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"High expectations are the key to everything." Sam Walton, www.brainyquote.com

"When you can't make them see the light, make them feel the heat." Ronald Reagan. www.brainyquote.com

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

#### Good Job Award!!!

I am nominating **City of Kingsville Task Force Agent Mike Tamez** for the Good Job Award. Agent Tamez worked with three police officers from other agencies including DEA Agent Joseph

Garcia, Houston Police Department Interdiction
Officer Eric Garza, and Houston Police
Department Narcotics Detective Par
Esquivel. These four narcotic agents have
exhibited their dedication and commitment
to the fight of drug trafficking in our state.
The following synopsis of events indicates
why I believe Agent Tamez deserves this
Award and why the other law enforcement
officers deserve our gratitude.

On Friday September 03, 2014 at approximately 10 PM, Kingsville Task Force Agent Mike Tamez received a phone call



Special Agent, Mike Tamez Kingsville Task Force

from Brownsville DEA Agent Joseph Garcia about a Truck Tractor Semi-Trailer (TTST) leaving McAllen sometime between 10 PM and 4 AM in route to Houston, Texas. According to Agent Garcia, the TTST was possibly containing a large amount of Cocaine. Agent Tamez began to research information on the TTST and learned it crossed the Falfurrias Border Patrol Checkpoint earlier at 9:53 AM. The name of the trucking company was identified. Agent Tamez immediately started calling local DPS Troopers; however he could not reach any of them. Agent Tamez then called Interdiction Officer Eric Garza from the Houston Police Department and asked for his assistance. Eric Garza and Narcotics Detective Pat Esquivel eventually stopped the TTST at approximately 3AM in the City of Houston, Texas. Officer Eric Garza called Agent Tamez and advised the following: the driver did not have a CDL or a medical card; the Company name and USDOT information were fake, the commodity which was 800 boxes of limes that were spoiled, the shipper's information on the bill of lading and destination were also fake. Officer Eric Garza located a small bag of cocaine inside the driver's boot and placed him under arrest for Possession of a Controlled Substance. After searching as much of the trailer as the Houston PD officers could without offloading the commodity, Officer Garza and Detective Esquivel secured the TTST until they had a location to off load the spoiled commodity. On Monday October 06, 2014 HPD Officer

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Eric Garza was able to off load the commodity and with Agent Tamez's assistance located a floorboard compartment inside the trailer above the landing gear. Officer Garza was then able to locate the compartment's access panel again with Agent Tamez's assistance and removed a total of 159 kilos (approximately 350 pounds) of Cocaine from within the false floor. The street value of the confiscated cocaine is 3.5 million dollars. This is an example of great networking between 3 different law enforcement agencies and four narcotics agent's persistence to fight drug trafficking in our country.

Respectively submitted, KTF Commander Willie Vera

## Let's Remember Our Award Winners!!! 2013 Safety & Recognition Awards

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

Garage staff – Garage Division in the Public Works Department - Injury Free Award Chris Sanchez – Sanitation Division in the Public Works Department - Safety Hero Award

#### 2014 Good Job Awards

Mike Tamez	Kingsville Task Force	10/27/14 High initiative / interagency cooperation.					
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 Planni	ng/City Appearance	8/25/14 Gaining cooperation from customers					
Kristina Gomez Planni	ng/City Appearance	8/25/14 Gaining cooperation from customers					
Mary Valenzuela	City Secretary	8/11/14 Professional recognition by peers					
Ernest Espinosa City C	ounty 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/C	ounty Health Dept.	1/13/14 Consistently superior service					

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

#### **Administration Division**

#### **Employees Attend 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Educational Conference**

The City-County Health Department employees, Jason C. Torres, Health Inspector II and Emilio H. Garcia, City-County Health Director recently attended the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Educational Conference in

Austin, Texas on Wednesday, October 7 thru Friday, October 10, 2014. The seminar was sponsored by the *Texas Environmental Health Association*. The conference offered several continuing educational units (CEU's) for licensed Designated Representative (On-Site Sewage Facilities), Code Enforcement Officer's and Registered Sanitarians. Presentations included TEHA Legislation works, Food Safety Culture and Social Media, the Legal Side of Public Health Business, Tattoos and Piercing and Grease Trap Inspections. The conference had attendees from all over the State of Texas.



The presentation topics on OSSF included designated representative enforcement, investigations and practical irrigation reuse the On-Lot in Environment. Those attending the 8 hour course acquired 8 CEU's for their license





requirements. Below are a few pictures of the conference presenters, Jason Torres and Emilio H. Garcia.

#### **City-County Health Department Monthly Revenues**

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

#### **Statistics-Revenues**

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

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Total	\$13,024.41	\$20,377.00
Sept 2014	\$1,121.00	\$1,370.00
Aug 2014	\$1,536.00	\$1,835.00
July 2014	\$862.07	\$1,065.00
June 2014	\$766.00	\$2,150.00
May 2014	\$404.90	\$2,615.00
Apr 2014	\$210.00	\$1,047.00
Mar 2014	\$1,778.00	\$2,730.00
Feb 2014	\$1,393.00	\$815.00

#### **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 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.

VIP Adult Daycare-97	Walgreens-97	Kingsville Bakery-97		
El Pastel Bakery-96	CVS-100	Kleberg County Senior Center-100		
Big Events Cake & More-100				
Dollar General/S.14 <sup>th</sup> -93	Dollar General/N. 14 <sup>th</sup> -96	Dixie Cream Donuts-97		
Family Dollar-96	Dollar Tree-93	The Party Barn-97		
Nutricion-100	Stacey's Fro Yo-93	Snappy Foods #2/Riviera- 82		
K2 Food Mart/W. Corral-87	Pizza Hut-87	Subway/Riviera-97		
Super 8 Motel-80	Taqueria Martinez-100	Boat-n-Net-97		
Wal-Mart-Bakery-87	Wal-Mart-Deli-94	Wal-Mart-Grocery-93		

## City of Kingsville, Texas Staff Report (A Publication of the City Manager's Office)

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Hot & Spicy-8	4 Sonic Drive Inn-94							
Kentucky Fried	d Chicken-100							
Iandler Class								
9 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class/Lupita Mendoza							
7 Students Regular Food Handler Class/Health Departme								
9 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class/ST. Teresa Church/Premont Texas							
aiser) or Perman	ent Food Events							
Temporary I	Food Event Permit/Annual Church Gathering							
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#### City-County Health Department Monthly Statistics-Consumer Health

Consumer Health	Food Establishment	Restroom Insp.	Food Handler Attendees	Day Care & Foster Homes Insp.
	Insp.	1		1
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
Sept 2014	28	47	124	1
Total	557	826	923	24

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#### **Animal Control Center Division**

#### Bird Problems at GCS (Call Center) Building

The City-County Health Department was contacted by Jessica Stork, Administrative Assistant II, from the Department of Planning and Development Services about some birds occupying the outside

canopy of the GCS building that needed to be removed. Health Inspector II, Jason Torres and City-County Health Director, Emilio H. Garcia went out to the GCS building to see what could be done to safely and humanly remove the birds. It was noticed that they were about 8 to 10 pigeons inside the outside canopy. The pigeons had been entering through several missing ceiling tiles. The pigeons had made refuge inside the canopy, judging by the appearance of the inside. Several unsuccessful attempts were made to capture the birds using a trap and a pole net. The birds were finally removed and set free, thanks to Marco Jimenez, Water Supervisor and his crew. Water department employee Arron



Vela, the smallest and bravest person climbed into the canopy and caught all the birds using a net and released them. The canopy ceiling tiles were replaced with new ones. Pictured are the pigeons inside the canopy and Jason Torres setting up a bird trap.





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#### Food Donation - Thank you Dr. Eddie Sanchez

Dr. Eddie Sanchez donated 350 pounds of dry dog food and 25 pound of dry cat food to the City-County Health Department/Animal Control Center. Thanks to Dr. Sanchez for your generous food donation.

#### **Animal Control Center-Next Monthly Pet Adoption Day**

Please join us at our next Pet Adoption Day

Saturday, November 8, 2014

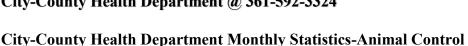
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**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	Oct '13	Nov '13	Dec '13	Jan '14	Feb '14	Mar '14	Apr '14	May '14	Jun '14	Jul '14	Aug '14	Sep '14	Total
Dogs impounded	88	120	134	116	146	135	92	128	167	142	80	162	1510
Dogs adopted	25	14	19	31	30	20	22	26	27	20	17	15	266
Dogs released	22	22	30	16	27	27	12	23	21	19	16	25	257
Dogs Rescue (Groups)	3	1	13	12	13	11	7	14	10	5	5	8	102
Cats impounded	154	121	97	89	107	167	189	196	173	162	142	120	1717
Cats adopted	3	3	7	4	4	4	4	11	8	4	13	3	68
Cats released	0	3	3	3	1	3	2	2	0	0	1	0	45
Cats rescued (Groups)	0	0	2	8	4	1	3	7	1	1	0	7	34
Opossum in traps	70	61	40	59	37	75	79	67	32	23	34	52	629
Other animals impounded	3	2	2	3	3	0	5	11	12	5	6	8	60
Other animals adopted	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	6	2	0	1	1	14
# of humans bitten	4	3	9	3	2	5	8	11	6	10	6	8	75
Animals obs. 10 days	3	2	4	2	3	5	7	6	2	6	3	7	50



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Warnings issued	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Citation issued	21	20	25	55	51	35	36	30	40	0	30	16	359
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#### **Mosquito Control (Vector) Division**

#### Together we can all help control the Mosquito Population

The City-County Health Department encourages you to mow your high grass, dispose of any standing water in buckets, bird baths, old tires, any other containers that may breed mosquitos.

Vector Control	Oct '13	Nov '13	Dec '13	Jan '14	Feb '14	Mar '14	Apr '14	May '14	Jun '04	Jul '14	Aug '14	Sep '14	Total
Bee Calls	18	11	4	3	3	9	22	4	17	18	12	6	127
BeeRemoval	8	8	0	0	1	1	6	3	7	9	6	1	50
Unable to abate	10	3	4	3	2	8	16	1	10	9	6	5	77
Mosquito surveillance	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	17
Larvacide applications (Blocks)	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		5	11
Adulticide Application	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	7

#### FINANCE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Deborah Balli, Director)

#### **Finance Administration Division**

#### Did You Know?

The City of Kingsville uses pooled cash accounting. This allows the City to hold cash from more than one fund in a single checking account. Each fund participating in pooled cash owns a piece of that checking account and the cash that it contains. Each fund will show their piece of pooled cash as a "claim on pooled cash". If the claim on pooled cash is a positive balance, the fund is





owed a piece of the bank account. If the claim on pooled cash is a negative balance, then the Fund owes that balance to the bank account (and to other funds).

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#### Texas Municipal League Conference

Finance Director Deborah Balli, attended the Texas Municipal Leauge 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference and Exhibition held at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, Texas. The 4 day conference allowed Ms. Balli to attend the Finance track of classes offered at the conference. With over 1200 cities in the State of Texas, the TML 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference hosted delegates from over 800 of those cities.

#### Payroll

The October 9<sup>th</sup> payroll was the first payroll to include the salary increases that were approved by the City Commission during the FY 14-15 budget process. This payroll also included many changes made during open enrollment as well as changes to the insurance premiums.

#### Year End P-Card Statements

The next P-Card statement will cover the period of 09/26/14-10/26/14. This means any P-Card purchase that was physically received by September 30<sup>th</sup> should be attributed to FY 13-14. Employees who have purchases for both FY 13-14 and FY 14-15 should separate these into 2 P-Card Reconciliation statements. Please create a P-Card Reconciliation statement for 09/26/14-09/30/14 and a separate P-Card Reconciliation statement for 10/01/2014-10/26/2014.

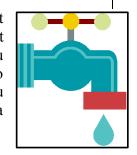
#### Safety Hours

Payroll Specialist, Norma Cavazos, sent out notices to all departments advising employees to use their Safety Hours by October 31<sup>st.</sup> All hours not used by October 31<sup>st</sup> will be forfeited.

#### **Utility Billing Division**

#### Water Leaks

It is important to look at your water bill monthly to make sure that a leak is not affecting your consumption and cost. What we have experienced and found is that most leaks come from a leaky toilet. A toilet that constantly runs 24/7 may costs you more than you may think. Remember the water is running and running constantly so that will affect your consumption and cost. Many times a leak is somewhere you don't see every day. For instance, a hot water heater that is located at a different area in the house, underneath the house, or even an outside faucet.



The Utility Department is here to answer customer questions in regards to their bills. If a customer does find that a leak is the culprit of a high bill, we recommend the leak is fixed as soon as possible and that the invoice or any documentation that provides proof that the leak is fixed be brought into the department for an adjustment consideration. For specific details on a leak adjustment please feel free to call and speak to anyone of our friendly customer service representatives at 361-592-5281 between 8:15 a.m.-5p.m., Monday through Fridays, except holidays.

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#### The Facts on Leaks

- The average household's leaks can account for more than 10,000 gallons of water wasted every year, or the amount of water needed to wash 270 loads of laundry.
- Household leaks can waste more than 1 trillion gallons annually nationwide. That's equal to the annual household water use of more than 11 million homes.
- Ten percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day.
- Common types of leaks found in the home include worn toilet flappers, dripping faucets, and other leaking valves. All are easily correctable.
- Fixing easily corrected household water leaks can save homeowners about 10 percent on their water bills.
- Keep your home leak-free by repairing dripping faucets, toilet flappers, and showerheads. In most cases, fixture replacement parts don't require a major investment.
- Most common leaks can be eliminated after retrofitting a household with new WaterSense labeled fixtures and other high-efficiency appliances.

#### Leak Detection

- A good method to check for leaks is to examine your winter water usage. It's likely that a
  family of four has a serious leak problem if its winter water use exceeds 12,000 gallons per
  month.
- Check your water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter does not read exactly the same, you probably have a leak.
- One way to find out if you have a toilet leak is to place a drop of food coloring in the toilet tank. If the color shows up in the bowl within 15 minutes without flushing, you have a leak. Make sure to flush immediately after this experiment to avoid staining the tank.

#### Faucets and Showerheads

- A leaky faucet that drips at the rate of one drip per second can waste more than 3,000 gallons per year. That's the amount of water needed to take more than 180 showers!
- Leaky faucets can be fixed by checking faucet washers and gaskets for wear and replacing them if necessary. If you are replacing a faucet, look for the <u>WaterSense label</u>.
- A showerhead leaking at 10 drips per minute wastes more than 500 gallons per year. That's the amount of water it takes to wash 60 loads of dishes in your dishwasher.
- Most leaky showerheads can be fixed by ensuring a tight connection using pipe tape and a
  wrench. If you are replacing a showerhead, look for one that has earned the WaterSense
  label.

#### **Toilets**

• If your toilet is leaking, the cause is often an old, faulty toilet flapper. Over time, this inexpensive rubber part decays, or minerals build up on it. It's usually best to replace the whole rubber flapper—a relatively easy, inexpensive do-it-yourself project that pays for itself in no time.

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• If you do need to replace the entire toilet, look for a <u>WaterSense labeled model</u>. If the average family replaces its older, inefficient toilets with new WaterSense labeled ones, it could save 13,000 gallons per year. Retrofitting the house could save the family nearly \$2,400 in water and wastewater bills over the lifetime of the toilets.

#### Outdoors

- An irrigation system should be checked each spring before use to make sure it was not damaged by frost or freezing.
- An irrigation system that has a leak 1/32nd of an inch in diameter (about the thickness of a dime) can waste about 6,300 gallons of water per month.
- Check your garden hose for leaks at its connection to the spigot. If it leaks while you run your hose, replace the nylon or rubber hose washer and ensure a tight connection to the spigot using pipe tape and a wrench.

http://www.epa.gov/WaterSense/pubs/fixleak.html

#### Implementing GovQA in Partnership with Other Users

The Utility Billing Department Collections Manager, Diana Medina, and the Billing Specialist, Aileen Escamilla, have been attending meetings every Friday morning to collaborate and discuss the GovQA program with other departments. Currently the department is using this program as a tool to communicate and share information with the Community Appearance Department. The goal for the department is that this system will be the one stop to check for any outstanding bills and liens on any properties. Currently all staff have access to the system and will be trained on how to navigate and use the program soon.

#### Farewell

It is with a heavy heart that we bid farewell to our meter tech, Bisente Zamora. Bisente has been an exemplary employee and a contributing member of our work family and will surely be missed. His last day of employment will be November 4, 2014. We wish him the best!

#### 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. \*\*\*no temporary checks accepted\*\*\*

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)

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

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

#### **Municipal Court Division**

## **Vehicle Inspections - Transportation Code Sec. 502.047**

Texas registered vehicles are required to receive an annual inspection. All inspections include a comprehensive safety inspection; however, some vehicles are required to have an emissions test in addition to the safety inspection. The inspection cost is determined by the county of registration and the type of inspection required.



The DPS Vehicle Inspection Program certifies

vehicle inspectors and inspection stations, monitors and ensures compliance with inspection standards, and supervises vehicle emission programs designed to meet federal clean air requirements.

Links are provided to help you.

#### Inspections

Cost of Inspection Find an Inspection Station Inspection Criteria Aftermarket Modifications Motorcycle/Moped/ATV Unique Vehicles Window Tint

#### **Out-Of-State Motorists**

New to Texas Texas Registered Vehicle Registered in Another State Military Personnel Driver License Vehicle Registration

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Data for this Court of Business: October 1-13, 2014

There were 341 new cases recorded including:

State & City offenses	Records
Traffic Citations	209
Parking Citations	44
City Ordinance Citation	7
Alcohol/Misdemeanor Charges	29
Failure to Appear-Bail jumping Charges	52

#### October 9, 2014, Inmate Session

There were 6 individuals summon. The list below encompasses the disposition for each case:

Disposition of Cases	Number Of Cases
Cases settled out of Court-Jail Time Credit Ordered	8
Incarceration	8

#### October 9, 2014, Court Hearing

The 3 o'clock regular session, with a court summons of 146 people, consisted of 253 cases. Below are the dispositions for these cases:

Disposition of Cases	Number Of Cases
Payment Plans Orders	51
Extensions Orders	0
Motions for Trial	14
Clean Record Orders: DSC & Deferrals	0
Compliance Dismissals	15
Alcohol Awareness Class & Community Service Orders & Dl Suspensions	2
Continuance Order	0
New warrant orders-Non Appearance	86
New Court Date-reset	9
Cases settled out of Court-Full payment	32
Omni-Dl suspension orders	9
Case dismissed-Not Guilty	7
Warrant Orders Issued-Contempt of Court	12
Pending-Motions Filed for Judge to Rule	12
Incarceration Order	4

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\*\* Of the remaining who did not make their court appearance, 9 individual driver's licenses were reported to the Omnibase (Department of Public Safety) for suspension, and 98 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 240 cases resolved with 95 warrant executions of which there was a collection of \$43,221.43 dollars.

#### 2014 OCTOBER COURT DATES

COURT HEARINGS		Ι	DATE	TIME
	PRE-TRIAL SESSION		10/21/14	9:00 A.M.
	CONTEMPT OF		10/22/14	9:00 A.M.
	COURT SETTING			
	INMATE SESSION		10/23/14	2:00 P.M.
	REGULAR COURT		10/23/14	3:00 P.M.
	HEARING			
	TRIAL HEARING		10/23/14	4:00 P.M.

#### 2014 NOVEMBER COURT DATES

COURT HEARINGS	DATE	TIME
PRE-TRIAL SESSION	11/3/14	9:00 A.M.
		(MONDAY)
INMATE SESSION	11/6/14	2:00 P.M.
REGULAR COUR	T 11/6/14	3:00 P.M.
HEARING		
CONTEMPT OF COUR	T 11/13/14	9:00 A.M.
SETTING		
PRE-TRIAL SESSION	11/18/14	9:00 A.M.
INMATE SESSION	11/20/14	2:00 P.M.
REGULAR COUR	T 11/20/14	3:00 P.M.
HEARING		
TRIAL HEARING	11/20/14	4:00 P.M.
CONTEMPT O	F 11/25/14	9:00 A.M.
COURT SETTING	·	

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#### FIRE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Joey Reed, Fire Chief)

#### **Training and Professional Development**

<u>Station Training</u> – Crews conducted various training at the shift level during the period. B-Shift participated in driver training.

<u>Paramedic Meeting with Medical Director</u> – Paramedics met with Medical Director Dr. Moore on October 8<sup>th</sup>. Current EMS protocols and possible changes to procedures and equipment were discussed.

Incident Command, Tactics, Strategies on Multi Story Fires - Personnel participated in training to prepare for fires in 3 story and taller buildings. The training included reviewing the Captain's promotional assessment criteria that will grade them on basic skills, a review of Lucio Hall building layout, and disucssion of tactics in different situations.



#### **Planning**

<u>Community Project Development Meetings</u> – The fire chief attended 2 meetings with personnel from Planning and Engineering departments. There was discussion on several projects including new city hall and the domes project at the high school.

#### **Apparatus, Equipment, Facility Status**

Medic units – 2 units having axle problems. M2 air conditioning worked on. M1 flat tire. M1 brakes checked for metal grinding noise.

<u>Tower 1</u> – Water leak from pump is affecting drive train below. Turn switch and remote mirror not working.

Rescue 1 – Foam proportioner not working. Possible short in dash.

<u>Engine 1</u> – Waiting on water valve parts. Lightbox problems. Passenger brake light intermittent again.

Engine 2 – Tire dry-rotted and flat, 2 tires replaced.

<u>Fire Station 1</u> – Contractor returned to fix roof leaks. Waiting for next rain to determine if corrected. Plumbing backing up into station. Plumber has had to clear lines 3 times in last 2 months. Main drain pipe to City line has degraded and is only a couple of inches wide now.

<u>Fire Station 2</u> – Need to work on sprinkler system in fountain yard. Will be requesting new quotes for fence for back porch of fire station 2.

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<u>Fire Station Signage</u> – Have submitted basic lettering recommendations to City Manager for review. Recommending plastic lettering for each fire station on 2 sides of each building. Lettering to clearly identify "Kingsville Fire Department" "Fire Station 1" "Fire Station 2".

#### **2014-15 Projects**

Thermal Imager: Preparing specifications for quotes.

New Fire Marshal Vehicle: Truck with camper shell, specs sent to Purchasing Dept.

<u>New Vehicle to Tow Emergency Response Trailer and Personnel</u>: Working on more detailed specs for Purchasing.

<u>Replacement Skid Unit for the Brush Truck:</u> Reviewing specs for a new unit that slides into back of brush truck that includes a water tank, water pump, foam tank, and foam proportioning unit.

Intercom System for Fire Apparatus: Updating specs for Purchasing Department.

<u>Fire Station 1 Improvements:</u> Working on breakdown for Purchasing Department to request quotes.

<u>Fire Station 1 Termite Remediation:</u> Preparing to request quotes through Purchasing Department.

<u>Computer Aided Dispatch System:</u> Meeting with CAD vendors to finalize specifications for an inexpensive CAD system for fire dispatch that will serve the Department's needs.

<u>Computer Server, Terminal, and Software</u>: I.T. Department has gone out for quotes on some of these items.

<u>Radio System Improvements:</u> Working with radio consultants to finalize specifications for radio system improvements.

#### Fire Department Response Statistics for the period of:

08:00 hrs on October 3rd, to 08:00 hrs on October 15th, 2014.

Fire/Rescue/Other Calls - 16 Emergency Medical Service Calls (EMS) - 84 Total Emergency Responses - 100

Major Events during the period: No major events during the period.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Diana Gonzales, Director)

#### **City of Kingsville Employee Benefits Summary**

The following is a brief summary of benefits provided to full-time employee of the City of Kingsville.

YOUR CAREER

<u>Compensation</u> - Payday occurs every other Thursday, for the pay period ending the preceding Sunday at midnight.

<u>Vacation</u> -Employees start accruing vacation from the first day on the job and is usually earned at either 80 or 120 hours per year depending on position and years of service.

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Civil Service Police Officers and Civil Service Firefighters accrue leave at different rates depending on the respective collective bargaining agreements.

Sick Leave - Employee accrue 80 hours of sick leave per year.

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<u>Holidays</u> - The City recognizes 11 holidays per calendar year. Holidays falling on Saturday are observed on Friday and Sunday Holidays are observed on the following Monday. The City recognizes 11 holidays annually.

New Year's Day
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Veteran's Day
Thanksgiving

Good Friday Day after Thanksgiving

Memorial Day Christmas

Independence Day Day after or before Christmas

Labor Day

<u>Funeral Leave</u> - Defined as Emergency Leave, provides up to 3 paid workdays for funeral leave for immediate family members.

<u>Family Medical Leave</u> - to qualify for FMLA leave you must have been employed for at least 1 year.

Safety Incentive - Paid time-off and cash incentive for an accident-free year.

Jury Duty - Paid workdays when summoned by the Court for Jury Duty.

<u>Retirement</u> - The City has a retirement plan through the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS). Each full time employee contributes 7% of their gross salary each pay period. Vesting occurs after 5 years of credit with TMRS. As a vested member you may leave your deposits in the system to continue accruing interest until you reach retirement age. You may retire after 20 years of service at any age or age 60 with at least 5 years of service. Upon retirement with the City, the City matches deposits 1.5 to your 1 employee contribution. Matching of contributions is only available upon retirement from the City of Kingsville.

<u>Additional Deferred Compensation Program</u> - Nationwide Retirement Solutions - A voluntary retirement option in which the employee decides the contribution amount and type of funds in which to invest.

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<u>Benefits Including Supplemental Products</u> - Employee health insurance benefits are effective on the first day of employment. Employee supplemental benefits including dental and vision are effective the month following date of employment, if elected.

<u>Health Insurance</u> - The City of Kingsville is self-insured and utilizes a third-party administrator ENTRUST to process claims and provide customer service. The plan is available as of date of hire if elected. The following are employee and employer rates for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

Type of Coverage Employee Premiu		Employer Premium Paid on Behalf of Employee		
	<u>Monthly</u>	Monthly (Fiscal Year 2014-2015)		
Employee Only	\$ 30.00	\$ 527.08		
Employee/Child	\$ 118.00	\$1,079.50		
Employee/Spouse	\$ 118.00	\$1,079.50		
Employee/Family	\$ 118.00	\$1,079.75		

<u>EAP</u> - An Employee Assistance Program is available to employees and their dependents free of charge for up to 6 sessions for assistance in dealing with personal problems, emotional and/or chemical dependency problems. This benefit includes counseling services, legal services, financial services and online work/life and wellness resources. The sessions are strictly confidential and are provided by INTERFACE as a benefit of the City's health insurance plan.

<u>Life Insurance</u> - The City provides each full-time employee with a life insurance policy and AD&D coverage through Dearborn Life. The City pays all premiums for this policy and it is valid only while employed by the City.

<u>Dental Insurance</u> - The City offers a voluntary dental plan during the new hire orientation. The Employee contributes 100% of premiums for this coverage.

<u>Vision Insurance</u> - The City offers a voluntary vision plan during the new hire orientation. The Employee contributes 100% of premiums for this coverage.

#### **Current Employment Opportunities**

Fire – Firefighter

Police – Telecommunication's Operator

Purchasing & Technology – Help Desk

Street – Equipment Operator I, Maintenance Worker

Water – Equipment Operator II

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#### **New Employees**



Jennifer Moreno Telecommunications Operator Police Department



Tom Ginter Planning & Development Services Director Planning Department

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

October 2014

25 years - Donald Lobaugh, Police Sergeant

5 years – Jose Garcia Jr., Technical Services Librarian

#### **Separations**

Legal Department – Cynthia Hiebert, Legal Assistant
Planning Department – Andrew Dimas, Planning & Development Services Director
Police Department – Tony Wilson, Systems Specialist
Water Department – Cecilio Obregon, Equipment Operator II

#### General

The Human Resource office has been updating employee insurances due to open enrollment changes. All employees were required to complete new applications for health insurance. Applications required verification and submission to ENTRUST, the City's third party administrator.

City provided life insurances changes required updating as well due to employee wages changes. All changes required manual input with the new annual rates.

#### **Direct Deposit Information**

The Human Resource office has continued to work with the Finance Department to have all employees submit direct deposit information in order to reach the goal of having zero payroll checks printed.

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#### 2014 Employee Health Fair

The HR office assisted ENTRUST in the coordination of the 2014 Employee Health Fair held on October 8, 2014 at the HEB Education Center by Christus Spohn Kleberg. Attendance continues to be very good. The final number of services provided is as follows...118 Flu Vaccines / 100 Health Screenings / 20 PSA blood tests









#### **Civil Service Commission Corner**

The Promotional Fire Captain examination was administered on Wednesday, October 8, 2014. Three candidates signed up for the exam and all passed. The candidates now proceed to the skills portion of the promotional process 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

#### Flato Park Playground Project

Borders are complete and we just need to do some cleanup around edges. There is some dirt and wood fiber left over that we will be repurposing into other playground units needing filler. Some of the dirt will be moved up to the edge of the concrete border to create less hard surface exposed and a smaller transition.





#### **Kleberg Kenedy County Junior Livestock Show**

has begun renovation of the 50 X 100 Storage Building that was leased to them for storage by Kleberg County. This building is adjacent to the J.K. Northway Expo Center. They anticipate construction to be complete in two weeks.



October 7, 2014 – Hundreds of families attended the annual Law Enforcement event at J.K. Northway. Various Law Enforcement Agencies and local businesses and nonprofits set up booths giving away anti-drug /anti bullying materials, treats, promotional items, and school supplies.



#### Facility Usage for October 1-October 11, 2014 (hours used)

Coliseum 8, Rec Hall 9.25, BBQ Building 8, Baseball Softball Fields 51, Soccer Fields 16, Football field 8, Electrical at picnic sites – 8.

We are in the process of converting our Kleberg County Parks & Recreation Facebook page to Kingsville Parks & Recreation. We are waiting on approval. Please continue to visit our page for all the information on Park events and news. We will also be adding a Parks & Recreation page to the CityofKingsville.com website.

#### **Golf Division (10/05-10/18)**

#### **Golf Course Maintenance**

Golf Division employees are tasked with daily greens, collars, fairways and driving range mowing. Also staff is working on improving the appearance of the facilities by not only mowing but by relocating items such as the mechanical ball washer from the club house to the maintenance barn. Army worms were quick to infest the golf course last week but staff was also quick to respond with a pesticide spraying to reduce the amount of grass loss. Staff also attended a training session from Professional Turf Products on the operation of the golf course sprinkler system. Staff will be implementing the automatic sprinkler system this Sunday evening. Sustainability efforts are also underway at the golf course with the delivery of a recycle cart and scheduled pick-ups.

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#### **Rounds Played**

With the recent cool weather golf activity has really increased with 268 rounds of golf played and 38 buckets of range balls used during October 5<sup>th</sup> thru October 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### Scheduled Tournaments at L.E. Ramey Golf Course

October 25, 2014 Mayors Cup Tournament & BBQ Cook Off, Contact Mr. Perez @ 361-675-0213 November 1, 2014 Javelinas Baseball Team Tournament, Contact Jason Gonzales @ 361-593-3487 November 15, 2014 The American Legion Tournament, Contact Gonzlao "Brucho" Ruiz @ 361-595-9950 or 361-522-5573 November 29, 2014 Christ United Methodist Church Tournament, Contact Cindy Moody @ 361-675-0676 or 361-592-7711

#### **Past Tournaments**

Thanks for holding your tournaments at L.E. Ramey Golf Course: Saint Gertrudes Acts Retreat tournament, October 11, 2014









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## PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Tom Ginter, Director)

#### Message from the New Director

I started Monday, October 13, 2014 in this position. I am really looking forward to working with everybody for the betterment of Kingsville. This week we have had a number of meetings pertaining to the ongoing projects. Cynthia Martin has been great in assisting me in regards to this and all of the other things that go on with the department. The department staff is well versed in what they do and I believe that our efforts together as a team will be positive for the City of Kingsville.

#### **Building Services Division**

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Residential Remodel: 7	Commercial Remodel:
New Commercial: 0	Mechanical:

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New Commercial:	0	Mechanical:	6	Moving:	0
New Residential:	2	Fire Inspection:	14	Gas Inspection:	0
Cert. of Occupancy:	0	Commercial Meter:	0	House Leveling:	1
Plumbing:	4	Residential Meter:	11	Re-roof:	11
Sprinkler:	0	Sidewalk:	0	Sign:	2
Curb:	1	Swimming Pool:	0	Demolition:	0

Total Permits Pulled: 74

#### **GCS Building**

Parmite Pullade

The GCS Building remodel was completed last Friday and on Friday, October 17 we will be handing over the keys to the University for the Eagle Ford Shale Research Center.





Electrical:

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#### **Community Appearance Division**

#### **Community Appearance Inspections**

Notices Sent: 343 Abatements: 43 Obsolete Sign Violations: 2 Inspections: 82 Court Cases: 0 Placards Posted: 19

Re-Inspections: 56 Illegal Dumping Cases: 0

Compliances: 39 Front/Side yard parking violations: 2

#### **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:

#### 330 W NETTIE – CITY ABATED

BEFORE AFTER





906 S ARMSTRONG - Property Owner Abated BEFORE AFTER





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## **326** E ALICE – COMMUNITY APPEARANCE ABATED BEFORE AFTER





431 E NETTIE – Old Pole Removed and Grass Cut - Property Owner Abated BEFORE AFTER





#### Welcome to New Planning and Development Services Director

Community Appearance and Building Services welcome Tom Ginter as the new Director of Planning and Development. We look forward to working with Tom towards a cleaner, safer Kingsville. Welcome aboard Tom.

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#### **Fall Festival**

Appearance staff has been Community preparing for this year's Fall Festival. It is the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Fall Festival. Recycling and community appearance will be the focus at this event. Many of the games will serve as an educational tool on how to maintain a property in a healthy and safe way, as well as tips on good recycling habits. We are searching for volunteers to host a booth and give out treats. The Festival will on Friday Oct. 31st and will begin at 4pm and will run till 5:45pm, the event will be cut a bit short this year due to another event starting at 6pm. Please contact Community Appearance for any questions or concerns at 361-595-8093.

#### **Condemnations / Demolitions**

The Building Department will be presenting dilapidated structure cases to City Commissioners for review on the last meeting of each month, beginning Nov. 2014. For fiscal year '13-'14, 12 were commission approved demo order and 20 were voluntary agreements. As always, Community Appearance would like to thank <u>all</u> those

6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SAFE TRICK OR TREATING 8
FALL FESTIVAL

200 + 300 BLOCK OF EAST KLEBERG FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31st, 2014 4PM - 5:45PM
JOIN US FOR GAMES, PRIZES & A SAFE TRICK OR TREATING ENVIRONMENT.
PARTICIPATING DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS WILL HAND OUT TREATS AS WELL.

We are looking for volunteers to run a game booth and hand out candy. FOR MORE
INFORMATION PLEASE CALL THE COMMUNITY APPEARANCE DIVISION @ 361.595.8093

HAVE A Group 7-11 years.

1 1/2 2/2 & 3/2 Prize winners.

2 Sign in at the Welcome
Booth or call Community
Appearance @ 595.8093

PARTICIPATION OF THE 2/2 MANUAL CASA
ZOMBIE WALK. A BOOTH WILL BE SET UP REAR
CITY MALL FOR MORE PROPRATION VISIT
Brushcountrycas.org OR CALL 306.595.7233

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involved with all the efforts towards the beautification of our legendary city.

#### South Texas Feed & Seed - Voluntary Demo





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#### Top Ten (Ten Worst) Monthly Property Clean Ups - Addresses and Photos

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.

Since this program was initiated 30 months ago, the City has overseen the cleanup of 300 properties. Phase 30 (ten properties per phase). The City employs a reinspection program to ensure that they properties remain clean and orderly and don't return to a non-compliant condition. Phase 30 includes the following properties:

#### PHASE 30

Property Address:	Date of Compliance Deadline:
615 E Ave A	10/30/14
902 E Garcia	10/31/14
1315 E Huisache	10/31/14
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

#### **322 E HUISACHE – City Abated**

**BEFORE** AFTER





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#### 1245 E NETTIE – Property Owner Complied **AFTER BEFORE**





#### How Many of the Ten Worst Cleanups are Performed by Property Owner?

Top Ten Phase#	#of Cleanups by	Top Ten Phase#	#of Cleanups by
	property owner		property owner
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	8 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		

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#### POLICE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Ricardo Torres, Chief)

#### **Patrol Division**

Nine residential burglaries and eight burglaries of vehicles were reported during this time period. Three arrests were made for DWI/DUI and four arrests were made for Public Intoxication. Patrol officers issued 98 citations. Patrol officers responded nine collisions and to two "hit and run" collisions. Officers responded to ten assault calls and ten criminal mischief reports. Officers took two criminal trespass reports and investigated two (non-criminal) deaths. Officers took five fraud or credit card abuse reports and two harassment reports. Officers responded to two reports of sexual assault. Officers responded to 15 thefts and many other calls.

On October 3, officers were sent to Newman Hall in reference to an assault. Upon arrival, the officers learned that a 19 year-old female TAMUK student was intoxicated and had assaulted several people. As a TAMUK police officer approached the female, the female assaulted that officer. After being cuffed by KPD officers, the female continued to resist, kicking at officers. She spit into the face of a KPD officer before being transported to jail. She was charged with three counts of a Assault, Assault on a Public Servant, Harassment of a Public Servant, Resisting Arrest and Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor.

On October 3, a patrol officer recognized a vehicle that had been involved in a theft at a local business earlier in the day. The officer recognized the driver and suspected that he did not have a driver license. The officer confirmed that information with the dispatcher then made a traffic stop in the 600 block of E. King. The male had an outstanding theft warrant and was taken into custody. A baggie of "synthetic marijuana" was found in his pockets. In the back seat was a 24-ounce bottle of Four Loco. The male was transported to jail for the theft warrant, Possession of Controlled Substance and Minor in Possession of Alochol. The vehicle was impounded.

On October 4, an officer was monitoring the parking lot of a nightclub. The officer saw an intoxicated male getting into the driver's seat of a pickup. The officer instructed the male not to drive. The male was too intoxicated to get out of the pickup and the officer had to assist him. The male was arrested for Public Intoxication. It was then learned that he also had four outstanding Municipal Court warrants and was taken to jail.

On October 9, KPD was notified that a car stolen on September 9 had been located in Mexico City.

On October 13 at 11:30 PM, the convenience store at King and Armstrong was robbed by a man with a knife. The male was a white or Hispanic male wearing a black hood and blue bandana over his face. He left the store going westbound. The store clerk was unharmed.

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On October 14, a female reported that her credit card statement had several unauthorized transactions, all in North Carolina, during the three previous days.

#### **Training**

Officers Brown and Vega attended "Basic Hostage Negotiation" course (40 hours) in Arlington.

Corporal Pittman and Sergeant Flores attended "Advanced SWAT" course (40 hours) in Garland.

Corporal Ochoa attended "The Winning Mind" and "The Winning Mind for Women", both eight-hour courses in San Antonio.

KPD's newest officer, Officer Chavana graduated from the Regional Police Academy on October 3. He completed an additional 40 hours of training and was sworn in on October 10. He began riding with a Field Training Officer on October 14.



#### **Criminal Investigations Bureau**

Detectives Supervisor assigned 166 cases and inactivated 51 cases as of October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Along with these cases there were also 9 DWI's and 13 Crash reports one being a fatality.

Detectives are working cases on a high influx of sexual assaults.

Detectives have filed a case on two individuals in reference to the bank robbery. Both subjects have since been indicted. All detectives did an outstanding job on this case.

Detectives have filed 65 cases during this period. There were 26 cases filed in District Court, 34 cases filed in County Court, 2 case filed in City Court, and 3 filed in Juvenile Court.

Along with this there have also been 4 search warrants typed and executed, and several arrest warrants have been obtained in reference to pending cases. One which was forwarded to the U.S. Marshall's for service in reference to injury to a child.

Each Detective is currently working a case load of about 60 to 80 active cases.

Now that school and college are back in session two detectives are working nights to assist in cases that may arise from the higher volume of traffic in late hours.

Several of the Detectives assisted with the Bullying video with Harvey Elementary School. Watch for video soon on Channel 18.

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The detectives have been attending area trainings. The training has ranged from Advanced Child Abuse to Injury to the Elderly and/or Disabled. All the Detectives are doing a great job on working on their cases in attempt to better serve our community.

#### **Communications Bureau / Division**

Lead dispatcher Mrs. Monica Flores completed the following courses Power 911, MIS Reporting and Power Mapping. Mrs. Flores attended the courses at the Coastal Bend Council of Government in Corpus Christi, Texas. Mrs. LaTonya Johnson and Mrs. Monica Lopez traveled to the Portland, Texas for training. They completed the Active Shooter for Telecommunicators eight hour course. Daily Wells came out to do repairs on the radio. Dispatchers were having problems keying up and officers cutting out at the beginning of their transmission. Once the service representative completed repairs there have been no further problems.

A technician from Simplex Grinnell came out to check on problems with our alarm system.

He cleaned out the air duct and sensors in the crime lab. He also had to disconnect and clean the sensors in the mechanical, dispatch and equipment room.

Tim Snyder from Simplex Grinnell came by the station looked over our alarm system and will be providing a quote for a new system.

Welcomed Mrs. Jennifer Moreno to the communications department after a successful interview the previous week.

finished the background information on the last remaining potential applicant.

Received seven hundred and thirty one 911 calls.

Received two thousand thirty three regular calls to the station.

The communication department also completed fifteen citizens records check.

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#### **Neighborhood Improvement Officer / Division**

#### 2014 Abandoned and Junk Autos

#### Week 39

The following stats are from Week 39:

- Junk Vehicles 2
- Abandoned Vehicles 1
- Parking Citations –43
- Non-Ordinance Violation Checks -8
- Compliance 1

#### Week 40

The following stats are from Week 40:

- Junk Vehicles –1
- Abandoned Vehicles 1
- Parking Citations –9
- Non-Ordinance Violation Checks -9
- Compliance 2

#### Week 41

The following stats are from Week 41:

- Junk Vehicles –2
- Parking Citations –22
- Non-Ordinance Violation Checks -17

#### Before and After Photos / Addresses

So far for the year of 2014, 124 vehicles have been tagged (Combination of Abandoned and Junk Autos) in the City of Kingsville. There have been a total of 108 compliances for the year. NIO has also issued a total of 998 Parking Violations (Citation and Warning Combined) for the year.

These are some photos of citizens who have complied.





1200 E FORDYCE AVE

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330 W RICHARD AVE

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

#### **MURRAY**

Case#1400027155 – Traffic stop was conducted in the 700 block of W Ave C and the driver of the vehicle was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance Penalty Group 2A < 2 oz.

Case#1400028538 – Male subject came to the police department and advised he had located some synthetic marijuana. I met with the male in the 500 block of E Ave C where the package of synthetic marijuana was collected as found property.

Cases Filed with County Court 2
Cases Filed with District Court 3
Prosecution Charge Report Supplements 0
Traffic Stops 34
Citations 1

#### **GONZALEZ**

Case #1400028032 – Inv. Gonzalez was working off duty at the Texas Ranch Club where he arrested a male subject for Public Intoxication.

Case #1400027431 – Inv. Gonzalez conducted a traffic stop in the 1100 block of S 14<sup>th</sup> St and the driver of the vehicle was arrested for Driving Under the Influence.

Case #1400027242 – Inv. Gonzalez was working off duty at the Texas Ranch Club where he arrested two female subjects for Disorderly Conduct (Fighting in Public) and Public Intoxication.

**Traffic Stops 38** 

Citations 0

#### **RUIZ**

**Traffic Stops 55** 

Citations 16

**Patrol Assist** 

Case #1400027669 – Ptlm. Brown conducted a traffic stop in the 2300 block of S Brahma Blvd. The driver of the vehicle Derrick Thomas was arrested for several warrants issued for his arrest out of Kleberg County. The passenger of the vehicle Krisit Vasquez did not have a valid license, so the vehicle was impounded. Ptlm. Brown went to the Budget Inn (716 S 14<sup>th</sup> St Room #101) to contact the owner of the vehicle and advise him the vehicle had been impounded. Upon arrival, Ptlm.

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Brown contacted the owner of the vehicle Douglas Perry. Ptlm. Brown was allowed to enter the room and observed synthetic marijuana in plain view. Ptlm. Brown held the scene until the SLOT Team arrived on location. A search warrant was completed and the hotel room was searched. The search yielded 36 bags of synthetic marijuana, a Swisher Sweet bag containing synthetic marijuana, and a cell phone. Perry and Vasquez (Had been transported back to the room by Sgt. Flores at her request) were arrested on scene for Manufacture Delivery of a Controlled Substance Penalty Group 2 or 2A > 4G < 400G. Interviews were later conducted with both Perry and Vasquez. As a result of the interviews arrest warrants were later issued for Perry, Vasquez, and Thomas for Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity. An arrest warrant was also completed for Thomas for Manufacture

Delivery of a Controlled Substance Penalty Group 2 or 2A > 4G < 400G.



Case #1400027167 – Ptlm. Vega attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 200 block of S 5<sup>th</sup> St, but the driver of the vehicle who was later identified as Marlon Mcgee failed to stop the vehicle. After a short vehicle pursuit the vehicle came to a stop. SLOT Team went to assist Ptlm. Vega with the stop. A search was conducted of the vehicle which yielded a small plastic bag containing marijuana. Officers walked the route in which Mcgee evaded in the motor vehicle and located a plastic bag that contained possible cocaine. At this point in time Mcgee has not been

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charged for the cocaine that was located. The total weight of the suspected cocaine was approximately 28 grams. Mcgee was charged with Evading with a Motor Vehicle and Possession of

Marijuana < 2oz.





#### **Narcotics Investigations / Purchases Conducted**

Case #1400026959 – Purchased \$20.00 of marijuana

Case #1400028558 – Purchased \$20.00 of synthetic marijuana

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#### Training Bureau / Division

On October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Detectives J. Michalski and R. Salinas attended an Advanced Forensics Investigation in Corpus Christi, Texas and received 12 hours of TCOLE credit.

On October 4, 2014 Lead Dispatcher Monica Flores and Dispatcher Latonya Johnson completed an 8 hours Active Shooter for Telecommunications at the Portland Police Department.

On October 7, 2014 Detective R. Salinas taught a distraction device (Flash Bang) course and recertified members of the SWAT team and other KPD Officers.





Officer Reyna deploying a Flash Bang

**Detective Greif Deploying a Flash Bang** 

#### **Taser Certification**

On October 8, 2014 Officer Michael Chavana attended a TASER certification course taught by Officer J. Aleman. Officer Chavana was exposed to the TASER during the course and he received 6 hours of TCOLE Credit.



#### **Advanced SWAT Course**

On October 13<sup>th</sup> through October 17, 2014 Sergeant Flores, Corporal Pittman, and Investigator Gonzalez attended an Advance SWAT course in Garland, Texas and received 40 hours of TCOLE credit. Fast Rope Course

On October 13<sup>th</sup> through October 17, 2014 Officer Brown and Officer Vega attended a basic hostage negotiations course in Arlington, Texas and received 40 hours of TCOLE Credit.



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#### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Charlie Cardenas, Director)

#### **Engineering Division**

#### **Streets, Curbs & Gutters**

Engineering and GIS is working on Street construction projects and curb and gutter construction.

Engineering has been conducting damage assessments on properties from the rain event on September 27<sup>th</sup>. Part of the assessment is checking curb elevations in problem areas.

Engineering has been drawing and surveying wastewater line elevations and assisting in drainage elevations in new developments.

#### **GIS**

GIS continues to work on the pavement model degradation rate, as well as its uses with the

GovQA software. The next step in the pavement model is to create a yearly cost estimate and funding source.



#### **Street Division**

#### **Road Constructions**

Crews are placing Hot Mix on Alexander Street from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Street Crews

completed culvert replacement on Caesar & 17<sup>th</sup> Street. Crews used 12 Tons Cushion Sand, 20 Yards Cement and 7.37 Tons of Hot Mix During the culvert replacement.

#### Tree Trimming

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

#### Mowing

- East Side of Franklin Adams Cement Ditch
- Carlos Truan Blvd. from Bypass to NAS
- Brahma Blvd
- General Cavazos Blvd. from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to Brahma Blvd.
- Corral Ave. to Hwy 77 Bypass



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- Santa Gertrudis Ave. to Hwy 77 Bypass
- Police Dept.
- Ailsie Ave. from 14<sup>th</sup> St. to Franklin Adams Cemetery Road
- 17<sup>th</sup> St. from Bridge to Sidewalk
- 6<sup>th</sup> St, from N City Limit sign to S City Limit sign
- West Side of Franklin Adams
- Connel Villa
- General Cavazos from Hwy 77 Bypass to NAS
- Kenedy Ave. East of Hwy 77 Bypass
- Cemetery Rd to 6<sup>th</sup> St
- Carlos Truan from Hwy 77 Bypass to NAS
- Caesar Ave. from Hwy 77 Bypass to NAS
- 6<sup>th</sup> St. from Corral Ave. to South of the City Limits
- Franklin Adams from Caesar Ave. to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- Hwy 77 Bypass from General Cavazos Blvd. to NAS

#### Gutters

- Completed all of Zone 7
- Ave F, Ave G, Ave H and Ave I from Armstrong to 1st
- Wells St. from Corral Ave. to Ave I
- 1<sup>st</sup> St. from Ave I to Corral Ave.
- 1<sup>st</sup> St. from Corral Ave. to Mesquite Ave.
- Mesquite Ave. from Armstrong to Ave D
- Wells from Corral Ave to Ave D
- 1<sup>st</sup> St. from Mesquite to Ave D
- Ave D from Armstrong to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- 4<sup>th</sup> St. from Ave D to Corral Ave.
- Richard St. from Corral Ave. to Ave C
- 5<sup>th</sup> St. from Ave D to Ave B
- 4<sup>th</sup> St. from Ave B to Ave C Ave C from 4<sup>th</sup> St. to Armstrong
- 2<sup>nd</sup> St. from Ave D to Ave C
- 1<sup>st</sup> St. from Ave C to Ave D
- Wells from Ave C to Ave D
- Alexander Ave from 8<sup>th</sup> St. to 11<sup>th</sup> St.

#### Drains

- Corral Ave. & Elizabeth Ave. from Santa Gertrude's Estates to 17<sup>th</sup> St.
- Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- 14<sup>th</sup> St. to 77 Bypass

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- 14<sup>th</sup> St. to Armstrong Ave.
- Cleaned numerous storm drains removed palm leaves, pieces of cement and tires

#### Round up Spraying

- Hoffman Ave. from 7<sup>th</sup> St. to 8<sup>th</sup> St.
- Alexander Ave. and Miller Ave from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to 14<sup>th</sup> St.
- Elizabeth Ave. from Loop 428 to 7<sup>th</sup> St.
- 7<sup>th</sup> St. from Aisle Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- 8<sup>th</sup> St. from Caesar Ave. to Alexander Ave.
- 11<sup>th</sup> St. from Caesar Ave. to Aisle Ave.
- 13<sup>th</sup> St. from Caesar Ave. to Miller Ave.
- General Cavazos Blvd9.from Hwy 77 to Brahma Blvd
- Aisle Ave. from Loop 428 to Carlos Truan Blvd.
- Shelly St. from Ailsie Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Ailsie Ave from Loop 428 to Franklin Adams
- Armstrong Ave from Caesar Ave. to King Ave.
- King Ave.at PD (Parking lot and back fence)
- 16<sup>th</sup> St. & Ave B (Rock pile Site)
- Corral Ave. at Public Works (Fence line)
- 6<sup>th</sup> St. & Escondido at Stop sign triangle
- Armstrong Ave. from King Ave to Ave I
- Corral Ave from Lantana to 20<sup>th</sup> St
- Corral from 20<sup>th</sup> to Bypass 77
- Santa Gertrudis from Hwy 77 to Hwy 141
- King Ave. from May to 2<sup>nd</sup> St.
- King Ave. from 2<sup>nd</sup> St. to 17<sup>th</sup> St.
- King Ave. from 17<sup>th</sup> St. to Hwy 77
- Caesar Ave. from Hwy 77 to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- Carlos Truan Blvd from 14<sup>th</sup> St. to Saratoga
- Carlos Truan Blvd. from Saratoga to Hwy 77
- 6<sup>th St</sup> from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- 14<sup>th</sup> St. from Ailsie Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.

#### **Street Sweeping**

- General Cavazos Blvd. from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Hwy 77
- Drained water hole in front of school for patching crew
- Ailsie Ave. from Franklin Adams to 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- Drained water and swept at trash off on Lott from 6<sup>th</sup> to Ave B
- Corral Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to Armstrong Ave.
- Armstrong Ave. from Corral Ave to Caesar Ave.

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- Drained water from Annette and Ailsie Ave.
- Corral Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to Armstrong Blvd
- 2<sup>nd</sup> St. from King Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Drained water on 16<sup>th</sup> St. & Huisache Ave.
- Ailsie Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> St. to Franklin Adams
- 2<sup>nd</sup> St. from King to Yoakum
- Santa Gertrudis from 6<sup>th</sup> to Armstrong
- 6<sup>th</sup> from Richard St.to Kenedy Ave

#### Hot Mix/Cold Patching

- 8<sup>th</sup> St. & Fordyce Ave.
- 14<sup>th</sup> St.& Huisache
- 23<sup>rd</sup> St. & Lott Ave.
- Brookshire & Gillette
- University Blvd Intersection
- Ave C & 10<sup>th</sup> St.at Intersection
- Ave C & 13<sup>th</sup> St. at Intersection
- 8<sup>th</sup> St. & Fordyce Ave. at South side of street
- 1219 E Ella Ave
- 214 W Alice Ave.
- 100 block 8<sup>th</sup> St near HEB
- 1130 E Huisache Ave.
- Alice Ave. & 14<sup>th</sup> St.
- Ave H & Wells St.
- 6<sup>th</sup> St.by Kleberg School
- 6<sup>th</sup> St. from Corral Ave to South Y
- 6<sup>th</sup> St. from South Y to North Y
- Armstrong Ave. from Corral Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Ave B from  $14^{th}$  to  $6^{th}$
- 612 E Ave D
- 702 E Henrietta Ave.
- Fordyce Ave. from 14<sup>th St</sup>. to 10<sup>th</sup> St.
- Caesar Ave. to Miller St.
- Otis St.
- 700 block E Richard Ave. from Alice Ave. to 11<sup>th</sup> St.
- Corral Ave & Santa Rosa
- Santa Rosa
- 200 W Ave B
- 12<sup>th</sup> St and Nettie Ave.
- Alexander St.

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- Trant Rd. and Golf Course Rd.
- Shelly Ave. and Rettye
- Hobb Valley
- Allen Drive
- 12<sup>th</sup> St from King Ave. to Johnston Ave.
- Wells & Ave H
- 200 block W. King Ave. & Jackson
- Escondido Rd
- Huisache Ave. from 14<sup>th</sup> St. to 15<sup>th</sup> St.
- 600 block King Ave. & Wells
- W King Ave & Wanda St.
- Kenedy Ave from 14<sup>th</sup> St to Hwy 77Bypass
- Lott Ave. from 14<sup>th</sup> St. to 16<sup>th</sup> St.

#### Alley Maintenance

- Richard & Santa Gertrudis Ave. on 17<sup>th</sup> St.
- Ella Ave. & Santa Gertrudis Ave. on the 1200 block
- Sage Rd from Young Dr. to Armstrong Ave.
- 509 E Ragland Ave.

#### Miscellaneous Sign Shop

- Put name signs on 5<sup>th</sup> St. and King Ave., 7<sup>th</sup> St and Yoakum Ave. and Ave C & Martin Luther King Jr.
- Weed eat at Ave B and 6<sup>th</sup> St.
- Put mourning signs at 1102 E. Fordyce Ave.
- Cleaned out old Calling Solution building.
- Cleaned sign shop for Inventory
- Picked up Mourning signs on Fordyce
- Helped with Inventory in sign shop
- Working on Calling Solutions loading tables and frames
- Helped Mike with Hot Mix on Otis, 11<sup>th</sup> St, 6<sup>th</sup> St, 17<sup>th</sup> & Caesar Ave. and Richard St.
- Set Mourning signs at 1248 E Ave C
- Took orange fence on 6<sup>th</sup> St. & Ave B
- Cut branches on 17<sup>th</sup> St. & Lott, 12<sup>th</sup> & Yoakum, 4<sup>th</sup> & Richard and 4<sup>th</sup> & Santa Gertrudis
- Set Mourning signs at 701 W Kleberg Ave.
- Trimmed trees at 900 E Kleberg Ave., 800 E Kleberg Ave and 311 E Santa Gertrudis.
- Repaired railing on 12<sup>th</sup> St. between Nettie Ave and Vela.
- Replaced Dip sign on 7<sup>th</sup> St and Lott Ave.
- Helped with hot mix on Kenedy Ave and 12<sup>th</sup> St. and on 12<sup>th</sup> St. from Doddridge Ave to Caesar Ave.

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- Replaced stop sign on 16<sup>th</sup> St and Nettie Ave and 16<sup>th</sup> St and Warren Ave.
- Checked lights at Harvey school on Lott Ave and on Santa Rosa.
- Repaired leaning stop sign on Fordyce Ave. and 8<sup>th</sup> St.
- Cleaned banner for La Posada
- Made street name sign for Lee St.

#### **Water Production Division**

#### **Routine jobs**

#### <u>Collected 18 routine Bacteriological Samples:</u>

- 620 E. Mesquite Ave.
- 505 E. Henrietta Ave
- 428 W. Nettie Ave.
- 1630 Santa Fe
- 318 Briarwood
- 329 E. Doddridge Ave.
- 417 E. Nettie Ave.
- 916 W. Ave I
- 724 W. Richard Ave.
- 511 College Place
- 1513 E. Warren Ave.
- 621 E. Kenedy Ave
- 1121 E. Ave A
- 707 E. Santa Gertudis Ave.
- 1109 E. Henrietta Ave
- 312 W. King Ave.
- 1142 W. Yoakum Ave
- 3303 S. Brahma Blvd.

#### Collected 21 daily chlorine residuals:

- 707 E. Santa Gertrudes Ave.
- 1121 E, Ave A
- 511 College Place
- 916 W. Ave I
- 724 W. Richard Ave.
- 417 E. Nettie
- 621 E. Kenedy Ave.
- 1513 E. Warren Ave.
- 4011 Allen Drive
- 332 E. Ave B
- 721 W. Mesquite Ave.

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- 1612 Shirley
- 2020 Sherwood
- 217 Pasadena
- 506 W. Fordyce Ave.
- 711 E. Ragland Ave.
- 315 S. 24<sup>th</sup> St.
- 209 Reidda
- 1113 Kathleen
- 517 W. Henrietta Ave.
- 318 Briarwood

#### Delivered Ammonia to 9 sites; delivered Chlorine to 9 sites.

Water pumped to distribution (9/8 - 9/21) - Wells -61,159,000 gallons; Surface -12,767,000 gallons; 0 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 49,022,000 gallons; Average -3,520,285.71 gals/day

#### **Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant Division**

<u>Wastewater Treatment North Plant</u> – 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. Rabalais worked on Carlos Truan Lift Station and 1717 Lift Station. TCEQ Inspection is taking place.

<u>Wastewater Treatment South Plant</u> – 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 has finished installing the UV Shed. TCEQ inspections are taking place.

#### Wastewater Collection – Had 19 call outs for sewer backups

404 W. Ave A

620 E. Huisache Ave

Reidda Dr

229 W. Richard Ave.

522 W. Santa Gertrudes Ave

1901 South Park

604 W. Kleberg Ave

1120 E. Caesar Ave

1129 Lawrence

906 N. 9<sup>th</sup> St.

305 W. Santa Gertrudes

3400 Masters Drive

640 E. Ave C

4340 Masters Drive

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405 Nelda

220 W. Richard Ave

725 E. Richard Ave.

220 W. Richard Ave.

1529 E. Warren Ave.

13<sup>th</sup> St. and Alice Ave.

1201 E. Doddridge

1726 Santa Fe

725 E. Richard Ave.

1529 E. Warren Ave.

1718 Calvin

3903 Allen Drive

Crews repaired 6 cave ins

401 Seale

809 E. Fordyce Ave

512 S. 7<sup>th</sup> St

409 W. Santa Gertrudis

300 block of E. Fordyce

704 E. Hoffman

Repaired 1 main sewer line at Santa Gertrudis and Wells

Repaired 2 sewer lines

Kingsville Bakery

229 W. Richard Ave.,

Repaired 1 manhole at 830 Stacie

Installed 1 clean out at 910 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St.

Replaced 1 clean out cap at 910 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St.

3 line locates at

1406 E. Corral Ave A

Kenedy Ave. and Armstrong Ave.

Armstrong Ave. and Ave D

Put in 1 new sewer tap at 522 W. Santa Gertrudis Ave.,

Sink hole 405 E. Huisache Ave.

Backfilled and cleaned at

521 Helen Marie

Ella Ave. and 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

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#### 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
- 7. C&D Electric sill be sending out1600amp breaker to Houston to determine cost estimate.
   8. JMF installing lift station pump #3 at 17<sup>th</sup> and Lee lift station.
- 9. Jah-Con installing Miltonic (measures flow) at 1717 Lift Station.
- 10. Waiting on quote from JMF for 2 lift stations pumps at Carlos Truan Blvd.
- 11. Purchasing MC150 diesel pump from Godwin Pump
- 12. Rabalais will be installing starter relays for panel at Carlos Truan Lift Station.

#### **Water Distribution Division**

Repaired 14 Main Breaks and answered approximately 97- Service Calls, 32- Locates, 4-Service line leaks, 16- water leaks 25- Meter Leaks 7- Backfills, 5- valve repairs, 2- Customer Side Leaks; 1-Vacuum water; 4– No Water/Low Pressures; 0– Turn off Water, 0 -Turn on; 1 Hydrant Repair

6"	Main Break	600 block W. Lee Ave.
2"	Main Break	13931 Boyd
2"	Main Break	405 Nelda.
2"	Main Break	916 W. Henrietta Ave
4"	Main Break	1722 Linda.
3"	Main Break	Vela St.
8"	Main Break	between 4021 and 4011 Allen Drive
8"	Main Break	4109 Allen Dr.
6"	Main Break	Carol Ave/Otis and Otis/South Park
2"	Main Break	1830 Elizabeth
6"	Main Break	430 S. Wanda Ave
6"	Main Break	242 Otis
6"	Main Break	815 S. 6 <sup>th</sup> St
6"	Main Break	312 W. Lott Ave

Water crews worked with contractor to replace concrete on Santa Rosa, Birchwood, and S. Wanda Dr. Water crews continue to replace concrete where leaks were repaired. Water crews helped at the GSC building.

#### **City Garage Division**

#### Maintenance

24- Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 59 scheduled work orders; 71 nonscheduled work; 23 Service calls; 4 Call out; 12 New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 24 flat tire repairs and balances; 42 pending work orders. The Tommy Lift on Unit 520 is at the Ford Dealer. Unit 544 is still at Fleet Pride. Turbo parts are on order for Unit 5110 and Unit 545 is at Allison Transmission.

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#### Welder

12 received work order and 9 pending work orders

Welder is working on hand rails and t-pipe rack. Welder is cutting scrap metal at the park and working on the gooseneck hitch on one of our units.

#### **Solid Waste Division**

#### Landfill

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 Landfill has received 11.1" of rain in the last 3 weeks. The landfill purchased a pressure washer. Holt Cat came to the Landfill to work on the Scraper's A/C system and to replace the fuel pump. The Scraper is back in service. The Landfill Supervisor, Public Works Director and Public Works Assistant Director met with Naismith Engineering regarding finalization of Landfill Permit Amendment. Santa Anita brought a tire trailer to the Landfill. The Dump Truck and Skid Steer Loader bids were submitted to Purchasing. Rey Rivera came out to the Landfill to give an estimate on placing concrete at the entrance road of the scale. Landfill employees worked on erosion on the east slope.

<u>Brush – 133 tons; Garbage –1397 tons Litter –.14 tons; Construction/Demolition – 1106 tons; Concrete -17.1 tons, metals -.86 tons; Sludge –tons; Trash Off – 51.16 and Recycled tires -.18.35 tons.</u>

#### Sanitation

Residential waste collected from 9/22 – 10/12 – 945,400 pounds; Commercial waste collected 1,189,120 pounds; Brush collected 78,080 pounds and construction debris collected 185,880 pounds. The brush crew completed collecting in Zone 2 and picked up White Good on October 3, 2014. They will begin brush pickup in Zone 3 on Monday October 6, 2014 and working on abatements and demos when possible. A demolition was completed at a structure next to 1240 E. Henrietta and a house and a shed were removed at 523 William Street. The demolition at the American Legion Post 99 on Shelton St. was complete. Sanitation has taken over watering new trees planted around the city and does this on Wednesdays. Recycling for the month of September totaled 22.36 tons from the Recycling Center taken to Corpus Christi.

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

#### **Purchasing Division**

#### **Purchase Orders**

Purchasing issued 99 Purchase Orders valued at \$324,598.98. 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 requests or reasons for keeping them open. We show a total of 34 Purchase Orders still open. A report will be going out to all Department Heads showing the outstanding Purchase Orders.



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#### **Purchasing Card Statements**

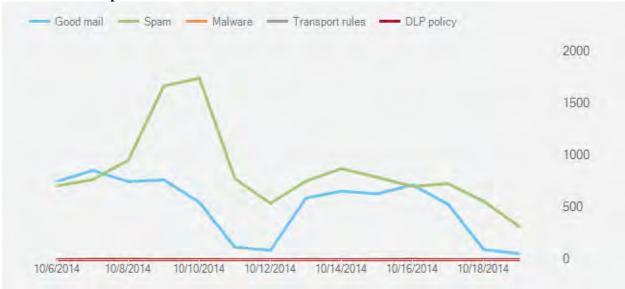
94 P-Card statements were issued and returned with only a few minor errors. We had some bumps with the process but overall everything went very well. We will once again be conducting training Wednesday, October 22nd on Purchase Orders, Purchasing Card Records, Purchasing Cards, and Travel Forms/Reconciliations for the new departments and anyone who missed the last class or would like to just get a refresher. All are welcome. Please let us know if you plan to attend so that we can be well prepared with your copies.

#### **New Budget Year**

With the new budget year in place the Purchasing Department is running at full speed. We are currently getting new quotes on vehicles and equipment as most of the quotes used for budgeting have expired. A few items will be on the October 27<sup>th</sup> agenda foe Commission approval, and we should have the balance ready for the November 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. With these items cleared, we can begin assisting individual departments with their projects that require ITB's, RFP's, RFQ's, and any other complicated purchases.

#### **Technology Division**

#### E-Mail Flow Report



The city of Kingsville over the past two weeks processed 18602 email messages. We blocked 11424 spam and malware messages. We processed 7178 'good' emails. We have begun the final process for adding photo's to the email system and including all employee information. It is important that all employees receive photo ID.

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#### GovQA (Work Order)

We are currently making progress by providing support and training for Planning and Permits. We have addressed most of the concerns they had with the system. We have worked out and applied how to handle payments through the system. Currently, we are working at identifying how and when to add important information into the system. The Health Department has provided the information they wish to add to the request and case filing system. Collections added the filed weed liens this will enhance the information that is currently being inputted by the Community Appearance Division.

Technology staff is currently working on adding the flow chart that was discussed in the meetings to the Gov QA system. Also Technology staff is looking to provide mobile printing and tablet capabilities to the inspectors on the field this will enhance their ability to operate the system. Additionally, Technology has been able to add the platting from laserfiche into the govqa system enhancing our ability to consolidate data. Additionally we are able to pull information from Kleberg CAD into the GovQA planning and permitting case file to allow for ease of data access.

#### **Radio Communications**

The City Manager has formed a group of interested participants including himself, Daily Wells, R&R Systems, and a representative of the COG on how best to approach radio communications systems. During the Daily wells communication meeting we were demonstrated on several hand held radio systems. They demonstrated an emergency portable system that can be loaded and easily configured on a communications trailer. As well as the necessary infrastructure upgrades needed to have a complete APCO-25 system. These systems are not necessarily independent of each other. Daily Wells suggested that we approach this from an infrastructure methodology and reduce the chance of having compatibility issues in the future. R&R seems to prefer distributed mesh methodology as opposed to single infrastructure methodology. Both vendors are in agreement that a backup infrastructure must be put in place. And both vendors are in agreement that the current system while still functional has to be replaced within the coming years. Daily Wells who currently handles the majority of the PD's infrastructure was very concerned that the current system has reached its EOL (End of Life). They will still provide support and repair parts for as long as it takes to upgrade the system but it again it needs to be addressed at some point. The other issue that was discussed was the 800 vs 700 this seems to be an issue with build outs. Currently, and in the future all 800Mhz will work and continue to work but in order to add additional licenses or channels either the channel must be pre provisioned (already owned) or on the 700 band. As for requirements and interoperability I believe this is covered under the P-25 compliance.

#### LaserFiche Weblink

Laserfiche WebLink is a user-friendly public portal site for providing Internet access to your publicly available documents. It can be configured to display a visual style that matches your existing Website and to show searches and links that quickly guide users to what they are looking for. Laserfiche WebLink is designed to be more accessible to external users who might be unfamiliar with Laserfiche or your organization's naming conventions and filing methodologies. It acts as a

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Zooms, pans or scrolls across pages without reloading.

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Enforces watermarks and redactions on print and PDF exports.

Designs customized searches—controlling how users locate and view documents—without having to edit any code.

Creates search forms, set up the Welcome page and customize your site's colors and logo with the WebLink Designer.

Views usage statistics for your WebLink site with the WebLink Reporting Utility.

Makes relevant documents searchable through third-party search engines.

Exposes folder content updates and search results through an RSS feed.

Saves bandwidth by e-mailing search results and document links.

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

#### **Library to Introduce Digital Periodicals**

Library patrons will soon have access to nationally syndicated magazines and newspapers thanks to the partnership between NOOK Media, a division of Barnes and Noble®, and OverDrive®, the leading global distributor of digital content for libraries. NOOK Newsstand is the largest digital collection of the top 100-bestselling U.S. periodicals and a vast collection of global newspapers and magazines. Patrons with a valid library card will soon be able to access periodicals through their NOOK account via a NOOK tablet device or through a suite of FREE NOOK Reading Apps that can be downloaded to an electronic device. Robert J. Kleberg Library patrons who download NOOK Newsstand content through the library will also have access to the free in-store support and expertise provided by the various booksellers at Barnes & Noble's more



than 650 bookstores across the United States. This new partnership between OverDrive® and NOOK Newsstand will allow registered patrons to access popular magazines and newspapers in the same manner, and on the same website, as they discover and borrow OverDrive® eBooks, audiobooks, and streaming video from OverDrive® through the library's website, <a href="www.kleberglibrary.com">www.kleberglibrary.com</a>. Patrons can anticipate accessing Nook's digital periodicals on the library's OverDrive® site by the end of year.

#### Library to Attend City's Halloween Carnival

The library is making plans to attend the 2014 City of Kingsville Halloween Carnival on Friday, October 31, 2014, in Downtown Kingsville. This marks the second year that the library participates in this event, which had a successful result in the number of people that visited the library's booth. Library staff will be passing out information about services for adults, and focusing on services for children such as Toddler Story Time, OverDrive® for Kids & Teens, TexShare Homework Resource and more. The staff will be ready to answer any questions the public might have. Come by the carnival and learn more about the library's services.



#### **National Night Out Event A Success**

The library's appearance in Sarita, Texas, at Kenedy County's National Night Out on October 7, 2014, was an overall success, thanks in part to the *Library on the GO* Bookmobile. Information & Technology Librarian Joey Garcia and Library Assistant Krystin Torres were on hand for the evening talking with community members and showcasing some of the library's online services that can be accessed from a computer or mobile device. The top services citizens asked about throughout the night were Mango Languages® and OverDrive® eBook services. This event was also the

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community's first up close and personal view of the *Library on the GO* Bookmobile and its Mobile Wi-Fi service. The library had a total of 65 people stop by, along with an additional 42 people who accessed the Mobile Wi-Fi connection. The next library community event is scheduled for Saturday, November 22, 2014, during the Ranch Hand Festival, in which the library will be hosting the *Howdy Authors!* event.

#### RISK MANAGEMENT (Courtesy of Melissa Perez, Risk Manager)

#### Ebola Awareness Training to be conducted for all City of Kingsville employees

Ebola transmitted to humans from wild animals, and can be spread among people from contact with infected bodily fluid. The first known Ebola outbreaks occurred in secluded villages near tropical rainforests in Central Africa. Today, West Africa is facing the worst known outbreak in history, and the often fatal virus threatens Europe and the United States. Texas is getting their share of the virus infection as well, recently effecting Dallas Texas. It is vitally important all Texas Cities are well-prepared for this type of virus coming to their



District. The City of Kingsville Risk Management Department will be hosting "Ebola Awareness Training" for all city employees on October 30<sup>th</sup> 2014 at the City Hall Commission Chambers. The Training session is open to all city employees.

### Defensive Driving held for City employees on October 9th 2014

The Task Force Department, Risk Management and Human Resource Department hosted two Defensive Driving Classes. The classes were from 9am to 4pm located at the City of Kingsville

Recycling Center. A Defensive Driving course is very important and teaches basic skills like: Backing up, Merging, Intersections, City Driving and Distracted Driving. There were two days to attend the course, the Risk Management Department attended on October 9<sup>th</sup> with Charlie Ramirez; Department of Public Safety Officer (shown above) trained the class on Oct 9<sup>th</sup>.





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#### Georgina Ybarra Property Specialist visits Parks and Golf Course

Several City Directors, Supervisors and Managers attended the Annual TML Texas Municipal League Conference in Houston Texas September 30<sup>th</sup> – Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> 2014. The TML Conference was held

at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston from September 30 – October 3, 2014. There were exhibitors, sponsors and vendors at the event with several classes to choose from. Pictured on (left) is Mayor Nelda Martinez – City of Kingsville Risk Manager Melissa Perez and her husband





Dionisio Perez attending a dinner sponsored by AEP. Picture on (right) was a breakfast with a presentation from speaker; Gloria Campos – Retired WFAA News Anchor.

# Parks and Recreation Meeting – Possible assistance from Offender Labor

The Parks and Recreation Team members consist of City Manager Vince Capell, Charlie Cardenas City Engineer & Public Works Director, Bill Donnell Asst. Public Works Director, Jennifer Bernal Community Appearance Supervisor, Susan Ivy Parks Manager and Leo Alarcon Tourism Director. The Team is hard at work meeting regularly to discuss and create new ways to Identify Capital

Improvements, Identify deficiencies, Maintain overall landscaping on parks and Golf course. Another avenue the team is exploring to assist the parks is to try to utilize offender labor from our neighboring city San Diego Tx (Glossbrenner Unit). The Glossbrenner Unit is located at 5100 S FM 1329, San Diego Texas. Offender labor is utilized in order for certain State Jail felony offenders to fulfill community court service requirements as well as saving tax payer dollars without displacement of free world jobs.





#### City Employee Game Night Event on November 1st

The Employee Recognition and Safety Committee has been meeting on a regular basis to discuss this years upcoming Employee Recognition and Safety week





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& banquet scheduled for December 1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> 2014. Apart from the committee planning the Christmas events we are also planning a Game night/tail gate for all city employees and their families on Saturday November 1<sup>st</sup> at Texas A&M University parking grounds. The event will have refreshments and food for all employees attending. The city will also be providing tickets for family members who want to attend the football game that evening. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Game night event the city is throwing. Thank you City of Kingsville staff for your hard work!!

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

#### Four Agent's Dedication and Commitment to Drug Enforcement

On Friday September 03, 2014 at approximately 10 PM, Kingsville Task Force Agent Mike Tamez received a phone call from Brownsville DEA Agent Joseph Garcia about a Truck Tractor Semi-Trailer (TTST) leaving McAllen sometime between 10 PM and 4 AM enroute to Houston, Texas. According to Agent Garcia, the TTST was possibly containing a large amount of Cocaine. Agent Tamez began to research information on the TTST and learned it crossed the Falfurrias Border Patrol Checkpoint earlier at 9:53 AM. The name of the trucking company was identified. Agent Tamez immediately started calling local DPS Troopers; however he could not reach any of them. Agent Tamez then called Interdiction Officer Eric Garza from the Houston Police Department and asked for his assistance. Eric Garza and Narcotics Detective Pat Esquivel eventually stopped the TTST at approximately 3AM in the City of Houston, Texas. Officer Eric Garza called Agent Tamez and advised the following: the driver did not have a CDL or a medical card; the Company name and USDOT information were fake, the commodity which was 800 boxes of limes that were spoiled, the shipper's information on the bill of lading and destination were also fake. Officer Eric Garza located a small bag of cocaine inside the driver's boot and placed him under arrest for Possession of a Controlled Substance. After searching as much of the trailer as the

Houston PD officers could without offloading the commodity, Officer and Detective Esquivel secured the TTST until they had a location to off load the spoiled commodity. On Monday October 06, 2014 HPD Officer Eric Garza was able to off load the commodity and with Tamez's assistance did locate a floorboard compartment inside the trailer above the landing gear. Officer Garza was then able to locate the compartment's access panel again with Agent Tamez's assistance and removed a total of 159 kilos (approximately 350 pounds) of Cocaine from within



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the false floor. The street value of the confiscated cocaine is 3.5 million dollars. This is an example of great networking between 3 different law enforcement agencies and four narcotics agent's persistence to fight drug trafficking in our country.

#### National Night Out 2014 Event at the JK Northway

On Tuesday October 7, 2014 the Kingsville Community participated at a National Night Out Event at the JK Northway in Kingsville. The Kingsville Task Force along with several local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies were exhibitors at the event. Task Force Staff and Interdiction Agents provided drug prevention information and materials to attendees.





#### Marijuana Found in Spare Tire of Truck Traveling Northbound

On Wednesday October 08, 2014 Kingsville Task Force Agent Mike Tamez stopped a black Ford F-150 truck for a traffic violation near the intersection of U.S. Hwy 77 and County Road 2230. Agent Tamez identified an 18 year old female driver and 19 year old male passenger. Both stated they were coming from Harlingen and were going to Houston; however

details of their stories were

contradicting. While both speaking with occupants, Agent Tamez observed visual and indications verbal of deception. Agent Tamez asked for and was granted consent to search the truck from each occupant.





Agent Tamez lay on the roadway in order to search the truck's undercarriage. Agent Tamez immediately observed an inconsistency with the truck's spare tire. Agent Tamez immediately knew there was something concealed within the tire due to his knowledge and inspection techniques. Both

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occupants were detained and the traffic stop was moved to the City of Kingsville Garage. Once at the garage Agents cut the spare open and discovered bundles of marijuana concealed within. Agent's weighed the bundles and totaled 53 pounds of marijuana.

#### Five Men Charged in Large-Scale Cocaine and Money Laundering Conspiracy

On Wednesday October 08, 2014 (Corpus Christi, TX.) - Mario Capote-Morejon, 43, and Enrique Artiles-Mata aka Calvo, 54, both of McAllen, and Helvis Artiles, 25, of Mission, have been arrested along with two others on charges related to a cocaine trafficking and money laundering conspiracy, announced Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent in Charge Joseph M. Arabit and U.S. Attorney Kenneth Magidson.

The three South Texas men were charged in a sealed indictment along with Victor Pacheco-Ortiz, 35, of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Osvaldo Alpizar, 57, of Miami, Fla., on Aug. 13, 2014, which was unsealed today upon their arrests. Capote-Morejon and Artiles-Mata are expected to appear before a U.S. magistrate judge in McAllen tomorrow. Alpizar and Artiles are expected to appear in Miami and Pacheco-Ortiz will make his appearance in Brooklyn in the near future.

The indictment alleges that beginning in January 2008, all five men conspired together to possess with intent to distribute more than five kilograms of cocaine. Artiles-Mata is further charged with knowingly engaging in a conspiracy to launder monetary transactions between February 1, 2012, and up to the date of the indictment.

Also included in the indictment is a notice of criminal forfeiture regarding five South Texas real properties and one Cessna aircraft as purchases derived from the criminal activity. The United States has also provided notice of its intention to seek a personal money judgment in the amount of \$1 million.

If convicted of the cocaine conspiracy, all face a minimum of 10 years and up to life in federal prison and a possible \$10 million fine. Artiles-Mata further faces up to 10 years if convicted of the money laundering conspiracy.

The Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Operation dubbed Operation Rubix Cube was conducted in various major cities throughout the United States. Participating agencies include Drug Enforcement Administration, Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation, police departments in Aransas Pass and Corpus Christi, Texas Department of Public Safety, Homeland Security Investigations, **Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force** and the U.S. Marshals Service.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Julie K. Hampton. An indictment is a formal accusation of criminal conduct, not evidence. A defendant is presumed innocent unless convicted through due process of law. Great job by all involved.

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#### **Kingsville Task Force Hosts Second City-Wide Training Session**

On Thursday October 9, 2014 the Kingsville Task Force hosted another training session 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 Senior Corporal Charlie Ramirez from Corpus Christi. In addition to the required training, course completion certificates were issued by the Texas DPS instructor that can be utilized for a 10% savings on employee's personal vehicle insurance.

Many thanks go to the DPS Instructors, Risk Manager Melissa Perez, HR Director Diana Gonzales, Community Appearance Supervisor Jennifer Bernal, Administrative Assistant Jessica Storck and all the course attendees for their assistance with both training sessions.

#### Money and Vehicle Seizure with One Arrest

On Tuesday October 14, 2014 at approximately 7:40 p.m., Kingsville Task Force Agent Jeremy Loftin conducted a traffic stop at U.S. Highway 77 and County Road 2280 on a black Lincoln MKS for a traffic violation. After the traffic stop was initiated, Agent Loftin observed the license plate to be out of North Carolina. Agent Loftin contacted the female driver and observed several discrepancies with her itinerary to McAllen, Texas. Agent Loftin then contacted the male passenger and began to question him about their purpose to McAllen, Texas. The passenger became agitated from the law enforcement encounter and questioning was stopped. After contacting both subjects, Agent Loftin felt that there was some sort of criminal activity possibly occurring.

Agent Loftin re-contacted the driver and asked her for consent to search the vehicle. She declined consent and Agent Villalobos along with his narcotic detection dog "Nitro" arrived shortly to assist Agent Loftin. Agent Villalobos deployed "Nitro" on the vehicle and received a positive alert to narcotics in the vehicle. A probable cause search was conducted and Marijuana residue was found on the passenger floorboard as well as inside a portable ashtray cup. The search resumed and three bundles of United States

Currency were found hidden in some clothing inside a backpack located in the trunk area of the vehicle. Both subjects were detained and transported to the Kingsville City Garage for further investigation.

Once at the garage, Agent Tamez located a clear plastic baggy containing Marijuana stuffed underneath his passenger seat after a vehicle search was completed inside his police unit. Agent Tamez had transported the male passenger from the traffic stop to the City Garage





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and was the only person inside his vehicle during his shift. A review of Agent Tamez's camera revealed the male passenger attempting to discard the Marijuana. The passenger was placed under arrest for Possession of Marijuana and Tampering with Physical Evidence. The vehicle and the U.S. Currency which totaled \$16,520.00 were seized pending investigation for Money Laundering. The female driver was released at this time.

#### TOURISM SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Leo Alarcon, Director)

#### Kingsville Civic Clubs Partner With Navy League to Honor the Military

As part of the Kingsville Noon Rotary Club, Tourism Director Leo Alarcon and Downtown Manager Cynthia Martin were present for the Annual Combined Service Club Luncheon to honor Kingsville NAS military personnel. The host for the luncheon is the Navy League of the US which is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating citizens about the importance of sea power to the nation's

security and supporting the men and women of the sea service and their families.





# **Tourism Department Creates New Banner for Promoting Area**

The Tourism department produced a new banner to promote Kingsville and recently partnered with the King Ranch Visitors Centers at the 26th Annual Hummer Bird Celebration in Rockport. Tourism Director Leo Alarcon and King Ranch Nature Tour Coordinator Tom Langschied were stationed at a booth promoting the Ranch Hand Weekend activities that would be held in Kingsville in November. There were a number of speakers for the event from all over Texas. The Hummingbird celebration also included two hour trips for visiting exclusive hummingbird banding sites and two homes.



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#### The Annual Ranch Hand Weekend Planning Committee Makes Progress



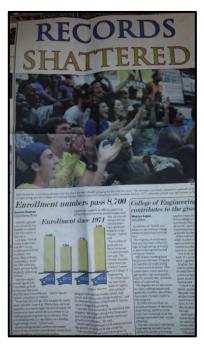
Everyone is invited for a weekend of an early morning breakfast, more food, entertainment and a rodeo competition as the City of Kingsville celebrates its Annual Ranch Hand Weekend on November 21 - 23. The festivities honors the area's rich cultural heritage as one of the basis of the Texas ranching industry and will feature the breakfast, the downtown festival and the rodeo at the parks and much more. Those attending the Ranch Hand Breakfast on the King Ranch are asked to stopover at the Historic Downtown Kingsville and continue the celebration of its local heritage. The 1904 Depot Museum will be the information booth for the festival. Local museums, artists, businesses, community organizations, vendors and the university work together to provide cowboy-themed entertainment and activities. These events are always set for the weekend before the Thanksgiving holiday and kick off Kingsville's La Posada holiday celebration which follows the Ranch Hand.

#### Area Newspapers Praise TAMUK and the City of

#### Kingsville

During the past few issues area newspapers have complimented the City of Kingsville and the Texas





A&M-Kingsville on sprucing up the town and the amount of people coming into the area and enrolling TAMUK. Tourism Director Leo Alarcon paid tribute to Kingsville for his upbringing in a guest column he contributed to the Kingsville Record, while the Caller-Times and the South Texas reported on the record number of students enrolling this fall.

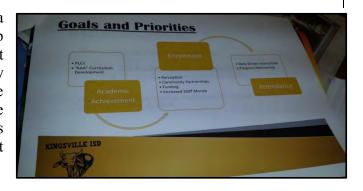
#### **KISD Superintendent Compliments**



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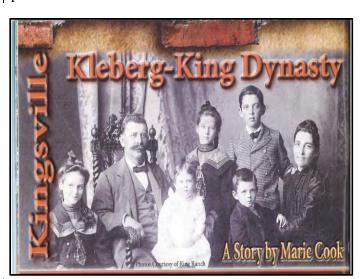
#### **School Achievements**

New superintendent Carol Perez made a presentation to the Kingsville Noon Rotary Club with the achievements obtained by the district during the past year and the accountability ratings. She also mentioned the goals set for the new school year as well. Perez said the state predicted that KISD would lose students this school year but on the contrary; the district gained students instead.



#### History of the King family featured in Texas Now Magazine

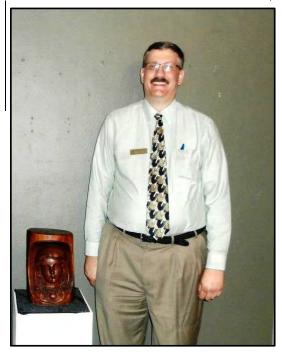
The first of a multi-part series on the history of the family who built the King Ranch is featured in the October issue of Texas Now Magazine. The King Ranch provided photographs for the publication. The article invites visitors to visit the King Ranch and the King Ranch Museum. The



second page of this month's article included an advertisement for the Conner Museum in general and the Images of Valor exhibit in particular. The magazine's events calendar features the October 31<sup>st</sup> Zombie Walk, a CASA fundraiser, that Tourism hopes grows to be as popular here in Kingsville as it is in Corpus Christi where it brings in scores of people.

# Jonathan Plant named to Historical Development Board

Jonathan Plant, current Director of the Conner Museum, has been appointed to serve on the Historical Development Board for a three year term. Mr. Plant has a Masters Degree in History - Museum Studies from the University of Central Oklahoma. He has a special interest in 18<sup>th</sup>-early 20<sup>th</sup> century American history and historic architecture plus he knows quite a bit of local history - all of which make him a perfect fit for a position on the Board.



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#### First in a Series - Technician Assists in an Effort to Beautify Historic Downtown Kingsville

Kingsville native George Delgado was recently hired on a part-time basis as the Tourism Services Technician to specialize in the appearance of the Center and to help keep the appearance of downtown Kingsville in ship-shape condition. The following are before and after pictures in an effort to beautify the historic area.

# Downtown Bandstand BEFORE



#### **AFTER**



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# Wild Olive Trees at ATT Building Behind Texas Theatre BEFORE



#### **AFTER**



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#### Work on the Salazar Building Progresses

Steady progress is being made on the restoration of the 1927 V Salazar Building. For those who do

not know its history, the building was the home of Vincente Salazar Grocery and Clothing Store. The store was family operated from the beginning and was said to have a system of credit to assist those who had limited amounts of cash on hand. The store had a bustling business in its heyday. The building's last occupants ran an antiques business. The building is being rehabilitated as a venue for weddings, quinceañeras, reunions and other gatherings.

The building is shown here getting a new coat of plaster.



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

#### Regular Commission Meetings (Robert H. Alcorn Commission Chambers)

Monday, October 27, 2014 6:00 p.m. Monday, November 10, 2014 6:00 p.m. Monday, November 24, 2014 6:00 p.m. Monday, December 8, 2014 6:00 p.m. Monday, December 22, 2014 6:00 p.m.

#### **Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers)**

Thursday, October 23, 2014 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 13, 2014 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 27, 2014 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 11, 2014 3:00 p.m.

#### **Board Meetings (Commission Chambers)**

Planning and Zoning Board Wednesday, November 19, 2014 6:00 p.m.
Historic Development Board Wednesday, November 19, 2014 4:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustments TBA 6:00 p.m.
Civil Service Commission TBA 11:00 a.m.

#### **Board Meetings (Respective Location)**

Library Board TBA 4:00 p.m. City/County Health Board 3<sup>rd</sup> week of every other month 5:30 p.m.

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#### **Reminders:**

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

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