

City of Kingsville, Texas
Staff Report
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“There is always a better way to do it-find it.”

-Thomas Edison

www.brainyquote.com



FOCUS ON EMPLOYEES

Please accept my recommendation of Health Inspector I, Connie Allen for the “Good Job Award”.

Connie has worked for the City of Kingsville since 2007 but on April 25, 2012 started working at the City-County Health Department. Connie Allen is a great employee and full of energy. She has mastered the position of a Health Inspector I and has become very knowledgeable in the field of food service.

Mrs. Allen also teaches our Food Handler Classes and Fundraiser Food Handler Class. Connie has become a very skilled individual in Food Service Ordinances and other Health & Safety Codes. She is a hard worker and has a dedication to her job like none other. Connie works great with all other employees and is always willing to go that extra mile to help someone in need. Connie is a great asset to the Health Department and I am glad to have her as our Health Inspector I. Keep up the good work Connie!!



Thank you for considering Health Inspector I, Connie Allen for the Good Job Award.

Emilio H. Garcia
City-County Health Department, Director

Tourism Department (Courtesy of Leo Alarcon, Director)

Tourism Services Department

Corpus Christi Caller-Times Recognizes City of Kingsville Float

Photographer Gabe Hernandez with the Caller-Times captured the photo shown at right of the City of Kingsville float entry. The picture shows the back of the float displaying the city limit sign during the 2015 Buc Days Toyota Illuminated Night Parade in Corpus Christi during the 3 hour ride in front of City Hall on Leopard Street. Thousands of people adorned the street and shouted positive gestures to the volunteers riding on the float. Miss Kingsville Mercyah Medrano and Mariachi Nueva Vida members performed on the float. They are all students at H. M. King High School. Members of the Mariachi group are Zach Rodriguez, Brianna Rodriguez, Forrest Gendron, Daniel Gutierrez, Esai Perez and Laura Rodriguez. Those working on the City float were Tourism staff members Alicia Tijerina, George Delgado, Mary Cano, Mary Ann Escamilla and Leo Alarcon. Cecilio Obregon with the Public Works department drove the truck that pulled the float. Volunteers that helped put together the float in Corpus Christi were Norma Martinez, Niki Tijerina, Dora Martinez and Micaela Mendieta. The following pictures were taken by staff.



Mayor Gives State of the City Address

Mayor Sam Fugate gave praise to Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Naval Air Station-Kingsville and to private developers for the economic progress that was occurring in Kingsville. He also made note of the remodeling that took place at the Dick Kleberg Park Recreation hall, the hiring of a new golf course manager and the remodeling efforts of historical buildings.

Towards the end of his speech, Mayor Fugate (pictured below) decides to bring in a little humor by wearing a sombrero. The hat was part of the decorations on display by the Kingsville Chamber of Commerce for an upcoming event celebrating Cinco de Mayo on Richard Avenue.



Richard Avenue Comes Alive for Cinco de Mayo Affair

A Cinco de Mayo celebration took place at the Old El Centro area on Richard Avenue. The Kleberg Hispanic Chamber and the Kingsville Chamber of Commerce partnered with the City of Kingsville Tourism, Parks, and Public Works departments along with Kleberg County Judge Rudy Madrid and several members of his department. Several vendors were available along with free food, drinks and raspas. Committee members included Maggie Salinas, Alice Byers, Leo Alarcon, Judge Rudy Madrid, Sonny Alvarez, Susan Ivy, Richard Kirkpatrick, Cynthia Martin, Alicia Tijerina and Lucy Perez. A special thanks to Ben Torres Printing Company for the use of his land.







Tourism Staff Says Goodbye to Library Assistant Mary Ann

With heavy hearts, the staff at the Tourism office said goodbye to Mary Ann Escamilla. The temporary staff member became part of the Tourism staff due to the temporary closure of the public library back in January. “We were very saddened to hear that Mary Ann had to go back to her regular job at the library,” Leo Alarcon said, “she was an asset to our department and will be greatly missed.” Mary Ann was a team player and helped with activities during Valentine’s Day, she became the Easter Bunny for the office, and she helped with the Buc Days Parade float.



Engineering Senior Design Conference



The College of Engineering at Texas A & M University Kingsville held their annual engineering senior design conference on May 1st. As always, there were several projects that featured designs for work around the City. These projects included a hike and bike trail for Dick Kleberg Park, Escondido Road Rework, safety improvements on Hwy 77 intersection, work on a railroad crossing, improvements to the Boys and Girls Club of Kingsville, and restoration work in the historically Hispanic business district along the 200, 300 and 400 blocks of East Richard Avenue in a stretch of the city that is experiencing some revitalization.

Hispanic Historic District Restoration presentation



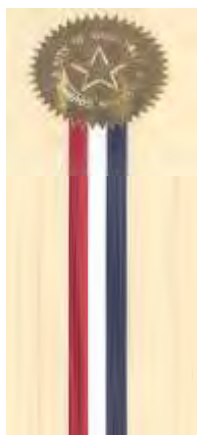
Senior Engineering students, Erik Saenz, Ignacio Izaguirre, Christian Rodriguez, Joshua Pena and Servando Herrera, Jr. presented a plan for a new drainage system, roadway and sidewalks for Richard Avenue from 6th Street to 9th Street. As a bonus the group designed a plan for shaded parking and a park with a plaza. All of this came with a budget figured by the team. Judges complimented the student group on their outstanding graphics and for the wide diversity of the project. The group has been working and meeting regularly with the Dean of the School of Engineering, Stephan Nix, and City Engineer, Charlie Cardenas, on this project.

Historic Preservation and Rehab Tax Credit Workshop



Downtown Manager, Cynthia Martin, attended a symposium on historic preservation and rehabilitation tax credits in Brownsville on May 1st. After a review of the South Texas historic built environment and a discussion of preservation projects in the Rio Grande Valley, staff of the Texas Historical Commission discussed the process for evaluating projects and qualifying buildings for state and federal tax credits and presented case studies. The Texas state tax credit is one of the strongest programs in the country and will do much to stimulate investment in historic properties.

May Proclaimed Preservation Month in Kingsville



Mayor Sam Fugate proclaimed the month of May, 2015 as National Preservation Month calling on "all citizens of Kingsville to join in recognizing and participating in this special observance." Since the National Trust for Historic Preservation created Preservation Week in 1971 to spotlight grassroots preservation efforts in America, it has grown to an annual celebration observed by small towns and big cities alike with events ranging from architectural and historic tours and to educational programs. Preservation Month will be celebrated in Kingsville with a look at recent building rehabilitations ongoing around town – the Salazar Building, historic HM King School and the Texas Theater during a May 22nd public reception at the Depot Museum at 5pm

Salazar Building Interior Nearing Completion



The Salazar Building was open to walk through during the Cinco de Mayo celebration held on Richard Avenue May 9th. Owner, David Thibodeaux, was on hand to talk to visitors and market the space that is slated to open for business in June as a venue for weddings, receptions, reunions and meetings. Watch for a grand opening soon.

Downtown Changes



This Spring has seen a number of businesses sprucing up their places downtown from a new roof at Salon-de-Lis at 506 E Kleberg to new display windows at Galore & More at 320 E Kleberg to a new planter in front of Al's Hair Design at 321 E Kleberg to new doors and brightly painted trim at the Mendoza Law Firm office at 119 N. 7th and a new coat of stucco and signage at Ponchos on the Border, 601 N. 7th Street.



Economic Impact of Historic Preservation

Seven Ways Historic Preservation Makes a Big Economic Impact in Texas



AUSTIN, Texas — A recent University of Texas and Rutgers University economic impact study revealed some surprising facts about the significant benefits of historic preservation efforts in the Lone Star State.

The study contained seven key conclusions:

1. **Tourists love historic districts and preserved or restored sites.** More than 10 percent of Texas travel is heritage related, with \$2.26 billion in annual visitor spending related to history-based tourism.
2. **Historic preservation supports tens of thousands of Texas jobs.** Heritage tourism supports 54,000 jobs in Texas; historic preservation supports 79,000 jobs (2013 numbers).
3. **Historic building rehabilitation rebuilds communities.** Private and public institutions in Texas invest a total of \$772 million in historic preservation projects, making a significant economic impact in communities across Texas.
4. **Historic county courthouses make great economic sense.** Since 2000, \$251 million in grants across 91 counties through the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program has created 9,600 jobs and added \$651 million in state gross domestic product. It has also revitalized downtown areas in large and small communities.
5. **Texas Main Street communities make good business sense.** Since 1981, participating cities in the Texas Main Street program have made an average annual contribution of \$310 million to state GDP. Cumulative reinvestment in Main Street areas has totaled more than \$5.2 billion since 1981. Currently, 89 cities participate in the program.
6. **Historic properties attract significant reinvestment.** Every dollar from federal and state incentive programs triggers \$4–\$5 of private sector investment, spurring \$1.78 billion in private-sector rehabilitations, and creating 35,000 in-state jobs and more than \$2.4 billion in Texas GDP.
7. **700 Texas history museums bring economic vitality to communities.** Museum organizations in Texas spend \$93 million annually, not including capital expenditures, and each attracts thousands of visitors every year.

Finance Department (Courtesy of Deborah Balli, Director)

Finance Administration Division



DID YOU KNOW?

Circulating coins have a life expectancy of 30 years while paper money is expected to last 18 months.

<http://www.usmint.gov/kids/coinNews/funFacts.cfm?group=3>



FY 13-14 Audit

John Womack & Co., P.C. completed the audit of the City of Kingsville's Fiscal Year 2013-2014. With the audit wrapped up, the Finance Department is working on producing the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Once complete, the CAFR will be presented to the City Commission and John Womack & Co. will present the audit findings. The City will also be submitting the FY13-14 CAFR to the Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement Program.

Budget Workshop/Training

On May 14th the Finance Department held a budget workshop/training on the FY 15-16 budget process. Department Directors received a budget workbook that included department information and worksheets to help enter expected annual and department requested budgets. During this workshop, the new supplemental requests forms were discussed as well as other important budget issues. After the budget discussions, Incode users were invited to stay for a training session on entering the expected annual and department requested budgets into the Incode budget module. Departments have until June 5th to enter the expected annual and department requested budgets. June 5th is also the due date for any supplemental requests.



Utility Billing Division



Water Trivia Facts

- American residents use about 100 gallons of water per day.
- Americans use more water each day by flushing the toilet than they do by showering or any other activity.
- More than 25% of bottled water comes from a municipal water supply, the same place that tap water comes from.
- Approximately 400 billion gallons of water are used in the United States per day.
- In one year, the average American residence uses over 100,000 gallons (indoors and outside).
- The first water pipes in the US were made from wood (bored logs that were charred with fire).
- It takes more water to manufacture a new car (39,090 gallons) than to fill an above ground swimming pool.

http://water.epa.gov/learn/kids/drinkingwater/water_trivia_facts.cfm

What's in your Utility Billing Statement?

Your monthly utility bill includes the following:

1. Account holder's name and mailing address
2. Account number
3. Bill date
4. Due date

5. Amount due
6. Service dates
7. Current/Previous reads (take current read and subtract previous read and then multiply by 100 to get the number of gallons used for that time period)
8. Sewer cost
9. R.O Cost (trash can)
10. Landfill cost
11. Stormwater cost
12. Tax
13. Announcements

Of course with any questions regarding your bill feel free to call the Utility Billing Department between 8:00 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, except City approved holidays. The City will be observing the Memorial Day holiday on Monday, May 25, 2015.

Meter tech stats/Service orders

Disconnect service: 58

Fix Meter: 66

Force out: 28

Check for leak: 13

New Service: 91

Disconnects/lock for non-payment (non-service order): 507

Reminders: Any payments dropped off in the night drop need to be in check, money order, or cashier check form and signed. 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 at their collection point 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.

Municipal Court Activity Report

This report covers the court activity from April 29, 2015 thru May 11, 2015

New Cases: 177



35 Parking, 92 Traffic, 31 State Law, 19 City Ordinances

Cases Disposed: 179

29 Parking, 116 Traffic, 26 State Law, 8 City Ordinances

Warrants

Warrant Officer Davis executed 88 warrants during this period. To avoid an order of arrest stop by any officer please stop by the city court office to inquire all options available for release of any active warrant(s). You may also visit the city website to inquire if you have an active warrant: www.cityofkingsville.com

Collections

Collections during this period came to \$46,272.87 in fines and court costs.

Court Dates – May 2015

Pre Trial Session	5/26	8:30 am (Assist DA Prosecutor Popejoy)
Attorney Cases Incl.	5/19	8:30 am (Assist DA Prosecutor Popejoy)
Contempt of Court	5/26	9:00 am
Inmate Session	5/21	2:00 pm
Regular Court Hearing	5/21	3:00 pm
Trial Hearing- Bench	5/21	4:00 pm (Assist CA Prosecutor Craig)

Court Dates – June 2015

Pre Trial Session	6/2 & 6/9 & 6/23	8:30 am (Assist DA Prosecutor Popejoy)
Attorney Cases Incl.	6/16 & 6/30	8:30 am (Assist DA Prosecutor Popejoy)
Contempt of Court	6/9 & 6/23	9:00 am
Inmate Session	6/4 & 6/18	2:00 pm
Regular Court Hearing	6/4 & 6/18	3:00 pm
Trial Hearing- Bench	6/4 & 6/18	4:00 pm (Assist DA Prosecutor Craig)

Court Dates – July 2015

Contempt of Court	7/7 & 7/24	9:00 am
Inmate Session	7/2, 7/16 & 7/30	2:00 pm
Regular Court Hearing	7/2, 7/16 & 7/30	3:00 pm

Acknowledgments

Many thanks to the Kingsville Police Department for the security provided during the court sessions of May 7, 2015! Special thanks to Officers Fonseca #86, Chavana #73 & Perez #71.

Congratulations Mrs. Victoria Cavazos

Specialist Deputy Court Clerk, Mrs. Victoria (Vicky) Cavazos of Kingsville Municipal Court has completed all of the requirements for Level II of the Municipal Court Clerk Certification Program, and will soon be awarded the certification by the Texas Court Clerks Association (TCCA) in conjunction with the Texas Municipal Courts Education Center (TMCEC), the Texas Municipal Courts Association (TMCA), and the Texas State University-San Marcos. Mrs. Vicky Cavazos has been with the Kingsville Municipal Court since January 7, 2013.

Job Well Done

The court staff and I would like to take this moment and express our gratitude to Miss. Krystin Torres...JOB WELL DONE. This young lady exceeded expectations with the court's daily functions. She was on loan to our department from the Library because of its temporary closure. Due to her extraordinary skills, hard work and teamwork, the court staff and I were able to continue business as usual and stay on track with annual responsibilities.

We wish her success and many blessings on her journey! Thank you, Miss. Krystin Torres.

Special Reminders to all Citizens

Citizens are encouraged to contact the City of Kingsville Municipal Court by calling 592-8566 or in person at 200 E. Kleberg regarding any outstanding warrants or city traffic and ordinance citations.

Now available on the city website is the option to pay for any outstanding balances due in court, including active warrant orders. Interested persons can visit the website at www.cityofkingsville.com.

City County Health Department (Courtesy of Emilio Garcia, Director)

Administration Division

City-County Health Department staff attends Hurricane Conference

On May 6-7, 2015, Health Inspectors, Connie Allen and Jason Torres, and City-County Health Director, Emilio H. Garcia, attended a 2015 Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference at the Richard M. Borchard Regional Fairgrounds, Robstown, Texas. There were over 700 plus attendees from all over South Texas attending the two day conference. Attendees consisted of Emergency Manager Coordinators, City and County Law Enforcements, Health Professionals, Fire & Rescue Departments, Adult Day Care Center Representatives, Wireless Cellphone Representative, Insurance Agencies, Ambulance Service Companies, Weather Forecaster (Meteorologists) and State Officials. The Hurricane Conference was a great way to network with individuals from South Texas and the table top exercise was a good way to discuss and work through issues and challenges many cities might face in a natural disaster such as a hurricane. Other City of Kingsville attendee was Melissa Perez, Risk Manager. Also attending was Tomas Sanchez Jr., Kleberg County Emergency Management Coordinator. Pictured at left is Nueces County Judge Lloyd Neal welcoming all attendees to the 2015 Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference, and at right Channel 6 Meteorologist, Maclovio Perez addressing the attendees with opening remarks!





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.

May 4-May 15, 2015

Kentucky Fried Chicken	100	Burger King - Riviera	94
Mariachis House of Burgers	100	Riviera School	93
Kleberg County Nursing/Rehab	100	Pepe's Patio	92
China West	100	Ricardo ISD	89
Marlott's	100	Taiwan Family Restaurant	89
Baffin Fisherman	100	TAMUK - Dining Hall	89
TAMUK - Javelina Bookstore	100	China One	88
Elks Lodge	100	Stripes	87
CB's Bar B Que	97	Linda's Main Street Café	86
Pizza Hut	97	Big House Bar B Que	81
Lydias	96	Super 8 Motel	79
Asian Buffet	96	Casa de Tacos	65
TAMUK - Jernigan Library	100	Big House Burgers	97
Gillett School	100	Memorial School	97
Aspire to Lead Academy	100	HM King High School	91
Kingsville Head-start	100	Church's Fried Chicken	74

Regular & Fundraiser Food Handler Class:

Food Handler Class	10 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class/St. Gertrude's School
Food Handler Class	21 Students	Regular Food Handler Class/Health Department

Permitted Temporary (Fundraiser) or Permanent Food Events:

Arturo Chavez/Rivera Youth Football	Temp Food Event	Snow Cone sales
Benefit for Becky Alvarez	Temp Food Event	Hamburger sales
TAMUK Leo Club	Temp Food Event	Potato Wedge sales -

Animal Control Center Division

City-County Health Department/Animal Control Center
MONTHLY PET ADOPTION DAY

The City-County Health Department Animal Control Center will be opening the first Saturday (only) of every month sponsoring our monthly pet adoption day, animal releases and for any other animal control related issues. The Center will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Come by and see our variety of dogs, puppies, cats and kittens waiting to be adopted and have a second chance at life in a forever home!

Saturday, June 6, 2015 from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

3421 North Farm Market 1355
Kingsville, Texas 78363
2 miles north of the Javelina Football Stadium

Adoption fee is \$20.00 and a \$15.00 refundable vaccination fee

Adopters and rescue groups are invited to save a life!

For questions please call the City-County Health Department @ 361-592-3324



The City-County Health Department-Animal Control Division reminds you to:

**Protect your pets have them
Vaccinated, Sterilized and Microchip
The City-County Health Department
Animal Control Division**

For questions please call the City-County Health Department @ 361-592-3324

Please join us on Saturday, May 30, 2015 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
For Purina Day at our local Tractor Supply Company

2405 S. Brahma Blvd.

Come see our doggies and kitties waiting to be adopted or rescued
into a forever home to be loved and care for!!



New Animal Control Vehicle

The City-County Health Department recently had a 6 stall slide-in animal control unit installed onto a new Ford F-250 animal control unit #953. Jason Torres, Health Inspector II, and Robert Hinojosa, Animal Control Specialist, traveled to Woodson, Texas to have the slide-in installed at Jones Trailer Company. The installation took about 2 hours.



Mosquito Control Division-(Vector)

The City-County Health Department encourages you to dispose of any standing water in buckets, bird baths, old tires, and any other containers that may breed mosquitos. Use this friendly reminder to protect **YOUSELF** and reduce the risk of disease and the breeding of mosquitos. ***Do your part in Keeping Kingsville Clean and Safe. Together we can all make a Difference!***

A Reminder to Protect Yourself from Mosquitoes

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

So be sure to:

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

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

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

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



Parks & Recreation Department (Courtesy of Susan Ivy, Manager)

Girls Softball Complex shows a definite need for some dirt work in the off season to assist with drainage on the fields. Their fields hold quite a bit of water. County Commissioner Cantu from Precinct 3 is assisting us with hauling Red Dirt for the fields from Von Ormy near San Antonio at no charge. This saves us quite a bit of money. This league is doing great assisting with field maintenance this year. Kudos to Thunder Girls Softball League!



Corral Park Update: After applying roundup to the trail, Park employees installed the temporary signs made by the Pharmacy School students and used the baseball field drag to go back and forth on the trail to clear the dead grass. Parks staff believes it is starting to look great. Staff is investigating some possible trail surfacing options to assist with keeping it from being muddy. Fugate, Interim City Manager Courtney Alvarez, City

Engineer Charlie Cardenas, and Parks & Recreation Manager Susan Ivy received the donation of funds in the amount of \$3,255.91 from the Pharmacy School PATH Program students for assistance with the project. Above at to the right,

Mrs. Ivy is shown getting her sugar level checked at the PATH Health Fair the students hosted at Corral Park recently. Thank you to the University and the students for these worthwhile projects!

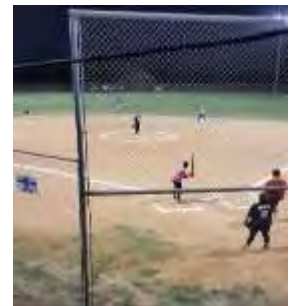


New Plants at Dick Kleberg Park:

TAMUK Spring Taxonomy Class planted additional Live Oak and Crepe Myrtle Trees along Escondido Road to compliment and complete the row of trees that are already there. They look great. Thanks kids!



Kingsville Adult Softball League is in Full Swing. Everyone is having a great time and the season is off to a great start.



Cinco de Mayo Celebration: Parks Staff assisted with the recent Cinco de Mayo Celebration held in the Hispanic Historical District on Richard Street. Parks provided bleachers and tables and chairs for attendees to sit under along with some small tents to assist the City's Tourism department,

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Kleberg County Judge Rudy Madrid, and the Kingsville Chamber of Commerce, who all provided free food and drinks for everyone. Parks staff also provided a piñata party for the kids to enjoy after great music and dance performances by local school groups.



The annual Kleberg County Employee Health Fair was recently held at the J.K. Northway building. Judge Madrid took the opportunity to deliver his State of the County Address to employees on hand.



State of the City Address: The Kingsville Chamber of Commerce recently hosted the Mayor's State of the City Address at the Rec Hall in Dick Kleberg Park. What a great opportunity we were given to show off the work we have been able to accomplish at the Rec Hall with help from our 4H Donation, Inmate Work Program Assistance, and help from other City of Kingsville Departments. There is still work to complete. Restroom partitions will be replaced and staff will evaluate the funds remaining to see how much further they can go with improvements. Thanks everyone!

Summer Activities: Parks staff is now working on trying to get the equipment that has been received for Corral Park placed in that park, finishing Brookshire Pool preparations for summer opening on June 3rd, finalizing plans for summer programs and events, and hiring staff for these activities. They are also finalizing information to place on their new Parks pages on the City of Kingsville Website and compiling their Summer Activities Brochure which is printed and distributed to all the schools in Kleberg County. They anticipate the web pages will be up and running very soon.

Golf Course (Courtesy of Jimmy Saenz, Manager)

Golf Division (5/1-5/14)

A special thanks to the H.M. King FFA for letting us host your annual golf tournament!

The Golf Course is pleased to announce they will be the hosting a *free* junior golfer camp in late June. The dates and times will be announced very soon. If citizens have any old putters that they would like to donate, please feel free to give the Golf Course Manager a call or drop them by the pro-shop.

On July 8th and 9th golf staff is looking forward to being a part of the summer camp that the Parks Department will be hosting at the course.

Golf staff has an aggressive program with the greens and the greens are starting to respond very well, as can be seen in the photos below. Once the course dries out a little more, then staff will start doing some rewiring work to the irrigation system and hopefully have the automated irrigation system up and running again soon.



Scheduled tournaments at L.E. Ramey Golf Course:

H.M. King Scholarship Tournament, May 2, 2015

St. Gertrude's Tournament, May 23, 2015

Yaklin Family Reunion Tournament, June 13, 2015

**For tournament contacts or to schedule your tournament please call L.E. Ramey Golf Course
@ 361-592-1101**

Fire Department (Courtesy of Joey Reed, Chief)

Training and Professional Development

Jet Aircraft Extrication Training – Ejection Seat Safety – KNAS Fire Department invited personnel from KFD to participate in a jet aircraft ejection seat safety program. The class instructed rescuers on how ejection seats operate and how to work safely around them in case of a crash or emergency.



Cultural Diversity Training – Fire department personnel have been viewing and discussing diversity instructional videos. The training is intended to make employees aware of the differences between employees and between customers and remind them to act appropriately when working with others.

Hurricane Conference - Members of the Department attended the Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference in Robstown on May 6th and 7th.

Other Department Activities

Hydrant Maintenance – Clearing around fire hydrants was conducted during the period.

Facilities and Equipment:

Medic Units: Medic 1 transmission locked up in Park. Received quotes to install reflective chevrons on front of medic units and engines. Medic 2 was leaking, coolant tube replaced. Medic 1 leaking power steering and brake fluids, taken to City garage. Medic 1 pulled from service due to severe pulling of steering to one side. Sent to shops, but still pulling to one side.

Engine 1: Failed fire pump test for second year in a row. Problem may be with insulation around radiator. We will make repairs to see if this solves the problem.

Engine 2: Fuel tank leak. Radiator shop removed and repaired tank.

Rescue 1: Class A foam system check valve inoperable and needs to be replaced.

Station 1: Air conditioning in administrative offices stopped working. Repair company called in to make repairs. Having some login problems with City email and server.

Station 2: Generator not working, contacted generator repair vendor.

SCBA: One air pack had leaking batteries and requires repairs.

2014-15 Projects:

Thermal Imager: New thermal imager delivered, setup, and in service. Awaiting additional charger and batteries.

New Fire Marshal Vehicle: Truck delivered, bed liner installed, camper shell installed. In Service.

New Vehicle to Tow Emergency Response Trailer and Personnel: Truck delivered. Still preparing to be put into service.

Replacement Skid Unit for the Brush Truck: Skid unit ordered.

Intercom System for Fire Apparatus: Primary funding for radio/intercom systems in emergency apparatus re-allocated to City general fund excess account.

Fire Station 1 Improvements: Funding re-allocated to City general fund.

Fire Station 1 Termite Remediation: Treatment of fire station 1 completed.

Computer Aided Dispatch System: Funding re-allocated to City general fund.

Computer Server, Terminal, and Software: I.T. Department has installed new server system for the fire department. Software and laptop computers still need to be ordered.

Radio System Improvements: Funding re-allocated to City general fund.

Station Lettering Project: New lettering for the exterior of both fire stations has been installed.

Fire Station 2 Street Project: The street to the south of station 2 has been widened and looks great. We are still waiting to determine how to construct steps and sidewalk from front porch down to street. The Street Department has done a very nice job of repairing the street to the west of station where a large hole had developed from the fire engine turning into the station. We may need to place hand railing along new sidewalk on south side of station and post “no skateboarding or cycling” signs due to the angled concrete that is attracting those activities.

Vehicle Exhaust Removal Systems - Vehicle exhaust removal systems are currently being installed at both stations. This project was 90% funded through a FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant and 10% City matching funds.

Fire Department Response Statistics for the period of:

08:00 hrs on May 1st, 2015 to 08:00 hrs on May 15th, 2015.

Fire/Rescue/Other Calls -	23
Emergency Medical Service Calls (EMS) -	124
Total Emergency Responses -	147

Major Events during the period: House Fire, Alice Lane, May 9, 2015: Engine 1 arrived on scene with fire showing from the side and rear of the home. They received reports from Police officers that a victim might be inside. The engine company hooked up to a fire hydrant and deployed an attack line. Engine 2 had a delayed response due to being blocked by a train. KNAS Fire Department responded with an engine company to assist. By the time Engine 2 arrived, there was fire coming through the roof of the home. A victim was not located during the primary search and fire attack. The fire was placed under control within 30 minutes. During the secondary search and overhaul, an occupant was located. The occupant was removed from the home in serious condition and advanced EMS care was administered by paramedics. The patient was transported to the hospital and later flown to San Antonio for advanced care. The fire is under investigation.

Human Resources (Courtesy of Diana Gonzalez, Director)



Did you know? TOPIC – Prescription Medications

Did you know you could shop for pharmacies to see who can give you the better savings? The City’s health plan allows active plan members to purchase generic medications usually for \$10 and brand name medications for 30% of the cost of the medication.

Did you think you had to purchase all your medication through the health plan? Well, the answer is NO. You have a right to shop around. Look for saving by utilizing other pharmacies in town or

going with other store programs such as HEB and Walmart \$4 and \$5 dollar generics. You can also look at purchasing 3 month supply of your maintenance medication and receive even better discount. You can shop around for food, clothes, cars ---- so why not medication.

Employment Opportunities

Fire:

- Firefighter
- Fire Telecommunication's Operator

Parks and Recreation:

- Seasonal Temporary Pool Staff: Lifeguards, Water Safety Instructors
- Maintenance Worker

Police:

- Police Officers
- Telecommunication's Operator

Public Works:

- Garage – Maintenance Technician (Mechanic)
- Golf Course – Part-Time Maintenance Workers (2)
- Landfill – Equipment Operator II
- Street – Maintenance Worker, Equipment Operator II
- Wastewater – Utility Worker

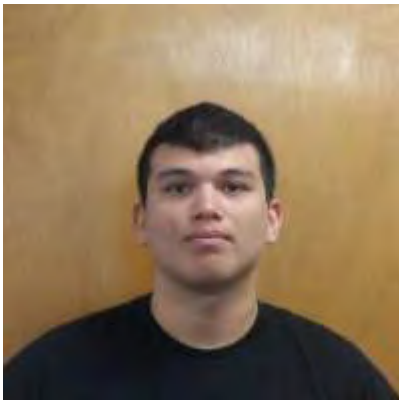
New Employees



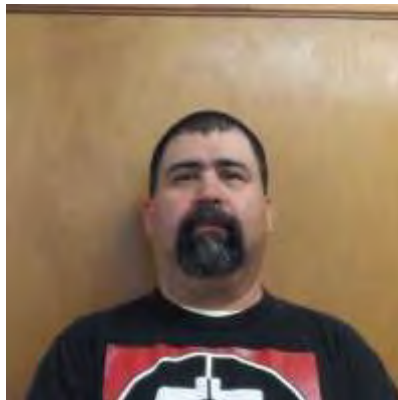
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Golf Course



Theresa Cavazos
Police Officer
Police Department



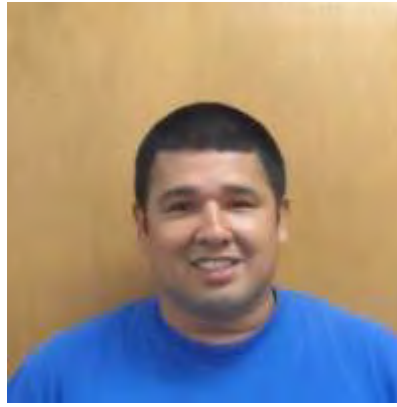
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Victor Cavazos
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Parks and Recreation



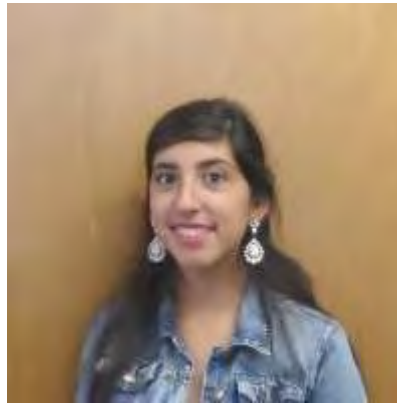
Sandra Rideout-Hanzak
Swim Instructor – Seasonal
Parks & Recreation



Jose Fernandez
Recreation Assistant - Seasonal
Parks & Recreation



Travis Charles
Recreational Assistant
Parks & Recreation



Sabrina Fernandez
Recreational Assistant
Parks & Recreation

Separations

Robert Muniz – Maintenance Worker – Golf Course
Jose Sendejo – Equipment Operator II - Street
Krystin Torres – P/T Library Assistant - Library
Mary Cano – P/T Administrative Assistant I - Tourism
Diane Clack – P/T Maintenance Worker – Parks & Recreation
Ismael Nunez – Temporary Plant Helper - Wastewater

Special Events

The HR Director and the Interim City Manager attending an employee environmental, health and safety day event at the Celanese Bishop plant on May 13, 2015. There were several safety and wellness vendors on location with games and prizes for employees. The event was attended to learn new things, network, and gather information on the company's employee safety and wellness promotions for the City's upcoming Recognition and Safety Week.



Celanese Employees visiting vendors



Interim City Manager – Courtney Alvarez

The HR Director attended the Texas Human Resource Association Annual Seminar from April 29th – May 1st in Horseshoe Bay. The event was attended by approximately 340 personnel from around the state. Seminar topics included ACA health compliance information, background checks, wage and hours issues, pay management issues, and legal updates.

Civil Service Corner

Civil Service Commission Members:

- Nick Harrel - Chairperson
- Dora Martinez - Vice-Chairperson
- Alonzo Lopez

The next regular Civil Service Commission meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2015 at 12 noon at the City Commission Chambers.

Robert J. Kleberg Public Library (Courtesy of Robert Rodriguez, Director)

Carpet Project: Final Phase Unfolds in Pictures

There is excitement in the air felt by both the staff and patrons who follow the library on Facebook. The library is inching closer to its tentative reopen date. Installers with Sherwin Williams began the initial carpet installation on Monday, May 4, 2015. The photographs show the installers progress on the carpet project. They began in the front portion of the library, pulled the old carpet, and laid the new carpet in the Children's and the Circulation/Lobby areas.



The installers moved to the main floor of the library. In preparation for the new carpet installation, City and County employees assisted in moving the bookracks from the main floor.



As the carpet project progressed, library staff and Facebook patrons noticed the dramatic change unfolding before their very eyes. By Friday, May 8, 2015, the installers, who worked diligently throughout the week, moved on to the Adult area of the library.



Goodbye old carpet...
Say hello to the new!



The installers returned Wednesday, May 13, 2015, to complete the final phase of the installation in the Genealogy and Conference Rooms, and the Technical Services workroom. The installers resurfaced the old tile flooring in the back portion of the workroom and the employees' restroom, and then they carpeted the workroom. Later, they will lay linoleum on top of the resurfaced restroom floor. Wanting to be socially responsible, the carpet contractors saved some of the carpet remnants, and agreed to volunteer their time to carpet the *Library on the Go* bookmobile.

Welcoming Back the Books and Furniture!

On Monday, May 11, 2015, technicians with GCI Remediation (Gerloff Company) returned to begin the process of returning the books and furniture back to the library. Over 3,000 boxes, which contain over 50,000 items, make their way back from their offsite storage spaces. GCI technicians and library staff have been busy placing the books on the shelves.



When the library reopens, patrons will notice a few other changes, but for those patrons who are curious, they can follow the library on Facebook to see the progress unfold in pictures. ***NOTE: If plans go as scheduled, the library's reopening date is set for Wednesday, July 1, 2015.***

Moving Forward

The temporary closure has been extremely tedious, but it has been an eye-opener. Because of the unfortunate incident with the mold remediation, the Library Director and staff have had a limited opportunity to reassess the facilities from the roof to the electrical system and all aspects of the library. The original library, which was built in 1958 and added to in 1968, was not designed to handle the latest technologies. The Internet, online services, and electronic devices are constantly evolving, and the library has had to retrofit the building's infrastructure to meet the library's and its patrons' technological needs. Since the library has been closed, different technicians working on the facility have discovered various issues. City and County officials have been informed, and the issues

are being addressed. However, these stopgap measures are meant only to meet the current concerns. The community as a whole should consider investing in a new library. Because of a dynamic environment and clientele, a state-of-the-art facility will enable the library to serve the community better.

Planning & Services Department (Courtesy of Tom Ginter, Director)

5th and Henrietta

The City owns this building and has a lease with the Border Patrol. Staff will be working with that agency on their desire to use it in the future. They have been in town to visit the site. In the past few weeks, they submitted a scope of work that they would like to have done to the building. Staff obtained a quote from a local construction company and has been advised that it is acceptable to the lessee.

Torres Estates

The City Commission has approved all of the necessary administrative tasks for developer Mark Dizdar to start this development project.

La Quinta Hotel

At this time a full permit has been approved for them. After not breaking ground as anticipated, staff reached out to them about the cause for the delay. They responded that the franchise folks have suggested reducing the number of rooms per a market study that was conducted; the owners are reviewing their options as this time. Staff understands that they are still going to build the hotel. The hotel will be located 2151 S. Highway 77, between Phil Neessen Chevrolet and the Hampton Inn.

Wells Apartments

This is an 11 unit 2-bedroom development at 625 W. Avenue F. The completion date has been pushed into May due to the rain.

FEMA Domes

The estimated completion date is January 2016. Things are going well. Later this month they plan to inflate the skin on one of the domes. They will be asking city officials to attend if they desire. When we get the date and the time we will let you know.

Wildwood Trails

A number of homes have been started in the subdivision. Other builders have submitted plans for homes in this subdivision.

Lake View Villas

Developer Mark Dizdar has the plats approved and can now start on the project.

New City Hall

Things are going well. Public Works will be working on sewer and storm drainage in the month of May. It is on budget and on schedule.

Joint Airport Zoning Board

Ramon Perez was named Vice Chair. At the last meeting, the Board discussed the Schubert pond hazard with Mr. Schubert present. While this item has been ongoing for some time, the discussion was good for staff and new board members to learn more about the history and how we got to where we are at. Some more options were discussed which staff will be researching as to the feasibility and cost. We do hope to come to some agreement very soon so this can be taken care of. The Board also passed the Notice to Buyer ordinance so we can start educating the community especially when property is sold or leased in the affected area near NAS Kingsville. Board member Brad Womack has submitted his resignation from the Board. At the next meeting, the Board will accept the resignation and discuss how they want to fill the 5th spot. Per resolution the 5th board member is also the chair of the Board.

Cayetano Villages of Kingsville

The development company decided to pull the rezoning agenda items that were scheduled for the March planning and zoning agenda. They need to be awarded the tax credits for this project to happen which they probably won't know until June. If they are awarded the tax credits then they will continue with the project.

Flato School Project

Met with Craig Forsythe an architect with LNV Engineering who has been retained by the Zaragosa family, to assist them with the design, site plan work for this project. Their intentions are to develop the back property first with apartments which would give them income so they can proceed with developing the front part. Since they will have to rezone from an R1 to build apartments, staff suggested they consider the Mixed Use zoning designation which would allow commercial and residential on the same property. They are working to be ready for the June Planning and Zoning Board meeting.

Legends of Kingsville

As you have read in the paper, they are 100% leased for the upcoming school year. They have submitted plans for Phase II. The Development Review Team will be looking over the plans. Phase II will have 486 beds with 207 units. Once both phases are done, they can have approximately 1,000 students living there when 100% leased.

Domino's

Domino's submitted a development plan in September of 2014 and has broken ground for their new building. This Domino's will have some limited inside dining. They plan to be done in October of 2015.

University Center

Ali Samadi who owns all of the Subways in town has submitted a development titled University Center. This will be a three tenant commercial building located at 702 W. Santa Gertrudis. One of the tenants will be a Subway. This is the vacant lot east of the IBC Bank, at the corner of Wells and Santa Gertrudis. He plans to close the Subway that is around the corner facing Santa Gertrudis. He doesn't know at this time what other two tenants will be in the building. The project is valued as \$420,000 dollars. He hopes to have it done by the end of the year. He has been granted a permit to start construction.

Advance Auto Parts

A third party doing pre site work has been inquiring about codes and other information pertaining to the building of an Advance Auto Parts store. The location being looked at is the ground next to the O'Reilly Auto Parts store. At this time we have not received a development plan for this project. They are looking at the June, Planning and Zoning Commission meeting for review of the project pertaining to a special use permit.

Christus Spohn Hospital

They have submitted a development plan to turn the second floor of the Colston Occupational Building into a wellness center.

Neessen Chevrolet

They have submitted a development plan to remodel a part of the building and to add a freestanding Chevrolet tower.

Building Services Division

Permits Pulled:

Residential Remodel:	13	Commercial Remodel:	4	Electrical:	17
New Commercial:	3	Mechanical:	4	Moving:	1
New Residential:	1	Fire Inspection:	14	Gas Inspection:	5
Cert. of Occupancy:	3	Commercial Meter:	5	House Leveling:	1
Plumbing:	10	Residential Meter:	5	Re-roof:	10
Sprinkler:	0	Sidewalk:	0	Sign:	0
Curb:	0	Swimming Pool:	2	Demolition:	0
Fence:	2	Driveway:	5		

Total Permits Pulled: 105

NEW APARTMENTS AT 625 W AVE F

NEW DOMINO'S AT 609 E. KING



Top 30 Initiative

As the beautification effort of our city continues, the Planning and Development Services Department has implemented a new list of the city's Worst 30. The Worst 30 are categorized in three different categories of ten each. The purpose of this new Worst 30 initiative is to eradicate unsightly and unhealthful property conditions. The first category of ten is businesses that do not have hard surface parking or the parking lot in is disrepair. The second category of ten will focus on unfinished exterior of buildings. The third category of ten will be comprised of various types of property code, building and other violations that are especially intractable and will need the coordinated efforts of various departments. Some, perhaps most of the Worst 30 will take months or years to resolve. The length of time allowed for repairs will depend on the nature of the project and approval by the Planning and Development Services Director.

Dilapidated or Non-existent Parking Lots

<u>Property location</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1206 N. 6 th	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
712 W. Ave. F	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
621 W. Corral	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
629 W. Nettie	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
729 W. Ave. C	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
325 W. Corral	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
615 W. Santa Gertrudis	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
414 W. Huisache		

Violations

325 W. Corral



621 W. Corral



729 W. Ave C



Unfinished Siding/Roof

629 W. Nettie



Property location

Status

Comments

610 S. Lantana
315 S. 21st
822 S. 16th
428 W. Lee
528 S. 18th
516 E. Alice

Letter mailed 2/16/15
Letter mailed 2/16/15
Letter mailed 2/16/15
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Violations

Pertaining to the houses that are in violation of not having siding on their house, we have determined that further steps need to be taken to enforce the ordinance. We have submitted information to the Municipal Court for **516 E. Alice**. At some point, a court date will be set and the Municipal Judge will review the case, unless it is taken care of by them.

610 S. Lantana

516 E. Alice



822 S. 16th



315 S. 21st



Multiple Violations:

Property Address

430/426 E Alice
400 E Corral
1808 Kelly
1420 Sen. Carlos Truan
1202 W King

Status

Pending Cleanup
Court scheduled 3/26/15
Pending variance
Notice sent 6/24/14
Notice sent 2/26/14

Comment

Court ordered extension-May 7
Pending Cleanup

Cleared by city
Property owner working on violation

1950 E Corral
2151 N. Hwy 77 Byp
223 S 6th
109 S Hwy 77
E Henrietta & 19th St.

Pending notice of violation
Pending notice of violation
Pending notice of violation
Notice sent 6/14/14
Notice sent 3/23/15

Property owner complied

Notices Sent: 31
Abatements: 41
Obsolete Sign Violations: 5
Inspections: 87
Court Cases: 0
Placards Posted: 7
Re-Inspections: 13
Illegal Dumping Cases: 0
Compliances: 3
Front/Side yard parking violations

Community Appearance: Billing

Community Appearance Division has begun tracking the monthly totals being billed each month due to City private property cleanups. These cleanups include mowing and abatements of noxious matter through FY '15.

OCT	\$5304.61	APR	\$8185.47
NOV	\$2943.01	MAY	
DEC	\$4344.63	JUN	
JAN	\$11263.96	JUL	
FEB	\$8389.71	AUG	
MAR	\$18,116.99	SEPT	



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:

402 N 6th - Property Owner Abated

BEFORE



AFTER



919 E Ave A - Property Owner Abated

BEFORE



AFTER



927 E Corral - Property Owner Abated

BEFORE



AFTER



29 W Johnston – City Abated

BEFORE



AFTER



Community Appearance

It has been a busy start to the season for Community Appearance operators. They are working diligently to keep up with the demand of complaints. While doing so, they have assisted public works in numerous tasks, primarily mowing green spaces. Operators were also called out to mow and clear curbs & gutters along Richard St., to prepare for the Cinco de Mayo celebration.

There have been many calls of concerns or complaints to the Community Appearance Division regarding high grass. Staff has initiated a protocol on addressing these calls. Inspectors take all calls seriously and for the most part address the call within 1-2 days. Because of the high volume of calls, inspectors need to prioritize the work orders. Priority is set on the height of the grass as well as how close the violation is to citizen homes. This list is set in work order form for operators. Once the property is on this list, we will clean or mow accordingly.

Code Officers Maryann and Kristina along with Supervisor Jennifer Bernal attended the IPMC training held in College Station TX. This training covered the newly adopted IPMC codes which clarify and simplify various codes used by Community Appearance as well as Building Svc. This was a three day training to prepare us for the test to become IPMC certified. The date of testing is unknown at this point however staff is following up with testing facilities to schedule the earliest test date.



Keep Kingsville Beautiful

KKB is on the search for volunteers and members. KKB is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the beautification of our great city. For more information or to become a member of KKB, please contact Jennifer Bernal @ 361.595.8093 or jbernal@cityofkingsville.com

Risk Management (Courtesy of Melissa Perez, Risk Manager)

Risk Manager Attends 2015 Texas Emergency Management Conference



The Risk Manager attended the 2015 Texas Hurricane Conference from May 12th through May 15th in San Antonio, Texas. TML staff also attended the Conference along with local Sheriff Ed Mata and Kleberg County Emergency Management Coordinator Tomas Sanchez. Classes and sessions started early at 8:30am and ended usually around 4:30pm. The weather was raining with Thunderstorms, but that did not stop the participants from attending this informative conference.

Risk Manager Participates in "Take 10" CPR Class in San Antonio, Texas



The Risk Manager was able to attend a CPR Class at the recent 2015 Texas Hurricane Conference in San Antonio, Texas. This was a refresher class for her. Breaths are no longer given during CPR, only chest compressions. Training was also given on AED's. If you see a teen or adult suddenly collapse, call 9-1-1 and push hard and fast in the center of their chest to the beat of the classic disco song "Stayin' Alive." CPR can more than double a person's chances of survival, and "Stayin' Alive" has the right beat for Hands-Only CPR.

City of Kingsville Residents Receive Hurricane Awareness on City Website



Hurricane Season starts June 1 – November 30th. Hurricane Preparedness Week is – May 25-31st. Emergency Assistance Registry: Do you or anyone you know need some assistance during times of an emergency event? The State of Texas presents the STEAR program. The

STEAR program is a free registry that provides local emergency planners and emergency responders with additional information on the needs in their community. This is the time to prepare because if you wait until the warnings are being issued- then it is too late.

Risk Manager attends Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference in Robstown, Texas



Local emergency managers and officials participated in the conference. Hurricane Season is near so its time to prepare. June 1st is the first day of Hurricane Season. The Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference got underway Wednesday, May 6th at the Regional Fairgrounds. The conference brings together about 300 area leaders and meteorologists who are getting ready for the hurricane season. Those who attended said the networking aspect of the event, along with the tabletop exercise, is incredibly helpful, especially if a disaster were to strike.

Purchasing/Technology Department (Courtesy of David Mason, Purchasing/Technology Director)

Purchasing Division



Purchase Orders

Purchasing issued 73 Purchase Orders valued at \$225,782.46. We are at that time of the fiscal year, when we need to start reviewing our open Purchase Orders. If you have some that need to be voided, please sent an e-mail to Thelma in Purchasing so that we can clear those. A list of your department's open Purchase Orders will be sent to the supervisor to be reviewed and updated as necessary. If you have any questions or are unsure, please don't hesitate to contact Purchasing Dept so that we may clear them up.

Purchasing Card Statements

Purchasing Card statements were reviewed with minor discrepancies noted. The List will be going out to all Directors' whose departments had discrepancies. As always we ask you to check your reconciliation before turning it in to ensure all your receipts are accounted for, to check for errors, and verify everything is correct.

Technology Division

Devices

The Technology Department deployed six new computers this week. Additionally, we deployed ten new phones and three wireless mifi devices. The library staff who was temporarily assisting in the Human Resources Department with scanning critical records has been sent back to the Library Offices. We have since recovered all licensing and equipment.

Wireless Bridge Network

In order to deal with future threats, we are evaluating products that provide more robust defense against malware and virus

We are preparing the final preparation phase of our wireless bridging project. These bridges will provide a robust way of deploying internet and other critical IT functions to remote locations. The current plan will utilize the lack of significant elevation changes along with water towers to produce a network mesh.

Deploying a point-to-point mesh network is the quickest and the most cost-effective method of transferring data between two points in an outdoor campus network. In a mesh, the total cost of ownership per gigabit is much lower than other commonly used WAN networks such as fiber or DSL. 802.11n is the new wireless standard that is capable of speeds up to 450 Mb/s per radio. Over the past decade, the demand has exploded for low-cost, high-capacity outdoor networks that are quick and easy to deploy. With mainstream adoption of the 802.11n standard, outdoor Wi-Fi based mesh networks have redefined the dollar per gigabit ratio and have now become a leading contender in the low-cost, high-capacity network segment. The Aruba AirMesh MSR4000 802.11n mesh products are capable of achieving a combined total data rate of up to 1.2 Gb/s per AP for a fraction of the cost of other mainstream wireless technologies, such as 3G or 4G cellular data networks. These factors have contributed to the wider acceptance of Wi-Fi based, outdoor mesh networks:

- Huge increase in capacity
- Free-spectrum availability
- Increased reliability with the adoption of MIMO, which is a critical component of 802.11n standard

In an outdoor deployment, the type of external antenna used with these APs is equally important as choosing the right outdoor APs. The wide range of Aruba outdoor products takes full advantage of the new MIMO functionalities by utilizing specially designed cross-polarized MIMO antennas with all new 802.11n APs. This guide provides all the information to help you successfully deploy a point-to-point mesh link.

VDI

VDI or Virtual Desktop Infrastructure provides a secure, safe expandable method to application delivery. It shares host the user's computer on a network resource and provides better access and accountability. This type of technology is commonly use in banks and other kiosk were full computer is not necessary or can cause compliance risks.

We have begun the research and deployment of VDI environment for the cashiers in the cash collections area. This will allow us more flexibility in the coming move to the new city hall building and collections building to provide services across sites. Additionally, it will aid in ensuring full

compliance is met by those computers. The VDI we are currently looking into is called Xen Desktop provided by Citrix.

Features of Xen Desktop

To support mobile employees and those working in branch locations, you need a way to provide access to desktops, apps and data without opening risky holes in your corporate network. XenDesktop with Citrix NetScaler Gateway™ lets IT provide these users with seamless, secure access to their virtual desktops, apps and data—even on their own BYO devices—without having to join your corporate network. NetScaler allows any network connection to be used, including a local Internet provider, eliminating the need for costly leased lines. IT can easily provision, maintain and support virtual desktops and apps from a single, central point, while capturing large savings in networking fees.

Task Force (Courtesy of Guillermo “Willie” Vera, Commander)

Man-Made Compartment Didn't Deter Agents from Locating Hidden U.S. Currency

On Tuesday May 5th, 2015, Kingsville Task Force Agent Villalobos was at the crossover located on U.S. Highway 77 and CR 2140 south of Kingsville, Texas. Agent Villalobos observed a white in color vehicle commit a traffic violation while traveling south on U.S. Highway 77. Agent Villalobos then activated his emergency overhead lights in attempt to stop the vehicle. The vehicle came to a complete stop on U.S. Highway 77 and CR 2170 south of Ricardo, Texas. The vehicle was described as a white in color 2007 Nissan Pathfinder (SUV) bearing Texas registration. Agent Villalobos conducted a passenger side approach and identified himself and asked the Hispanic male driver for a valid driver's license and proof of financial responsibility (insurance). The driver informed Villalobos he did not have a driver's license. Agent Villalobos asked the driver for any valid form of identification. The driver handed Agent Villalobos some kind of identification card that had some of his personal information. The identification card identified the male driver, but the identification card was not a state issued document.

While conducting his traffic enforcement, Agent Villalobos engaged in conversation with the driver. Agent Villalobos noticed signs of deception and nervousness from him. Agent Villalobos asked the driver for consent to search his vehicle. The driver gave verbal consent to search the SUV. Agent Villalobos along with other Task Force Agents conducted a search on the vehicle. Task Force Agent Loftin conducted a search of an ice chest which concealed several bundles of U.S. Currency in the inner liner of the ice chest. A total of 18 bundles were removed from inside the inner liner of the ice chest. The bundles contained U.S. Currency totaling \$88,500.00. The driver also had in his possession 5 bundles of U.S. Currency totaling \$5,000.00. A total of \$93,500.00 were seized from the individual driver. The Nissan Pathfinder was impounded at the Kingsville Task Force Office where it will be stored for safe keeping and pending forfeiture. GREAT THOROUGH SEARCH!!



Suspects' Reluctance to Vehicle Search Fails at Attempt to Launder Money

On Tuesday May 5th, 2015, at approximately 4:45 PM, Kingsville Task Force Agent McGee conducted a traffic stop on a silver Ford F-250 truck for a traffic violation. The traffic stop occurred on U.S. Highway 77 just south of State Highway 285 in Riviera, Texas. During the road side interview Agent McGee detected nervous behavior and deceptive behaviors from the Hispanic male driver. After Agent McGee was denied consent to search the vehicle he called for a K-9 Agent's assistance. KTF Agent Villalobos arrived and deployed his K-9 along the outside of the Ford. The K-9 alerted to the driver's door seam. The Hispanic female passenger refused to exit the Ford truck so Agents could search the vehicle. Both the driver and passenger became irate and said they would not let anyone search the truck. After KTF Agents spoke to them and tried to explain they had probable cause to search the vehicle, they still refused to comply with the Agent's requests. Agent McGee placed handcuffs on the male driver for their safety. McGee also placed handcuffs on the female passenger for the offense of Interfering with Duties of a Public Servant. The female passenger was placed near a marked police unit. During the vehicle search, Agent McGee located marijuana residue on the driver's floor board. McGee also located a shoe box behind the rear seat of the Ford F-250. Inside the shoe box were 19 bundles of U.S. Currency secured by rubber bands. Agent McGee showed the driver and passenger the currency and they both stated they had never seen the currency and stated it was not theirs. The vehicle and both subjects were taken to the Kingsville City Garage where the currency was counted by Task Force Agents and it totaled to \$28,000.00. After both subjects were interviewed, both were charged with Money Laundering. The female passenger was also charged with Interfering with Duties of a Public Servant. The male driver was later booked into the Kleberg County Jail. Because the female passenger was pregnant, she was released pending

indictment. The currency and vehicle were seized and stored at the Task Force Office for safe-keeping. GREAT INTUITION!!!



City of Kingsville Task Force Truck & Trailer Participate in C.C. BUC Days Parade

On Saturday May 2nd, 2015, the City of Corpus Christi, Texas held its Annual Buccaneer Parade. Del Mar College participated in the parade and utilized the truck and trailer loaned to them by the City of Kingsville Task Force. The trailer is used to train officers and students. It was decorated as a pirate ship and the truck displayed the Kingsville Task Force's logo as it made its way along the parade route. GREAT PARTNERSHIP!



Kingsville Police Department (Courtesy of Ricardo Torres, Chief)



2015 *CLICK IT OR TICKET*

Click It or Ticket: Enforcing the Law to Save Lives

By Chief Ricardo Torres

If there is one thing I could urge all motorists—drivers, passengers, front seat, back seat, all ages—to do every time you get in a vehicle, it's buckle up. It is the single

most effective way to avoid being killed in a crash. Would you ever ride a roller coaster without the harness down? Would you ever skydive without a parachute? When you ride in a motor vehicle without a seat belt, you are taking a huge risk. One you can't afford. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in 2013, there were 9,580 unbelted vehicle occupants killed in crashes on our nation's roads. Locally, two (2) unbelted vehicle occupants died.

This May 18th - 31st, the Kingsville Police Department is joining NHTSA and law enforcement agencies nationwide for the 2015 *Click It or Ticket* enforcement mobilization. We will be out in full force, cracking down on seat belt violations, issuing citations to anyone caught traveling without a buckled seat belt or transporting unrestrained children. We are determined to get the message across: Seat belts save lives. In fact, from 2008 to 2012, they saved nearly 63,000 lives. And in 2012, an additional 3,031 lives could have been saved if all unrestrained occupants involved in fatal crashes had worn their seat belts.

We've found in the past that May is a very effective time to ramp up seat belt enforcement efforts. Many motorists travel over Memorial Day weekend, which kicks off the busy summer travel season. It's the perfect time to remind everyone why seat belt use is required by law. And we want people to know: we're not cracking down to write tickets. We're doing it to save lives.

In addition to increased patrols and zero-tolerance enforcement, we really want to get the right information out to motorists. There are too many false notions out there about seat belts. Young adults in particular seem to think they are invincible in vehicles. Unfortunately, they are dying at a disproportionate rate because they are not wearing their seat belts. Almost twice as many men are dying in vehicle crashes compared to women, and men are wearing their seat belts less than women. Pickup truck occupants think that they don't need to wear their seat belts because they believe their large vehicles will protect them in a crash. The numbers from NHTSA tell the truth: 63 percent of pickup truck occupants who were killed in crashes were not buckled up. That's compared to 43 percent of passenger car occupants who were killed while not wearing their seat belts. During the *Click It or Ticket* enforcement period, an important part of our safety messaging to motorists includes the words "day and night" – and for good reason. In 2013, about 59 percent of passenger vehicle occupants were killed during the nighttime hours of 6 p.m. to 5:59 a.m. who were not wearing their seat belts. More people are being killed in nighttime crashes than ever before, and we are going to be targeting nighttime seat belt violators as a result.

Next time you head out on the road, make sure you and everyone in your vehicle are buckled up. Don't just do it to avoid a ticket, do it so you arrive at your destination safely. Since it's our job to help protect Kingsville's motorists, we're taking *Click It or Ticket* seriously. Consider yourself warned: If police catch you not wearing your seat belt on the road, you will get a ticket. No excuses, no warnings. We're hoping you'll get the message and buckle up every trip, every time, even after the crackdown period is over. Wearing your seat belt is required by law 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

So please remember, day and night, *Click It or Ticket*. You can find out more about the *Click It or Ticket* mobilization at www.nhtsa.gov/ciot.

Patrol Division Activity

April 30 – May 13, 2015

There were 72 traffic citations issued. Patrol officers responded to hundreds of calls for service. There were over 200 written reports taken. There were five accidents reported and four “hit and run” collisions. There was one robbery arrest made. There were 31 reports of assaults and three aggravated assaults. Four residential burglaries were reported, along with two vehicle burglaries and several thefts. Four people were arrested for DWI as well as one arrest for DUI. There were three reports of criminal mischief made and one criminal trespass warning was issued. Fourteen reports were taken for non-criminal events (civil matters, agency assists, etc).

Vehicle and building burglaries have gone down.



On April 30, a female was stopped for a traffic violation at King and Armstrong. Marijuana was located and she was arrested.

On April 30, officers were dispatched to a local pizza restaurant in reference to an unhappy male. The previous week, the male’s food order had been botched and the restaurant gave him a \$25 restaurant credit. On this day, he returned and wanted \$25 in cash. When told that the restaurant was unable to do that, the male became irate, yelling and cursing. Responding officers still found the male belligerent. A check of his driver license revealed an outstanding felony warrant out of Jim Wells County. The male was arrested and taken to jail.

On May 2, officers were dispatched to a fast-food restaurant in reference to a male who had fallen asleep while in the drive-thru lane of the restaurant. He was arrested for Public Intoxication.

On May 2, officers were dispatched to the area of a nightclub on the west side of town. Officers spoke to two males who had been involved in the fight. The males gave little information and the involved parties left the area. Minutes later, officers returned to find that somebody had fired a shotgun at the nightclub (closed and empty) at least three times. There were no injuries.

On May 4, a male reported that he was attacked by an unknown group of people in the alley near King and Armstrong. He could not or would not provide information on his attackers.

On May 5, a couple got into an argument. The male broke the female’s cell phone. In retaliation, the female grabbed the male’s cell phone, grabbed a knife and was going to stab the cell phone. The male reached in to retrieve his phone and was stabbed through the hand. Both the male and female said that the stabbing was accidental. An offense report was taken and the male was taken to the hospital.

On May 6, the manager of a rent-to-own business made seven theft reports of customers who had failed to pay for the items and refused to return the items.

On May 7, a female reported that her boyfriend had strangled her to the point where she lost consciousness. The male had already left the area prior to the police being called.

On May 8, officers were dispatched to North 3rd Street in reference to three males that were seen looking into vacant homes. Officers arrived and found two of the males, who said that they were just walking down the street. One of them was arrested for Possession of Marijuana.

On May 9, officers responded to an injured man at a trailer park. The male had several deep cuts to his head and was bleeding profusely. He refused medical care and refused to tell officers what had happened to him. Officers eventually convinced the man to go to the hospital. The cause of his injuries is still unknown.

On May 11, officers responded to the area of 9th and Lee in reference to a disturbance. A female had gone to a neighbor's house because she was scared of her adult son. The female then left the area. The son then came to the neighbor's house and threw rocks at the house. The son then grabbed a baseball bat and challenged the resident to come outside. The son had gone back into his home and locked the door before officers arrived.

On May 12, officers responded to the 900 block of East Ragland. A female said that her adult grandson, who is living with her, had assaulted her and had already left the area. Family members said that the male had been acting strangely for days and they suspect his use of "synthetic marijuana".

On May 12, a teenage male was cited for daytime curfew after leaving the high school without permission. He was upset because his mother refused to bring him lunch from McDonald's.



On May 4, Esther Trevino started working at the PD. She is already certified. After going through the in-house training, she will start her field training in June. She has completed the required NIMS courses and several TML Online classes.

On May 12, two police officer applicants were interviewed.

On May 13, Mario Ybarra passed the final exam at the police academy. Next week, he will sit for the state Peace Officer licensing test and graduate from the police academy.

All SWAT officers assigned to patrol completed eight hours of training.

Corporal Ochoa attended "Evading Honesty", a 16-hour class taught at TAMUK and sponsored by the District Attorney's Office.

**Criminal Investigation Bureau
Period Activity**

Detectives Supervisor assigned 102 cases and inactivated 24 cases as of May 15, 2015. Along with these cases there were also 3 DWI's and 11 Crash reports.

Detectives Greif and Salinas did an outstanding job on a Robbery that occurred at a local business. Also thanks to an outstanding citizen that observed the robbery occurring and grabbed the offender and held him until police arrived. The offender was arrested and charged with the Robbery, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and outstanding warrants.

We are searching for a subject that attempted to break into a local Church. During the process, they were cut by the broken glass. After they were unable to gain entry, they left walking. During this time, they attempted to get into several vehicles leaving blood on the exterior of them. If anyone has any information, please let us know.

For the last couple of weeks there have been no major events to report. Though there are still an overwhelming number of burglaries.

If you see anything or anyone out of place in your neighborhood please call in. With everyone's assistance we can get more of these types of people off the street. This will make everyone feel safer in their own homes.

Detectives have filed 52 cases during this period. There were 12 cases filed in District Court, 29 cases filed in County Court, 7 cases filed in City Court, and 4 filed in Juvenile Court.

The last couple of weeks have actually been mild. Each Detective is currently working a case load of about 50 to 60 active cases.

All the Detectives are doing a great job on working on their cases in attempt to better serve our community.

We would like to give our deepest condolences to Detective Rodriguez for the passing of his mother.

**Street Level Operations Team
Period Activity**

MURRAY:

Case # 1500013299 – On 05-13-15 Cpl. Murray conducted a traffic stop at Business Highway 77 and E Sage Road. The rear passenger of the vehicle was arrested for county warrants during the course of the traffic stop.

CASES FILED WITH COUNTY COURT: 14

CASES FILED WITH DISTRICT COURT: 4

PROSECUTION CHARGE REPORT SUPPLMENTS: 11

TRAFFIC STOPS: 7

CITATIONS: 0

GONZALEZ:

Case #1500013266 – On 05-12-15 Inv. Gonzalez conducted a traffic stop at US Highway 77 southbound and E Sage Road. During the course of the investigation over 53 grams of synthetic marijuana were located inside the vehicle. The driver was taken into custody for Possession of a Controlled Substance Penalty Group 2A < 2oz.

TRAFFIC STOPS: 51

CITATIONS: 12

RUIZ:

TRAFFIC STOPS: 43

CITATIONS: 0

NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIONS / PURCHASES CONDUCTED:

Case # 1500012902

Case # 1500013324

**Neighborhood Improvement Officer
2015 ABANDONED AND JUNK AUTOS**

WEEK 18

The following stats are from Week 18:

- Junk Vehicles-5
- Parking Citations –14
- Non-Ordinance Violation Checks -20

WEEK 19

The following stats are from Week 19:

- Junk Vehicles-4
- Abandoned Vehicles-2
- Parking Citations –9
- Non-Ordinance Violation Checks -23
- Traffic Citations-5

So far for the year of 2015, 57 vehicles have been tagged (Combination of Abandoned and Junk Autos) in the City of Kingsville. There have been a total of 38 compliances for the year. NIO has also issued a total of 239 Parking Violations (Citation and Warning Combined) for the year and 104 Traffic Citations.

These are some photos of citizens who have complied.



500 W. Kenedy Ave.



600 E. Shelton Ave.



1900 S. 7th St.

Traffic Unit April Reports

1st Offense - Use of Wireless Communication Device	16
2nd Offense - Use of Wireless Communication Device	1
Defective Brake Lamp(s)	7
Defective Equipment Cracked Windshield	1
Display Fictitious Registration Sticker	1
Disregard Official Traffic Control Device	2
Disregard Traffic Control Device- Right Lane Must Turn Right	1
Driving While License Invalid under Provisions of DL Laws	7
Drove Without Headlights (when Required)	1
Expired Drivers License	3
Expired Registration	17
Fail to Display Driver's License	9
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility	13
Fail to Report Change of Address	3
Fail to Yield Row Private Drive/ Neg Collision	2
Fail to Yield Row to on Coming Traffic/ Neg Collision	1
Fail to Yrow at Stop Sign/neg Collision	1
Failed to Control Speed/ Neg Collision	6

Failed to Drive in a Single Lane	4
FAILED TO SIGNAL DISTANCE BEFORE TURN	2
Failed to Signal Turn	4
Failed to Signal Turn / Lane Change	3
Failed to Stop at Designated Point (stop Sign)	11
Failed to Stop at Proper Place (traffic Light)	1
Failed to Yield Right of Way	1
Failed to Yield to Pedestrians in Crosswalk	1
Following Too Closely	1
Illegal Parking - Handicap Zone	7
Impeding Traffic	1
No Driver's License	10
No License Plate(s) on Vehicle	2
No Parking	1
No Seat Belt - Driver	12
No Seat Belt - Passenger	1
Parked Facing Traffic	11
Parked in Fire Lane	11
Parking on Roadway	1
Ran Red Light	2
Ran Stop Sign	29
Speeding	26
Turned Left From Wrong Lane	1
U Turn Not in Safety/ Neg Collision	1
Unapproved Window Tint	2
Unrestrained Child under 4 Years of Age	1
Unsafe Backing- Neg Collision	3
Unsafe Lane Change- Neg Collision	1
Violation of Restriction A- W/ Corrective Lenses	1
	Total Citations 244

Accidents

03/31/15 / Accident / 1100 E. Yoakum / Unsafe Backing

03/31/15 / Accident Hit and Run / 922 E. King / Red truck struck another vehicle and left location

03/31/15 / Accident / 200 S. 15th / Fail to Yield ROW @ Stop Sign

03/31/15 / Accident / 1100 E. General Cavazos / Fail to Control Speed

04/01/15 / Accident / 1700 S. 6th / Fail to Control Speed

04/01/15 / Accident Hit and Run / 1013 E. General Cavazos / Reportee struck another vehicle.

Subject left location due to him having warrants and not wanting to make a report.

04/01/15 / Accident Hit and Run / 226 Birchwood / Vehicle backed out of a driveway and struck a parked vehicle causing significant damage.

04/06/15 / Accident / 200 S. 14th / Fail to Control Speed

04/07/15 / Accident / 1311 E. General Cavazos / Unsafe backing and No Insurance

04/08/15 / Accident / 1200 E. Caesar / Fail to Yield ROW to oncoming traffic and No Insurance

04/14/15 / Accident / 920 W. Alice / Fail to control speed

04/14/15 / Accident / 1100 E. General Cavazos / Fail to yield ROW from Private Drive

04/14/15 / Accident / 600 W. Santa Gertrudis / Unsafe Lane Change

04/24/15 / Accident / 500 E. Nettie /Unsafe Backing and No DL

04/24/15 / Accident / 300 E. Warren / Fail to Control Speed and No DL

04/24/15 / Accident / 1100 W. Corral / Fail to Control Speed

04/27/15 / Accident / 1000 N. 17th / Fail to Yield ROW from Private Drive and No DL

04/27/15 / Accident Hit and Run / 325 S. 14th / Subject left location after striking parked vehicle

04/29/15 / Accident / 2500 Brahma Blvd / Unsafe Lane Change and No DL

Arrests

04/01/15 / City Warrant / Ryan Vest 31YOA, \$349.00 paid in full

04/13/15 / City Warrant / Veronica Rodriguez 54YOA, \$320.10 paid in full

04/15/15 / County and City Warrant / Ana Reyes 29YOA, Pecos County Warrant for POCS with a \$2000.00 bond and \$2600.00 worth of City warrants paid in full after incarceration.

04/16/15 / POM / Martha Moreno 49YOA, was arrested for Possession of Marijuana

04/24/15 / Crim Mischief / Bernice Gonzalez 37YOA, was arrested for Crim Mischief over \$1500

04/27/15 / City Warrant / Elias Rangel 42YOA, paid \$508.00 in full before incarceration

04/27/15 / City Warrant / Janah Reyes 32YOA, was arrested for \$1400.00 worth of warrants

04/28/15 / Duty on Striking Vehicle / Ruben Velasquez 42YOA, was arrested for Duty upon Striking an Unattended Motor Vehicle and DWI.

The following report was from March 30, 2015 to April 30, 2015. Around 11 private property accidents were taken through the month.

Engineering/Public Works Department (Courtesy of Charlie Cardenas, Director)

Engineering Division (4/27– 5/15)

Engineering and GIS

CONGRATULAZIONS DANIELLA!

Engineering and GIS are celebrating the graduation of Daniella A. Herrera, Engineering Technician. Daniella is graduating with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Geology. Daniella also received top honors in her



department and walked the stage “Magna Cum Laude.” WAY TO GO! We are all very proud of you. Engineering is continuing with the street construction schedule. Engineering has been surveying for the Brookshire and Gillett Street Project for the Street Department. Engineering also shot the elevations for the



Fairview drainage project (shown left). Staff has been busy with project management and helping other departments with projects (Parks and Rec’s Corral Park plan and Pavilion fence project) as well as vehicle delivery for the inmate volunteer program.

Street Division (4/27– 5/10)

Road Constructions – Project E99 – Corral Ave.

- limestone, watered and rolled
- Cut out section Northeast of Corral and mixed 10 bags of lime to stabilize subgrade
- Used 45 tons limestone and 10 bags of lime
- Watered, rolled, sprayed 150 gal of MC30, seal coat with 1200 gal AC5, rolled pad with pneumatic roller and ready for hot mix
- Hot mixed Corral Ave. with 440.40 tons and rolled with steel wheel and pneumatic rollers
- Hot mixed last pieces of Corral Ave. with 42.98 tons, rolled and cleaned curbs
- Seal coated 200 ft. of Corral Ave
- Swept up loose gravel, cleaned curbs and picked up all signs and barricades
- Used 1000 gals AC5, 200 gals MC30, 483.38 tons hot mix and 12 tons #5 rock

(In photo on right, sealcoating is shown on the left and existing street is on the right.)

Tree Trimming

Mowing –

- North Y
- Ailsie Ave. from 6th St. to Franklin Adams
- Escondido Rd
- Brahma Blvd from General Cavazos to Dick Kleberg Park
- City Easements



- 14th St. & Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- Santa Gertrudis Ave. & 12th St. Bypass
- General Cavazos Blvd.
- 6th St
- Franklin Adams
- Ditch by cemetery
- Fairview

Gutter

- 13th St. from Lott Ave. to Fordyce Ave.
- Huisache Ave. from 14th St. to 11th St.
- 12th St. from Huisache Ave. to Fordyce Ave.
- 16th St. & Kenedy Ave.
- 13th St. & Lott Ave., Huisache Ave. from 11th St. to 9th St.
- 10th St. and 9th St. from Huisache Ave. to Fordyce Ave.

Sweeping

- Ave D from 4th St. to 5th St. to Railroad
- Corral Ave. from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- 6th St. from Corral Ave. to Ella Ave.
- King Ave. from Hwy 77 to Armstrong Ave.
- 911 S 18th St. from Warren Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- General Cavazos Blvd. from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- Ailsie Ave. from Shelly to Carlos Truan Blvd.
- 14th St. from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Corral Ave. from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- Ailsie Ave. from 14th St. to Shelly
- Shelly from Ailsie Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- 6th St. from Corral Ave. to Hwy 428
- Santa Gertrudis Ave. from 6th St. to Hwy 141
- Tree islands from University Blvd. to Hwy 141
- Caesar Ave. from 14th St. to 6th St.
- Santa Gertrudis Ave. from 6th St to Armstrong
- Drained Water
- 5th St. & Ave D
- Santa Monica from Santa Clara to Santa Barbara
- Shelton Ave. from 14th St. to 13th St.
- General Cavazos Blvd. from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- Shelley from Ailsie to General Cavazos Blvd.
- King Ave. from Hwy 141 to Hwy 77 Bypass
- 6th St. from Santa Gertrudis to Carol
- 6th St. from Carol to Corral Ave.
- Southside of Corral from 6th St to Yard
- 14th St. from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Corral Ave. from 6th St. to Hwy 77 Bypass
- Picked up spilled cement on 14th St. & Caesar Ave. and King Ave. & Armstrong

Round Up

- General Cavazos Blvd. from Brahma Blvd to Hwy 77
- Shelly from Ailsie to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Ailsie from 6th St. to Carlos Truan Blvd.
- Ailsie from 6th St. to Franklin Adams
- Carlos Truan Blvd. from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- General Cavazos Blvd., Carlos Truan Blvd., Corral Ave., Santa Gertrudis Ave., King Ave. and Caesar Ave. from overpass to Hwy 77
- Caesar Ave. from Hwy 77 to 6th St.
- King Ave. from 10th St. to Hwy 77
- King Ave. from 19th St. to May
- Santa Gertrudis Ave, from Hwy 141 to Fairview
- Corral Ave. from Hwy 77 to 6th St.
- 14th St. from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Corral Ave. from 6th St. to Armstrong
- Armstrong from Ave I to Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- Armstrong from Santa Gertrudis Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Ave B from Seale to Santa Rosa
- Warren Ave. from 11th St. to 6th St.
- Ragland Ave. from 6th St. to 14th St.
- 13th St. from Caesar Ave. to Kenedy Ave.
- 12th St. from King Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- 11th St. from Caesar Ave. to Warren Ave.

Hot Mix/Cold Patch

Hot Mix

- Mesquite from Armstrong to Ave D
- Ave D from 6th St. to Armstrong
- Ave C from Armstrong to 4th St.
- Ave B from Armstrong to 5th St.
- Ave A to Armstrong
- Lawndale
- Kathleen & Lawndale
- Circle & Lawndale
- Ave A from Armstrong to 5th St.
- Lott Ave. from 11th St. to King Ave.
- Retama & Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- Kenedy Ave. & 5th St.
- Warren Ave. & 14th St.
- Kenedy Ave. & 16th St.
- Lott Ave. & 16th St.
- Yoakum Ave. & 14th St.
- Kenedy Ave. from 15th St. to 16th St.
- Lott Ave. & 16th St.
- Lott Ave. & 13th St.
- Ella Ave. and Nettie Ave. from Armstrong to 5th St.



- 5th St. from Santa Gertrudis Ave. to Ave D
- 4th St. from Corral Ave. to Ave D
- 2nd St. from Ave D to Corral Ave.
- 17th St. and Lott Ave. intersection
- 19th St. Kenedy Ave. at intersection
- 14th St. & Huisache Ave. at intersection (east & west)
- Ave D & 14th St.
- Fordyce Ave. & 13th St. at intersection

Storm Drainage

City's contractors completed drainage work on 21st Street from Warren to Caesar Street.



Miscellaneous Sign Shop

- Took orange fence down on 6th St. & Railroad St.
- Put up name signs on 5th St. & Alice Ave.
- Helped with cold mix on Mesquite from Wells to 3rd, Ave C from Armstrong to 4th St.
- Cold patching on Ave B & 7th St., Wells from Santa Gertrudis Ave. to Yoakum Ave., Warren Ave., Ave B from 11th St. to 10th St.
- Took piece of concrete out on Kenedy Ave. & 5th St. and filled it in with cold mix
- Put four T-post and orange fence an New City Hall
- Picked up branches on Alice Lane
- Picked up barricades on 14th St. & Warren Ave.
- Fixed two weed eaters in sign shop.
- Put 2 Mourning signs up on the 600 block of Warren Ave.
- Made 20 sandbags for Charley
- Helped clean curbs and pick up barricades
- Hot mixed on Corral Ave. from Armstrong to Lantana
- Worked on shelf for Library

Water Production (4/24 –5/10)

Collected 18 routine Bacteriological Samples:

- 332 E. Ave B
- 714 W. Mesquite Ave.
- 506 W. Fordyce Ave.
- 213 Pasadena Ave.

- 2020 Sherwood
- 1612 Shirley
- 417 E. Nettie Ave.
- 916 W. Ave I
- 724 W. Richard Ave
- 1513 E. Warren Ave.
- 4011 Allen Drive
- 3303 S. Brahma Blvd.
- 1121 E. Ave A
- 707 E. Santa Gertrudis Ave
- 1109 E. Henrietta Ave.
- 312 W. King Ave.
- 511 College Place
- 329 E. Doddridge Ave.

Collected 7 daily chlorine residuals:

- 417 E. Nettie Ave
- 621 E. Kenedy Ave.
- 1513 E. Warren Ave,
- 4011 Allen Drive
- 332 E. Ave. B
- 714 W. Mesquite Ave
- 1612 Shirley
- 2020 Sherwood
- 213 Pasadena
- 506 W. Fordyce
- 711 E. Ragland Ave.
- 315 S. 24th St.
- 209 Reidda Dr.

Delivered Ammonia to 6 sites; delivered Chlorine to 7 sites.

Water pumped to distribution (4/24 –5/10) - Wells – 35,829,000 gallons; Surface – 3,328,000 gallons; 0 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 39,157,000 gallons; Average –2,796,928.57 gals/day

Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant (4/24-5/10)

Wastewater Treatment North Plant – Operators and Helpers cleaned primary and secondary clarifier troughs and weirs. Operators shoveled sludge from sand drying bed. Helpers and Operators are replacing and cleaning UV modules. We continue wasting in wedge and sand drying beds and wire drying beds. Operators and Helpers are mowing grass around plant and lift stations. Contractor Rabalais trouble shoot generators at 17th St and Lee Ave. Rabalias also troubleshot the UV lights.

Wastewater Treatment South Plant – Operator cleaned clarifier troughs and shoveled sludge from sand drying beds. Crew is wasting in wedge wires and sand drying bed. Operators and helpers mowed grass around Plant and Lift Stations. Contractor Rabalais trouble shot UV lights and modules.

Wastewater Collection – Had 6 call outs for sewer backups:

1260 E. Kenedy Ave

12th St and Kenedy Ave.

1602 W. Santa Gertrudis Ave

909 E. Ragland Ave.

903 E. Alice Ave.

103 ½ S. 2nd St.

1 – Line Locates and 1 – bad odor call

2 – Service line repairs

Installed new main, new tap and re-excavated and compacted the ground at new City Hall building.

Vacuumed sludge at the North Plant

Filled holes at 9th St. and Johnston Ave. and 8th St. and Kenedy Ave.

Repaired service and installed clean out at 903 W. Alice Ave.

Repaired manhole at Wildwood Trail Blvd. and Virginia.

Scheduled work for the week

Mowing and weed eating 1 MGD, 3MGD and Lift Stations

Plant Helpers spraying weed killer along fence lines and drying beds and 1 & 3 MGD

Cleaning sewer mains, curbs & gutters.

Clean troughs (Mon, Thurs, and Fri)

Clean drying beds (Tues, Wed.)

3 & 1 MGD wasting on drying beds

Mowing and weed eating 1MGD, 3MGD, and Lift stations

Plant helpers spraying weed killer along fence lines & drying beds at the 1 & 3 MGD

Construction crews replacing main line on Nettie Ave between 2nd St. and 3rd St.

Construction crews replacing main line on the 500 – 600 block of Alexander.

Construction crews are repairing a manhole at 3320 Paulson Falls.

Construction crews will be backfilling at 1703 Mary Dr.

Water Distribution (4/24 – 5/10)

Repaired 3 Main Breaks and answered approximately 53- Service Calls

6” Main Break 1220 E. King Ave.

6” Main Break 310 W. Yoakum Ave.

4” Main Break 609 E. King Ave.

15- Locates, 1-Service line leaks, 3– water leaks;14 - Meter Leaks, 7- Backfills, 1– valve repairs, 3– Customer Side Leaks; 1– No Water/Low Pressures; 1 – Fire Hydrant 4– Turn off Water, 0 -Turn on and 0 – Water Tap.

3 – Locate Meter; 0 – Install Riser; 0 – Expose line;

Water crews are finished breaking out cement at the Dick Kleberg Park Pool, now they will begin filling it in with dirt. Crews repaired concrete sidewalks on Parker and Shirley and on 14th St and Warren Ave.

Water crews continue to work on irrigation lines at L.E. Ramey Golf Course.

City Garage (4/24 –5/10)

Maintenance

6-Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 30-Scheduled work orders; 46-Nonscheduled work; 9-Service calls; 2-Call out; 7-New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 14-flat tire repairs and balances; 27- pending work orders.

Replaced the PTO on Unit 337 and replaced the pins and rollers on Unit 3003. Unit 329 is at Allison Transmission for repairs and we are replacing the radiator on Unit 335.

Welder

8 received work order and 3 pending work orders

Welded mower deck on Unit 1906 and welded stopper on trash truck ramp. Also removed the roller and plates on Unit 3003.

Solid Waste (4/24 – 5/10)

Landfill - (4/24 – 5/10)

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 surrounding roads leading to the landfill. A new lift was started for x-y/10-11. The scraper teeth were picked up and replaced on the Scraper Two portable windscreens came in from Coastal Netting along with extra keys for the Skid Loader from Bobcat. Pete Pina, Landfill Supervisor along with Charlie Cardenas, City Engineer & Public Works Director went to Austin for a Landfill Amendment Pre-Application meeting. The 2nd quarter Methane results were submitted to Marty Ontiveros at Kleberg County, Gulay Aki at TCEQ and Michelle Phillips with TCEQ. Preventative maintenance was done on the Trench Burner, D-T Dozer and the Leachate Pump 3 was repaired. Landfill complete mandatory training on Cultural Diversity and completed monthly training on Fire Extinguisher Training. We received the Air Emission/ Inspection Fee Basis form from Naismith.

Brush – 144 tons; Garbage –974.42 tons; Litter –2.23 tons; Construction/Demolition – 558.72 tons; Concrete -.114.79 tons, metals -.86 tons; and Recycled tires – 11.16 tons.

Sanitation

Residential waste collected from 4/24 – 5/10 –**731,100** pounds; Commercial waste collected **753,620** pounds; Brush collected **163,020** pounds and construction debris collected **1,209,880** pounds. The brush crew is collecting in Zone 2 this week. White Goods pick up for Zone 2 is on Friday May 15, 2015. Sanitation has been helping Community Appearance finish small abatements as needed. Sanitation has also taken over watering new trees planted around the city and does this on Wednesdays. The Recycling Center got upgraded with new lights and new bookshelves. New signs have also been erected to replace old and worn out signage. New fans have been ordered from Big Ass Fans to help cool the Recycling Center during the hot summer months. Five demolitions of burned structures were completed this past week: two structures on 903 E. Ragland, one on 604 E. Lott and one at 217 E. Doddridge and one at 1212 S. 6th St. Recycling for the month of April totaled 13.30 tons from the Recycling Center taken to Corpus Christi.

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

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

Monday, June 8, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Monday, June 22, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Monday, July 13, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Monday, July 27, 2015	6:00 p.m.

Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers)

Thursday, June 4, 2015	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 18, 2015	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 3, 2015	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 17, 2015	3:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 31, 2015	3:00 p.m.

Board Meetings (Commission Chambers)

Planning and Zoning Commission	Wednesday, June 17, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Historic Development Board	Wednesday, June 17, 2015	4:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustments	Thursday, June 11, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Joint Airport Zoning Board	Thursday, June 18, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Civil Service Commission	3 rd Tuesday of every month	12:00 p.m.

Board Meetings (Respective Locations)

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

Upcoming Holidays:

Memorial Day Holiday – Monday, May 25, 2015

City Departments will be closed in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

Reminders:

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

<u>Board Name:</u>	<u>Vacancies</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>
Zoning Board of Adjustments	0	0
Zoning Board of Adjustments (Alternates)	3	0
Joint Airport Zoning Board	0	0
Civil Service Commission	0	0
Historic Development Board	1	0
Planning & Zoning Commission	2	0