening shift made contact with a suspicious male walking in the area of 500 N 2nd. After making contact with the subject he was arrested for Aggravated Assault W/ Deadly Weapon Warrant and Bail Jumping. Later the same night they also observed a male running and after making contact it was found that his parents were making a report for him being a runaway. GOOD JOB! Keep up the good work.

Detectives filed have filed 61 cases during this period. There were 32 cases filed in District Court, 25 cases filed in County Court, 3 cases filed in City Court, and 1 filed in Juvenile Court.

Each Detective is currently working a case load of about 50 to 70 active cases.

Detective #36 is currently working an Injury to A Child in reference to infant receiving burns to a large portion of their body. The infant is being treated for the burns and is doing well.

Detective #35 is working a sexual assault of child that occurred in multiple states.

Several of the Detectives are working cases involving juveniles fighting.

Two Detectives assigned to night shift are working cases as-well as helping out patrol and doing surveillance on areas that are having a higher volume of crime. These units are also able to make contact with people who are not available during normal business hours. Hopefully with these units we will be able to corner some of our crime.

All Detectives have been making time to take some of the free TML classes offered on line.

Communications Bureau

The following employee Lead Dispatchers Monica Flores and Marcos Munoz attended Uniform Crime Reporting training held here at the Kingsville Police Department. The training



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consisted of eight hours of both new updates and refresher training. There was nine additional people attending the training from four other area agencies. See pictures below taken during training. Orlando Prieto has tendered his resignation and will be starting a job with Bedford Police Department north of Dallas. His last day of employment was Wednesday, May 28th, 2014. Good luck in your future endeavors Orlando!

Ten candidates were tested for entry level communication operator positions. Sgt. Lobaugh began preliminary background investigations on five new potential applicants to fill openings in the division.

The Communications Bureau received six hundred and sixty seven 911 calls.

The Communications Bureau received one thousand five hundred and twelve regular calls to the station.

Neighborhood Improvement Officer

Week 20

The following stats are from Week 20:

- Parking Citations –13
- Compliance – 2

Week 21

The following stats are from Week 21:

- Junk Vehicles – 3
- Parking Citations –20
- Compliance-4

So far for the year of 2014, 63 vehicles have been tagged (Combination of Abandoned and Junk Autos) in the City of Kingsville. There have been a total of 64 compliances for the year. NIO has also issued a total of 195 Parking Violations (Citation and Warning Combined) for the year.

NIO also completed 2 TML online courses that are required on a quarterly basis. NIO was summoned to Jury Duty on 05-19-14 in Nueces County.

These are some photos of citizens who have complied.



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317 W RICHARD AVE

These are some photos of junk vehicles.
Street Level Operations Team (S.L.O.T.)
SLOT Team Members
SGT. MARK FROST #4
CPL. VINCENT MURRAY #22
INV. DANIEL GONZALEZ #27
INV. GUS RUIS #26

Self-Initiated Cases / Arrests (Indicates a Felony Arrest**)**

Murray

Case #1400013707 – Found Property
Case #1400013726 – Narcotics Investigation
Case #1400013727 – Narcotics Investigation

Cases Filed with County Court	10
Cases Filed with District Court	6
Prosecution Charge Report Supplements	8
Traffic Stops	12

Gonzales

Case #1400012874 – MAN DEL CS PG 1 >= 4G < 200 G and POM <= 2oz Drug Free Zone

SLOT received a Crime Stoppers Tip indicating that Juan Carlos Gonzalez was selling cocaine from STARS Restaurant. Inv. Gonzalez went to the restaurant and conducted a consensual encounter with Juan. Juan admitted to Inv. Gonzalez that he had narcotics on his person. Inv. Gonzalez was able to recover 6 grams of cocaine from Juan that was packaged for sale. Juan also had two marijuana cigarettes on his person. Traffic Stops 65

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Traffic Stops 41

Narcotics Investigation

On 05-27-14 Cpl. Murray was working for the Kingsville Police Department in Kleberg County, Texas when he was contacted by Ptlm. L. Brown #80. Ptlm. Brown advised me Cpl. Murray that he had arrested a male subject for Possession of a Controlled Substance Penalty Group 2A less than or equal to two

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ounces. Ptlm. Brown advised the male subject wanted to make a statement. Cpl. Murray arrived at the police department and contacted Ptlm. Brown.

Ptlm. Brown advised he had conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle in the 500 block of S 16th St. Ptlm. Brown advised the male subject admitted to him that he had about one gram of synthetic marijuana located in the vehicle. Ptlm. Brown advised the male subject also told him that he had just purchased the synthetic marijuana from a friend's house. Ptlm. Brown said the male subject told him that the friend's house was where his vehicle had been parked. Ptlm. Brown was able to identify the address of the residence.

Inv. Daniel Gonzalez #27 arrived at the police department. Inv. Gonzalez escorted the male subject to Room 136 of the Kingsville Police Department where an interview of the male subject was conducted.

Narcotics Investigations / Purchases Conducted

Case#1400013726 – Marijuana

Case#1400013727 – Marijuana

Training Bureau

On **Friday, May 9, 2014**, Detective H. Gonzalez completed his Bachelor's Degree in Applied Arts and Science. In completing his degree program, Detective Gonzalez also obtained his Master Peace Officer License.

On **Monday, May 19, 2014**, the Texas Chapter of the FBI National Academy hosted the **2014 FBI Command College** at the University of Texas at El Paso, Texas. This one week course was filled with quality instructors from both within and outside the FBI. Lieutenant B. Lile attended this course and he reported that the training was excellent and it superseded his expectations.

On **Tuesday, May 20, 2014**, Evidence Tech. A. Roy attended a course on Court Room Survival Techniques that was held in Aransas Pass. The course prepares witnesses for court and the instructor provides instruction and guidance when being cross examined by defense attorneys.

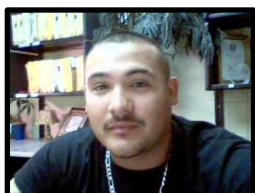
On **Thursday, May 22, 2014**, Detective R. Salinas hosted a Patrol Rifle Course which is required before an Officer is allowed to carry an M4, Commando, AR-15 Patrol Rifle. The course was 2 days (16 Credit Hours) in length. The course consisted of class room instruction, proficiency and qualification on the shooting range. Student was also given instruction on proper care and maintenance of the Rifle.

On **Monday, June 2, 2014**, Lieutenant Cavazos and Officer Aleman will attend a Pepper Ball Instructor/Armorer Course in Waxahachie, Texas. The course is a two day (16 Credit Hours) Course that will allow Lieutenant Cavazos and Officer Aleman to return to KPD and provide instruction and certification to the other KPD Officers. This will give the officers another force option and allow them to bring tenses situation under control by implementing less than lethal force options.

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WANTED
FUGITIVES - KLEBERG COUNTY

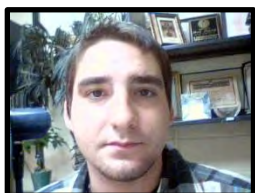
If you have any information on any of these fugitives call Crimestoppers (361) 592-INFO; Kingsville Police Department 361-592-4311, <http://www.kingsvillepd.us/>; Kleberg Probation Department 361-595-8558 Ext. 102, www.kcscd.com. Crimestoppers offers a reward for information leading to an arrest or indictment.



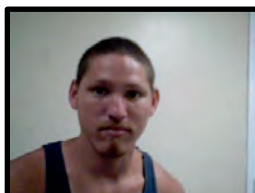
GARCIA, CRISTOBAL
Hispanic Male, Born 06/07/1990, Height 5'07", Weight 185,
Brown Eyes, Brown Hair
Charge: Burglary of Habitation
Motion to Revoke Felony
Warrant# 11-CRF-0072



TREVINO, ROMAN DALE
Hispanic Male, Born 09/14/1992, Height 5'09", Weight 140,
Brown Eyes, Black Hair
Charge: Resisting Arrest/Search or Transport
Motion to Revoke Misdemeanor
Warrant# 42355



ANTONINO, TIMOTHY ZARAGOSA
Hispanic Male, Born 07/24/1991, Height 5'10", Weight 180,
Brown Eyes, Black Hair
Charge: Evading Arrest with Vehicle
Motion to Revoke Felony
Warrant# 13-CRF-0355



NUNEZ, MIGUEL III
Hispanic Male, Born 08/04/1988, Height 5'08", Weight 150,
Brown Eyes, Brown Hair
Charge: Driving While Intoxicated BAC ≥ 0.15
Motion to Revoke Misdemeanor
Warrant# 43209



LOZANO, RAFAEL GOMEZ
Hispanic Female, Born 10/14/1968, Height 5'11", Weight 180,
Brown Eyes, Brown Hair
Charge: Fail to Identify Fugitive Intentionally Give False Information
Motion to Revoke Misdemeanor
Warrant# 42342

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Charlie Cardenas, Director)

Engineering Division (5/12 – 5/30)

Engineering welcomes Mr. Arnaldo Castillo to the team. Arnaldo was hired as an Engineering Technician and will assist with the street improvement program. Arnaldo is going into his third year at Texas A&M University - Kingsville.

Street Division (5/12 – 5/25)

Road Construction – Alexander St. (11th to 14th) and Miller Street (6th to 7th)



- Laid hot mix to last drive in North side and fixed patches on South side
- Laid hot mix finished East bound and started West bound
- Laid 600' of Hot mix and trained on new lay down machine
- Swept up road and drive ways to get ready for asphalt
- Seal coated and cleaned up Did a base repair on West end and finished hot mix
- Ripped up asphalt and piled up, set up traffic control and barricades
- Laid hot mix on 6 drives, fixed some radios and picked up traffic control
- Picked up asphalt, cut caliche and subgrade,

ramped up intersections and drive o car lot

- Finished cutting blue top base and hauled off, received limestone and set in and rolled
- Worked limestone, hubbed surface and primed coated with MC30
- Seal coated and prepared for hot mix

Mowing/ Weed Eating

- North Y
- Loop 428
- 6th St from Corral to Franklin Adams

Drains

- Zone 7 (from Santa Gertrudes Ave to King Ave and from 6th St. to Armstrong Ave
- 77 Bypass to 14th St.
- Corral Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Briargrove
- Carlos Truan Blvd.
- Loop 428
- Alexander St



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- Santa Clara

Gutters

- Ella Ave from Wells St. to Armstrong Ave.
- Wells St from Santa Gertrudis Ave. to Nettie Ave.
- Ella Ave. from 12th St. to 9th St.
- 11th St. from Ella Ave. To Nettie Ave.

Weed Eating

- Landfill

Street Sweeping

- Alice Ave from 9th St. to 12th St.
- General Cavazos Blvd from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- 6th St. from General Cavazos Blvd. to Corral Ave. (east side)
- Corral Ave. from 6th St. to Hwy 77 (south side)
- 14th St. from General Cavazos Blvd. to Corral Ave.
- 6th St. from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd. (west side)
- Yoakum Ave. from University Blvd. to Seale St.
- Seale St. from Yoakum Ave to Richard Ave.
- Richard Ave. from Seale St. to University Blvd.
- University Blvd. from Richard Ave. to King Ave.
- Mesquite Ave. from 16th St. to 17th St.
- Ave D, Ave C, Ave B, Ave A, Nettie & Ella from 17th to 14th
- 17th St. from Corral Ave. to Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- 16th St. & 15th St. from Corral Ave. to Ella Ave.
- Armstrong Ave. from Corral Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Santa Cecilia from Santa Rosa to Santa Fe
- 11th, 10th, 8th & 6th from Yoakum Ave. to King Ave.
- 9th St. from Yoakum Ave. to Kleberg Ave.
- Kleberg Ave. from 11th St. to 3rd St.
- 3rd St. from Yoakum Ave. to King Ave.
- Ave C & Ave B from Armstrong Ave. to 5th St.
- Armstrong Ave. & 5th St.
- King Ave. from University Ave to Hwy 77.
- Hwy 77 bypass to 14th St.
- Corral Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Brairgrove
- Carlos Truan Blvd.
- Loop 428

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- Alexander St.
- Santa Clara Dr.

Patching – Crews patched and filled in potholes:

Hot Mix

- 15th St. from Lee Ave. to King Ave.
- 16th St. from Lee Ave. to Yoakum Ave.
- Intersection of Armstrong Ave. and Kleberg Ave.
- Lee Ave. from 15th St. to 17th St.
- Intersection of Ave D & Railroad
- Intersection of Ave D & 3rd St.
- Kleberg Ave., Yoakum Ave. and Henrietta Ave. from 17th St. to 14th St.
- Lee Ave. from 14th St. to 15th St.
- 2nd St. & Lott Ave.
- Lawndale
- Alexander St.
- Jackson from Yoakum Ave. to Kleberg Ave.

Cold Mix

- Zone 5 (from King Ave and Santa Gertrudis and from 14th St to US 77)
- 17th St. from Santa Gertrudis Ave. from King Ave.

Miscellaneous Sign Shop

- Watered palm trees on General Cavazos from 14th to Bypass, 6th & Ailsie, Santa Gertrudis from Hwy. 141 to Seale and on 6th St
- Helped George flag on Alexander
- Put new pipe & anchor for Dip sign at 717 E Ave C
- Clean drains on the West side and started on the East side
- Clean drains from Corral to Escondido on 6th & 14th
- Put together name signs outside Barn
- Picked up Stop sign on 7th & Yoakum
- Worked with George to Hot mix on Alexander
- Put new Dead End sign on Elizabeth & Lawndale
- Put name sign on the East side
- Put air on rotary broom on 11th & Alexander
- Set new Stop sign on Ailsie & Annette, 7th & Yoakum,
- Set Deaf child sign on Huisache & Wells
- Set No Thru traffic sign on Trant & Hobb Valley
- Set new name signs on Ailsie & Annette, Ave A & Yoakum and on 14th St

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- Helped George with hot mix on Alexander
- Helped George clean up on 6th St
- Took George Walk Behind Saw on 7th & Miller
- Called in locates for Hobb Valley
- Put air in Pneumatic roller on 7th & Miller

Water Production Division (5/12 – 5/25)

Water Production team attended the Texas Water Utilities Association monthly meeting in Corpus Christi, Texas, sponsored by Odessa Pumps at Howard's BBQ. Dead-end flushing was done on May 27-30, 2014.

Routine job: Collected 18 routine Bacteriological Samples; collected 14 daily chlorine residual, delivered Ammonia to 6 sites; delivered Chlorine to 6 sites.

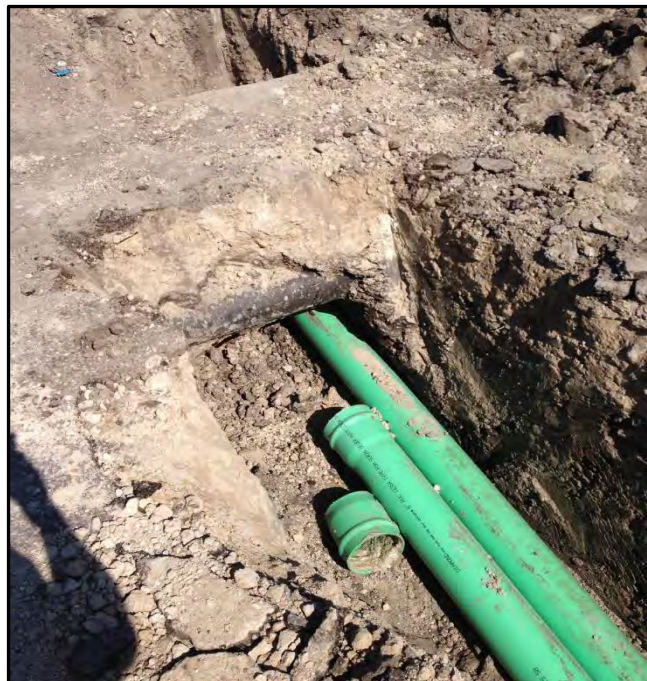
Water pumped to distribution (4/28–5/11) - Wells – 44,332,000 gallons; Surface –1,922,000 gallons; 0 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 46,254,000 gallons; Average –3,303,857.14 gals/day

Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant Division (5/12 –5/25)

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. Operators and Helpers are mowing grass around plant and lift stations.



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.



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Wastewater Collection – Had 5 call outs for sewer backups

615 W. Mesquite
932 E. Mesquite
1801 Kelly Lane
1407 E. FM 1717
1114 E. Ragland Ave.

2 – Disconnected Sewer; 1 -installed sewer tap; 1 – sewer line repair and 2 – repaired manhole. Crews installed steel trap on cast iron pipe in the creek on 17th and Lee. Crews also filled in sink holes with dirt on 21 St., Warren Ave., Lawndale and Circle Drive. Wastewater crews did sewer line and manhole inspections at Anglewood Subdivision and inspected manhole at the new Lakewood Subdivision. Crews also hauled sludge from the 1MGD. Waste water is waiting to receive quote from Contractor, Ja-Con on portable wireless pager for SCADA bar screen at 1MGD and 3MGD

Water Distribution Division (5/12 – 5/25)

Service Calls - Repaired 6 Main Breaks and answered approximately 68- Service Calls, 12 - Locates, 11 -Service line leaks, 13- Meter Leaks, 25- Backfills, 4 – Customer Side Leaks; 0– No Water Calls; 2– Turn off Water, 0-Turn on and 1 – Low Pressure Calls

4”	Main Break	1311 E. Fordyce Ave.
2”	Main Break	Hawks Landing Building #11
2”	Main Break	1614 E. Johnston Ave.
2”	Main Break	Hawks Landing Building # 11
6”	Main Break	220 Briarwood
2”	Main Break	Tractor Supply on S. Brahma Blvd.
2”	Main Break	1105 E. King Ave.
2’	Main Break	1114 E. Ragland Ave.
3	Main Break	1 st St. and Henrietta Ave.
4”	Main Break	1321 E. Lott Ave.
6”	Main Break	1814 Brahma Blvd

Water crews made a 6’ water tap for CR 1030 and Trant Rd. Project - Water crews helped Street Dept. remove and replace culverts on Alexander St. Water crews also broke out concrete for the Community Appearance Division on 11th St. and Caesar Ave. The Water Dept. continues to work on the CR 1030 Project. Crews have also assisted the Street Dept. by cleaning out ditches along Carlos Truan Blvd. and cutting out uneven road on Alexander St. Water crews made a 2” tap on W. Sage Rd and they continue to work on the water line project on CR 1030.



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City Garage Division (5/12 – 5/25)

Maintenance - 10 Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 42 scheduled work orders; 42 nonscheduled work; 7 Service calls; 2 Call out; 5 New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 12 flat tire repairs and balances; 22 pending work orders. We repaired rear oil leak on Unit 334 and ordered hydraulic leak parts for Unit 336. Unit 329 has low hydraulic pressure.

Welder - 2 received work order and 5 pending work orders

Welder cut old trailer jack for the Water Department and repaired dumper.

Solid Waste Division (5/12 – 5/25)

Landfill - (5/12 – 5/25) - Landfill crew came in early to prepare for the Landfill inspection and Naismith Engineering came out to review. Some employees from the Street Dept. came to the Landfill to mow around storm water ditch and weed eat around leachate pumps. The Landfill pumped out 42,000 gallons of ponded water. The landfill received a total of 5 inches of rain so Test America was called to pick up outfall sample from the rainfall. Street Dept. brought out the sweeper to sweep the entrance and access roads to the Landfill. The Landfill Supervisor spoke with Mr. Hernandez asking for a bid for their Volvo Articulated dump truck. The Landfill received estimate from Macareno Signs for new entrance and compliance signs for the landfill. The Landfill inspection is complete and we waiting for the exit results. The Landfill scraper was not working but it has been repaired. Santa Anita brought tire trailer and 36,000 lbs. of tires were hauled off.

An email was sent to TCEQ stating that the City of Kingsville has ceased processing/quartering tires until proper authorization has been obtained. Pictures of the fire protection plié restocked and the tires being hauled off were also sent to TCEQ.

Trash – 938 tons; Brush –127 tons; Construction and Demolition (C & D) – 213 tons; Concrete – 8.36 tons; Litter – 1.24; Sludge – tons; Metals – 2 tons; Tires – .09 tons and Recycled Tires 47.08 tons.

Sanitation - Residential waste collected from 5/12 – 5/25 – **675,260** pounds; Commercial waste collected **807,260** pounds; Brush collected **83,320** pounds and construction debris collected **92,400** pounds. The brush crew will be collecting in Zone 1 and White Goods will be picked up on Friday May 30th. We are working on abatements and demos when possible. This week the brush crew helped with abatements at 713 E. Ave C, 601 Frances, 717 W. Corral and 902 E. Lee. Sanitation is also helping with the enclosure suggestions in the City for the dumpsters used in commercial collections. The phase III of the project has now been released for bid submittal and bids have been received and the bid was awarded. This week our demolition took down the old Apple House on N. 6th St. Sanitation has also been helping the Library enhance their new garden area by lining it with bricks. Recycling for the month of April totaled 26.7 tons from the Recycling Center taken to Corpus Christi.

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

Purchasing Division



Purchase Orders

Purchasing issued 100 Purchase Order valued at \$1,981,792.62.

P-Card Statements

P-Card reviews have not yet begun. We do ask that everyone be attentive to their statements and receipts. We are also in the process of trying electronic statements. We are trying it out with a couple of departments first to see how it will work and to work out all the kinks. So we would encourage everyone to start getting used to typing them up on a computer instead of handwritten.

We still have some employees that owe the city monies for taxes incurred. Please check with your supervisors and let's get these paid for as soon as possible. As Mr. Capell stated in "The List" email let's get these monies paid.

Purchasing is available and willing to answer any questions you may have and to conduct any training you might need in order insure paperwork is properly done as per policy.

Technology Division

Mobility Project

We have successfully deployed and sent out the tablets that were ordered for both public works and community appearance. They seem to be working out very well. They are from the newer dell venue product line with extended battery life along with docking station. The docking station allows the tablet to change functionality with monitor and keyboard, these things are just as fast as midgrade laptops. These little things are perfect for the mobile power user as they can increase productivity by not causing the user to skip a beat if they are at their desk or in the field. It combines a powerful yet economical I3 Processor with the ease of a tablet. Also, since the tablets are full blown Windows machines they offer Office, Adobe, and all the tools necessary for establishing remote connections. The IT assistant, Micah, was responsible for configuring all the tablets and conducting user training. We are very pleased with these results and hope to have more expansions in regards to mobility.



P-Card Process Review

The Technology Division is currently evaluating the process which we input information into the P-Card system. There are many reasons to do this but most notably to allow easier imports into the finance system. It will also allow more clarity when reading payments made out to the P-card. IT staff is currently looking into a method to have a form generated data over the static field input. This should help out with the export

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process as well as reduce the number of errors generated by P-Card input. We will do this a series of data entry forms. We hope to have a test spreadsheet out within the next few weeks.

Website

Staff met with Hi-res Creative to look at the current offerings of the website and we are working to generate a city employee login portal that will contain important information for City employees and help create an online help services as well as provide a space for any announcements. In addition we will have an employee email right from the portal page as well as Yammer's corporate social network environment. Also we will have self-services for password resets and mobile device enrollment. Also available will be an employee portal for important documents such as p-card forms, travel request, etc. The new site will also provide information on the IT dealings of the city and provide reportable data.

Broadband (Wireless Site Survey)

Site Survey by Absolute Communications

Staff has contacted a local network solution provider (Absolute Communications from CC) to implement a site survey to determine the viability of the possible deployment of Point-Point microwave near line communications. This is accomplished through the strategic placement of Access Points (AP's) these AP's will provide internet to even the most remote of sites. In addition, over increased productivity and decreases in wholesale broadband prices this saves the city a substantial amount of money in the mid to long term. For example, a site that has 5Mbps downlink and 2Mbps uplink would usually pay around \$140 dollars per month for internet.



You could generate the same speed from a wireless connection at about \$80 dollars per month. In addition, it would be considered the cities service so we would be able to make changes increase / decrease speeds on our own. For example, if we had a big event going at public works we would be able temporarily or permanently increase the bandwidth available to them instantly. Even though, this project is still in the initial planning phase we are excited to see the implications of this project. We will have more information along with the detailed survey by next month.

Broadband (AT&T Services at New City Hall)

MPLS Network

Staff has met with AT&T regarding services to the new city hall building along with the possibilities of a MPLS network. They have agreed to move the fiber line to the property line of the new building. They will wait for the construction to be completed on the new MDF(Main Distribution Frame) this will be constructed as part of the IT room. Afterwards they will have an engineer to implement our new service. However, they want to wait until we are closer to the finished construction as this will begin the billing for the new services. AT&T is going to offer us speeds of 100/100 Mbps. This speed seems like a lot. In fact it is currently double our speed. However it is going to be distributed either by MPLS



network or Wireless to other sites in the City. This single point framework will greatly increase our ability to provide IT and phone services to all departments within the City.

Phone/Voice Service

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Modern Phone System for New City Hall

Staff has met with Richline Communications on the deployment of a modern phone system. IT staff provided Richline with a rough estimate of our current phone bills along with the costs of internet. IT decided it would be in the city's best interest to look at the phone system over the whole city rather than just one building. In regards to the New City Hall building they have been provided with the plans from the Planning and Development Director, Robert Issassi, and will use this to determine the placement of telecommunication equipment. After a thorough meeting they are confident that they will be able to reassess the entire phone service and provide less costly alternatives. It is very exciting to see progress in this as the main phone system has not been changed in over 30 years and nearing full failure.

Laserfiche (Document Management)

User Productivity

Technology staff has been working extensively with MCCi and we are determining how to improve certain process and increase user productivity with the product. We have identified at least one to two forms that can be improved upon by incorporating them into the laserfiche service.

GovQa

Technology staff will begin to implement internal services as part of the website project, and we are going to have a portal to make certain request to internal departments. Two areas that we are currently looking into is map requests for engineering and internal troubleshooting tickets for IT staff. We believe that this will greatly improve the process by which issues get resolved along with providing much needed reporting tools. This will be available to all employees through the employee portal once the website is up and running.

RISK MANAGEMENT (Courtesy of Melissa Perez, Risk Manager)

City Emergency Sirens

Risk Manager and Police Chief Ricardo Torres Inspect City Emergency Sirens on Thursday May 29, 2014



It was a Hot!! Summer day on Thursday May 29th but that did not stop Risk Manager Melissa Perez and Chief of Police Ricardo Torres from taking a few trips to inspect the City's Emergency Sirens. The City of Kingsville has three (3) Sirens located at (1) Lee St., (2) Trant Rd. and (3) Armstrong and Kennedy St.

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The Public Sirens are a high-powered, rotating, uni-directional outdoor siren that offers an anechoic certified signal strength of 130 db© =/-1db© at 100 feet. The high decibel output provides maximum coverage with minimum cost. The Sirens projector produces a 60 degree projection of sound which rotates at 3 RPM and can produce three signal options: steady: wail and fast wail. They are ideally suited to provide warning for hazardous weather conditions, fires, floods, chemical spills and other types of emergencies.

Health and Safety Orientation for New City Employees

Three new employees were given Health & Safety Orientation on Tuesday May 27th 2014. Samantha Morales, Mary Jane Lopez and Joshua Canales were given Safety and Health Orientation Training on Tuesday May 27th. Samantha and Mary Jane will be working in the Tourism department and Joshua Canales will be in the Water department. All three new employees seemed eager to start their 1st day at work. Good luck to you, I am sure you will do great.



Risk Manager conducts Heat Training for all City Staff on Thursday May 29th 2014

It's that time of year again. Summer is almost here. Kids are getting ready for the pool and the beach.

South Texas Summer weather can get dreadfully hot and humid. It is very important that all city employees are trained on Heat Awareness conditions like: Heat exhaustion, Heat Cramps, Heat Stroke and Heat Rash. Training was conducted on Thursday May 29th at the City Hall commission chambers. A total of 65 employees and supervisors attended the training. A short TML Video was shown to staff on Heat Stress. Everyone also received a hand-out to keep for quick reference on Heat Stress –Conditions and Symptoms. A Q&A session was discussed after the training was over.



Risk Manger attends City Website meeting at Community Appearance

Several City directors and supervisors attended a meeting at Community Appearance to discuss some



requested improvements with the city of kingsville website. Jonathan Swindle and Robert Isassi Planning and Development Director led the meeting and discussion. The Risk Manager and Emergency Management Director will be adding a new alert system on the main page of

the website to assist with any Emergencies the city may have like hurricanes, tornadoes, road closures, floods, Major fires, school alerts, chemical spills in the area etc. Jonathan presented the changes to the website while staff asked questions on their particular pages. So far so good, the website is looking better and better. There is still much to do, but progress is coming together.

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Stacie Pena with Finance Department hosted Incode Version 10 Training

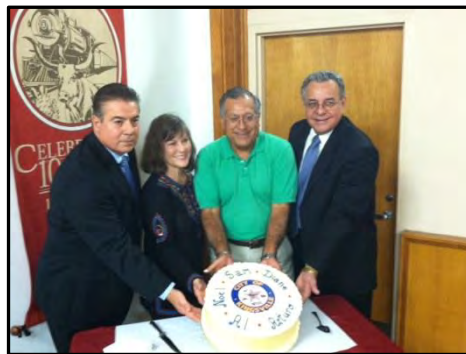
About (10) Ten employees attended Incode Version 10 Training at the Police Department on Friday May 30th. It's crunch time and the budget process is underway at city hall. Staff are preparing by making sure they are fully trained on all the latest Incode versions. The finance department staff - Stacie Pena, James Bryson and Deborah Balli is as usual doing a fantastic job and are always there to help in any way they can. Stacie will be hosting training again on June 4th which will include how to input your budget into Incode. Topics for the training included:



- Accessing General Ledger Reporting
- Running Budget Reports
- Running Detail Reports
- Working with the Smart Grid
- Working with the new Chart of Accounts
- General Incode Version 10 Tips and Tricks

Swearing-in and Official Oath of Newly elected Mayor and Commission

Thursday May 27th 2014 at 730pm The City of Kingsville hosted a special meeting to swear in and take the official oath of The City's newly elected Mayor Sam Fugate-Mayor Pro-Tem Dianne Leubert-



Commissioners Pena, Garcia and Pecos. The actual ceremony took about 15 minutes, a small celebration followed in the City Hall front lobby. Judy Gonzalez catered the refreshments of assorted sandwiches, dips, shrimp cocktail, crackers and homemade lemonade. Leo Alarcon Kleberg-County Clerk

made the delicious cake.

Kleberg-Kennedy County hosted a Hurricane Table-Top Event

Kleberg County and City of Kingsville Public Safety staff attended a Hurricane Table-Top training and meeting held at the Kleberg County EOC Courthouse on Thursday May



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29th 2014 at 8am until 12pm. Risk Manager Melissa Perez, Chief of Police Ricardo Torres and Joey Reed Fire Chief were in attendance. Several recommendations were discussed for improvement in Hurricane preparedness operations. Hurricane Season starts June 1st and ends November 30th. City residents will also be receiving a Hurricane Checklist in their Water bill this month.

R.J. KLEBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY (Robert Rodrigues, Director)

Fun Fact Quote

"As children observe, reflect, record, and share nature's patterns and rhythms, they are participating in a process that promotes scientific and ecological awareness, problem solving, and creativity."—***Deb Matthews Hensley, early childhood consultant***

2014 Summer Activity Program

The library's Summer Activity Program starts June 12, 2014, and ends on July 26, 2014. The Activity Program is for ages 6-12, and the children will meet for 90 minutes on Thursday afternoons. This year's activity program theme is *nature*. Through stories, crafts, experiments, and games, the children will



explore various weather phenomenon, including wind tunnels, tornadoes, earthquakes, and snow. Alan Holt, meteorologist from KIII-TV 3 in Corpus Christi, Texas, will kick off the program on June 12, 2014. Mr. Holt's hurricane preparedness presentation will include how hurricanes form, how to track them, and how to implement proactive safety measures. The children will have an opportunity to ask Mr. Holt weather-related questions. Another special guest will be Dr. David Hewitt, a professor at the Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute at Texas A&M University-Kingsville. Dr. Hewitt will visit the library on July 3, 2014, and discuss how droughts in South Texas affect the wildlife in this region of the state. The Activity Program will conclude on August 6, 2014,

with a special visit by two Texas State Aquarium instructors. During this visit, the children will have an educational encounter with live alligators. Come to the library and explore the intriguing aspects of *nature*.

2014 Summer Reading Program

The library's Summer Reading Program starts June 10, 2014, and ends on July 26, 2014. The aim of the children's summer reading program is to promote reading skills of written materials with the ultimate goal of preparing the children for the next school year. Children participating in the reading program record the minutes they read on their individual reading log, which the library provides to each participant. The log consists of 50 spaces, so readers can mark their progress.



Each space represents 15 minutes of reading that a child has completed. The child can color, mark off, or place stickers on each space as they complete each fifteen-minute period. For every 10 spaces completed, a child may bring the log to the Children's Services Librarian for a small prize from the treasure chest. Once the reader has completed an entire log, that child can turn in the log, and select a free book from the "Prize Book" cart. That child will also receive a packet that

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consists of coupons from McDonald's, Whataburger, and H.E.B. Readers who turn in at least one completed reading log by July 26, 2014, will earn an invitation to the "Reading Reward" pizza party, which will be held on July 31, 2014. The library's 2014 summer reading goal is 85,000 minutes. All children from birth to age 18 can participate in the reading program. Join the library and start your tick-tock reading minutes. Summer Program information packets are available at the Children's Services Desk. For more information about our summer program events, visit or call the library at 592-6381.

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

2 Males Arrested for Possession of Firearm and Marijuana

On May 21, 2014 Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Agent Jeremy Loftin conducted a traffic stop on US Highway 77 and CR 2130. Upon interviewing the driver, a 30 yoa male, Agent Loftin noted inconsistencies in his story and received consent to search the driver's vehicle, a 2000 Ford Fusion. Upon searching the area of the glove compartment Agent Loftin found a false compartment behind the box. In the compartment, Agent Loftin found 2 semi-automatic pistols; a .45 caliber colt and a .40 caliber Taurus. The driver turned out to be a convicted felon and was arrested for Felon in Possession of a Firearm. The passenger, a 21 yoa male, was also arrested for Possession of Marijuana.

Two Traffic Stops Result in \$60,000.00+ Money Seizure

On May 29th, 2014 Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Agents received information that a possible money courier would be travelling southbound sometime during the day. The information included a description of 2 vehicles that would be travelling together. Agents were diligent in checking for the vehicles all day but the vehicles were not found during the shift. While Agent Villalobos was on his way home, he spotted the vehicles in the area of Bishop, Texas heading southbound on US Highway 77. Agent Villalobos immediately called fellow agents who returned to duty in order to stop the vehicle. Agent Loftin was able to develop the probable cause to stop one of the vehicles along with Agent Kirkpatrick on US highway 77 in Kingsville. The other vehicle was spotted by Agent Guajardo leaving the Kleberg County Line heading south. Since it was out of the agent's jurisdiction, Agent Salinas and Kirkpatrick called their counter parts in the Raymondville area for their assistance. A DPS trooper in Raymondville was able to develop the Probable cause to stop the vehicle on US Highway 77 in Raymondville. Over \$60,000 in drug money was recovered. Excellent work by all agents in this apprehension.

Commander Vera in Recovery

Commander Vera is successfully recovering from back surgery and is expected to return to work soon. Thank you to everyone for their concern and prayers.

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TOURISM SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Cynthia Martin, Interim Director)

New Employees

Jane Lopez - Tourism's new Administrative Assistant I, is shown on the right in training with Thelma Trevino, Administrative Assistant II, Purchasing. Jane has training in Computer Science from Del Mar College and six and a half years of office experience. In her first week here, Jane has learned the ins and



outs of purchase orders and travel requests from Thelma and how to prepare budget reports and transfers from Stacie Pena in Finance. And she is still smiling.

Samantha Morales - began work May 27th as a Customer Service Representative. Besides interacting with Tourists, Samantha will assist with event management, social media, marketing efforts and keeping



Tourism's website calendar current. Samantha, too, is a Del Mar College alum but in Business Administration.

Both of these ladies are temporary employees while awaiting the naming of the new Director of Tourism. In their short time here, both have made some good suggestions that, when implemented, will advance the department's efficiency and effectiveness.

Rotary District 5930 Assembly held in Kingsville

Two hundred Rotary members of local clubs from Corpus Christi to Laredo and south to the border descended upon Kingsville Saturday May 17th at the Texas A& M University- Kingsville ballroom for sessions on leadership, fundraising, social media, community service and international projects. Attendees included members of Kingsville's two local Rotary clubs, Sunrise Rotary and Noon Rotary.



First Responders' BBQ at Downtown Pavilion

Community groups and businesses pulled together to "serve those who protect" by dishing out free BBQ to all of Kingsville's first responders. Brush Country CASA and Boy Scout Troop 271 coordinated the event. Local churches, restaurants, building supply companies and insurance companies were among the many sponsors. A perfect use for the downtown Pavilion.

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Texas Tropical Trail Region Visits Kingsville

On May 20th, Texas Tropical Trail Region board members and about 40 guests toured Kingsville learning about “the City’s past, present and future” to quote a front-page article in the Kingsville Record. The



Texas Tropical Trail Region is an initiative of the Texas Historical Commission created to promote regional heritage tourism. The group started the day off at the 1904 Train Depot Museum where Cynthia Martin presented a brief history of the railroad in Kingsville and discussed current downtown projects. They then moved to the 1909 HM King High School for a tour and, after lunch, on to the Henrietta Memorial Center to view the King Ranch Museum’s exhibit on the King Ranch and the Civil War and listen to Capt. Christopher Misner present a history and overview of NAS Kingsville. Lili Wilkinson of Ram House Movers rounded out the program speaking on relocating/moving historic building. Three volunteers from

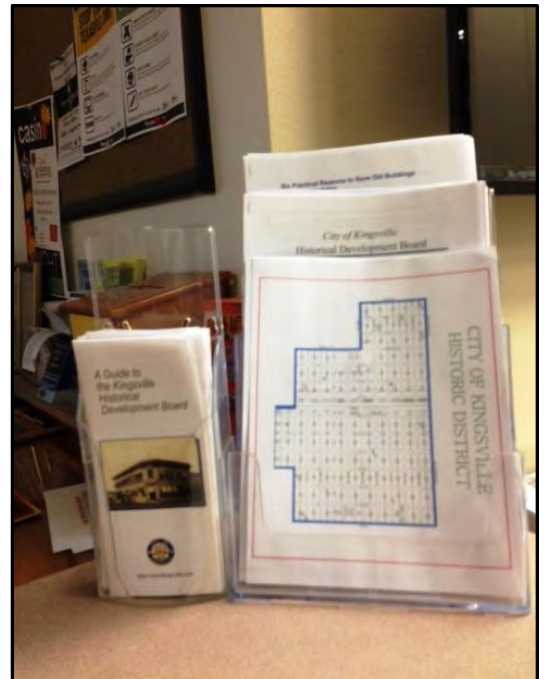
the Weslaco Museum are shown at right enjoying their visit to the Depot Museum

Tourism Facts courtesy of the Texas Historical Commission

Tourism is the third largest industry in Texas. Heritage tourists tend to stay longer, spend more money per trip excluding transportation and spend more per day. Texas is number two in the top ten states visited by heritage travelers.

Historic District info rack at City Permitting desk

To better serve the public, racks of information about Kingsville’s Historic District have been placed within easy reach on the City Permitting desk at City Hall. This information includes a brochure produced by the Historical Development Board explaining the review process for permit applications for projects within the historic district, a map of the historic district, a copy of the application for Historical Development Board review and information on the importance of preservation. Information on preservation and sustainability is scheduled to be added in the near future. This will provide a convenience for staff at the desk as well



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Day of Remembrance – Memorial Day 2014

May 26th saw two Memorial Day services in Kingsville and one at nearby Bishop. What a wonderful tribute!



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

Regular Commission Meetings (Robert H. Alcorn Commission Chambers)

Monday, June 9, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Monday, June 23, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Monday, July 14, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Monday, July 28, 2014	6:00 p.m.

Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers)

Thursday, June 19, 2014	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 3, 2014	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 17, 2014	3:00 p.m.

Board Meetings (Commission Chambers)

Planning and Zoning Board	Wednesday, June 18, 2014	7:00 p.m.
Historic Development Board	Wednesday, June 18, 2014	4:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustments	TBA	6:00 p.m.
Civil Service Commission	TBA	11:00 a.m.

Board Meetings (Respective Location)

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

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