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“What matters is not resources so much as resourcefulness.”

Speaker insight at the 2014 Annual ICMA Conference.

“We are driving the car while attempting to fix the car.”

Speaker analogy at the 2014 Annual ICMA Conference about the difficulty encountered when making improvements to technology.

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

Good Job Award!!!

The City Manager says that he is privileged to have so many dedicated employees working throughout the City. Because the City of Kingsville is a relatively small City, employees naturally wear many hats; more than if they were to work for a larger city having more people and resources. It's just the way it is. Employees in small cities often do more with less. When one takes on new duties the employee must often

keep current with his or her existing duties, sometimes for little or no additional pay.



Vince extends a special thank you to **Cynthia Martin, Downtown and Volunteer Manager**, who has filled in twice for director level vacancies, while also trying to keep up with her duties in the Tourism Department.



Cynthia Martin, Downtown & Volunteer Manager

Cynthia served for several months in two different director level positions. When the City Manager asked, Cynthia was quick to say "Yes". Her first tour of extra duty was as the Interim Tourism Director which she filled for several months. Her second tour of extra duty was as the Interim Director of Planning and Development Services. Cynthia served admirably and well in both position to the very great appreciation of the City Manager. Thank you Cynthia.

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

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2014 Good Job Awards

Cynthia Martin	Tourism Dept.	10/13/14	Helping when help was needed
Beth Greenwell	Human Resources Dept .	9/22/14	Dedicated service to all
Arturo Cruz	Water Const. Division	9/8/14	Good work valued by customer
Manuel Acuna	Water Const. Division	9/8/14	Good work valued by customer
Jesse Rivera	Water Const. Division	9/8/14	Good work valued by customer
Jose Garcia	Water Const. Division	9/8/14	Good work valued by customer
Maryann Trejo	Planning/City Appearance	8/25/14	Gaining cooperation from customers
Kristina Gomez	Planning/City Appearance	8/25/14	Gaining cooperation from customers
Mary Valenzuela	City Secretary	8/11/14	Professional recognition by peers
Ernest Espinosa	City County Health Dept.	7/28/14	Caring and compassionate service
Timothy Flores	Public Works/ Landfill	7/14/14	Helpful advice/good customer service
City Streets Crews	Public Works / Streets	6/23/14	Doing more than is required
Jerry Trevino	Utility Billing	6/9/14	Expert and helpful service
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 Dept.	3/20/14	Diligence to duty
Julian Cavazos, Jr.	Police Dept.	3/10/14	Going the extra mile
Don Erebia	Fire Dept.	2/24/14	Dedicated leader and mentor
Rey Loera	Public Works /Sanitation	2/14/14	Positive attitude performance
Marco Jimenez	Public Works /Water .	1/27/14	High expertise/dependability
Jason C. Torres	City/County Health Dept.	1/13/14	Consistently superior service

CITY MANAGER (Courtesy of Vince Capell, City Manager)

New Parks & Recreation Department

The City Manager is pleased by the nearly seamless transition of the Parks and Golf Course operations from Kleberg County to the City of Kingsville. Issues and challenges remain, but are being addressed in an orderly manner by the City Attorney and City staff. The Parks & Recreation Division is headed by Susan Ivy, Parks & Recreation Manager, and the Golf Course Division is headed by Bill Donnell, Interim Golf Course Manager (and Assistant Public Works Director). Until such time as a Department Director is named, Susan Ivy and Bill Donnell will report directly to the City Manager.

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

Administration Division

Continuing Education for Animal Control Officers

The City-County Health Department, Animal Control Officer's recently attended a two day animal control training seminar in Corpus Christi, Texas on Thursday, September 25 & Friday 26, 2014. The seminar was sponsored by the City of San Antonio, Animal Control Department and the City of Corpus Christi Animal Care Services. The seminar offered 13 hours (CEU's) of continuing education units for all animal control officers attending the seminar. The Texas Department of State Health Services-Zoonosis Division requires all animal control officers to obtain 30 CEU's in a three year period. Topics and presentations were on Field Investigations-Dangerous and Aggressive dogs, Courtroom Testimony for Animal Care Officers, Officer Safety for Animal Care Officers, Strategic Field Enforcement/Brainstorming, "Fur"ensics for Cruelty Investigations, Media Relations for Animal Control Agencies and Focus on Animal Law Enforcement. Those attending Thursday seminar were ACO's Jessica Montalvo, Robert Hinojosa and Jason Torres and on Friday was Robert Puente, Ernest Espinosa and Emilio H. Garcia.

City-County Health Department Revenues

Below is a table showing the Health Department income revenue on a monthly basis for Consumer Health and Animal Control.

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
Mar 2014	\$1,778.00	\$2,730.00
Apr 2014	\$210.00	\$1,047.00
May 2014	\$404.90	\$2,615.00
June 2014	\$766.00	\$2,150.00
July 2014	\$862.07	\$1,065.00
Aug 2014	\$1,536.00	\$1,835.00

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

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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.

Gerardo's Meat Market & Taqueria-90	Sixth Street Café-100	Bella Roma Restaurant-93
Blue Ribbon Deli/Coffee-97	Texas Star #171-93	Taqueria Jalisco #5-92
Kingsway Leadership Academy-100	KISD-Central Warehouse-100	Mexico Grill-100
Café 5-94	KISD-Perez Elementary-100	McDonald's/Hwy 77-?
El Tapatio #1-92	K2 Food Mart-93	

Regular & Fundraiser Food Handler Class		
Food Handler Class	15 Students	Regular Food Handler Class/Health Department
Food Handler Class	32 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class/H.M King High Brahma Band Booster Club
Food Handler Class	9 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class/H.M King High Brahma Choir Booster Club
Food Handler Class	42 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class/AD Harvey School Faculty & Staff

Permitted Temporary (Fundraiser) or Permanent Food Events	
Class of 1982 Benefit	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser/Brisket Plate Sales
South Texas Series-4H	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser/Candy, Sodas, Nachos, Frito Pies and Hot Dogs
Rolando Salinas Benefit	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser/BBQ Chicken & Sausage Plate Sales
Brahma Bond Booster Club	Temporary Food Event Fundraiser/BBQ Chicken Plate Sales

New Food Business Opening: Hot & Spice, Feel the Fire, 1202 N. Armstrong (inside Javelina Mart)

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City-County Health Department Monthly Statistics-Consumer Health

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
Mar 2014	49	90	184	1
Apr 2014	70	103	55	3
May 2014	55	78	27	0
June 2014	54	83	22	0
July 2014	66	109	78	4
Aug 2014	60	97	30	1

Animal Control Center Division

Food Donation –

Thank you Wal-Mart – Wal-Mart donated 30 pounds of dry cat food, 24 cans of cat food, 1 bag of cat litter, 75 pounds of dry dog food, 11 cans of dog food, and 4 boxes of dog food (pouches). Thank you Wal-Mart for your continuous donation and support to our animal shelter! Your donation is truly appreciated!

Thank you Tractor Supply Company - TSC donated 260 pounds of dry dog food. Thank you Tractor Supply Company for your generous donation!



Pet of the Week Ad!

The City-County Health/Animal Control Center is pleased to announce Pet of the Week ad in the Kingsville Record newspaper. Every week a picture and a brief description of a cat or dog will be featured in the newspaper. This effort is to increase our adoption rates and showcase our wonderful animals waiting to be adopted and be given a second chance of life. **Please keep checking our local newspaper for our Pet of the Week!**

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Animal Control Center-Next Monthly Pet Adoption Day

Please join us at our next Pet Adoption Day

Saturday, October 18, 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

Animal Control Monthly Pet Adoption Day

The City-County Health Department-Animal Control Division recently held their Monthly Pet Adoption Day on Saturday, September 20, 2014 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at our local Tractor Supply Store. Several dogs and cats were displayed for the public to see and pet. We had one dogs and one cat adopted and are going to a forever home. The City-County Health Department would like to give **A Big Thanks** to our local Tractor Supply Company and Tammy Mungia, Store Manager for allowing us to have our once a month Pet Adoption Day at their store. We would also like to thank Ashley Moore for volunteering and helping out with our Monthly Pet Adoption Day Event. To Jessica Montalvo, Customer Service Representative and Teresa Orr, Kennel Attendant thanks for all that you do. Below are a few pictures of the kittens, puppies and dogs that were on display and ready to be adopted and go to a forever home!



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Animal Control	Oct '13	Nov '13	Dec '13	Jan '14	Feb '14	Mar '14	Apr '14	May '14	Jun '14	July '14	Aug '14
Dogs impounded	88	120	134	116	146	135	92	128	167	142	80
Dogs adopted	25	14	19	31	30	20	22	26	27	20	17
Dogs released	22	22	30	16	27	27	12	23	21	19	16
<i>Dogs Rescue (Groups)</i>	3	1	13	12	13	11	7	14	10	5	5
Cats impounded	154	121	97	89	107	167	189	196	173	162	142
Cats adopted	3	3	7	4	4	4	4	11	8	4	13
Cats released	0	3	3	3	1	3	2	2	0	0	1
Cats rescued (Groups)	0	0	2	8	4	1	3	7	1	1	0
Opossum in traps	70	61	40	59	37	75	79	67	32	23	34
Other animals impounded	3	2	2	3	3	0	5	11	12	5	6
Other animals adopted	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	6	2	0	1
# of humans bitten	4	3	9	3	2	5	8	11	6	10	6
Animals obs. 10 days	3	2	4	2	3	5	7	6	2	6	3
Warnings issued	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Citation issued	21	20	25	55	51	35	36	30	40	0	30

Mosquito Control (Vector) Division

Cooperation Needed

The much needed rain that has fallen upon the City of Kingsville in the past few days has also awakened the dreadful Mosquito. The Health Department started receiving phone calls from concerned citizen on Wednesday about the abundance of mosquitos in their neighborhood and asking when were we going to stray. The City-County Health Department began spraying for mosquitos on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening. We had three trucks with sprayers covering the entire city. The employees start at 7:00 pm and finished at around 11:30. The city is divided into three sections the East, West and Middle. The City-County Health Department encourages you to dispose of any standing water in buckets, bird baths, old tires, and any other containers that may breed mosquitos. **Together we can all help control the Mosquito Population.** Pictured below is Animal Control Officer, Ernest Espinosa preparing the mosquito machines.

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Larvaciding

With all the rain that the city of Kingsville received on Saturday, September 27, 2014, and the previous rains, the ground has become very saturated, creating stagnate pools of water in ditches and low lying areas. The City-County Health Department has been busy applying larvicide bisquet's (Altosid XR) in ditches and areas with stagnate pools of water. Mosquito's eggs hatch in dirt and sink waters and when they hatch they are called mosquito larvae. This stage is when larvicide is most effective in killing the mosquito larvae, before it becomes an Adult Flying Mosquito which become a big nuisance pest. Pictured below is Health Inspector II, Jason Torres filling up and preparing the portable Maruyama Mist Duster MD 1550 X. This mist duster sprays a small larvicide pellet called Skeeter Abate into large areas of stagnate waters to kill off any mosquito larvae.



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Wasps, Yellow Jacks and Hornets oh my!

The City-County Health Department received a call about some wasps, yellow jackets, and/or hornet nests around the Golf Course Club House. Health Inspector II, Jason Torres was dispatched to investigate the complaint. The inspector did find several yellow jacket nests on the outside of the building. The yellow jackets were abated from the property. Pictured is Jason abating the yellow jackets!

City-County Health Department Monthly Statistics-Vector Control

	Oct '13	Nov '13	Dec '13	Jan '14	Feb '14	Mar '14	Apr '14	May '14	June '04	July '14	Aug '14
Calls pertaining to bees	18	11	4	3	3	9	22	4	17	18	12
Removal of swarms	8	8	0	0	1	1	6	3	7	9	6
Site unable to abate	10	3	4	3	2	8	16	1	10	9	6
Mosquito surveillance	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8
Larvacide applications (Blocks)	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Adulticide	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>

FINANCE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Deborah Balli, Director)

Finance Administration Division

Did You Know?

About 4,000 double folds (forward and backward) are required before a currency note will tear.

www.federalreserveeducation.org



Time Clock Plus Export

Payroll is proud to announce all City of Kingsville departments are utilizing Time Clock Plus. The first official Time Clock Plus Export was completed on the September 25th Payroll. All departments had employee time information entered and approved on that Payroll Monday allowing payroll to export the time information out of Time Clock Plus and into the financial software. We would like to thank everyone for their cooperation. For the next payroll, please keep an eye out for special pay code



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changes like call outs or sick or vacation time.

Inventory

Accounting Supervisor, David Bodiford and Accounting Assistant, Sharon Shaw along with the City's auditors Womack & Co. observed the fiscal yearend inventory of several City Departments. The inventory observations began at 8:00am on September 30th at the Public Works building. The City Departments compiled a complete inventory listing along with pricing information on each item.

FY 14-15 Budget

The FY 14-15 City Manager's Proposed Budget was adopted by the City Commissioner's on September 15th. The FY 14-15 Adopted budget was published on the City's website and copies for public viewing are also available at the City Secretary's office and the County Clerk's office. Department Directors were also asked to turn in their proposed budget books so the Finance Department can replace them with the Final Adopted reports.

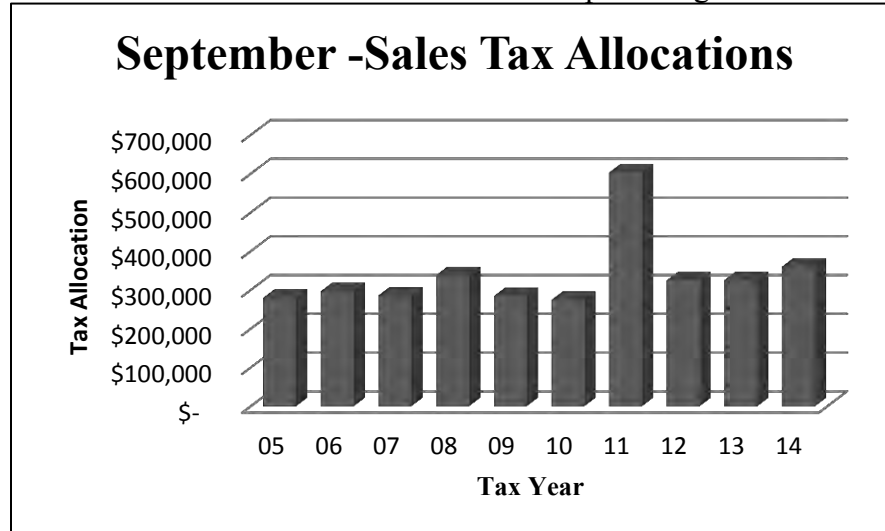


Special Thanks

The Finance Department would like to give a special thank you to Sharon Shaw and Sally Saenz for their hard work on the September 11th payroll. With the assistance of Sally and Sharon payroll was delivered on time and without a hitch. Thank you Sharon and Sally!

Sales and Use Tax

The City of Kingsville received \$360,375 in sales tax allocations in the month of September. This is a 10.64% increase over September 2013. Sales Tax is applied on all retail sales, leases, rentals and taxable services at a percentage rate of 8.25 % in Kingsville.

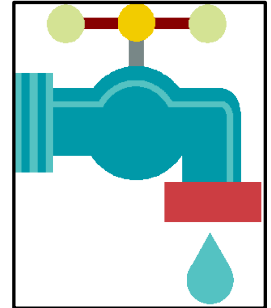


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Utility Billing Division

Rainy Weather and its Effects on Your Water Bill

September 2014 was a rainy month for Kingsville. Reports reflect that we had significant rain on September 6th, 12th, 13th, 15th, 20th, 27th, and 29th. It was very much welcomed and needed. The Utility Department wants to remind its customers that we bill a month behind; therefore we recommend taking a look at your service dates on your utility bill before you decide to make a call to our office. We are here to answer any questions you may have regarding your water utility bill after the customer has reviewed it anytime between 8:15 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.



The rainy weather also caused some flooding on September 27th, 2014 in many locations here in the City. The Utility Billing Department has received multiple calls regarding missing roll outs. For any missing roll out we suggest that an effort is made by the customer to locate it before calling this department or the Sanitation Department. It is important that the roll out is pulled in out from the curb once it has been serviced to avoid theft or loss. The customer is responsible for the cost of replacing any roll out receptacle. For additional questions regarding this issue, please feel free to call Sanitation at 361-595-8094.

Fall Weather tip



Bathrooms are by far the largest water users in the home, accounting for more than half of all the water that families use indoors. If you are planning to remodel your bathroom, did you know plumbing fixtures are available in a wide variety of colors, models, and prices to help you save water and money?

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Advances in plumbing technology and design mean that faucets, showers, and toilets can use significantly less water than standard models while still delivering the rinse, spray, and flush you expect. Just look for the Water Sense label.

Why save water? Because it's our most precious natural resource, and because at least two-thirds of the United States have experienced or are bracing for local, regional, or statewide water shortages. With populations continuing to rise, using water wisely helps save this vital resource for future generations.

Changes we make at home will add up quickly in neighborhoods across the country. If one in every 10 American homes upgrades a full bathroom with Water Sense labeled fixtures, we could save about **74 billion gallons of water** and about **\$1.6 billion on our utility bills** nationwide per year.



<http://www.epa.gov/watersense/pubs/bathroom.html>

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 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.

(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

Driver Responsibility Program

Understanding the Driver Responsibility Program

The court office has had many inquiries about this STATE program. The information provided is from the state website: www.txdps.state.tx.us/dpr.htm.



The Driver Responsibility Program was established by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS). Its purpose is to assess surcharges to an individual upon certain traffic offenses that have occurred on or after **September 1, 2003**. Individuals are notified by mail each time a surcharge is added to their driver record. Surcharges are in addition to other fees and do not replace a suspension, revocation, denial, disqualification or cancellation resulting from the same conviction.

Surcharges are assessed in two methods: *Point System* and *Conviction Based*

Point System - Points are assessed for traffic convictions. Once the conviction has been added to the driver record, points are assigned and remain on the driver record for three years from the date of conviction.

Two points are assessed for a Texas or out-of-state traffic conviction.

Three points are assessed for a Texas or out-of-state traffic conviction that resulted in a crash.

NOTE: Points are not assessed for individuals who take defensive driving.

Individuals who have six or more points on their driver record are assessed a surcharge every year they maintain six or more points. Surcharges amounts are:

\$100 for the first six points on a driver record AND \$25 for each additional point after six.

Conviction Based - Individuals who receive a conviction for one of the offenses listed in the chart below will pay an annual surcharge for three years from the date of conviction. Points are not assessed for these offenses because the surcharge is automatic upon conviction.

Convictions are added to the driver record once DPS receives notification from the court. As a result, there may be a delay between the date of the actual conviction and when the conviction is added to a driver record.

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Type of Conviction	Surcharge*
1st Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) Texas or out-of state conviction for DWI, Intoxication Assault or Manslaughter	\$1,000
Subsequent DWI Texas or out-of state conviction for DWI, Intoxication Assault or Manslaughter	\$1,500
DWI with Blood Alcohol Concentration of 0.16 or More Texas or out-of state conviction	\$2,000
No Insurance	\$250
Driving While License Invalid (DWLI) Driver license is canceled, suspended, denied or revoked	\$250
No Driver License No driver license or commercial driver license, an expired license or endorsement violation(s)	\$100
*The surcharge amount is assessed every year for three years.	

No Insurance Conviction - Individuals convicted of No Insurance but who had insurance at the time of the offense can submit proof of insurance to DPS. The suspension for the No Insurance offense will be waived but the individual must still pay the surcharge.

Driver Record Review

DPS reviews surcharge cases annually. A surcharge will be assessed if an individual's driver record:

Continues to reflect six or more points, or If the underlying conviction for the surcharge is still within three years.

The amount of a surcharge can vary with each annual assessment if convictions are added or removed from the driver record.

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If the underlying conviction for the surcharge is still within three years.

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Individuals who have both points and convictions reported to their driver record will receive separate surcharges for each offense; a surcharge for the points and a surcharge for the conviction(s).

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Go to this website for more information: Driver Responsibility Program (DL-103) pamphlet.

During this period: **September 10-30, 2014** there were 569 new cases recorded. Of these new records:

State & City offenses	Records
Traffic Citations	312
Parking Citations	134
City Ordinance Citation	19
Alcohol/Misdemeanor Charges	09
Failure to Appear-Bail jumping Charges	95

September 23, 2014, Pre-Trial Session:

There were 41 individuals summoned. The list below encompasses the disposition for each case:

Disposition of Cases	Number Of Cases
Pending: Judge to review state motion	26
Trial Motions	1
New warrant orders-Non Appearance	6
Cases settled out of Court-Full payment	2
Motion for Dismissal: State & Judge order	3
Continuance	5
Clean Record Orders: DSC or Deferral Probation	4
Payment Plan Motion	2

September 11 & 25, 2014, Inmate Session:

There were 14 individuals summoned. The list below encompasses the disposition for each case:

Disposition of Cases	Number Of Cases
Cases settled out of Court-Jail Time Credit Ordered	7
New court date	18
Incarceration	10
Payment Plan Orders	14

September 11 & 25, 2014, Court Hearing

The 3 o'clock regular session, with a court summons of 280 people, consisted of 486 cases. Below are the dispositions for these cases:

Disposition of Cases	Number Of Cases
Payment Plans Orders	108

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Extensions Orders	27
Motions for Trial	23
Clean Record Orders: DSC & Deferrals	12
Compliance Dismissals	13
Alcohol Awareness Class & Community Service Orders & DL Suspensions (only for Minor's in Possession of Alcohol Offenses)	17
Continuance Order	0
New warrant orders-Non Appearance	27
New Court Date-reset	8
Cases settled out of Court-Full payment	51
Omni-DL suspension orders	52
Case dismissed-Not Guilty	3
Warrant Orders Issued-Contempt of Court	117
Pending-Motions Filed for Judge to Rule	27
Incarceration Order	1

** Of the remaining who did not make their court appearance, 52 individual driver's licenses were reported to the Omnibase (Department of Public Safety) for suspension, and 144 records of arrest and failure to appear charges for non-appearance and contempt of court.**

Appreciation

Many thanks to the Kingsville Police department for the security provided during the month of August and September court sessions! Special thanks to Officer Dodd, Officer Grant, and Officer Fonseca.

Cash Collections

Aside of the new cases, there were 444 cases resolved with 188 warrant executions of which there was a collection of \$81,099.75 dollars.

FIRE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Joey Reed, Fire Chief)

Training and Professional Development

Station Training – Crews conducted various training at the shift level during the period.

Wildland Firefighter Training – The Texas Forest Service is giving the S-130, S-190, L-180, and I-100 classes to all fire department personnel. These classes will allow personnel to be certified as a Texas Wildland Firefighter 2. Firefighters from Kingsville often are



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called mutual aid into the county or neighboring counties to assist with wildland and urban interface fires. Firefighters die fighting grass and brush fires every year. The class ended on September 12th.

Planning

Community Project Development Meetings – The fire chief attended 3 meetings with personnel from Planning and Engineering departments. The chief also attended meetings to discuss fire lanes, hydrants, and connections for the new City Hall.

Other Department Activities

Fire Marshal Off on Extended Leave: Captain Carrion is filling in for the fire marshal and conducting certificate of occupancy and other inspections as needed. He is handling these duties on his regular shift and on overtime. His help is greatly appreciated by the fire chief. Fire sprinkler and alarm plan reviews are being handled by a private contractor for the time being. We hope that the fire marshal is able to return to work soon and our thoughts are with him.

Uniform and Equipment Committee Meeting: The committee met on September 15th and discussed uniforms, purchasing, phase out of old uniforms, helmets, personal accountability systems, and other equipment issues.

Cub Scout Pack 140 Station Visit: On September 16th, Cub Scouts visited the fire station and were taught about fire safety, fire equipment, and toured the fire station.

King High School Homecoming Parade: Tower 1 participated in the homecoming parade through downtown on September 18th.

Officers Meeting: September 19th, Department officers met to discuss current issues.

Shattered Dreams Planning Meeting: The fire chief and engineer Camarillo attended a planning meeting for the shattered dreams program at Driscoll Hospital. The plan is to participate in a drunk driver presentation for the Kingsville High School.

National Night Out – Station 1 personnel attended the national night out activities at Lulac Manor apartments on September 26th.

Apparatus, Equipment, Facility Status

Medic units – 2 units having axle problems. 2 units into the shop for air conditioning problems during the period. New reflective safety chevrons installed on ambulances.

Tower 1 – Water leak from pump is affecting drive train below.



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Rescue 1 – Foam proportioner not working.

Engine 1 – Waiting on water valve parts.

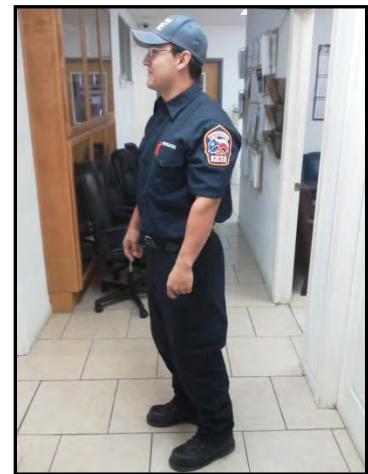
Engine 2 – Air Conditioning installed! New hose bed dividers installed.



Fire Station 1 – Some defects in new restroom identified and contractor has been notified. New plexiglass windows installed over stairwell and jump pole room. Roof was patched in those areas, but continues to leak. Contractor returning tomorrow to make new repairs.

Fire Station 2 – New server cabinet installed for radios, internet, and phone system. Speaker and radio system put online.

New uniforms with new fire department patch put into service in August.



Projects

Fire Station 2 Exterior – Base project completed. The Sanitation Department completed the fountain project with wonderful results. Sod grass was laid around the perimeter and a small tree planted behind the bench. We will be repairing some sprinkler heads in that area and doing some planting in the areas along walkways now that the weather is cooling down. We will also be planting a few shrubs along the north wall of the station. Alice street to the south of the station is due to be widened in the near future. Power has been run from a new service pole and we are waiting for the power company to remove the old pole. Landscape rocks were placed on top of

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landscape mesh in the rear island. We plan on building a privacy fence along the back porch of the station so that people passing by don't have to view trash cans, mops, and brooms.

Fire Station 2 Interior – Contractor installed incorrect doors and has not returned to correct the problem.

Dispatch –Radio alerting system is in place and tied to station lighting. Final computer screen modifications planned for next week.

Fire Station 1 Restrooms, Upstairs/Downstairs – Upstairs and downstairs restrooms was completed a couple of months ago. We are still waiting for the contractor to return and repair some cracks in shower grout that appeared last month.

Fire Station 1 Electrical Project- Installation of new electrical systems for apparatus has been completed.

Fire Department Response Statistics for the period of 08:00 hrs on September 11th, to 08:00 hrs on October 3rd, 2014.

Fire/Rescue/Other Calls -	35
Emergency Medical Service Calls (EMS) -	177
Total Emergency Responses -	212

Major Events During the Period

House Fire Wednesday, October 1st - 1500 Block of East Lott Street. Two engine companies with a total of 7 personnel responded within 2 minutes and arrived on scene 5 minutes later. Firefighters arrived and reported heavy fire showing from the rear of the house. The police department had already forced entry through the front door. Firefighters pulled a hose line through the front door and knocked down the fire quickly. Personnel searched the house for victims and fire extension and then removed smoke from the building. The fire appears to have been accidental. There were no major injuries to firefighters reported.

Flooding Saturday, October 8th - Several low water crossings were covered in fast moving water. At some locations the water was over the walking bridges beside the low water crossings. Guardrails were torn off by the fast moving water. This was a good reminder that we can have fast moving water in the City and citizens should not drive or play in the water. It only takes 6" of fast moving water to sweep a small car downstream.

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HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Diana Gonzales, Director)

Excerpt from City of Kingsville Administrative Policies and Procedures Manual – Introduction

CITY OF KINGSVILLE VISION

The City of Kingsville Commission promotes the safety, health and general well-being of the community within the bounds of fiscal responsibility while preserving and advancing the quality



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of life resulting in exceptional civic pride. The Kingsville City Commission has established the following to state their goals for the City of Kingsville and its employees.

VISION STATEMENT

As a result of our efforts, citizens will

1. Access the highest quality of customer focused city services available at a reasonable cost.

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| ▶ <i>Communication</i> | ▶ <i>Professional, Competent staff</i> |
| ▶ <i>Convenience, Accessibility</i> | ▶ <i>Use of technology and media in all areas possible</i> |
| ▶ <i>Customer Service</i> | ▶ <i>Value of Cost</i> |
| ▶ <i>Effectiveness/Efficiency</i> | |

2. Live in a safe, secure and healthy environment

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| ▶ <i>Adequate lighting</i> | ▶ <i>Emergency Management</i> |
| ▶ <i>Adequate water and services, drainage</i> | ▶ <i>Public Health Services</i> |
| ▶ <i>Community policing</i> | ▶ <i>Sanitation</i> |
| ▶ <i>Effective, efficient fire and police protection</i> | |

3. Live in a clean environment that enhances and protects the quality of their lives.

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| ▶ <i>Air Quality</i> | ▶ <i>Recycling</i> |
| ▶ <i>Litter Control/Sanitation</i> | ▶ <i>Water Quality</i> |
| ▶ <i>Open Space</i> | |

4. Be enriched by a range of cultural arts and recreational opportunities provided through citywide initiatives and supported by the collaborative efforts and agreements with other governmental entities, charitable and nonprofit organizations, and private entities.

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| ▶ <i>Athletic activities</i> | ▶ <i>Performing Arts</i> |
| ▶ <i>Festivals</i> | ▶ <i>Public Art</i> |
| ▶ <i>Libraries</i> | ▶ <i>Recreation</i> |
| ▶ <i>Museums</i> | ▶ <i>Teen center</i> |
| ▶ <i>Parks</i> | |

5. Participate and contribute to the health and future of our community.

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| ▶ <i>Advisory boards and committees</i> | ▶ <i>Focus groups</i> |
| ▶ <i>Community education programs</i> | ▶ <i>Volunteer programs</i> |
| ▶ <i>Efficient access to information and services via technology and media</i> | |

6. Easily travel to, within and from the community

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| ▶ <i>Thoroughfare plan</i> | ▶ <i>Well maintained and clean streets, sidewalks and pedestrian paths</i> |
| ▶ <i>Traffic flow</i> | |

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7. Contribute to and benefit from living in a strong diverse economic environment.

- ▶ *Economic development compatible with community values*
- ▶ *Reasonable cost of living*
- ▶ *Job opportunities*
- ▶ *Strong retail environment*
- ▶ *Protection of property values*
- ▶ *Tourism, conventions*

8. Live in well-planned neighborhoods suited to community interests and lifestyles.

- ▶ *Gentrification of older neighborhoods*
- ▶ *Planning/zoning*
- ▶ *Neighborhood parks for multi-generational use*
- ▶ *Traffic management*
- ▶ *Pedestrian mobility*

9. Be enriched by fostering quality and long-term relationships with local, statewide, national, and international interests in the City of Kingsville

- ▶ *Community support of Military Members and Dependents; Veterans*
- ▶ *Enhance development opportunities for Texas A & M University-Kingsville*
- ▶ *Preserve and support the U.S. Naval Air Station Kingsville*
- ▶ *Promote Athletic Competitions & Events, Wildlife & Heritage Events*
- ▶ *Quality of living for Senior Citizens, Winter Texans*

Employment Opportunities

Finance – Municipal Court Specialist

Fire – Firefighter

Garage – Equipment Service Worker

Legal – Legal Assistant

Police – Communication Supervisor, Telecommunication's Operator, Systems Specialist

Purchasing & Technology – Help Desk

Street – Equipment Operator I, Maintenance Worker

Wastewater – Equipment Operator II, Utility Worker

Water – Equipment Operator II

New Employees

Golf Course

Interim Golf Course Manager – William Donnell

Golf Pro-Shop Attendants:

Maria Barbour

Sarah Delapaz

Maintenance Workers:

Martin, Davila

Donald Jones

Cesar Robledo

Jonathan Rodriguez

Alan Whitefield

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Parks & Recreation

Parks & Recreation Manager – Susan Ivy
Administrative Assistant I – Priscilla Silva
P/T Customer Service Representative – Dana Sams
Foreman – Martin Flores

Maintenance Workers:

Edward Barrientes	Thomas Riojas	Jeremy Bishop	Roque Correa
Edwardo Garza	Josephine Pena	Diane Clack (P/T)	Edward Morales (P/T)

General

Approval of Classification and Compensation Plan - The FY 2014-2015 Classification and Compensation Plan ordinance was approved by City Commission on September 15, 2014.

Paperless Payroll Processing - The Human Resource office has been working with the Finance Department on several issues including paperless payroll processing and separation of duties for inputting new employees and removing separated employees. This has continued to progress. There are only a few employees remaining to be converted from hard copy check to direct deposits.

Transition of New Parks and Golf Employees - Human Resource Department has been working with several departments to coordinate the transition of the Parks and Golf Course employees. Orientation meetings were held with both of the new divisions as well as insurance open enrollment meetings.

Open Enrollment for Employees - The HR office scheduled Open Enrollment meetings for insurances. The week of September 15th – 19th was designated for open enrollment meeting. Thirty presentations were conducted and most employees attending one of the sessions. Employee who did not attend are to contact the Human Resource office for any changes to their coverages.

Health Fair - The HR office continues to work scheduling the 2014 Employee Health Fair on October 8, 2014. Sign-up sheets were distributed and appointments are being scheduled for the various exams.

Civil Service Commission Corner

The Promotional Fire Captain examination is scheduled for Wednesday, October 8, 2014. Candidates passing the multiple choice examination shall proceed to the skills portion of the examination to be coordinated by the Fire Chief. The next scheduled Civil Service Commission meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2014.

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PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Vince Capell, Acting Director)

Parks & Recreation Division

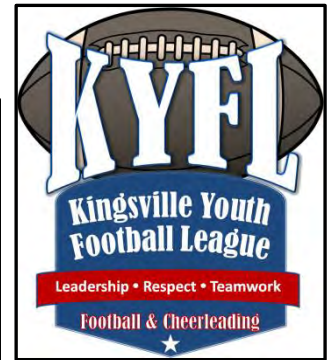
Big Rain Slows Things Down

The big rain before the really big rain. Sept 12th closed DKP early to prevent damage to grassy areas and fields. Continue to close at 8pm Sun-Thurs. this allows for more productivity during the day when able. All sports activities are ending at dark. Rec Hall and coliseum open later on weekend.



Kingsville Youth Soccer League and Kingsville Youth Football League

Soccer practices daily with games on Saturdays, Football practices daily with games played elsewhere. Adult softball on hold for discussion after transition of Parks to City. Adult Softball is a Parks Department sponsored league.



J.K. Northway

Shrine Circus - Gearing up for a busy year already at J.K. Northway. September started by moving the dirt back into the coliseum. Hosted 1st of 3 South Texas Show Series Prospect Shows, Shrine Circus, and Franklin Welding's 40th Anniversary Party.

Playground Improvement almost Complete

- Flato Park Playground Project with partners, City of Kingsville, Kleberg County and Keep Kingsville Beautiful almost done. Concrete borders waiting on ground to dry.



National Nite Out - Coming up this month is National Nite Out, Big House Bash both at JK Northway and our annual "Make A Difference Day" which is a National Day of Volunteering. Also Kleberg Kenedy 4H is hosting a Philanthropic 4K Walk/Run on October 11th. Parks Department is one of the entities that will receive a donation from this event for use in sprucing up the Recreation Hall.

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New City Parks Staff

Transition going well. City Staff have all been very patient and helpful getting us signed on. shown in pic from left to right: Tommy Riojas, Diane Clack, Susan Ivy, Prissy Silva, Josie Pena, Edward Morales, Jeremy Bishop, Edward Barrientes, Rocque Correa, and seated are Eddie Garza, Marty Flores and Dana Sams



Golf Division

City Takes over Day-to-Day Operations at L.E. Ramey Golf Course

The City of Kingsville has taken over daily operations of the LE Ramey Golf Course effective October 1, 2014. The newly hired employees of the L.E. Ramey Golf Course are receptive of the transition to City of Kingsville policies and procedures.

Grass Trimming

With the recent rains golf course maintenance staff along with Public Works Wastewater employees were very busy mowing and trimming high grass at the entrance, clubhouse area and around the course.

Rounds of Golf Played

Total rounds played for the week of October 2nd thru October 5th is 92. Although daily golf rounds have been low due to recent wet conditions two tournaments helped improve the numbers, the Navy League and Chamberlain Masonic Lodge, Thanks for holding your tournaments at L.E. Ramey Golf Course.



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PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Cynthia Martin, Interim Director)

Planning & Administration Division

Legends Clubhouse Underway

Construction on the clubhouse at Legends is underway. Once the paving of the drives and parking areas are complete, framing of the individual apartment buildings can begin. The project is in its first phase which will consist of ten apartment buildings and the clubhouse.



FEMA Dome Plans under Review

Plans have been received for the new sports complex



and hazard mitigation safe rooms to be built on the site at H.M. King High School. The sports complex will consist of two large domes which will double as safe rooms in an emergency situation. Funding for the project comes from a FEMA grant. Construction on the domes cannot take place until demolition of the site is completed.

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TAMUK tree planting Oct. 18th

Dr. Brent Hedquist and students will be planting trees in Kingsville on October 18th in honor of Earth Science week. Dr. Hedquist recently received a \$5,000 grant whose funds can be used for heat mitigation within the City and community beautification. Plans for the placement and types of trees and/or landscaping plants purchased are still in the works.

GovQA

At the direction of the City Manager, weekly multi-departmental meetings continue to explore and implement ways to best use the GovQA system to share information between departments and to allow our customers to access the status of building projects on line. The focus of the last two meetings has been to coordinate efforts between Planning and Customer Billing so that fee information entered into GovQA by Planning Department staff can be entered into InCode on the billing side so that transactions can be properly posted. The system is in place for this to happen. The next focus for the Planning Department will be to set up a system for tracking case files within the GovQA system. Examples of items being tracked for individual cases would be building permits, weed liens, or zoning variances associated with a certain address to build a history for that property that would inform future decisions about that property made by the City and/or by the property owner. In this system, developments could be tracked from platting to permitting so that the City knows at any point in time where the project stands. Other departments would have the ability to add their comments/information to these case files as well.

> DEPARTMENTS

> City-County Environmental Health

> Finance Department

> Fire Department

> Human Resources

> Information Technology

> GovQA Portal

> Outlook 365

> Remote Support

> Webmail

Building Services Division

Permits Pulled

Residential Remodel:	17	Commercial Remodel:	0	Electrical:	17
New Commercial:	0	Mechanical:	13	Moving:	0
New Residential:	11	Fire Inspection:	19	Gas Inspection:	8
Cert. of Occupancy:	4	Commercial Meter:	7	House Leveling:	1
Plumbing:	3	Residential Meter:	10	Re-roof:	5
Sprinkler:	0	Sidewalk:	0	Sign:	6
Curb:	0	Swimming Pool:	0	Demolition:	0

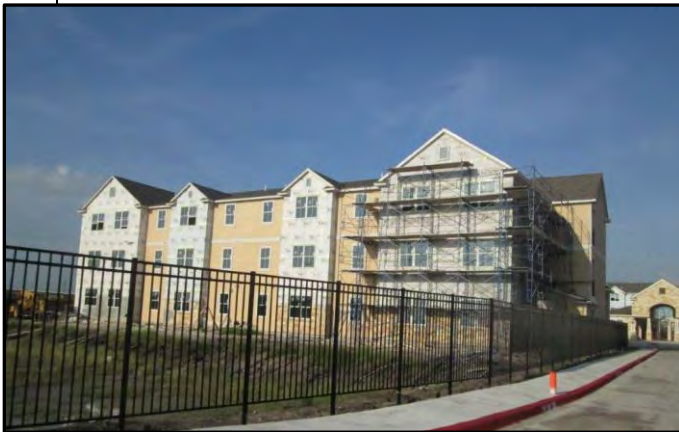
Total Permits Pulled: 121

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New Business

- Hot & Spicy Come Feel the Fire at 1202 N Armstrong- now open for business.
- Jump Around at 1601 S Hwy 77 Ste. M- waiting for final inspections.
- Women's and Men's Health Services Clinic at 1000 S 14th- waiting on final inspections.

Oak Tree Apartments (near IHOP)



Community Appearance Division

Inspections Activity

Notices Sent:	96	Abatements:	20	Obsolete Sign Violations:	1
Inspections:	525	Court Cases:	0	Placards Posted:	6
Re-Inspections:	53	Illegal Dumping Cases:	0	Compliances:	29
Front/Side yard parking violations:		5			

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:

914 E Johnston - Property Owner Abated

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807 E Caesar - Property Owner Abated

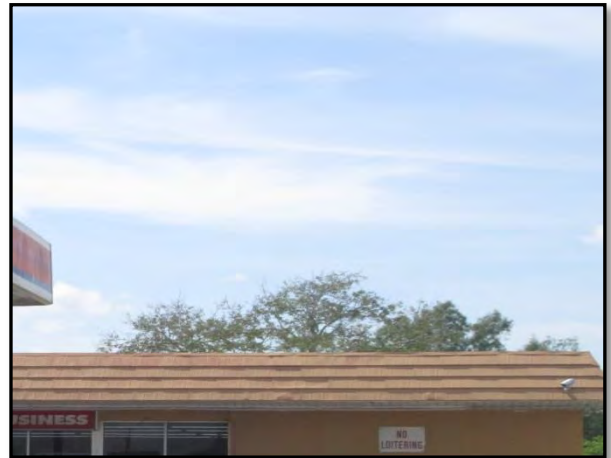
BEFORE



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1105 N 14th - Property Owner Complied



830 S 14th - Property Owner Abated



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Staff Attends Code Enforcement Training

Code Officer Maryann Trejo and Code Officer in Training Kristina Gomez attended the Advanced Ordinance Investigations training in Rockport offered by Texas Illegal Dumping Resource Center (TIDRC) & the Coastal Bend Council of Governments. This training is meant to offer solutions on illegal dumping as well as nuisance violations. It is an opportunity to find out what other cities are doing to gain compliance from property owners as well a chance to ask questions to experienced code enforcement instructors. Kristina and Maryann came back with ideas most of which we are already practicing.

Trying to Catch up on Tall Grass

Community Appearance operators are working hard at cutting grass throughout the city. Due to the recent rains, grass has grown at an incredible rate. High grass is a breeding haven for mosquitos. We ask Kingsville residents and businesses to do their part and cut their grass to minimize the breeding of these pests.

Comparisons for Trash Off Day Results

The results for this Falls' Trash Off Day were outstanding. Approximately 250 vehicles came through with various items of junk and debris. Community Appearance Supervisor, Jennifer Bernal, would like to thank all those involved who help make this event so successful. Everyone did a great job!

TRASH OFF 2014

Sept. 27

Final tally: 49.96 tons

Brush – 11.92 tons

Tires – 3 tons

Metal – 1.82 tons

Junk/Debris – 33.22

Feb. 2014

Final tally: 18.24 tons

Brush - .72 tons

Tires – 2.88 tons

Metal – 1.52 tons

Junk/Debris – 13.12 tons

TRASH OFF 2013

Jan. 26

Final Tally: 49.41 tons

Brush – 4.17 tons

Tires – 4.99 tons

Metal - .87 tons

Junk/Debris – 39.38

Sept. 28

Final Tally: 48.3 tons

Brush – 10.29 tons

Tires - .37 tons

Metal – 1.69 tons

Junk/Debris – 35.95

TRASH OFF 2012

Sept. 15

Final Tally: 49.35 tons

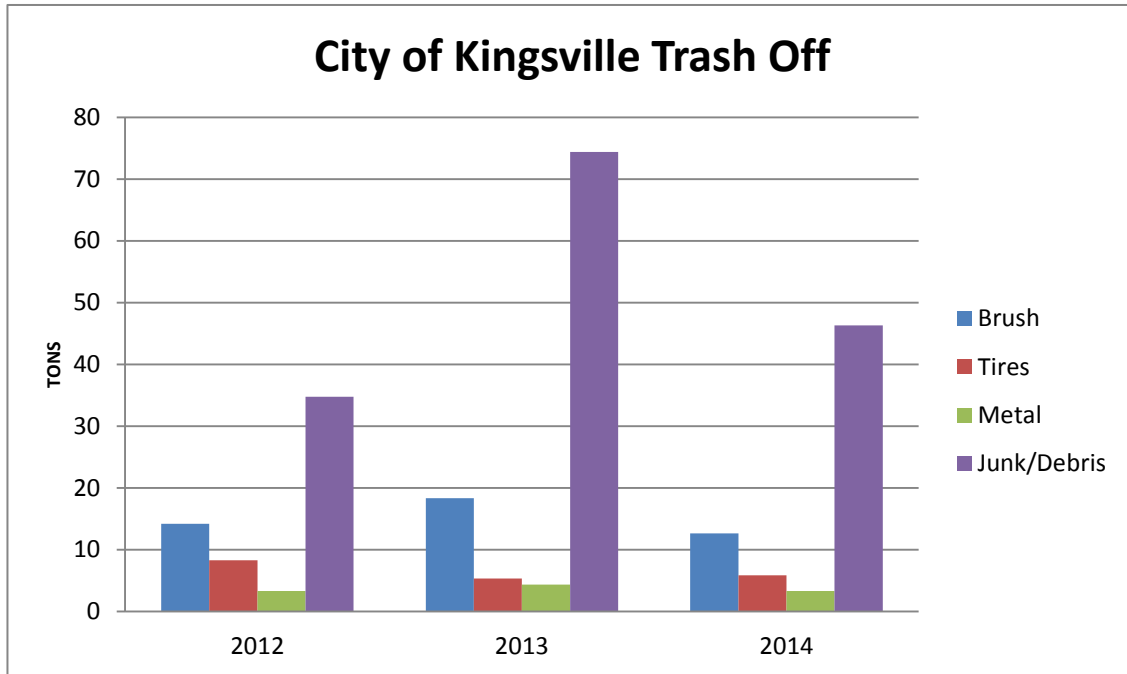
Brush – 1.02 tons

Tires – 6.45 tons

Metal – 1.09 tons

Junk/Debris – 40.79 tons

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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 \$5762.10
DEC \$9605.00	JUN \$16493.69
JAN \$7148.91	JUL \$3722.36
FEB \$6117.44	AUG \$11395.88
MAR \$7280.90	SEPT \$3626.51



A total of \$90,661.94 was billed by Community Appearance for property abatements.

Condemnation of Unsafe Structures

The Building Department will be presenting dilapidated structure cases to City Commissioners for review on the last meeting of each month. To date 10 condemnations have been approved by commission since October 2013. As part of our building structure evaluations, 19 notices have resulted in property owner agreements to demolish the unsafe buildings.

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

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1200 Blk E Henrietta – Voluntary Demo



Top Ten (Ten Worst) 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 30th Phase to be completed in October. 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 30

Property Address:

615 E Ave A

902 E Garcia

1315 E Huisache

Date of Compliance Deadline:

10/30/14

10/31/14

10/31/14

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1020 E Santa Gertrudis	10/31/14
701 E Ave A	10/31/14
820 E Shelton	10/31/14
322 E Huisache	10/31/14
311 E Lott	10/31/14
619 W Yoakum	10/31/14
311 E Fordyce	10/31/14

1220 E Ave B -Phase 29 - Property Owner Complied
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221 Helen Marie - Property Owner Abated
BEFORE**AFTER**



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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 21	7 out of 10
PHASE 2	2 out of 10	PHASE 22	4 out of 10
PHASE 3	2 out of 10	PHASE 23	7 out of 10
PHASE 4	3 out of 10	PHASE 24	8 out of 10
PHASE 5	3 out of 10	PHASE 25	8 out of 10
PHASE 6	3 out of 10	PHASE 26	6 out of 10
PHASE 7	4 out of 10	PHASE 27	10 out of 10
PHASE 8	7 out of 10	PHASE 28	8 out of 10
PHASE 9	5 out of 10	PHASE 29	9 out of 10
PHASE 10	8 out of 10	PHASE 30	(IN PROGRESS)
PHASE 11	7 out of 10	PHASE	
PHASE 12	8 out of 10	PHASE	
PHASE 13	9 out of 10	PHASE	
PHASE 14	6 out of 10		
PHASE 15	9 out of 10		
PHASE 16	9 out of 10		
PHASE 17	8 out of 10		
PHASE 18	8 out of 10		
PHASE 19	8 out of 10		
PHASE 20	9 out of 10		

Trash Off Day Pictorial



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City of Kingsville Trash Off Day - After the Work is Done – Thank you All.



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Trash Off Day - After the Rains Came



POLICE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Ricardo Torres, Chief)

Administration Division

Chief Torres Speaks at 9-11 Event at KNAS

On September 11th, 2014 Chief Ricardo Torres was invited by Captain Christopher Misner, USN Commanding Officer, NAS Kingsville to participate in a program at the Captain's Club on NAS Kingsville. Chief Torres accepted what he felt to be a great honor and was asked to speak on the word "Courage." Below is the speech that he read during the event.

"COURAGE"

Maybe the single word that most accurately reflects how so many men and women handled themselves that day, and in the 13 years that has followed, is courage. As Americans were glued to their television sets for days, the stories of unbelievable acts of courage in the face of unspeakable terror begin to emerge and provide us a sense of hope for a better tomorrow and renewed our sense of pride and patriotism. No two groups sacrificed more than New York's Bravest and New York's Finest.

Father Mychal Judge was the Chaplain to the New York City Fire Department. After hearing of the first attack, he went to ground zero and began assisting the injured, praying for the survivors and administering last rights to some of the bodies lying in the street. Father Judge was instantly killed when the south tower collapsed. His story of courage is only one of many that day. Three hundred forth three brave members of the New York City Fire Department from over 70 different companies gave their lives on 9-11. While men and women ran from the flames, these men and women ran into the fire.

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As a Law Enforcement Officer, 9-11 holds special meaning for me. Twenty three New York City Police Officers made the ultimate sacrifice for a city they loved. Police Officers like Moira Smith, who was the first police woman to die in the attacks. Credited with saving numerous lives, she was killed while trying to rescue other injured victims from the second tower when it collapsed. There is also the little-known Richard Guadagno who was off-duty on 9-11, returning from vacation. Officer Guadagno was a passenger on flight United Flight 93. As you recall, the passengers of Flight 93 organized a counter-attack against their hijackers that resulted in the downing of the jetliner in a Pennsylvania field near Shanksville. These courageous passengers of Flight 93 "fired the opening shots" of the war on terror and likely saved the lives of hundreds. As we recall the events of 9-11, we must remember we continue to be a nation at war and must honor the courage and sacrifice of the nearly 7,000 men and women of our armed forces who have given the last full measure of their devotion. The courageous men and women of America's armed forces have always provided the strength for our national will. From September 11th 2001 through this day, we can see countless stories of acts of valor to save others from the ruins that morning, to saving lives on the battlefield of Afghanistan and Iraq. From an Air Force and Navy Officer who risked their own lives guiding others to safety in the burning Pentagon, to men like Sergeant First Class Paul Ray Smith of El Paso Texas. While deployed to Iraq in 2003, Smith's unit was under heavy fire by over 150 soldiers from the Iraqi elite Republic Guard. Being engaged on two sides, Smith commandeered an Armored Personal Carrier and courageously showed himself to the enemy to prevent his men from being encircled.

Sergeant First Class Smith lost his own life but saved the lives of over 100 Americans. From our first responders to our men and women in uniform, courageous Americans will always place service above self. As President Bush said, we will meet violence with patient justice – assured of the righteousness of our cause and confident of the victories to come.

Patrol Division
Period From September 10 – 24, 2014

Patrol officers responded to hundreds of calls and at least 160 reports were taken. There were seven accidents reported. There were three "hit and run" collisions. The Patrol Division issued 103 citations and 45 written warnings.

Eight people were arrested for Public Intoxication, four arrests were made for DWI/DUI and one person was arrested for Consumption of Alcohol by Minor. There were three reports of residential burglaries, four reports of burglaries of buildings and three vehicle burglaries.

Interesting Calls:

On September 10, patrol officers responded to a local motel where they found a female had been assaulted; punched and strangled. Her husband was highly intoxicated and acknowledged that he had assaulted her, blaming it on the alcohol. He was arrested.

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On September 14, a resident of an apartment complex reported that he went to his car and found it ransacked. An IPOD, book bag and several other items were taken. The victim kept a spare vehicle and spare apartment key inside the car, which were missing as well. He was adamant that he had locked the vehicle though there were no signs of forced entry.



On September 15, an officer stopped a vehicle for a burned-out tail light. The driver said he did not have his license with him but provided his name and date of birth. When this information did not return, the driver said that he was mistaken on his DOB. There was no license for that information, either. Eventually, the driver's identity was determined and he was arrested for Failure to Identify-Fugitive From Justice when it was learned that he had four outstanding municipal court warrants.

On September 16, officers were dispatched to the local emergency room in reference to an intoxicated male who was causing problems. The male was refusing medical treatment and refused to leave. He was offered an opportunity to call somebody to pick him up and he refused. He was arrested for Public Intoxication and taken to jail.

On September 17, an officer made a traffic stop in the 900 block of East Avenue D during the early-morning hours. Suspecting that the female was involved in drug activity, he requested and was given consent to search the vehicle. The female stood behind the vehicle as it was searched. Nothing was located and the female was released. When the officer returned to his vehicle, he was informed by his civilian ride-along passenger, that the female had taken an unknown object out of her shirt and placed it into her mouth while the officer searched. The female later spit out the item and covered it with her foot. The officer played back his in-car video and observed the activity. He looked in the area where she had covered the item and found a small baggie of cocaine. He then drove to the female's house and arrested her for Possession of Controlled Substance and Tampering With Physical Evidence. She admitted her actions.

On September 20, officers were summoned to the 700 block of East Avenue A for a disturbance. They found a male with blood on his face. It was determined that the intoxicated victim had been arguing with his intoxicated father-in-law and the father-in-law had thrown a beer bottle at the victim, striking him in the face. The father-in-law was arrested.

A fatal collision occurred on September 20. A black pickup disregarded the stop light at 14th and Santa Gertrudis (westbound) and struck a white pickup



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traveling southbound on 14th Street. Luis Flores, a 56-year old Kingsville resident, was killed in the collision.

In the early morning hours of September 24, officers responded to a residence in reference to a Suicide Attempt. Officers found a female who had cut herself on the arm and the neck. Though she was bleeding, it appeared to be minor. The female's boyfriend was intoxicated and aggressive, threatening the officers and interfering with their first aid attempts. EMS arrived and treated the female. The male was arrested for Interference with Public Duties and Resisting Arrest.

Training Information

Sergeant Campos, Officer Webb and Officer Cervantes attended a one-day class in Corpus Christi on the new Intoxilyzer 9000.

Most of the Patrol Division attended a six-hour class, given on several different days, for a Taser re-certification.

Several officers attended a Gang Recognition class at KPD. Instructors were CCPD Gang Officers.

Corporal Ochoa attended a one-day seminar in San Antonio called "The Winning Mindset for Women."



Criminal Investigations Bureau

There are currently 7 Detectives, 1 Corporal (CPL), and 1 Sergeant (SGT) assigned to the CIB. During the past two weeks all members of the CIB have gone to a recertification class for the use of the taser.

Det #3 and Det #7 were sent to a 3 day class in reference to Advanced Child Abuse. Det #1 and Det #6 are the on call Detectives and are currently working the night shift.

The CIB Sergeant is currently working on several background investigations for new hirers for the position of Patrol Officer.

In reference to case number 14-00017230, Det# 4 wrote up a search warrant to retrieve a buccal swab for a DNA sample from an inmate who is currently locked up in the Kleberg County Jail.

Det# 2 (Accident Investigator): Has been assigned case #1400025763 in reference to Injury to a Child. During the investigation Det. #2 wrote up an arrest warrant for David Lee Longoria DOB :03/07/1989 for Injury to a Child. At this time David Longoria is currently running from the Law, and Det#2 is currently working with The U.S. Marshalls to apprehend Longoria.

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Det #2 was called out in reference to a major fatality accident that occurred in the intersection of E. Santa Gertrudis and N. 14th. The passenger of the white pickup was traveling south bound on N. 14th and was hit on the driver side. The driver of the black pickup failed to stop at the red light. The driver of the white pickup was transported to the hospital where he was later pronounced dead. This incident is still being investigated. Attached is a photograph of the accident.

Det#3, Det# 1, and Det#5 with a little help from the FBI solved the Bank Robbery that occurred on August 29th at the IBC bank on located on W. Santa Gertrudis. Det. #3 wrote up a search warrant for the offender's residence and later wrote up two arrest warrants for the subjects involved in the Robbery. This case is still in its infancy and it is possible more arrest are to come.

The CIB Supervisors read and properly filed 87+ cases, and assigned and inactivated 103 cases. During the past two weeks there were 57 cases assigned to Detectives.

Total number of Cases Filed with Kleberg County Attorney is 6

Total number of Cases Filed with Kleberg District Attorney is 1

Total number of Cases Filed with City Attorney is 1

Total number of Cases Pended Out is 13

Total number of Cases that were Cold Cased is 18

Total number of Cases pending lab reports is 3

Total number of cases filed with Juvenile Probation is 4

The CIB did not receive the Bi-Weekly List of Indictments.

Total numbers of Accidents Public Street Accidents taken in by Accident Investigator is 9

Total number of DWI/DWLS/DWLI cases assigned to an investigator is 6

This completes the Bi-Weekly Criminal Investigations Bureau report.

Communications Bureau

The new 911 Intrado Equipment System software training will begin on October 9th and 10th. The Kingsville Police Department's Communication Bureau was able to get a slot to this limited training. Lead dispatcher Monica Flores will be attending the following courses Power 911, MIS Reporting and Power Mapping. The Coastal Bend Council of Government in Corpus Christi, Texas is the host site for this training.

On October 4th Telecommunicator LaTonya Johnson and Lead/Telecommunicator Monica Lopez will be traveling to the Portland, Texas for training. They will be attending the Active Shooter for Telecommunicators eight hour course.

Sgt. Lobaugh attended the eight hour Taser recertification training held at the Kingsville Police Department instructed by Ptlm. Aleman on September 15.

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Sgt. Lobaugh began background investigations on two potential applicants for the vacant Telecommunication Operator positions. A panel of KPD employees interviewed the two candidates for the position. One of the applicants did very well during the interview process and will be recommended for a position.

The Communications Bureau Received seven hundred and twenty three 911 calls.

The Communications Bureau Received two thousand two hundred and three regular calls to the station.

The Communications Bureau also completed eighteen citizens records check.

Neighborhood Improvement Officer Division

Week 37

- Junk Vehicles – 4
- Abandoned Vehicles - 2
- Parking Citations –23
- Non-Ordinance Violation Checks -8
- Compliance - 2

Week 38

- Junk Vehicles – 4
- Parking Citations –23
- Non-Ordinance Violation Checks -16
- Compliance - 3

So far for the year of 2014, 117 vehicles have been tagged (Combination of Abandoned and Junk Autos) in the City of Kingsville. There have been a total of 106 compliances for the year. NIO has also issued a total of 923 Parking Violations (Citation and Warning Combined) for the year.

These are some photos of citizens who have complied.



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231 W LEE AVE



726 W RICHARD AVE

Street Level Operations Team (S.L.O.T.) Division

SLOT Team

CPL. VINCENT MURRAY #22
INV. DANIEL GONZALEZ #27
INV. GUS RUIS #26

MURRAY:

Cases Filed with County Court 7 / Cases Filed with District Court 2 / Prosecution Charge Report Supplements 22 / Traffic Stops 7 / Citations 0

GONZALEZ:

Case # 1400025011 – Inv. Gonzalez was working security at the Texas Ranch Club on 09-12-14 when he arrested two females in the parking lot for Public Intoxication.

Case # 1400026105 – Inv. Gonzalez, Inv. Ruiz, Ptlm. Vega, Ptlm. Reyna, and a University Police Department officer conducted an arrest on the University Property. Hilario Garza was arrested for two felony indictment warrants for Injury to a Child.

Traffic Stops 30 / Citations 0

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RUIZ:

Traffic Stops 37

Citations 9

Patrol Assist (see following)

Case #1400026267 – Inv. Ruiz assisted Ptlm. Flores on a traffic stop and arrested Chad Riley for possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 less than a gram after crystal methamphetamine (ICE) was found in his possession.

Training Bureau Division

On August 7, 2014 and August 26, 2014 the Kingsville Police Department held a Basic Gang Awareness Course. Corpus Christi Gang Officers taught the course and provided our officers with information on Street Gangs, Prison Gangs, and Drug Cartels in our area and across the state. Officers were also provided with information and support materials to aid them in investigating gang related offenses. Officers were given instruction on tattoo recognition and gang classification. Officers received 8 hours of TCOLE Credit.

On September 5, 2014 through September 17, 2014 the Kingsville Police Department taught four TASER Re-certification courses. Officers were given instruction on Version 19 of the TASER training course. Officers demonstrated proficiency with their TASER and passed a written test to renew their certification.

On September 22, 2014 intoxylizer operators for the Kingsville Police Department began re-certification courses. The operators received instruction on the new Intoxylizer 9000 and demonstrated proficiency with the instrument before being recertified.

On September 23, 2014 Corporal Ochoa attended an 8 hour training course “Winning Mind for Women” Seminar.

Detectives Contreras and Garcia attended a 24 hour Advanced Child Abuse Course in Aransas Pass that started on Monday September 22, 2014.

Sergeant Allen, Cpl. Murray, Detective Greif, and Detective H. Gonzalez will attend an Officer Involved Shooting Investigation Course on September 29, 2014.

October 2, Det. Salinas and Detective Michalski will attend Advanced Forensics Investigations for the elderly with disabilities an adult protective service training course.

October 4 Lead Dispatch Operator Monica Flores and Operator La Tonya Johnson will attend Active Shooter training for Dispatch.

On October 12, 2014 Sergeant Flores, Corporal Pittman, and Narcotics Investigator Gonzalez will attend and Advanced SWAT School in Garland, Texas.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Charlie Cardenas, Director)

Engineering Division (9/12 – 9/21)

Engineering - Engineering and GIS is working on Street construction projects and curb and gutter construction. Engineering has been drawing and surveying wastewater line elevations and assisting in drainage elevations.

GIS - GIS continues to work on the pavement model degradation rate, as well as it's uses with the GovQA software.

Street Division (9/8 – 9/21)

Road Constructions

- Set 11 loads of hot mix at Wildwood trails and Virginia Circle
- Cleaned up at Calling Solutions and disassembled cubicles

Tree Trimming

- 1023 E. Henrietta Ave.
- Alley between Ave F and Ave G West
- Removed down trees

Mowing

- Sage Rd Ditch
- Caesar Ditch
- Carlos Truan Blvd. from 77 Bypass to NAS
- Intersection of Carlos Truan Blvd. & General Cavazos Blvd.
- North Y (South to Creek)
- General Cavazos Blvd. to 77 Bypass
- 14th St. to North Y
- Behind Santa Gertrudes Estates
- East side of Franklin Adams Cement Ditch
- CPL Plant North of Corral Ave.
- Corral Ave. from 77 Bypass to 14th St.
- Corner of 14th St. & Corral Ave., 6th St. & Corral Ave. and Ave D & Rail Road



Gutters

- 1st from Kleberg Ave, to King Ave.

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Drains

- Corral Ave. & Elizabeth from Santa Gertrudes Estates to 17th St.
- Corral to General Cavazos
- 14th to Bypass
- 14th to Armstrong
- Cleaned numerous storm drains removed palm leaves, pieces of cement and tires
- Replaced broken water crossing at Caesar and 17th Street.



Round up Spraying

- Mildred, Nancy, Linda and Calvin from 21st to Dead End
- John from 21st to 24th St.
- 23rd St. & 24th St. from John to Caesar Ave.
- Miller from 14th St. to Circle Dr.
- Circle Dr. from Carlos Truan Blvd. to Lawndale
- Lawndale from Circle Dr. to Dead End
- Center Dr. from Lawndale to Circle Dr.
- Kathleen from Lawndale to Annette
- Elizabeth from Annette to Dead End
- Lawrence from Lawndale to Dead End
- Annette from Ailsie Ave. to Kathleen Ave.
- Shelly from Ailsie Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Jerome from Ailsie Ave. to Dead End
- Michael from Jerome to Elizabeth Ave
- Elizabeth from Ailsie Ave. to Dead End
- Rettie from Ailsie to Palm



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- 6th St. from Corral Ave.to Loop 428
- Ailsie from Loop 428 to 14th St.
- W Sage Rd from Armstrong Ave. to Rail Road
- Palm from Shelly to Sherwood
- Sherwood from Palm to Christy
- Windcrest from Sherwood to Rettye
- Christy from Sherwood to Rettye
- Ailsie from 14th St. to Senator Carlos Truan
- Lewis from Senator Carlos Truan Blvd. to Dead End
- Kleberg Ave. from Daniel Alarcon to 11th St
- 10th, 8th & 7th from King Ave. to Yoakum Ave.
- 9th St. from Kleberg Ave. to Yoakum Ave
- Daniel Alarcon from Kleberg Ave. to Yoakum Ave.
- A.D. Garza from King Ave. to Kleberg Ave.
- Virginia from Carlos Truan Blvd.to Dead End
- Overpass from Hwy 77 to Corral Ave.
- 1st St. from King Ave. to Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- Overpass from Hwy 77 to Santa Gertrudis
- Overpass from Hwy 77 to King
- Caesar rail from Hwy 77 to 18th
- Overpass from Hwy 77 to Caesar
- Overpass from Hwy 77 to Carlos Truan
- Overpass from Hwy 77 top General Cavazos
- 14th St. from General Cavazos Blvd. to Alexander
- 14th St. from Corral Ave. to Kleberg Ave.
- 14th St. from Kleberg Ave. to Alexander
- 6th St. from Corral Ave. to Alexander
- 6th St. from Alexander to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Parker from Carlos Truan to Shirley
- Shirley from Virginia to Dead End
- Hoffman from 13th St. to 11th St.
- 13th St. from Caesar Ave. to Miller
- 11th St. from Caesar Ave. to Shelton
- Shelton from 14th St. to 6th St.
- Hoffman Ave. from 6th St. to 7th St.

Street Sweeping

- Vacuumed water on 15th St. & Lott St , 16th St. & Huisache Ave, 5th St. & Huisache Ave., Gillette & Brookshire, Annette St. & Ailsie and on 18th St. & Huisache Ave
- Corral from 6th to Hwy 77

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- King from Hwy 77 to University Blvd.
- General Cavazos from 14th to Hwy 77
- 14th from Corral to General Cavazos
- Armstrong from Corral to Caesar
- 6th from Corral to General Cavazos
- Corral from Armstrong to 6th St
- Carlos Truan from 14th to Ailsie Ave
- Ailsie Ave. from Carlos Truan Blvd. to 14th St.
- Shelley from Ailsie Ave. to General Cavazos
- Caesar from 6th St. to 14th St.
- Ailsie Ave. from 14th St. to 6th St.

Hot Mix/Cold Patching

- Intersection Lott Ave. & 19th St.
- Intersection Huisache Ave. & 6th St.
- 8th from Caesar Ave. to Ragland Ave.
- Caesar Ave/
- 7th St.to 303 E Warren Ave.
- Corral Ave. from 1st to Ave F
- 8th St from Caesar Ave, to Ragland Ave.
- Water patches- 8th St. & Lee Ave.
- Henrietta Ave. from 17th St. to 18th St.
- 1130 Lawndale
- 1308 Michael
- 15th St. to Caesar Ave
- 15th St. to E Ave B
- 19th St. to Warren Ave.
- 6th St. to City Hall
- Intersection of Fordyce Ave. & 14th St.
- Doddridge Ave from 19th St. to Dead End
- Intersection of Circle Dr.
- Senator Carlos Truan to Circle Dr
- Intersection of 19th & Johnston
- Ave A from 14th to 10th
- Ave C from 13th to 6th
- Nettie from 6th to 10th
- Escondido from 6th to Y
- 15th to Ave D
- Young Dr
- Kenedy Ave. & 17th

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- Zone 12
- 15th & Johnston
- 15th & Warren
- 6th St from Corral to General Cavazos
- 5th from Ave B to Ave C
- 6th from Y to Corral
- Shelton from 14th to 11th
- 13th St
- Brookshire to 17th
- 17th & Lee
- 17th & Alice
- 2005 Rettie Dr
- Ave A from 3rd to 4th

Miscellaneous Sign Shop

- Helped with Cold mix on 19th & Lott
- Picked up Mourning signs on Santa Fe
- Helped with hot mix on Wildwood
- Set Mourning signs on 810 E Mesquite
- Helped hot mix on Corral
- Picked up Mourning signs on W Alice & Mesquite
- Took boxes to City Hall
- Use Air hose to blow cross section from Richard to Kleberg
- Blow the cross street from Richard to Kleberg
- Put barricades out at all creeks
- Working on Weed eaters in sign shop
- Took Unit #5120 to Patton's for Inspection
- Took down Deaf Child sign from W Huisache Ave.
- Took barricades to Kleberg Ave. for High School parade
- Took pipes to TxDOT
- Checked lights at Perez school
- Helped hot mix on Gillette
- Installed name signs and stop signs on Allen & Escondido
- Installed two Deaf child signs on Ave B

Water Production Division (9/8 – 9/21)

Routine job:

Collected 12 routine Bacteriological Samples:

- 1121 E, Ave A
- 707 E. Santa Gertrudis

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- 1109 E. Henrietta
- 312 W. King Ave
- 511 College Place
- 1142 W. Yoakum Ave.
- 620 E. Mesquite Ave
- 505 E. Henrietta Ave.
- 428 W. Nettie Ave
- 1630 Santa Fe
- 318 Briarwood
- 329 E. Doddridge Ave.

Collected 14 daily chlorine residuals:

- 315 S. 24th At.
- 209 Reidda Dr.
- 1113 Kathleen
- 517 W. Henrietta Ave.
- 318 Briarwood
- 329 E. Doddridge Ave.
- 505 E. Henrietta Ave.
- 620 E. Mesquite Ave
- 505 E. Henrietta Ave.
- 428 W. Nettie Ave.
- 1630 Santa Fe
- 318 Briarwood
- 329 E. Doddridge Ave.
- 312 W. King Ave.
- 3303 S. Brahma Blvd.
- 1109 E. Henrietta Ave.

Delivered Ammonia to 6 sites; delivered Chlorine to 6 sites.

Water pumped to distribution (9/8 – 9/21) - Wells – 40,324,000 gallons; Surface – 5,791,000 gallons; 0 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 46,115,000 gallons; Average – 3,293, 928.57 gals/day

Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant Division(9/8–9/21)

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. R. Loera delivered caliche and concrete sand. JMF repaired and delivered Pump #3@17th and Lee Lift

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Station. Loftin did preventive maintenance on generators @3MGD and Lift Stations. Radiant Industrial completed installation of UV lamps and ballasts.

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. Mueller delivered materials for UV shed and R. Loera delivered concrete sand. Loftin did preventative maintenance on generators at 3MGD and Lift Stations.

Wastewater Collection – Had 13 call outs for sewer backups

1026 W. Kleberg Ave.
9th St and Nettie Ave.
212 S. 17th St.
200 W. Kleberg Ave.
803 Stacie
1015 N. 10th St.
321 W. Richard Ave.
216 ½ W. Lee Ave.
615 E. Mesquite Ave.
604 W. Kleberg Ave.
416 W. Ave A
829 W. Yoakum Ave
Bishop

Crews installed clean out at 912 W. Alice Ave. and at 1217 E. Doddridge Ave. Crews did 17 locates and had 4 bad odor call. Replaced a manhole cover at King/Jackson and repaired a sewer main at 602 E. Alice Ave. Crews installed clean out at 1026 E. Kleberg Ave and at 804 N. 1st St. Crews replaced service line at 804 N. 1st St. Crews backfilled and cleaned the curb at 2900 Chandler and put in a sewer tap at 200 Billy Evans.

Crews helped with clean up and mowing at the entrance of the Municipal Golf Course.

Scheduled work for the week

1. Cleaning sewer mains, curbs & gutters.
2. Clean troughs (Mon, Thurs, Fri)
3. Clean drying beds (Tues, Wed.)
4. 3 & 1 MGD wasting on drying beds
5. Mowing and weed eating 1MGD, 3MGD, and Lift stations
6. Plant helpers spraying weed killer along fence lines & drying beds @ 1 & 3 MGD



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7. C&D Electric sill be sending out 1600amp breaker to Houston to determine cost estimate.
8. Mendez Construction replacing 2" airline at aeration tank
9. Sending off DMR's for 1 and 3MGD and 3rd quarter Bio's for 3MGD
10. Construction crews working on manhole repair on Stacie St.
11. Construction crews installing a cleanout at 416 W. Ave A.
12. Construction crews locating cleanout for customer at 220 W. Richard Ave.

Water Distribution Division (9/8 – 9/21)

Repaired 4 Main Breaks and answered approximately 64- Service Calls, 27 - Locates, 2 -Service line leaks, 12- water leaks 10- Meter Leaks, 5- Backfills, 3 – valve replacements 2 – Customer Side Leaks; 4- No Water/Low Pressures; 0- Turn off Water, 0 -Turn on; 0 Hydrant Repair

2"	Main Break	1224 E. Ave C.
2"	Main Break	1129 E. Corral Ave.
2"	Main Break	217 N. 1 st St.
2"	Main Break	215 E. Fairview

Water crews continue to work valve on west side of town to replace 2 – 18" transmission valves. Crews transported excavator to new water well site to start clearing brush.

City Garage Division (9/8 – 9/21)

Maintenance - 15 Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 27 scheduled work orders; 41 nonscheduled work; 29 Service calls; 3 Call out; 4 New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 18 flat tire repairs and balances; 27 pending work orders. Replaced the airbag in Unit 329 and have ordered parts for Units, 544 and 545. Unit 5117 was returned from NPE and Unit 544 was taken to Fleet Pride.

Welder - 4 received work order and 7 pending work orders

Welder is working on hand rails and cutting up old sign posts. He also repaired 2" piston on Unit 329.

Solid Waste Division (9/8 – 9/21)

Landfill - (9/8 – 9/21) - Daily litter clean up continues in and around the facility. The magnet trailer is also being used to pick up nails around the facility and also dirt on all the surrounding roads leading to the Landfill. The 4th quarter MWS Reports were submitted to TCEQ. Street Department Supervisor came out to the landfill and fixed the garage doors on the shed. The landfill received 8.2" of rain. The Landfill employees have been working on the roads and erosion. We met with Naismith Engineering in Corpus Christi regarding the finalization of the Landfill Amendment Application. Holt Cat came to the Landfill to check the a/c on the dozer and the a/c and radiator on the scraper. Landfill staff has been working on the wet weather areas.

Brush – 76 tons; Garbage –901 tons Litter – tons; Construction/Demolition – 421 tons; Concrete - 308 tons, metals - .03 tons; Sludge –tons and tires -.78 tons.

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Sanitation - Residential waste collected from 9/8/ - 9/21 - **668,240** pounds; Commercial waste collected **771,280** pounds; Brush collected **25,740** pounds and construction debris collected **48,680** pounds. The brush crew completed collecting in Zone 1. White Good Collection for Zone 1 was on Friday, September 19th. We will start Zone 2 brush pick up on Monday September 22, 2014. We are working on abatements and demos when possible. Sanitation has also taken over watering new trees planted around the city and does this on Wednesday. Sanitation has also started a landscaping project at Fire Station #2. Sanitation also helped the Parks Department remove playground equipment at Flato Park in preparation of new equipment to be installed. A demolition was completed at a structure next to 1240 E. Henrietta and a house of was removed at 523 William Street. The demolition has not been completed yet due to the softness of the ground from recent rains. The department demolished the fire damaged American Legion Hall. Recycling for the month of August totaled 21.66 tons from the Recycling Center taken to Corpus Christi.



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

Purchasing Division

Purchase Orders

Purchasing issued 51 Purchase Orders valued at \$85,832.73. We have come to the end of the Fiscal Year and still have some outstanding Purchase Orders. We ask that you get with Finance Department if you have special request or reasons for keeping them open.

Purchasing Card Statements

94 P-Card statements were issued and are currently in the process of being created.

As we previously stated we were going to be implementing the new online version of the Purchasing Card Record. We conducted training, and implemented the new version. We have received some feedback and only a few questions. We do ask that any questions, concerns or issues be addressed to us so that we may make the corrections.



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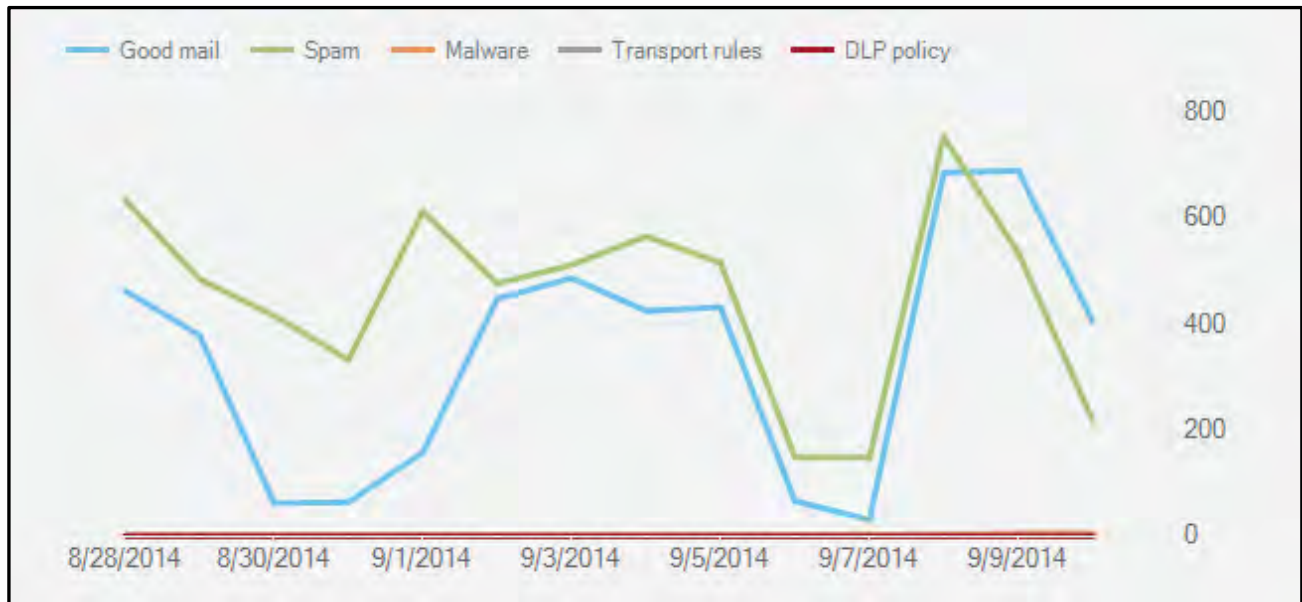
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Technology Division

Helping to Prepare for New Parks and Golf Course Operations

Purchasing Director, David Mason has been busy with the new acquisition of the L.E. Ramey Golf Course and the acquisition of the Kleberg Park and Recreations. He has been busy making sure all LAN line phones, cell phones, internet and Purchasing Cards are up and running. Training on all the Purchasing forms, purchasing policies and procedures will be conducted soon.

E-Mail Flow Report



The City of Kingsville over the past two weeks processed 10854 email messages. We blocked 6460 spam and malware messages. We processed 4497 'good' emails. Due to some migration issues our service was down for a period of time on Monday and Tuesday. Since then we have taken corrective action to make sure an outage such as this one does not occur again. Most importantly the finalization of the full email conversion has been accomplished.

The new email system offers a host of features that were either degraded or lacking in the previous version. The list of features and improvements are numerous. One of the more interesting ones includes an improved appointing features that allows each user to see if someone is available for a particular time. Another nice feature is Room accounts. This allows users to reserve rooms along with meeting invites. Also, everyone's favorite feature staff photos have been added as an enhancement giving emails a more personal feeling.



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GovQA (Work Order)

We have already begun making progress by providing support and training for Planning and Permits. We have addressed most of the concerns they had with the system. Currently we are working out how to accomplish payments. The Health Department has provided the information they wish to add to the request and case filing system. Collections are assembling the filed weed liens, this will enhance the information that is currently being inputted by the Community Appearance Division. Community Appearance had a few questions that were easily answered.

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

Fun Fact Quote

“My two favorite things in life are libraries and bicycles. They both move people forward without wasting anything.”—**Peter Golkin**

New Fines & Fees Rates

To help offset the skyrocketing costs of materials, the Robert J. Kleberg Public Library has implemented new fines and fees rates, effective October 1, 2014. The new rates coincide with the start of the library's fiscal year, which begins every October 1. The Library Board approved the increase for fines and fees at their regular meeting on July 16, 2014. The old fine rate for overdue materials was 5¢ per day per item. That rate had remained unchanged since the 1960s. The previous



fees for many of the services were the rates that the library charged at the inception of those services more than 10 years ago. Library services are varied and include photocopying, Wi-Fi printing, domestic and international faxing, scanning documents to e-mails and jump drives, and microfilm printing. Even with the increases, the library's fees are nominal compared to

businesses that offer the same services. The new fees will offset some of the costs for items such as copy paper, missing or damaged accessories, replacement library cards, and lost items. To inform the public of the rate changes, the library utilized various outlets. During the summer, the library posted copies of the new rate schedule at both entrances. Patrons were also notified through the library's Facebook® and Twitter® accounts. An article about the new rates appeared in the October 1, 2014, edition of the *Kingsville Record and Bishop News* newspaper. Patrons can view or download the fines and fees schedule by visiting the library's website at www.kleberglibrary.com, then clicking on the “New Rates for Fines & Fees” banner on the homepage. The rate increases will help the library maintain the current level of services. For more information on the new rates, contact the library at 592-6381. The library can be your one-stop office and printing resource.

Library Participates in Big Library Read

In conjunction with OverDrive®, the Robert J. Kleberg Public Library will be hosting Big Library Read, a worldwide digital version of a local book club. After thousands of readers across the globe had cast their vote,



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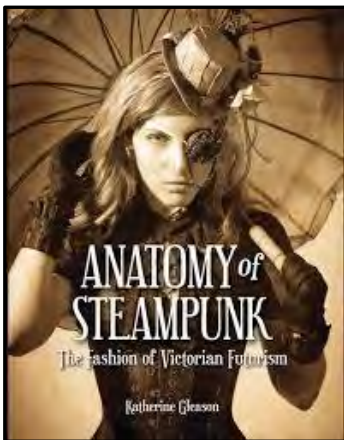
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Overdrive® announced their fall selection: *Anatomy of a Misfit* by Andrea Portes. Overdrive®, a digital distributor of eBooks, audio books, music, and video titles, maintains the library's digital collection. This collection is available to any patron with a valid library card. Patrons will have access to either the eBook or the audio book format of *Anatomy of a Misfit* from October 13–28, 2014. Through the library's website, this title will be available for simultaneous use for community-wide access. Patrons who have a compatible device or home computer with Internet access can download and access the title for two weeks without having to wait for the title to be returned. At the end of the lending period, the title is automatically removed from both the patron's device and Overdrive® account. For more information on the Big Library Read, contact the library or visit the library's website.

October Steampunk Party for Teens

The Robert J. Kleberg Public Library invites children between the ages of 12-18 to the *Steampunk Mad Hatter's Tea Party*, on Saturday, October 25, 2014, from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Rod Espinosa, author of *How to Draw Steampunk*, describes steampunk as “a sub-genre of science



fiction, alternate history, and speculative fiction. It became popular during the 1980s and 1990s. Steampunk encompasses an era or setting where steam power is still widely used—usually the 19th century and often Victorian-era Britain—mixed in with elements of either science fiction or fantasy. It showcases an exciting age filled with new discoveries not only of steam power, but of gears, springs, cables, the beginnings of industrialization.” Examples of steampunk in featured films include “*The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen*” (2003) with Sean Connery and “*Wild, Wild West*” (1999) with Will Smith. Lewis Carroll’s novel *Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland* lends itself beautifully to this genre because the story is set in the Victorian era and the storyline accommodates retelling with mechanical inclusions. Attendees of the FREE tea party can participate in various *Alice in Wonderland* themed activities including a costume contest, Cheshire Cat

trivia, poetry reading, hat decorating, and refreshments. The library encourages attendees to write or bring an *Alice in Wonderland* inspired poem to share with the group. Costumes are encouraged but not required to attend. If patrons need inspiration for a costume, come by the library and visit the Information Desk to peruse the pages of *Anatomy of Steampunk: the Fashion of Victorian Futurism*. Participants are asked to meet inside the library, and then library staff will escort the teens to the Women’s Club for the tea party. Come and experience what author George Mann characterizes as “a joyous fantasy of the past.”

Egyptian Artwork Displayed

The library wishes to thank Isabel C. Hubert, age 8, for allowing the library to exhibit her Egyptian artwork in the display case at the main entrance. Her passion for the Egyptian culture and customs is evident in her work. When Library Director Robert Rodriguez saw Isabel’s



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project, he was so impressed that he asked Children's Librarian Danielle Friend to contact the *Kingsville Record and Bishop News* newspaper. The newspaper interviewed Isabel, and an article about Isabel and her artwork appeared in the September 21, 2014, edition. Isabel explained to the reporter that after reading books on Egypt from her school's library, Isabel wanted to read more, "So I came to the library and read the entire section on Egypt." "The Egyptians," a book in the Robert J. Kleberg Public library's collection, was instrumental in the designs of much of Isabel's work. Technical Services Assistant Michelle Smith featured Isabel's artwork in the display case. Some of the items in Isabel's display include an Egyptian princess' necklace and crown, a scarab, and a poster titled, "Amazing Egypt." Isabel worked on this project during the summer with her grandmother Linda Hamilton. Isabel's mother Dr. Amy Hubert shared with the reporter, "I think it's wonderful Isabel has a place like our local library to research her interests and allow her to display her projects." The library displayed Isabel's artwork the entire month of September. May Isabel's story inspire other young patrons to utilize the library, discover their passion, and kindle their creativity.

RISK MANAGEMENT (Courtesy of Melissa Perez, Risk Manager)

2014 TML Conference Houston Texas – George R Brown Convention Center Opening General Grand Session – Simon T Bailey

Simon Bailey Best-selling Author and Former Leader of the Disney Institute opened up this year's opening grand session. Shift your Balance was the focus of the one hour motivational discussion. Shift your balance happens when you find your own individual spark. This sets the motion a series of events, circumstances, and chance encounters that can positively affect a city, its constituents, and your career. The speech was invigorating and inspiring. Your head, heart and hands are engaged to create a sustainable action plan. Simon has a best-selling book out called "Shift your Balance" which goes into more detail. A city or individual can access your strengths, see how your actions impact perceptions and learn how to maneuver the culture, climate and politics of government.



TML 2014 Annual Conference Tracks – Houston Texas

The 2014 TML Annual Conference offers six unique session tracks. You can choose to follow a track that fits your interest, or pick and choose sessions from various tracks. Either way you will find fresh ideas and proven best practices from community leaders', subject experts and business professionals throughout Texas – all designed to help you build and sustain a strong and vibrant community in your city.



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Parks and Recreation Orientation Training held on September 24, 2014

The City of Kingsville Risk Manager and Human Resources Director trained 14 new full-time and



part-time County employees who on October 1st will be officially City employees. Orientation Safety Training programs include showing new workers how to perform their jobs safely and efficiently. But some cities know the importance of employee training and that orientation is a great opportunity

to introduce employees to their job and city programs, its culture and policies. Adding these elements to your new employee orientation checklist can greatly improve worker satisfaction and employee retention.



Employee Recognition and Safety Committee met on September 11, 2014

The City of Kingsville Employee Recognition and Safety Committee met at 11:00am on September



11, 2014 at the Henrietta Memorial Center. Nine committee members were able to visibly visualize preparations for the upcoming Employee Recognition and Safety Banquet.

This year the banquet will be having a social hour sponsored



by LNV and a photo booth for families and staff. The Henrietta Memorial Museum will also be available for families to explore. Committee members continued the meeting at El Tapatio Restaurant to discuss other agenda items.

Texas Municipal League – TML Liability and Property Claim Process

Texas Municipal League handles all City of Kingsville property and liability claims. All claims are transmitted immediately to the TMLIRP Claims Department. All liability claims are reported regardless of the



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amount of liability deductible. Prompt reporting of liability claims will enable TMLIRP's adjusters to investigate the claims sooner. Prompt reporting is also essential when personal property has been damaged. If a claim occurs on weekends or holidays claims can be submitted by contacting your local TML Claims representative by phone. The City of Kingsville Risk Manager maintains all local city property and liability claims.

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

U.S. Currency Seizure on U.S. Highway 77

On Monday September 15, 2014 Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force Agent Jason McGee was working interdiction on the U.S. Highway 77 corridor in Kingsville when he conducted a traffic stop on Hwy. 77 at CR 2170. Upon contacting the male driver, a 29 year old Brownsville resident, Agent McGee noticed signs of deception. The driver gave Agent McGee consent to search the vehicle, a 2007 Ford F-150 pickup. Upon checking the engine compartment, Agent McGee noticed some anomalies in the manifold area. Further checking revealed 2 black bundles concealed in a false compartment inside the manifold area. A total of \$73,060.00 in U.S. Currency was found in the 2 black bundles. The Ford pick-up was seized and later stored at the Task Force impound yard. Another great proactive investigation conducted by Agent McGee.



Kingsville Task Force Vehicle Auction Held in Kenedy County

On Saturday September 20, 2014 the Kingsville Task Force (KTF) held an auction of seized forfeitures and abandonment vehicles. The auction was hosted by the Kenedy County Sheriff's Office in Sarita, Texas. The Task Force auctioned 15 forfeited vehicles and sold 1 abandoned

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vehicle. Total revenue for the KTF auction was \$45,775.00. The auction was the second one held during fiscal year 2013/2014. Thanks to KTF Agents who prepared the vehicles for auction.



Kingsville Task Force Hosts City-Wide Training

On Tuesday September 23, 2014 the Kingsville Task Force hosted training for City employees at the Kingsville Recycling Center. All City fleet drivers completed a defensive driving course to comply with the City of Kingsville's driving policy. The training was conducted by Texas Department of Public Safety Troopers from Corpus Christi and Weslaco. A make-up date is scheduled for Thursday October 9, 2014 at the same times and location. In addition to the required training, course completion certificates were issued by the Texas DPS instructors that can be utilized for a 10% savings on employee's personal vehicle insurance.

Training and Development Agreement Beneficial to Local Communities

Second chances mean new beginnings in most circumstances, even for a 2000 Kenworth T2000 big rig once used to transport contraband into Texas. The Kingsville Specialized Crimes & Narcotics Task Force loaned a tractor-trailer set-up to Del Mar College's Transportation Training Services to prepare students for rewarding and productive careers in truck driving.

"Del Mar College is able to enhance their training opportunities to include more students participating in their truck driver training program by repurposing seized vehicles into useable equipment for educational advancements," stated Commander Vera with the City of Kingsville Task Force. "And, the Training and Development Agreement between the City of Kingsville Specialized

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Crimes & Narcotics Task Force and Del Mar College is beneficial for both entities and the communities we serve.” Commander Vera noted that Kingsville city employees can utilize CDL (Commercial Driver’s License) training offered by Del Mar College at minimal cost to the city’s budget, thus saving Kingsville approximately \$2,800 per student.

Del Mar College assists Task Force Agents and City of Kingsville employees with obtaining their CDL Class A licenses, which enables them to transport any commercial vehicles that need to be driven during their course of employment with the City. Del Mar College invested approximately \$10,000 in equipment modifications to get the rig in top working condition and to convert the tractor, which was a sleeper cab, into a mobile classroom. The investment also included an advertising wrap to promote the College, its truck driving training program and the Kingsville Task Force for their generous donation.



TOURISM SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Leo Alarcon, Director)

26th Annual HummerBird Celebration Sept. 18th – 21st

Six thousand visitors attended this year’s four day HummerBird celebration in Rockport. This annual event is held each September to celebrate the spectacular fall migration of the Ruby-throated hummingbird through the area to expand the visitors’ knowledge of all birds and associated wildlife throughout the area. The King Ranch and Tourism shared a booth at the event to promote King Ranch birding and wildlife tours, nature tourism in Kingsville and Kingsville’s tourist attractions. Activities included day trips, educational talks and outdoor exhibits. This heavily marketed event brings in nature tourists from all across the country.



Images of Valor reception at the Conner Museum

The September 16th opening reception of the *Images of Valor: U.S. Latinos & Latinas in WWII* exhibit at the Conner Museum brought in 250 people from the area. The HM King Mariachi del Rey performed at the reception. While the major part of the exhibit is produced by Humanities Texas,

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the exhibit included photographs of local veterans brought in by family members. Below Pete de La Garza stands next to a photograph of his father in uniform in his younger days. The exhibit will be on display until October 10th.



Kingsville Farmers' Market Call for Vendors



A call for vendors for the market appeared in the latest edition of *Kleberg-Kenedy Agriculture*, a quarterly newsletter published by the regional Texas A & M Agrilife Extension Office here in Kingsville. Thanks to a strong, committed group of local volunteers, plans for the market are moving forward steadily. A special thanks Dianne Leubert, City Commissioner, who has stepped forward to volunteer her efforts as part of this group. Visit the Kingsville Farmers Market facebook page for market progress and updates. Plans are for the market to open Spring 2015.

Kiwanis Learn of City Happenings

Cynthia Martin spoke to the Kiwanis Club at their noon meeting in Kingsville on September 18th updating the group on progress made on city- wide initiatives such as the city's community appearance initiative and the revitalization of Kingsville's historic downtown. The group was interested to learn about the many development projects going on around Kingsville, the apartments, homes and commercial buildings being built and to learn about redevelopment efforts such as the conversion of the former GCS building to a research center and progress on the new City Hall.



This is the second time that Ms. Martin has spoken to the group and they expressed an interest in having her back every six months for more updates.

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Cynthia Martin completes Basic Economic Development Course

The course, offered in Austin September 9th through the 12th, was attended by sixty professionals with varying roles in private, non-profit or government service and varying degrees of experience in economic development. Sponsored by the Texas Economic Development Council and facilitated by the Texas A & M Engineering Extension Service, the Basic Economic Development Course focused on the fundamental concepts, tools and skills needed to be successful in today's economic and business environment and provided participants with the keys to a successful economic development program - useful information to apply to revitalize Kingsville's downtown district.



Local Scout Directs Work on Sign Restoration

Eagle Scout candidate, Jace Lutenbacher, coordinated the efforts of five teams of local boy scouts to restore the historic concrete obelisk street markers appearing on the corners of many a street in Kingsville. Details on the origins and age of the markers are sketchy but all agree they have been there many a day. The scouts first cleaned the dirt from the markers with wire brushes and then coated them with a special white concrete stain that will let the monuments breath while protecting them. The lettering will be painted black for ease of reading. Heavy afternoon rains interrupted the work in progress. Plans are to eventually restore all the markers within the historic district. Jace is second from the left in the photo.



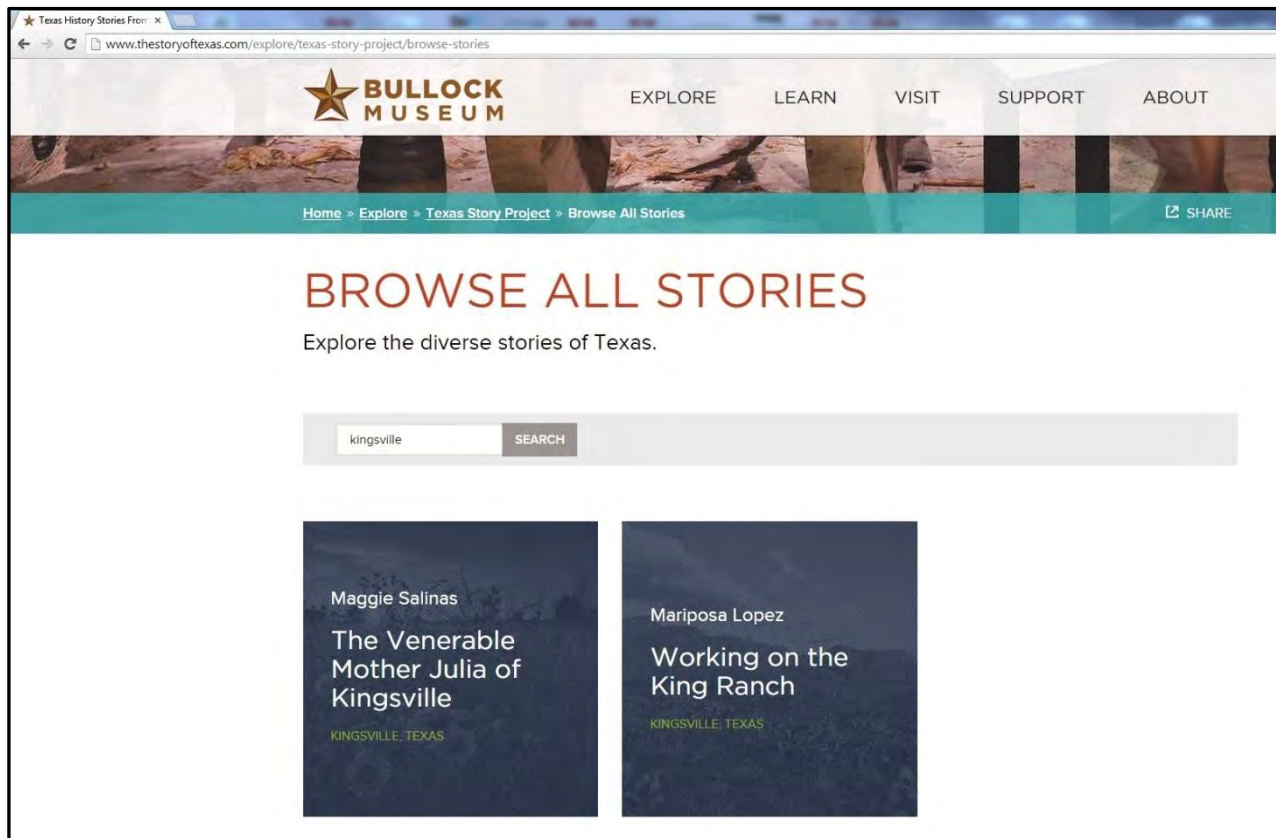
Kingsville Stories Part of Bullock Museum Project

Kingsville was one of the first participants in the Bullock's Texas Story Project. The project is a curated storytelling effort by the Bob Bullock Museum to create a digital home for the diverse stories of Texas.

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Local historian, Maggie Salinas, and Mariposa Lopez, a carpenter who worked on the King Ranch, both submitted stories that held personal interest for them. Ms. Salinas chose to tell the story of Mother Julia, a Catholic nun born in Mexico who fled unrest in Mexico to settle in Kingsville to continue her good works. In 2004, Pope John Paul II proclaimed Mother Julia Venerable, one of the steps to sainthood. Ms. Lopez wrote of her personal experience in South Texas building a one room house for a long-time worker at the San Chicago hunting camp.

Work on Salazar Building Continues

The historic awning on the Salazar Building is being taken down piece by piece to be reinstalled after repair work is done to the transom windows and storefront. Building owner, David Thibedoux, is shown on the right surveying the work. Damaged ceiling tiles on the interior are being removed and plans finalized for a catering kitchen, a storage room and restrooms in the rear of the building in what had been a later addition. Current plans are for the front of the building that once housed the Vincente Salazar Grocery and Clothing Store to be left open as a meeting/reception space.



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New Construction in the Historic District

The construction of this two story house (plus a garage) at 311 E Santa Gertrudis has been approved



by the Historical Development Board and plans passed along to the City's Building Official for review. The three lots on which the house and garage will be built are owned by a local couple who recently did a voluntary demolition of a small, vacant house on the property and who will occupy the house once constructed. The contractor is Southwest Homes out of Corpus Christi who has expressed interest in building more homes on vacant lots within the historic district and other already developed areas of Kingsville. Such infill construction represents a cost savings to the builder as it uses existing [infrastructure](#).

Historic Resource Survey Completed

The historic resource survey of Kingsville's historic district has been reviewed and

accepted by the Texas Historical Commission. The GIS map of the historic district completed as a companion piece to the survey will soon be added to the city's GIS system and, once added, can be accessed at kingsvillegis.com. A copy of the survey report including maps and individual survey forms for each property is available at the South Texas Archives in the Jernigan Library at Texas A & M University – Kingsville. Below is a snapshot of an excel spreadsheet that contains basic information for each of the 1,090 buildings surveyed.

Image	Address	Current Name/ Historic Name	Current Function/ Historic Function	Stylistic Influence/ Historical Context	Construction Date	Existing Designation	Eligibility	Priority
	402 East Fordyce Avenue Kingsville		DOMESTIC-Single Dwelling	Craftsman	c. 1920	<input type="checkbox"/> NR <input type="checkbox"/> OTHM <input type="checkbox"/> SAL	<input type="checkbox"/> RTHL <input type="checkbox"/> HTC Local	Individually: High Undetermined In District?: Yes Contributing
			DOMESTIC-Single Dwelling	Architecture, Planning/Development				
	405 East Fordyce Avenue Kingsville		DOMESTIC-Single Dwelling	Craftsman	c. 1915	<input type="checkbox"/> NR <input type="checkbox"/> OTHM <input type="checkbox"/> SAL	<input type="checkbox"/> RTHL <input type="checkbox"/> HTC Local	Individually: High Undetermined In District?: Yes Contributing
			DOMESTIC-Single Dwelling	Architecture, Planning/Development				
	406 East Fordyce Avenue Kingsville		DOMESTIC-Single Dwelling	Craftsman	c. 1925	<input type="checkbox"/> NR <input type="checkbox"/> OTHM <input type="checkbox"/> SAL	<input type="checkbox"/> RTHL <input type="checkbox"/> HTC Local	Individually: Medium No In District?: Yes Non-contributing
			DOMESTIC-Single Dwelling	Planning/Development				

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

Regular Commission Meetings (Robert H. Alcorn Commission Chambers)

Monday, October 13, 2014 6:00 p.m.
Monday, October 27, 2014 6:00 p.m.
Monday, November 10, 2014 6:00 p.m.
Monday, November 24, 2014 6:00 p.m.

Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers)

Thursday, October 9, 2014 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 23, 2014 3:00 p.m.

Board Meetings (Commission Chambers)

Planning and Zoning Board	Wednesday, October 15, 2014	6:00 p.m.
Historic Development Board	Wednesday, October 15, 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	Wednesday, October 15, 2104	4:00 p.m.
City/County Health Board	3 rd week of every other month	5:30 p.m.

Staff will be attending the following conference:

TML Annual Conference in Houston, TX, September 30th - October 3rd, 2014.

Reminders:

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

Board Name	Vacancies	Recommendations
Zoning Board of Adjustments	1	0
Joint Airport Zoning Board	1	0
Civil Service Commission	1	0
Historic Development Board	2	0
Planning & Zoning Commission	2	0