

City of Kingsville, Texas

Staff Report

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“I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.” –Maya Angelou

www.brainyquote.com



FOCUS ON EMPLOYEES

I would like to take this time to nominate Mr. Salvador Garcia for the “Good Job Award”. Sal has been with the City for just over three years and has proven himself to be a very capable employee and a leader. In the Sanitation Department he works as the Brush Crew Leader and has been handling the brush crew for fourteen months now. His leadership has greatly improved operations within the crew and has made for noticeable results around Kingsville. The Brush Crew has always been the “go to guys” in the City when things needed to get done and that has surely continued. The demolitions have been ongoing for several years handled by this crew, only now the demolition of structures is done much quicker. It has become standard for this crew to demolish up to five and even six houses in one week because Sal has cross trained his employees in operating the brush tractor as well as the trucks.

At times superlatives do not do justice and this is one of those times. Sal is conscientious, dependable, thoughtful, and organized in his style of leadership and the results show. Recently the City of Kingsville and most of the Coastal Bend has survived fairly substantial storms that have damaged our trees and vegetation. Many longtime residents simply cannot remember when it has rained so much as it has in the past six months and some of these downpours were severe weather systems- even spawning small funnel clouds. The brush that piled up around the city on residents property and in the parks and all over has been staggering. Sal and his crew have diligently been working around the City and picking up all of this damage debris and brush. They have been to residents property at times twice and even thrice to help people with their brush.

As Sal and his crew trudge in daily caked in sweat and grime after another hard day collecting brush- there are no complaints. Customer service is still priority number one and if it is out there, they will get it! For all Sal has done for the City and for his excellent leadership and management- I am proud to nominate Sal for this award. Hopefully when you see him out on the streets driving his tractor you can give him a nod or just say thank you for all of his hard work!



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

Summer has kicked off with Brookshire Pool opening and Summer Programs taking off!

Adventure Camp- Before camp started, Park employee Dana Sams, a certified CPR Instructor, provided instruction to our Summer Staff so that they are all prepared to handle any situations that may arise with the kids. The camp attendees receive information on nutrition and physical fitness before their activities begin.



Both age groups of kids kicked off camp the week of June 8th with trips to the Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History and Kingsville Recycling Center. At the Center, they picked out books and learned how they can recycle at home. Then they were back to park for make recycled arts & crafts. Lots more summer fun on the way!



Brookshire Pool Opened after much preparation and the rule of Murphy's Law in full force. All turned out fine.

Everyone had a great time. Kingsville Swim Team is practicing hard and getting ready for a summer of competition in other cities and hosting a couple at our pool as well.



Maintenance Department Update - With a couple of vacant positions filled, we are covering a little more territory a little faster. Grass is growing quickly and though it seems we have had a lot of rain our new trees are requiring watering daily. We will have to begin irrigation on our athletic fields. Crews are hitting the neighborhood parks and are working most Saturdays to get to all of our *locations*.

Corral Park Update – We will be applying a second round of weed killer to the trail and installing equipment next week (June 15-19) if weather remains dry.

South Texas Pitmasters BBQ Shootout is this coming weekend (June 12th-13th) and we are prepping for the arrival of over 75 Professional BBQ Teams to arrive on Friday for a weekend of BBQ competition, Vendors, Kids Cook-off, and games. Hope you all are planning to come out! If you love BBQ Judging is a great opportunity to taste some of the best.

Thunder Girls Softball and Boys & Girls Club Little League have both ended their seasons and are preparing for All Stars. Tournament teams are keeping the fields busy practicing for their tournament and National Competitions.

Planning and Development 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 and in the past few week submitted to staff a scope of work that they would like to have done to the building. Staff obtained a quote from a local construction company. Staff was recently advised the BP is willing to go ahead and use the quote.

Torres Estates

The City Commission has approved all of the necessary administrative tasks for developer Mark Dizdar to start his in fill, single family residential 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 in the project. 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 was pushed into June 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 definite date and the time we will let you know. The potential date is June 19th.

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

The developer, Mr. Dizdar, can now start on the residential garden homes project.

New City Hall

Things are going well. Public Works worked on sewer and storm drainage in the month of May. So far, the project is on budget and on schedule.

Joint Airport Zoning Board

Ramon Perez was recently 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 to learn more about the history and how we got to where we are. 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. Brad Womack submitted his resignation from the Board to staff. At the next meeting, the Board will accept the resignation and discuss how they want to fill the 5th spot. Per resolution, the 5th member is also the chair of the Board. The Board accepted the resignation from Brad Womack. In addition to contacting members in the community, they have instructed staff to put a notice in the newspaper to see if that would generate interest from the community in this position.

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

Staff 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 ordinance which would allow commercial and residential development on the same property. They were working to be ready for the June, Planning and Zoning Board meeting; however, Mr. Forsythe recently advised that his clients are putting the project on hold as the closing of the property has been delayed for 180 days.

Legends of Kingsville

As you have read in the paper, they are 100% leased for the upcoming school year. They recently submitted plans for Phase II. 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. The Development Review Team had a conference call with their engineering firm recently and it went well. Staff will be authorizing them to obtain a building permit. Legends is planning on August 22, 2015 as the move in date for students/residents in Phase I.

Domino's

Domino's submitted a development plan in September of 2014 and recently broke ground for the new building. This Domino's will have some limited inside dining. They plan to be done in October of 2015. Because of the rains that we have had, it has delayed the work somewhat. Construction has started back up again.

University Center

Ali Samadi who owns all of the Subways in town 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 Armstron. 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. A change in contractor and the rains have delayed the work on the project.

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 July 15th, 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. The Development Review Team has reviewed the plans and has authorized them to obtain a building permit.

Neessen Chevrolet

They have submitted a development plan to remodel a part of the building and to add a freestanding Chevrolet tower. The Development Review Team has reviewed the plans and has authorized them to obtain a building permit.

Christus Spohn Hospital

They have submitted a development plan to remodel suite c into a Community Action Dental Clinic. The Development Review Team has distributed the plans to all the review team members for review.

Café 5

Ramy Nassar, owner of Café 5, has submitted plans to move his restaurant Café 5 from the current location of 634 E. King to 1106 N. Armstrong. The Development Review Team has been reviewing the plans and waiting for some updates.

Building Services Division

Permits Pulled:

Residential Remodel:	10	Commercial Remodel:	2	Electrical:	13
New Commercial:	1	Mechanical:	13	Moving:	0
New Residential:	4	Fire Inspection:	15	Gas Inspection:	3
Cert. of Occupancy:	1	Commercial Meter:	3	House Leveling:	0
Plumbing:	7	Residential Meter:	6	Re-roof:	13
Sprinkler:	3	Sidewalk:	0	Sign:	1
Curb:	0	Swimming Pool:	1	Demolition:	0
Fence:	2	Driveway:	3		

Total Permits Pulled: 101

Domino's new business going up at 609 E King:



New Residential home at 1998 Laurel St:



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	Complete
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	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
109 N. Armstrong	Violations	

109 N. Armstrong



729 W. AvE



1206 N. 6th (before)



1206 N. 6th (after)



Unfinished Siding/Roof

<u>Property location</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Comments</u>
610 S. Lantana	Letter mailed 2/16/15	Municipal Court on 6/18/15
315 S. 21 st	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
822 S. 16 th	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
428 W. Lee	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
528 S. 18 th	Letter mailed 2/16/15	
516 E. Alice	Letter mailed 2/16/15	

Violations

1702 E. Ave. F



516 E. Alice



Almost Complete

315 S. 21st



315 S. 21st



Multiple Violations:

Property Address

430/426 E Alice
 400 E Corral
 1808 Kelly
 1420 Sen. Carlos Truan
 1202 W King
 1950 E Corral
 2151 N. Hwy 77 Byp
 223 S 6th
 109 S Hwy 77
 E Henrietta & 19th St.

Status

Pending Cleanup
 Court scheduled 3/26/15
 Pending variance
 Notice sent 6/24/14
 Notice sent 2/26/14
 Pending notice of violation
 Pending notice of violation
 Pending notice of violation
 Notice sent 6/14/14
 Notice sent 3/23/15

Comment

Court ordered extension-May 7
 Pending Cleanup
 Cleared by city
 Property owner working on violation
 Property owner complied

Community Appearance Division

Recent activity (April 30th – May 13th) by Community Appearance Inspectors is as follows:

Notices Sent: 41
Abatements: 26
Obsolete Sign Violations: 0
Inspections: 170
Court Cases: 0
Placards Posted: 9

Re-Inspections: 49
Illegal Dumping Cases: 1
Compliances: 33
Complaints call-ins/walk-ins: 9

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	\$7301.97
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:

328 W Huisache - City Abated

BEFORE



AFTER



1203 E King - City Abated

BEFORE



AFTER



801 E King – Property Owner Abated

BEFORE



AFTER



921 E King – City Abated

BEFORE



AFTER



COMMON CODE VIOLATIONS

Weeds and Grass

- When mowing your property keep in mind to cut all the way to the curb.
- Keeping grass mowed prevents mosquitos and vermin from breeding.

Weeds and grass over 12 inches in height is a violation. Property owners are responsible for keeping their lawns mowed to the roadway and the center of their adjacent alley.



Rundown Fence

Fences that have weakened and/or are missing pickets cause a safety concern and are considered unsafe to the livability of a neighborhood.



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

Electrical Wiring Project Update

Technicians, contractors, and staff have been working diligently to prepare the library for the grand reopening, which is tentatively set for July 1, 2015. TJ Electric is currently working on the library's electrical system to bring the wiring up to code. The technicians have begun with the essential areas, including the public departments and the technical services workroom. In addition, they are working with the IT Department to ensure that the Children's and Adult computer labs will be ready when the library reopens on Wednesday, July 1, 2015.

Flag Presentation by Woodsmen of the World

On Thursday, May 28, 2015, Dr. Pedro Vasquez and Mrs. Carmen Utley, representatives from the Woodsmen of the World, presented the library with a United States flag and provided a brief history of the American flag. The Continental Congress adopted the first United States flag on June 14, 1777. President Wilson, on May 30, 1916, issued a proclamation calling for a nationwide observance of Flag Day. Then in 1949, President Truman signed an Act of Congress designating the 14th day of June every year as *National Flag Day*. Flags are an important aspect of U.S. history, and every state flag has its own unique story.



Texas Flag Presented to Library as a Memorial

In conjunction with the Woodsmen of the World, Mr. and Mrs. Ramiro and Carmen Utley presented the library with a Texas flag in memory of their grandson Mathias Utley. Dr. Pedro Vasquez provided a brief history of the various flags that have flown over the territory or state, including the period when Texas was an independent nation, the Republic of Texas. The U.S. flag, along with the Texas flag, will be flown on a flagpole located at the main entrance to the library. The Library Board extends their sincerest gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Utley for their gracious gift.



Flag of Honor on Display



In 2013, the Woodsmen of the World presented the library with the 10th anniversary edition of the *Flag of Honor*. The canton of the Flag of Honor is the blue background and 50 white stars, with the 13 stripes “created from the names of those who perished in the terrorist attacks of 9/11.” The library had the flag framed, and patrons can view it as they exit the Adult Wing. The Robert J. Kleberg Public Library is the only entity south of Victoria that has been presented the Flag of Honor.

Golf Course Department (Courtesy of Jimmy Saenz, Manager)

The entire staff is very excited to announce we will be getting new mowing equipment in the coming weeks. Thank you to all the staff and city commissioners.

The St. Gertrude’s golf tournament held on June 6th was a success and had great support. We are looking forward to hosting their next tournament in the fall.

Ladies, a reminder that the Ladies Clinic will be held on Saturday mornings beginning on Saturday, June 20th at 10 a.m.

Reminder that a free Kids Clinic will be held on June 22-26. Contact the shop staff at 592 -1101 for more information.

The Golf Course Manager would like to thank Chuck Anders, Ruben Saenz, and Larry Lee for coming out and helping pick up tree limbs.

As of June 8th and for the next three months we will be having a membership drive. For more information and pricing call the pro shop and we will happy to assist you. We welcome all to drop by for a visit.





Scheduled tournaments at L.E. Ramey Golf Course:
Yaklin Family Reunion Tournament - June 13, 2015
Ladies Clinic – June 20, 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, Fire Chief)

Training and Professional Development

City Emergency Operations Plan – Personnel reviewed the City’s emergency operations plan and discussed responsibilities to report for duty during emergencies and how duties will be assigned at that time.

Sick Leave Policy Changes – The fire chief reviewed the new fire department sick leave policy with all shifts to ensure understanding of the new rules.

Planning Activities

Developmental Review Team Meetings – The Fire Chief and Fire Marshal attended a meeting to discuss construction of a new Café 5 restaurant near TAMUK.

Other Department Activities

New Firefighter Entry Physical Abilities Test and Interviews - On May 29th, a new employee physical abilities test was administered to 2 firefighter/paramedic applicants. Both applicants passed the test and later in the day sat before an interview panel of fire department officers. They are now going through the remaining hiring requirements with the Human Relations Department.



Promotional Ceremony and Retiree Recognition – A fire department promotional ceremony was held on June 9th to recognize personnel that had been promoted in the last few months. During the ceremony, retirees that were present were also recognized. Family members attended and were asked to pin the rank badge on the uniform of their loved one. Fire Department personnel also took official photos prior to the ceremonies.



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

Facilities and Equipment:

Medic Units: Medic unit sent to warehouse for fuel line leak near transmission. Another medic unit was sent to the warehouse to have the front ball joints replaced due to dangerous pulling to the right when brakes applied.

Engine 1: Failed fire pump test for second year in a row. Problem may be with insulation around radiator. Waiting on insulation. New end beacon bulb assembly received.

Engine 2: Rear rotating beacons worn out. Preparing to replace them.

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

Station 1: Crews cleaned and painted stairwell railings, wood wall paneling and trims, doors and door trims, and floor striping. Crews also replaced broken light fixtures and light bulbs in high hanging light fixtures.



Station 2: Generator repair is scheduled in two weeks when company comes to finish repairs on generator at station 1. Flag pole was delivered, but was damaged and was returned. Waiting on new pole to be delivered.

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. Anticipated completion around June 16th.

Intercom System for Fire Apparatus: Primary funding for radio/intercom systems in emergency apparatus re-allocated to City general fund excess account. Engine 1 intercom system was included in regular budget and is pending.

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. That street is now open, but will probably have new blacktop surface laid in the future.

Vehicle Exhaust Removal Systems - The vehicle exhaust removal systems at both fire stations has been completed. Some rails need to be extended and moved and the contractor is waiting for the fan to arrive for installation. 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 29th, 2015 to 08:00 hrs on June 10th, 2015.

Fire/Rescue/Other Calls -	15
Emergency Medical Service Calls (EMS) -	75
Total Emergency Responses -	90

Major Events during the period: House Fire, Bishop (Mutual Aid), June 1: Engine 1 and the fire chief responded to a call for assistance from the Bishop Fire Department for a structure fire. When KFD units arrived, two small houses that were joined by a cover were on fire. One structure was fully involved and fire had spread to the neighboring structure. There was no clear command structure at the incident so the KNAS fire engine crew and KFD engine crew joined together to conduct a search and fire attack in the second structure. When a unit arrived from the Kleberg County Volunteer Fire Department, they also assisted in that operation. The house had some involvement to the side nearest the other house and in the attic. No one was found in the home and the fire was finally located and extinguished.



House Fire, E. Alexander Ave, June 9: B Shift units were called to a structure fire on E. Alexander Avenue the afternoon of June 9th. Personnel spotted heavy smoke showing from the house from across town. Upon arrival units found a large 1 story house with a detached garage with heavy fire showing from the side and rear. The garage and house were connected by a covered patio area. The garage, patio area, and rear side of the house were well involved in fire. The power line to the house had burned through and was popping and jumping in the driveway. Personnel deployed two lines down the driveway to begin knocking down the main fire. As soon as enough personnel arrived positive pressure ventilation was started at the front of the house to push smoke and fire back toward the rear of the house. Personnel then made entry through the front door to conduct a primary search for occupants. Due to the heat of the fire and the heat outside, crews were rotated as soon as they became fatigued. After two crews of 3 or 4 persons entered the structure, an “all clear” was issued to notify everyone that no occupants were located on the initial search in the smoke. Crews continued to battle the garage and fire in the rear of the house while interior crews began pulling ceilings to look for fire

and help push it back to the point where it began. Due to the size of the structure, the heat outside, and only having 7 personnel to attack the fire, mutual aid was requested immediately from KNAS Fire Department, Alice Fire Dept, Annaville Fire Dept, and the Kleberg County Volunteer Fire Department. The KNAS Fire Department also provided a mobile air filling truck on scene. All crews worked hard and rotated in and out of the hazard area to provide a continuous attack on the fire. There were some injuries reported on the fire and various forms of heat exhaustion were experienced by most personnel.



More Photos Later!

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

Purchasing Division



Purchase Orders

Between May 27, 2015 and June 10, 2015 Purchasing issued 97 Purchase Orders valued at \$247,838.14. We have finished reviewing May's P-card with total charges of \$60,846.77 on 480 line items. Of course many of these charges result in multiple entries on the P-card reconciliation forms.

Purchasing Department

Purchasing Director was involved in multiple meetings including New City Hall Construction, Sprint, Nimble Storage, Library Electrical, County Commissioners Court, and TML Region 11. We have finalized the lease agreements for new Golf Course mowing equipment and the telecommunications audit

Technology Division

Help Desk

Website

The website experienced a major outage Monday morning due to unforeseen circumstances with the hosting provider. The problem was been resolved by Jonathan Swindle of Hi-Res.

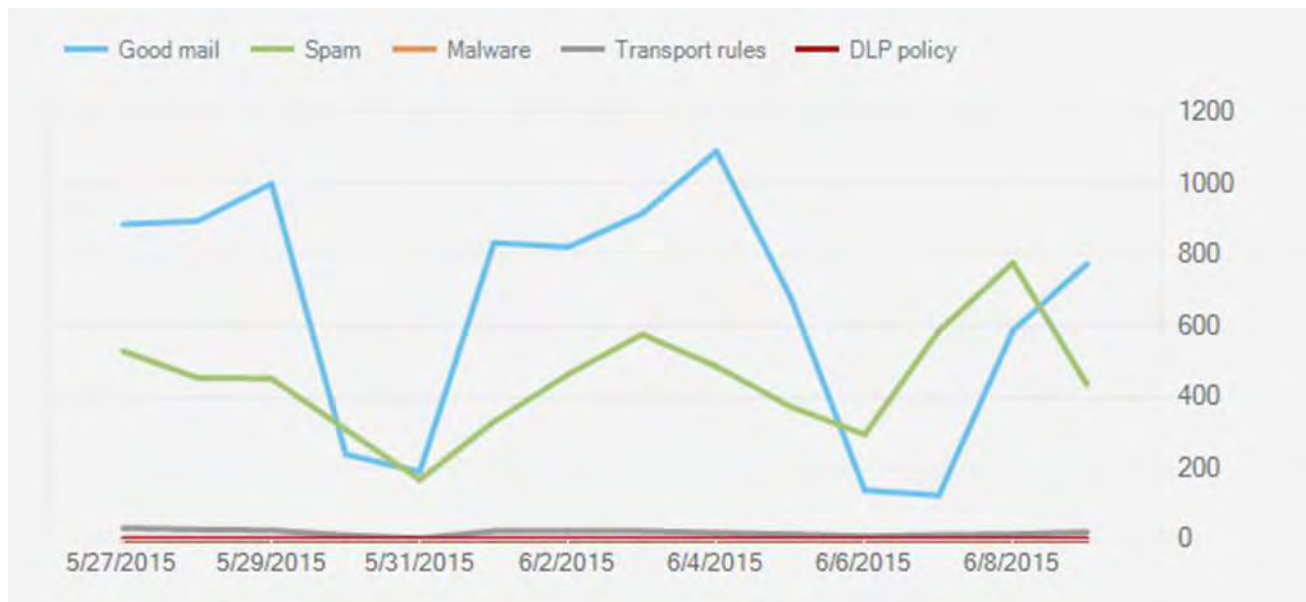
Laserfiche Weblink and Public Information

Currently, the Help Desk employee is working on a method to incorporate the existing website infrastructure with the Laserfiche public portal. This would help a great deal because it would allow each department with Laserfiche to essentially post documents to the website without the need to contact IT staff. It would be as simple as marking the document for public information it would then run a process that would monitor the approval for such things and post to the website without the need to email files or load files to a flash drive. This would massively reduce the current workload required to post information to the website and increase efficiencies. Additionally, all files would be in a single searchable portal instead of scattered throughout the website. Also, the weblink software is customizable to allow it to blend in with the current website without need for specialized design.

Office 365

Office 365 Government provides secure email and office applications to government entities as well as complying with most national security standards. Additionally, it's a pay as you grow software that allows smaller cities to fully take advantage of the cloud offerings.

E-Mail Flow Report



The City of Kingsville over the past week processed 12521 email messages. We blocked 5539 spam and 4 malware messages. We processed 6978 'good' emails. We have begun the final process for adding photo's to the email system and including all employee information. It is important that all employees receive a photo ID.

Group emails

We have made considerable changes to the emailing system including the inclusion of email groups. Before these groups existed as part of a static server setting that was very difficult to change this has been adjusted so now “Team Leaders” can access the groups from outlook and make system wide changes that include creating and deleting members.

H.M. King High School Project

Fiber and Telecommunications

Technology staff is in charge of projecting that all necessary site preparation in regards to ensuring internet connectivity as well as telecommunications. We have completed the preliminary step of acquiring fiber services. Currently, we are awaiting a green light to being the actual wiring of the building which was delayed for four weeks due to construction issues. We have begun the process to generate phone services for Public Works along with the new building. This involved us gathering lines and providing those to the third party fiber provider. Additionally, the preliminary work has begun for the installation of the new T-1 line in Public Works.

POLICE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Ricardo Torres, Police Chief)

Click It or Ticket Campaign Comes to Successful End!

The Kingsville Police Department participated in this year’s Click It or Ticket campaign. Officers targeted non use of seat belts and child restraints as well as the use of electronic devices, such as cell phones while driving. Results for the campaign are listed below along with 12 arrests that were made by KPD officers.

Number of Citations	196
1st Offense - Use of Wireless Communication Device	38
No Seat Belt - Driver	33
Speeding	12
No Seat Belt - Passenger	8
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility	7
Defective Brake Lamp(s)	7
Ran Stop Sign	5
No Driver's License	5
Driving While License Invalid under Provisions of DL Laws	5
Expired Registration	4
Failed to Signal Turn	3
Unrestrained Child under 4 Years of Age	3
Unrestrained Child (4-14) Years of Age	3
Expired Motor Vehicle Inspection	2
Fail to Display Driver's License	2
Wrong Color License Plate Light	2
Speeding 10% over Speed Limit	1
Turned Left From Wrong Lane	1
No Valid Class C DL	1
Unrestrained Child Younger Than 2 or under	1

36 Inches	
Violation of Restriction A- W/ Corrective Lenses	1
Fail to Report Change of Address	1
Drove Without Headlights (when Required)	1
Expired Drivers License	1
Disregard Traffic Control Device- Right Lane Must Turn Right	1
Disregard Traffic Control Device- Left Lane Must Turn Left	1
Other	47

Grand Total	196
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Arrests

Refused to sign citation Case#1500013752	1
Andrea Moya 45YOA Case#1500013780 \$1,391.00 City Warrant	1
Urbino Garcia 30YOA POCS Case#1500013804	1
Jesus Amador Jr. 1 County Warrant 15-13861	1
POM Case#1500013894	1
Amanda Guerra 36YOA City Warrant \$849.70	1
Gabriel Juarez 29YOA 3 City Warrants \$793.10 2 County MTR No Bond	1
Victoria Andrea Deleon 23 YOA Nueces County Warrant	1
FTA/Bond \$5,000 Case #1500014204	1
Case#1500014810 Roberto Saldana 33YOA DWLI	1
Case#1500014812 Ernest Salinas 19YOA Evading, POCS PG 2-A<2oz, PI	1
Case#1500014925 Elvira Falcon 32YOA DWLI	1
Total Arrest	12

Chief Ricardo Torres is happy to report that at the beginning of the campaign approximately 90% of City of Kingsville drivers were utilizing their safety belts. Upon completion of the event citizens were utilizing their seat belts approximately 93% of the time. Thank you Kingsville for being safe drivers.

Patrol Division Activity

Incident Number :1500015603 On June 7, 2015, an officer was dispatched to the area of West Ave C and North Wells. Street in reference to a male asleep in a vehicle that was in the roadway.

Upon arrival, the officer noticed a white pickup truck stopped in the middle of the "T" intersection at W. Ave C and N. Wells. The truck was a 2000 Ford F-150.

Upon approaching the vehicle the officer found a male, identified as James Bedford 51YOA seated in the driver's seat who appeared to be asleep. I noticed a bag of "Klimax" on the seat next to Bedford's right leg.

Bedford was taken into custody for POCS PG 2-A for the synthetic marijuana and transported to the Kleberg County Jail.

Incident Number :1500015132 On May 31, 2015, an officer was driving east on E Caesar Ave when he saw a vehicle stopped at the stop sign on E Caesar Ave and Highway 77 Access southbound.

The vehicle was over the center double yellow line of the opposite lane. The officer stayed behind the vehicle to see if it would proceed but after about a minute with no traffic, it remained at the stop sign. The officer exited his vehicle to check on the welfare of the driver.

The vehicle was a gray 2014 Toyota FJ Cruiser. The officer approached the vehicle on the driver's side and saw that the driver was passed out with no one else inside the vehicle. I saw that the vehicle's gear shift was still in drive and waited for a backup unit to arrive before trying to wake him up.

Another officer arrived on scene and positioned his patrol unit in front of the FJ Cruiser to prevent it from traveling into Hwy 77. The officer attempted to open the passenger door so he could try to put the vehicle in park but the door was locked.

The driver finally put the vehicle in park and was directed to get out of the vehicle. He got out of the vehicle where synthetic marijuana and a glass pipe were located.

The officer then placed the driver in his patrol vehicle and requested a wrecker for the FJ Cruiser.

The driver was then transported to the Kleberg County Jail without incident, where he, Mata, was booked and processed for Possession of Controlled Substance PG 2A (synthetic marijuana) and drug paraphernalia.

Criminal Investigation Bureau Period Activity

Detectives Supervisor assigned 129 cases and inactivated 32 cases as of June 10, 2015. Along with these cases there were also 3 DWI's and 6 Crash reports.



On 6/4/15 a theft of Copper Wire occurred at 1331 W. Santa Gertrudis, and the following day the victim located a large amount of copper wire that was recycled at a local recycling center. Cpl G. Rodriguez was assigned as the next walk-in and traveled to the recycling center on S. 6th and made contact with the involved parties. After a detailed investigation on the copper wire that was recycled, it was determined the wire was sold by the rightful owner. The case is still under investigation. Attached is a photo of the new apartment complex, where the copper wire was taken from.

School has ended for summer break so as

you're driving around be cognizant of kids on the street or running into traffic. As kids are out for summer they have a tendency to be around more strangers. Pay attention to your kids if you notice any changes in behaviors don't put off talking to them. (Keep them Safe!)

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 been working hard to clean out the evidence room and dispose of old cases.

Detectives have filed 84 cases during this period. There were 27 cases filed in District Court, 41 cases filed in County Court, 10 cases filed in City Court, and 6 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.

Street Level Operations Team Period Activity

CASES FILED WITH COUNTY COURT: 6

CASES FILED WITH DISTRICT COURT: 2

PROSECUTION CHARGE REPORT SUPPLMENTS: 11

TRAFFIC STOPS: 24

CITATIONS: 2

GONZALEZ:

Case #1500015349 – Inv. Gonzalez responded to the Javelina Mart where a counterfeit \$10.00 bill was given to the clerk.

TRAFFIC STOPS: 57

CITATIONS: 0

RUIZ:

NOTE: Inv. Ruiz was injured on duty and was on medical leave through most of the days that are covered in this Staff Report.

TRAFFIC STOPS: 3

CITATIONS: 0

NARCOTICIS INVESTIGATION:

Case #1500015082 –



On 05-31-15 at approximately 7:35 am the Street Level Operations Team (SLOT) conducted a narcotics search warrant with assistance of Specialized Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) at 523 E Nettie in Kingsville, Texas. The search led to the discovery of over three ounces of marijuana. Twenty year old Paul Stroman was arrested and charged with Possession of Marijuana > 2oz < 4oz (Class A Misdemeanor) and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

TRAINING: Inv. Gonzalez assisted in teaching the ALERRT Training, Terrorism Response Tactics: Active Shooter Level 1 that took place in Kingsville, Texas on 06-08-15 and ended on 06-10-15.



Course Description: This dynamic course of instruction is designed to prepare the first responder to isolate, distract, and neutralize an active shooter. The course curriculum includes weapon manipulation, threshold evaluation, concepts and principles of team movement (including solo officer strategies), setting up for room entry and room entry techniques, approach and breaching the crisis site, follow-on responder tactics, improvised explosive devices (IED's), and post-engagement priorities of work. The course will culminate with dynamic “force-on-force” scenarios.

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

WEEK 22

The following stats are from Week 22:

- Junk Vehicles-6
- Abandoned Vehicle-1
- Parking Citations –6
- Non-Ordinance Violation Checks -17
- Traffic Citations-29

WEEK 23

The following stats are from Week 23:

- Junk Vehicles-2
- Abandoned Vehicles-3
- Parking Citations –1
- Non-Ordinance Violation Checks -15
- Traffic Citations-1

So far for the year of 2015, 79 vehicles have been tagged (Combination of Abandoned and Junk Autos) in the City of Kingsville. There have been a total of 51 compliances for the year. NIO has also issued a total of 257 Parking Violations (Citation and Warning Combined) for the year and 150 Traffic Citations.

These are some photos of citizens who have complied.



900 E. LEE AVE.



1129 E. YOAKUM AVE.



1100 E. KLEBERG AVE.

Risk Manager Works on Budget – Deadline June 5th



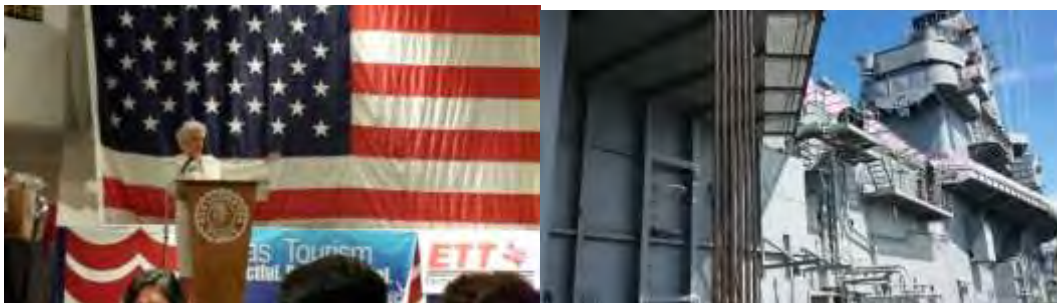
The Risk Management Department has been recently working on the FY 2015-2016 Budget. Deadline to turn in all departmental Budgets was June 5, 2015. Effective financial management can help municipalities to transform their local areas into a better place to live and work. Some areas of good financial management are: budgeting, safeguarding, monitoring and auditing.

Employee Recognition and Safety Committee Met on June 3rd 2015



The Employee Recognition and Safety Committee are comprised of a variety of employees and supervisors from different departments to include: Administrative Offices, Public Works, Risk Management, Community Appearance, Tourism and Human Resources. There are usually no more than eight committee members. Committee members are volunteers and usually these positions rotate every six to eight months. The next time around there may be members from Landfill, Library or Finance dept. The City's ERS Committee meets quarterly to review recent injuries and accidents, sometimes they also assist with Employee Recognition and Appreciation Events. The Committee met on June 3rd from 1:30pm to 2:30pm to discuss upcoming Employee Summer Appreciation Events. They do a fantastic job!!

TML Region 11 Meeting held at The USS Lexington in Corpus Christi, TX on June 5, 2015



Several City Staff members registered and attended TML Region 11 Meeting hosted by the City of Corpus Christi. The TML Region Meeting was hosted by TML President and Corpus Christi Mayor Nelda Martinez at the USS Lexington Museum on the Bay. The evening started at 4:00pm with Tours of the USS Lexington Museum on the Bay and continued with a Workshop Session with Dr. Thomas Tunstall, PH.D. Topic: Current market status and future of oil and gas in Texas and the U.S. Afterward, a social hour was held and the evening ended with a delicious barbecue dinner and a business meeting.

Employee Recognition and Safety Committee Plan Upcoming Employee Appreciation Cook-out Events



The City of Kingsville will be having a few Employee Appreciation Cook-outs for all City employees coming up in July 2nd and September. The Employee Recognition and Safety Committee with Human Resources work together to come up with fun events all city employees will enjoy. Of course there is always delicious Food – Food – Food. On July 2nd the City will host its first summer barbecue where we will be serving fajita tacos, sausage wraps, snow cones, popcorn and drinks. The city will also be hosting another event on September 16, 2015. The barbecue on July 2nd 2015 will be at the Recreation Center at Dick Kleberg Park from 11:00am to 1:00pm. This is just another way to thank our employees for all they do and remind them to work safe!

Purchasing & Technology, Risk Management Departments Conduct “Risks of Social Media” Training



The Purchasing - Technology and Risk Management Departments will be hosting a Monthly Safety Training on Thursday June 11th in the City Hall Commission Chambers from 9:30am to 10:30am and another session from 1:30pm and 2:30pm. Kyle Benson Help Desk Coordinator will be assisting with the training which will be presented by Power Point. Some risks of social media in the workplace include:

- Employees sharing confidential information of their employer or its customers
 - Employees disparaging employers or co-workers
 - Violation of third-parties’ trademarks or other proprietary information
- Employees harming their employer’s reputation by personal postings that include inappropriate comments or pictures where the employee’s status as an employee is known or apparent

Human Resource Department (Courtesy of Diana Gonzalez, Director)

Did you know? The US Department of Labor has a BLOG

According to the blog 5 things you need to know about the May 2015 Jobs Report:

- 1) *Best jobs report of 2015 so far --- the record streak continues*
- 2) *Low unemployment rate which is essentially unchanged at 5.5%*
- 3) *Progress on wages --- average hourly earnings for employees on private payrolls rose by 8 cents in May*
- 4) *Long-term unemployment is trending down - - - 28.6% of unemployed have been out of work for 27 weeks or more --- that's the lowest rate in six years. There are 849,000 fewer long-term unemployed people than a year ago.*
- 5) *The recovery continues apace with strong and steady job growth.*

Employment Opportunities

Finance – Municipal Court Division

Customer Service Representative

Fire:

Firefighter

Fire Telecommunication's Operator

Library – Part-Time Maintenance Worker

Parks and Recreation:

Seasonal Staffing – Life Guards and Swim Instructor

Public Works:

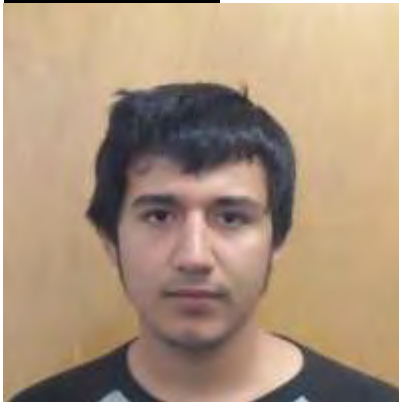
Garage – Maintenance Technician (Mechanic)

Water – Temporary Utility Worker

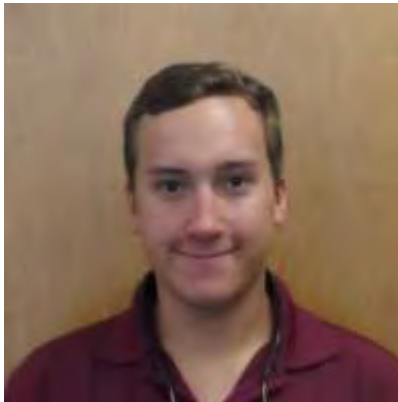
Wastewater – Utility Worker

Tourism – Temporary Part-Time Administrative Assistant I

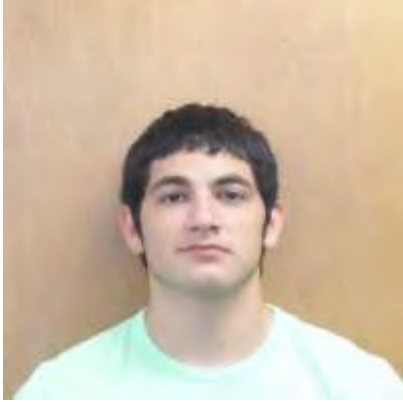
New Employees



Cesar Jimenez
Temporary Maintenance Worker
Planning-Community Appearance



Grady Mayfield
Seasonal – Lifeguard
Parks & Recreation Department



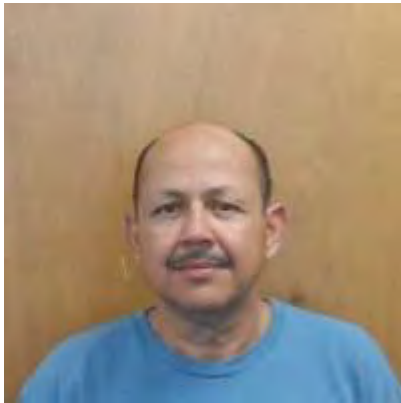
Ruben Sosa
Seasonal – Recreation Assistant
Parks & Recreation Department



Natalie Martinez
Seasonal – Lifeguard
Parks & Recreation Department



Orlando Zepeda
Part-Time Maintenance Worker
Golf Course



Noe Perez
Maintenance Worker
Street Division – Public Works



Bisente Zamora
Equipment Operator II
Sanitation Division – Public Works

Separations:

Worthie Gonzales – Customer Service Representative
Ceasar Jimenez - Temporary Maintenance Worker

Retirements:

Larry Lewis – Equipment Operator II, Sanitation Division – Public Works

Mr. Lewis is retiring after 28 years with the City of Kingsville. His last day of employment is June 26, 2015. Mr. Lewis will be presented with a plaque and watch from the City of Kingsville to show the City's appreciation for all of his years of dedicated service to the City and its citizens. We all wish him well with this retirement.

Special Events

The HR Director attended the Fire Department promotional and retirement ceremony on Tuesday, June 9th at Central Fire Station.



The HR staff continues to be very busy with budget preparation, new hire and seasonal staffing enrollments. In May 2015, the HR office processed approximately 17 new employees. As of June 10th the HR office has processed 8 new employees with an additional 8 scheduled for the week of June 15th.

Prescription Discount Program – National League of Cities (NLC)

April 2015 – 32 prescriptions filled under this program used by a total of 14 individuals for a monthly savings of \$ 244.90. The average price savings was \$ 7.65 per prescription which translates to a 17.4% savings on prescriptions.

Data from January 2013 to current, the program has been utilized by 424 individuals for a grand total savings of \$13,896.36. The plan has averaged a 26.5% savings in filling 1,065 prescriptions for persons in the Kingsville community.

Civil Service Corner

Civil Service Commission Members:

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

The regular meeting scheduled for June 16, 2015 was postponed. The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2015 at 12 noon.

Kingsville Task Force Assists with Intensive Illegal Gambling Investigation

On Sunday May 31st, 2015, as the culmination of a 20 month investigation, the Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force, along with the Brooks County Sheriff’s Office, Texas DPS Criminal Intelligence Division (CID), and the Corpus Christi Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Office, conducted an operation which involved the service of over 40 search warrants, the seizure of more than 25 bank accounts and 5 safe deposit boxes. The operation netted \$5.4 million in currency seizures, the seizure of 1,177 electronic gambling machines, 1 short barreled shotgun, 1 stolen handgun, and a small quantity of Marijuana. This is an ongoing investigation and numerous federal and state indictments are anticipated.

The investigation, dubbed, “Operation Little Fal-Vegas”, was initiated by the Brooks County Sheriff’s Office and the Kingsville Task Force during October 2013. The case was initially coordinated with the Jim Wells-Brooks County District Attorney’s Office, Kleberg-Kenedy County District Attorney’s Office, and the Texas Border Prosecution Unit; before being accepted for Federal Prosecution by the Corpus Christi Assistant United States Attorney’s Office during the spring of 2014.

The assistance and collaboration of multiple agencies including Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Corpus Christi, Houston, Laredo, and Dallas; HSI Charleston, South Carolina; and HSI Sacramento, California, along with the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), U.S. Secret Service, U.S. Postal Service, U.S. Border Patrol, Customs & Border Protection OAM, Texas Department of Public Safety -- Texas Rangers and Highway Patrol. The execution of federal and state search warrants occurred simultaneously at game rooms and residential locations in Falfurrias, Kingsville, Laredo, and Houston, Texas, as well as Summerville and North Charleston, South Carolina locations. Items seized also included ledgers, banking records, financial statements, tax records, property records, and electronic media containing financial information related to the illegal gambling businesses.



Exerts from the News Media

District Attorney's Office discusses game-room raid in Falfurrias

The 79th Judicial District has participated in a long-term investigation in Brooks County, Texas. The investigation started in early 2013 with several local and state law enforcement agencies.

The investigation eventually led to a much larger joint investigation that included federal law enforcement agencies and the U. S. Attorney's Office. On May 31st, 2015, after nearly two years and hundreds of hours in cooperative investigative resources, local, state and federal agencies came together to serve warrants at the game rooms in Brooks County, Texas.

Carlos O. Garcia, District Attorney for Brooks and Jim Wells Counties stated: "Upon taking office in 2013, I got together with our Brooks County Sheriff's Office and the Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force to discuss the ongoing concerns with the operations of the game rooms in Falfurrias.

The investigation and eventual prosecution of the game rooms was going to be a huge undertaking as some had become firmly rooted in their activities since at least 2010, so we knew that our local resources would not be sufficient to fully investigate the game rooms so we reached out to Texas DPS and with their partnership things started developing and opened up parts of the investigation that led to federal interest and eventual partnership between local, state and federal agencies."

"We cannot comment on any of the details of the investigation", Garcia said, "as it is still ongoing at this time. I can tell you my office has been coordinating with the U. S. Attorney's Office and our State Border Prosecution Unit over the prosecution of the many different cases that will be coming out of the joint investigation. Our aim has been to not just seize the money and move them out as had been done in other areas of the state, we wanted to fully investigate the criminal activities to expose to true criminal nature of the organizations.

Agencies raid Falfurrias casinos

By Aaron Nelson
PHOTO BY GREGORY BURRAGE

FALFURRIAS — Law enforcement officials are calling a raid of 11 casinos in Falfurrias the most comprehensive crackdown ever on illegal gaming establishments in the state.

Federal, state and local authorities swept into the small South Texas town Sunday, serving dozens of search warrants and confiscating materials in a broad criminal investigation.

"I can confirm that this is going to be the largest investigation into casinos ever seen in the state of Texas," Brooks County District Attorney Carlos Omar Garcia said.

The investigation into Falfurrias gaming establishments began in 2003 as businesses sprouted up around town. Local authorities said that when they took a closer look at their now

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neighbors, they discovered a range of criminal enterprises stretching across continents.

While no arrests have been made yet, the district attorney and the Brooks County Sheriff's Office said investigators continue pursuing leads.

"This will be an eye-opener into what really goes on in some of these establishments," Garcia said.

Federal agencies involved in the investigation include the FBI, Texas Department of Public Safety, U.S. attorney's office, Secret Service, Homeland Security Department and Kingsville Specialized Crimes and Narcotics Task Force.

Casinos lined with dozens of slot machines, known as right-liners or *negoticias*, have proliferated in recent years across South Texas, operating out of ordinary repurposed buildings, especially in small towns or counties where law enforcement agencies have scant resources to enforce gaming laws.

Eight-liners are regulated by the Texas comptroller, collecting \$10 million a year state-wide. Eight-liners also generate tens of thousands of dollars in taxes for local coffers but regularly operate with little oversight. They are legal unless they provide cash payouts or goods that can be redeemed for money.

In Falfurrias, a city ordinance caps the number of gam-

ing establishments at 11, and the city collects a \$1000 annual fee per machine. Around 1000 eight-liners were confiscated in Falfurrias between Sunday and Monday, according to investigators. Calls to city officials for comment were not returned.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Urbino "Benny" Martinez said his office received multiple calls from disgruntled customers who claimed that they were owed thousands of dollars in winnings. Deputies soon uncovered other crimes, Martinez said.

"Once this grows, you start to attract some interest from individuals who see this as a good way to launder money because nobody is really checking on it," Garcia said. "It opens to a whole other level of

criminal organization."

In nearby Cameron County, District Attorney Luis Saenz has aggressively shut down casinos as part of Operation Bishop. He said he has staged nearly 45 raids and forced the remaining establishments into hiding since taking office in 2003.

"Eight-liners breed corruption," Saenz said. "I think you will find in the days to come that those places in Falfurrias were embedded with public corruption."

The raids have drawn a mixed response from locals in Falfurrias, where the casinos have been a popular attraction, drawing thousands of tourists every week from across the state and beyond.

Even as some applauded the

shuttering of the casinos in industry the way Jeanette Garcia sees it, she is out of a job in a community with few employment opportunities. Garcia, 40, moved from the oil fields as that industry began shedding jobs several months ago to take a service position at \$11 per hour in the casino.

She said she was serving a packed house Sunday when DPS burst into the room, yelling "hands up, this is a raid," then confiscating phones and right-liners.

"The economy is so bad, the game room is all I could find," Garcia said. "Now I'm jobless. I have no income. This kinda sucks."

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During Ride Along Austin Police Department Officers Experience New Compartment

On Monday June 8th, 2015, Kingsville Task Force Agent Tamez was working criminal interdiction within Kleberg County. Agent Tamez had two (2) Austin Police Department Interdiction Officers riding along with him. Agent Tamez stopped a blue Dodge Avenger for a traffic violation near the intersection of U.S. Hwy 77 and CR 2190. Agent Tamez contacted a male Hispanic driver, a male Hispanic passenger (the driver's brother), a female Hispanic passenger (the driver's wife) and an infant. While conducting his roadside interviews with each, Agent Tamez heard deceptive & contradicting answers when he asked each of them about the origin, destination, and the purpose for their trip.

Each said they were coming from Houston and were going to Brownsville, however, they could not give corroborating answers based on the specific questions given from Agent Tamez. Based on the interviews, Agent Tamez asked each of the individuals for consent to search the Dodge; each said, "Yes." The vehicle was transported to the City of Kingsville garage for further investigation.

While searching the Dodge sedan, Agent Tamez, Officer Martinez and Officer Figueroa located an after-factory modified compartment built within the space above the exhaust pipe and below the exhaust tunnel. Once the compartment was opened, Agent Tamez and the Austin Police Department Interdiction Officers verified it was empty.

All the occupants and the vehicle were released pending further investigation.



Tourism Services Department *(Courtesy of Leo Alarcon, Director)*

Local Historical Books for Sale at the Kingsville Visitors Center

Books depicting the history of Kingsville and Kleberg County are available at the Kingsville Visitors Center. Hard and soft copies of “Come Aboard” describing Kingsville’s Centennial are available for \$15 and \$25. The “Kleberg County, Texas” hard copy book recounting its history sells for \$25. “Practice, Practice, Practice” reprint soft copies sell for \$25.

“Images of American Kingsville” sells at Harrel’s and “Kingsville & King Ranch” sells at the King Ranch Museum. The museum also sells the two volumes of “The King Ranch.” Also the Center has for free the 2015 Calendars from U.S. Congressman Filemon Vela’s office.



Eggs & Issues with Dr. Steven Tallant

The Kingsville Chamber of Commerce hosted a talk with Dr. Steven Tallant on the findings of a study demonstrating the economic value of Texas A&M University – Kingsville and on the recent Texas legislative session. Dr. Tallant spoke on the effects that the university will have once Governor Abbott signs the bills into law.



Tourism Director Speaks to Rotary Club of Kingsville

Activities occurring in the Department of Tourism were the highlight of the Noon Rotary Club on Tuesday. Leo Alarcon gave a run-down of activities to club members in attendance and showed The Daytripper video that featured Kingsville and the King Ranch. Members made comments that they enjoyed the 30 minute film.



Museum Getting Summer Young Visitors

Now that school is out for the summer, the Visitors Center and the 1904 Train Depot Museum is getting an abundance of young elementary and pre-school age children. Shown is this picture were two pre-school out-of-towners ringing the bell at the museum and earlier they were at the Visitors Center and they trampled over the Kingsville lettering on display.



Downtown Projects

The owners of 328-330 E Kleberg have been doing some minor repairs and are painting the façade of their building. Acosta's Hair Salon occupies the corner unit. Watch for a new business coming in to the other unit.



The now vacant, former Legends Bar and Grill, at 221 E Kleberg has a new, solid block back wall replacing an old, wooden one, and its getting a new roof and interior upgrades.

TAMUK Engineering Students Take on Depot Project



Students from Professor Jim Glusing's summer engineering class are taking on the challenge of building a concrete pad and cover to install a restored railroad push cart in front of the downtown Depot Museum. The Kleberg County Heritage Foundation restored the push cart several years ago and it has since been sitting in the warehouse at Public Works waiting for its planned installation on the grounds of the Depot Museum. The push cart was used by maintenance crews and is designed to run on the rails. Once installed in front of the museum, the display should draw in visitors and provide photo ops for kids of all ages who want to sit in the cart and take it for an imaginary spin. The student team consists of Adrian Medrano on the right and Armando Ochoa on the left.

4th of July Window Decorating Contest



Once again this year, KHDDA will be sponsoring a 4th of July window decorating contest to give store owners a change to show their patriotic pride and to make the downtown more festive for the upcoming community parade and celebration that will be held downtown.

Downtown Business Reaches Out to Farmers Market Shoppers

Downtown has seen some increase in shoppers after each month's Farmers Market. Cactus Flower at 211 E Kleberg recently installed a new display in their window featuring a cart of fresh (plastic) produce and real-live tomato plants.



Architect Killis Almond Pays Visit to Kingsville



In town to visit with Kleberg County officials regarding updates to the master plan for restoration of the Courthouse, Downtown Manager Cynthia Martin, took the opportunity to take Mr. Almond on a tour of Kingsville's historic places and projects in progress and pick his brain for ideas. Mr. Almond has a deep knowledge of Kingsville's historic resources that extend back to the 1980s when he was hired to perform a survey of the downtown area as part of the city's original application to the Texas Main Street program in 1982. He was an early advocate of the restoration of the historic HM King School.

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

Administration Division

City-County Health Department Monthly Revenues

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

Statistics-Revenues

Fees collected	Consumer Health	Animal Control
Oct 2014	\$1,090.00	\$1,884.00
Nov 2014	\$623.00	\$1,470.00

Dec 2014	\$1,390.00	\$1,940.00
Jan 2015	\$1,538.00	\$2405.00
Feb 2015	\$1,013.64	\$2,650.00
Mar 2015	\$1,621.00	\$1,980.00
April 2015	\$1,395.00	\$1,780.00
May 2015	\$1,344.07	\$1,490.00

Food Service Division

Food Service Inspections

Food Service inspections are conducted on a quarterly schedule per year based on the risk category to insure compliance with the Texas Food Service Establishment Regulations and local food sanitation ordinances. Risk levels include low, moderate and high risk. Establishment scoring is based on a demerit system, as per The Texas Food Establishment Rules. There are two types of violations. Critical violations are 5 and 4 points demerits per violation and non-critical violations are 3 points demerit violations. Critical Violations are improper practices and actions that directly contribute to food contamination and temperature abuse that may pose a potential risk to the public health, resulting in food borne illness. Critical violations must be corrected immediately or as directed by the Health Department.

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

June 1-June 10, 2015

Hampton Inn	100	Holiday Inn Express	95
Subway/14th	100	Taco Bell	92
Subway/Armstrong	100	Stripes/Riviera	90
Speedy Stop #53	100	Brink's Seafood	88
JC3-Mart	100	Agave Jalisco/Riviera	88
Burger King (Follow-up inspection)	96	V&J Food Mart	84
Young's Pizza	96	La Famosa Tortilla Factory	96
Hog Wild Munchies	89		

Regular & Fundraiser Food Handler Class:

City-County Health Unit	2 Students	Regular food handler class
American Legion Post #99	16 Students	Fundraiser food handler class

Permitted Temporary (Fundraiser) or Permanent Food Events:

Arturo Chavez/Rivera Youth Football	Temp Food Event	Snow Cone sales (5/21)
Arturo Chavez/Rivera Youth Football	Temp Food Event	Snow Cone sales (5/26-5/27)

City-County Health Department Monthly Statistics-Consumer Health

Consumer Health	Food Establishment Insp.	Restroom Insp.	Food Handler Attendees	Day Care & Foster Homes Insp.	Temp. Food Event Permits
Oct 2014	72	116	50	0	10

Nov 2014	59	85	69	6	7
Dec 2014	44	67	14	2	0
Jan 2015	65	102	57	2	14
Feb 2015	57	69	54	4	7
Mar 2015	48	87	43	2	6
Apr 2015	65	101	41	0	4
May 2015	64	66	64	0	10

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, July 11, 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

Food Donation



Thank you Tractor Supply Company for donating 50 pounds of dog food to our Animal Control Center!

Hurricane Season is here!

With the North Atlantic Hurricane Season upon us would you know what items you would need for you pets? Below is a disaster preparedness checklist that would be very helpful in case of a disaster. Do your part to ensure the wellbeing and safety of your pets.

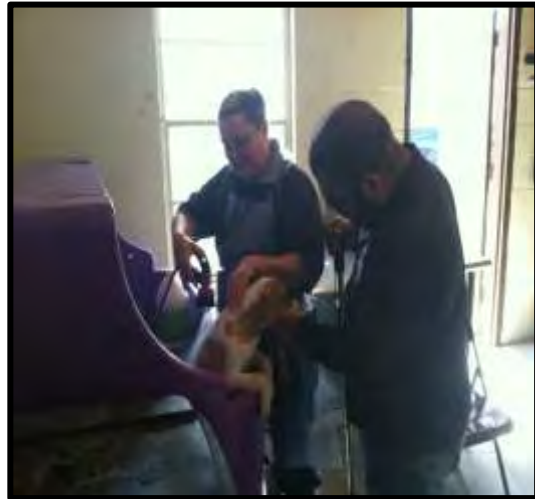
DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PET CHECKLIST

- Current copy of vaccination records
- Photo of your animal, in case you become separated
- Collar/leash/muzzle (extra collar/leash/muzzle in case you encounter a lost/stray animal)
- Pet carrier to safely transport your animal
- Minimum of 3 days supply of food
- Minimum of 3 days supply of water
- Bowls for food and water; can opener utensils
- Treats (will help relieve stress and can also be used to lure lost/stray animals)
- Toys (relieves stress and can comforts animal)
- First aid kit (should include antiseptic, topical ointment, dressing and a type of vet wrap, and any medication your animal is taking)
- Soft muzzle (if your animal is injured or you encounter an injured animal, they might bite out of pain or fear; it is highly recommended they be muzzled before handling)
- Blanket and towel
- Dry Shampoo
- Pooper-scooper/plastic bags
- Cat litter and a temporary litter box (disposable aluminum foil pans work well)

Bath Time!



The City-County Health Department recently purchased and had installed a grooming tub to bathe our unwanted and stray dogs coming into the Animal Control Center. The dogs are bathed with dog shampoo that kills ticks and flees. Hopefully by bathing the dogs and making them clean and presentable, this will give them a better opportunity to be adopted or rescued and go to a forever home to be loved and cared for. Pictured is Teresa Orr, Animal Care Attendant bathing one of our many strays. The fourth picture is Animal Control Specialist, Ernie Espinosa petting the dog as he is being bathe. This pup is **going to look pretty and smell nice too!**



City-County Health Department/Animal Control
Center

PET ADOPTION EVENT

Please join us on Saturday, June 20, 2015 from 10:00
am to 2:00 pm

@ 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 cared
for!!



City-County Health Department Monthly Statistics-Animal Control

Animal Control	Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015
5Dogs impounded	191	126	121	127	107	128	139	125
Dogs adopted	28	22	26	27	18	23	25	14
Dogs released	24	26	21	30	42	34	26	21
<i>Dogs Rescue (Groups)</i>	41	12	28	26	19	14	13	32
Cats impounded	159	97	70	98	96	108	173	165
Cats adopted	6	6	12	11	6	3	11	12
Cats released	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
Cats rescued (Groups)	3	0	1	0	20	12	30	5
Opossum in traps	72	51	71	56	57	62	74	66
Other animals impounded	6	0	2	1	12	9	2	5
Other animals adopted	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
# of humans bitten	5	5	6	5	7	4	4	4
Animals obs. 10 days	5	4	5	3	5	4	2	3
Warnings issued	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Citation issued	75	41	67	28	26	25	25	25

Control Division-(Vector)

Honey Bees Calls

The City-County Health Department has been very busy responding to bee calls in the city. In the past month the City-County Health Department has responded to 23 bee calls. The calls have ranged from bees on trees, fence lines, water meter, in the eaves of houses and even at the airplane at Dick Kleberg Park. Sixteen out of the twenty-three calls were abated by the Health Department. The other calls had to be abated by a professional Licensed Pest Control Company at the request of the property owner. So if you plan to mow, weed-eating, clean or do any other chores around your property make sure to check for honey bees. Please remember that loud noises can provoke bees to attack. **SO BEE CAUTIOUS!** Also please keep in mind that the City-County Health Department will not spray bees inside of a structure due to any damages that might occur. Pictured below is Jason Torres, Health Inspection II abating bees at two different locations.





City-County Health Department Monthly Statistics-Vector Control

Vector Control	Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr 2015	May 2015
Calls pertaining to bees	18	1	4	4	6	7	23	23
Removal of swarms	7	1	1	1	6	5	15	16
Site unable to abate	11	0	3	3	0	2	8	7
Mosquito surveillance	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larvacide applications (Blocks)	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	0
Adulticide Application (Days of Mosquito Spraying at night)	3	0	0	0	0	1	5	3

Finance Department (Courtesy of Deborah Balli, Director)

Finance Administration Division



DID YOU KNOW?



The United States Mint is the Nation’s sole manufacturer of legal tender coins. Old records show that before the Mint had the Mint Police, there was a Mint Pup. \$3 was spent to purchase a watchdog to protect the first Mint in Philadelphia.

<http://www.usmint.gov/kids/coinNews/funFacts.cfm?group=2>

FY 15-16 Budget



Departments entered and finalized their expected annual budget for FY 2015, department requested budget for FY 2016 and submitted all supplemental requests on June 5, 2015. This year over 160 supplemental requests were submitted to the Finance Department. These requests included expenditure increase requests, overtime requests, personnel requests and capital outlay requests. Once these have been reviewed by the appropriate department (Finance, Purchasing or Human Resources) they will be submitted to the City Manager for review and consideration into the FY2015-

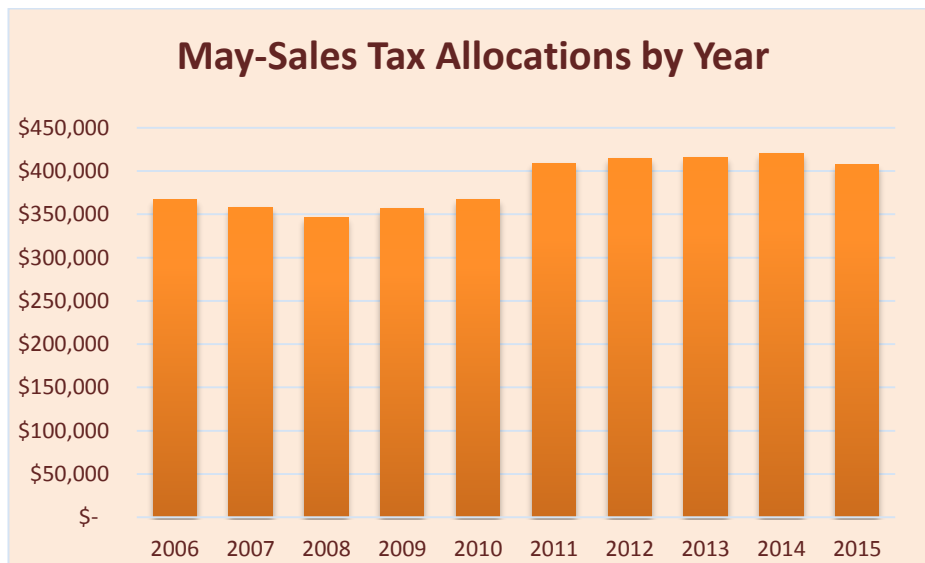
2016 budget. Now that the departments have entered their EA and DR budgets the Finance Department is reviewing these numbers to make sure the information is complete and accurate. In the coming weeks, the Finance Department will be contacting individual departments with questions or concerns regarding the department revenues and expenditures.

City of Kingsville
Budget Calendar Fiscal Year 2015-16

June 5 – July 2: During this time Finance will be reviewing and preparing the draft budget and supporting documentation for presentation to the City Manager		
Thursday	July 2, 2015	Finance Director to provide City Manager with draft budget detail for all funds and departments and fund balance schedules/summaries
Friday	July 3, 2015	City Holiday – Independence Day
Mon-Fri	July 6-10, 2015	This week City Manager reviews and prepares any changes to draft budget for Finance to update next week.

Sales Tax




The City of Kingsville received \$407,407.08 in sales tax allocations in the month of May. This is a 3.12% decrease over May 2014. Sales Tax is applied on all retail sales, leases, rentals and taxable services at a percentage rate of 8.25 % in Kingsville.



Utility Billing Division

The Facts on Leaks:

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

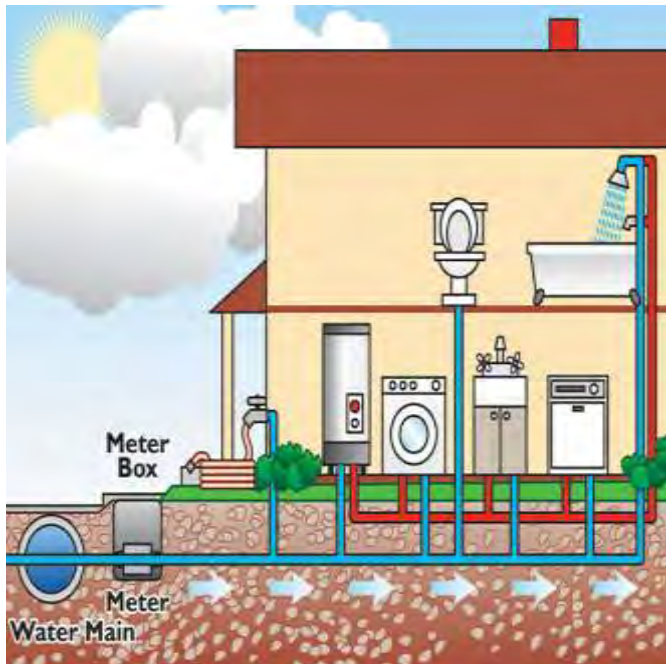
Leak Size		Gallons Per Day	Gallons Per Month	Cubic Feet per Quarter
	A dripping leak consumes:	15 gallons	450 gallons	180 Cubic Feet
	A 1/32 in. leak consumes:	264 gallons	7,920 gallons	3,168 Cubic feet
	A 1/16 in. leak consumes:	943 gallons	28,300 gallons	11,319 Cubic Feet
	A 1/8 in. leak consumes:	3,806 gallons	114,200 gallons	45,681 Cubic Feet
	A 1/4 in. leak consumes:	15,226 gallons	456,800 gallons	182,721 Cubic feet
	A 1/2 in. leak consumes:	60,900 gallons	1,827,000 gallons	730,800 Cubic Feet

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

Water Leak Adjustments

It is important to keep an eye on high water bills in order to not waste water but also to avoid a high water bill as well. The responsibility to fix a water leak lies on the customers from the meter up and up to the property line. Anything that passes from the meter on to the street is the City's responsibility and the water loss is not charged to the customer since it does pass through the meter. When and if a customer suspects a water leak and wants to make sure, they can always call the Utility Billing Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, except City approved holidays. One of our experienced customer service representatives will be happy to review that information with you over the phone and will make a decision on whether we should send a tech out to check for a leak.

The meter techs do not pinpoint where the leak is but can let you know if a possible leak is being registered by his reading equipment. Most times it is a running toilet (flapper needs replacing) that is the issue but it is important to be vigilant of other reasons for high water use. This is why we advise our customers to keep in mind the service dates the bill covers and then back track for any issues they may remember. The department does offer leak adjustments (two a year) in order to alleviate some of the cost to the customer. For details on the requirements needed for a leak adjustment, call the Utility Billing Department at 361-592-5281.



Farewell

The Utility Billing Department wants to bid a sad farewell to Worthie Gonzales, CSR for Utility Billing and Municipal Court Clerk. Worthie has been with us since January 2015 and has done an excellent job in acclimating between the two departments. Thank you Worthie for being a great employee. You will be missed. We wish you only the best on your next journey.



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

including penalties, needs to be dropped off before 8 a.m. that Tuesday or Thursday to avoid a disruption in water service as well as additional penalties. This information is also listed on the red notices. ***no temporary checks accepted***

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

Municipal Court Activity Report

This report covers the court activity from May 28, 2015 through June 8, 2015

New Cases: 260

13 Parking, **158** Traffic, **67** State Law, **22** City Ordinances

Cases Disposed: 211

51 Parking, **136** Traffic, **51** State Law, **16** City Ordinances

Warrants

There were 142 warrants served during this period. To avoid being arrested please stop by the city court office to inquire information about active warrant(s). You may also visit the city website to inquire if you have any active warrants: www.cityofkingsville.com

Collections

The collections during this period came to \$46,145.84 in fines and court costs.

Court Dates – June 2015

Contempt of Court	6/11 & 6/25	9:00 am	
Inmate Session	6/18	2:00 pm	
Regular Court Hearing	6/18	3:00 pm	
Trial Hearing- Bench	6/18	4:00 pm	(Assist CA Prosecutor Craig)

Court Dates – July 2015

Contempt of Court	7/9 & 7/23	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	
Trial Hearing-Bench	7/2, 7/16 & 7/30	4:00 pm	(Assist CA Prosecutor Craig)

Acknowledgments

Many thanks to the Kingsville Police Department for the security provided during the court sessions on June 4, 2015! Special thanks to Officer Fonseca #86, Officer Chavana #73, & Officer Lobough #21

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.



Engineering & Public Works Departments (Courtesy of Charlie Cardenas, City Engineer & Public Works Director)

Engineering Division (5/25 – 6/7)

Engineering and GIS

Engineering has been working on several projects. They have been assisting with locating the “tee boxes” and “baskets” for the disc golf course. They are using GPS coordinates to mark the locations. Engineering has been working on the Pavilion Fence, GCS Building roofing work, and Utility permits from TXDOT to perform water line work on 14th Street.

Street Division (5/25 – 6/7)

Road Constructions – 21st Project

- Cut out asphalt and caliche on 21st, set up barricades and signs and hauled out 23 loads
- Hauled out 18 loads
- Rolled with sheep foot roller
- Hauled out 13 loads



Mowing –

- Golf Course Rd from General Cavazos Blvd. to FM 1717
- Creeks- Santa Gertrudis Ave. to 12th St. and 12th St. to 11th St.
- Landfill
- Kenedy Ave.- East of Bypass
- Sage Rd. from Armstrong to end of ditch
- Creek from Santa Gertrudis Ave. to 14th St.

Gutter

- 8th St. & 9th St. from Johnston Ave. to Doddridge Ave.
- 9th St. from Johnston Ave. to 9th St. to 6th St.
- 7th St. from Johnston Ave. to Warren Ave.
- Doddridge Ave. from 6th St. to 11th St.
- 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th Sts. from Doddridge Ave. to Warren Ave.
- Johnston Ave. from 12th St. to 9th St.



- Doddridge Ave. from 11th St. to 14th St.
- 12th St. from Doddridge Ave. to Warren Ave.
- 13th St. from Doddridge Ave. to Ragland Ave.
- Warren Ave. from 13th St. to 14th St.

Sweeping

- 14th St. from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd/
- 6th St. from Hwy 428 to Corral Ave.
- Armstrong from Kenedy Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- King Ave. from Hwy 77 to 5th St.
- Downtown- King from Yoakum to Kleberg and 11th to 3rd
- 10th from Santa Gertrudis to King Ave.
- Corral Ave. from 6th St. to Hwy 77
- Johnston Ave. from Armstrong Ave. to Lantana
- Armstrong Ave. from Johnston Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- 17th St. from Henrietta Ave. to Santa Gertrudis Ave.
- Santa Gertrudis Ave. from 6th St. to 14th St.
- General Cavazos Blvd. from 14th St. to Hwy77
- Ailsie Ave. from 6th St. to Franklin Adams
- 6th St. from Corral Ave. to Loop 428
- Corral Ave. from 6th St. to Armstrong Ave.
- Corral Ave. from Armstrong to Lantana
- Armstrong from King Ave. to Corral Ave.
- King Ave. from 6th St. to Hwy 77
- Carlos Truan Blvd. from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- Caesar Ave. from 6th St. to 14th St.
- Caesar Ave. from 14th St. to Kingsville Point Apt
- Cecil from Chandler to 6th St.
- Jayvee from Chandler to 6th St.
- Chandler from Jayvee to Cecil
- King Ave. from Hwy 141 to Hwy 77
- Caesar Ave. from 19th St. to 21st
- Yoakum Ave. from 6th St. to 4th St.
- 4th St. from Yoakum Ave. to Henrietta Ave.
- Henrietta Ave. from 4th St. to Lee Ave.
- Caesar Ave. from 19th St. to 23rd St.



- Armstrong Ave. from Corral Ave. to Kleberg Ave.
- 14th St. from Huisache Ave. to Lott Ave.
- 6th St. from Corral Ave to 428
- 3rd St. from King Ave. to Yoakum Ave.
- 14th St. from Corral Ave. to General Cavazos Blvd.
- Armstrong from Yoakum Ave. to Corral Ave.
- Corral Ave. (south side of street) from Armstrong to Railroad
- Carlos Truan Blvd. from 14th St. to Ailsie Ave.
- Caesar Ave. from 6th St. to 14th St.
- 6th St. from Corral Ave. to 428
- Corral Ave. from 6th St. to Armstrong
- Armstrong from Corral Ave. to Charles St
- Nettie Ave. from 12th St. to 11th St.
- King Ave. from Hwy 77 to University Blvd.
- Annette from Elizabeth to Ailsie Ave.
- Drained water
- Santa Monica from Santa Clara to Santa Dolores
- 16th St. from Lott Ave. to Huisache Ave.
- Shelly & Palm
- 20th St. & Corral Ave.
- General Cavazos Blvd. & Shelly
- University Blvd. & Santa Gertrudis
- Ailsie Ave. & Annette
- 1st St. & Kenedy Ave.
- 15th St. & Lott Ave.
- 16th St. & Huisache Ave.
- 17th St. & Fordyce Ave.
- 200 block Richard Ave.
- General Cavazos Blvd. from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- 10th St. from Yoakum Ave. to Kleberg Ave.
- Santa Gertrudis to University Blvd.
- 16th St. from Lott Ave. to Huisache Ave.

Round Up

- Lott Ave. from 22nd St. to Hwy 77
- Huisache, Ave. , Fordyce Ave and Johnston from Lott Ave. to 19th St.
- Oklahoma from Lott Ave. to Johnston Ave.
- Colorado from Lott Ave. to 22nd St.
- Louisiana from Johnston Ave to Hwy 77
- 22nd St. from John to Louisiana



- John from 21st St. to 24th St.
- 24th St. from John to Caesar Ave.
- 23rd St. from John to Caesar Ave.
- 15th St. from Johnston to Caesar Ave.
- 16th St. from Johnston Ave. to Warren Ave.
- 16th St. from Warren Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Ragland Ave., Warren Ave. and Doddridge Ave. from 15th St. to 16th St.
- 18th St. from Lott Ave to Johnston Ave.
- Huisache Ave. and Fordyce Ave. from 17th St. to 18th St.
- Johnston Ave. from 17th St. to 18th St.
- 17th St. from Lott Ave. to Caesar Ave.
- Warren Ave. from 17th St. to 21st St.
- Inez from Warren Ave. to Dead End
- 18th St. from Caesar Ave. to Dead End
- Downtown City Hall parking lot
- Hall from Caesar Ave. to Dead End
- Lyndale from Caesar Ave. to Dead End
- 21st St. from John to Linda
- Calvin, Linda, Nancy and Mildred from 21st St. to Dead End
- 19th St. from Lott Ave. to Warren Ave.
- Maple from 19th St. to Dead End
- Miller from 14th St. to Circle Dr.
- Circle Dr. from Carlos Truan to Lawndale
- Center Dr. from Circle Dr. to Lawndale
- Lawndale from N Circle Dr. to S Circle Dr.
- Kathleen from Annette to Lawndale
- Lawndale from S Circle Dr. to Dead End
- Yard from Wash rack to Welding shop
- Yard by Fence line
- Lawrence from Lawndale to Dead End
- Elizabeth from Annette to Dead End
- Annette from Kathleen to Ailsie
- Ailsie from 14th to Elizabeth
- Jerome from Ailsie to Dead End
- Michael from Jerome to Elizabeth
- Elizabeth from Ailsie to Dead End
- Kelly from Ailsie to Brenda
- Brenda from Kelly to Rettye
- Bilvan from Ailsie to Brenda
- Christy from Rettye to Sherwood
- Windcrest from Sherwood to Rettye
- Palm from Sherwood to Shelly
- Yard- south fence of line
- Sherwood from Palm to Christy
- Rettye from Palm to Ailsie
- Shelly from Ailsie to General Cavazos
- General Cavazos Blvd. from Hwy 77 to Brahma Blvd.
- Hoffman Ave. from 13th St. to 11th St.

- 13th St. from Caesar Ave. to Shelton Ave.
- Shelton Ave. from 14th St. to 11th St.

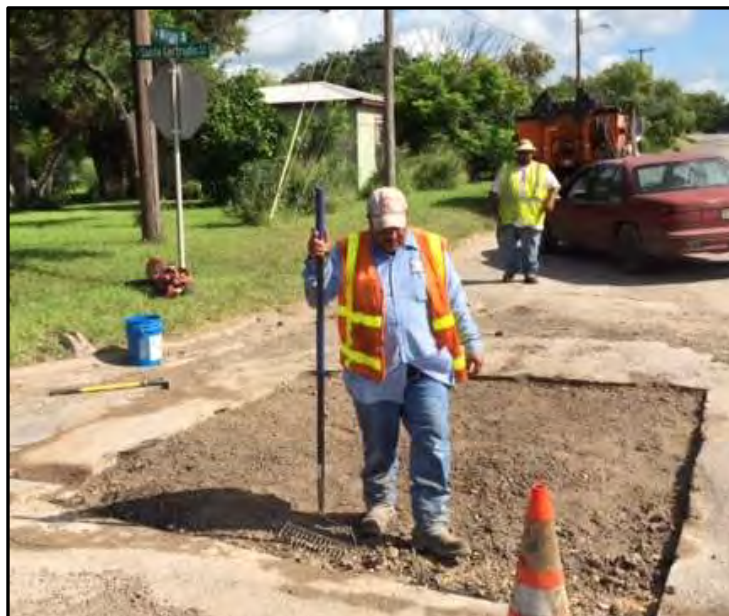
Ditch Cleaning

- Tranquitas Creek
- Behind HM King
- Behind Carriage Park Sub Division
- General Cavazos from Bypass to NAS
- Caesar Ditch
- Santa Monica Islands

Hot Mix/Cold Patch

Hot Mix-

- Santa Monica to Santa Barbara
- Santa Clara to Santa Monica
- Santa Barbara
- 20th St. from Corral Ave. to Sage Rd.
- Fairview & Brookshire
- Corral Ave.- west side
- 1st from Ave A to Nettie
- 6th St. & King Ave.- intersection
- Johnston Ave. & 6th St.
- Lemonwood
- 10th St, from Alice Ave. to Henrietta Ave.
- 10th St. from Henrietta Ave. to King Ave.
- Yoakum Ave. from 14th St. to 9th St.



Alley Maintenance

- 900 E Fordyce Ave.
- 800 E Caesar Ave.
- 600 E Alice Ave.
- 400 E Lott Ave. & Kenedy Ave.
- 516 E Henrietta Ave.

Miscellaneous Sign Shop

- Took down orange mesh on 6th St.& Railroad
- Did some patching on Armstrong & Sage Rd
- Picked up barricades on 11th St, 17th & Corral, Ave I between Alice & Lee, Escondido Creek and Trant Rd.
- Put new Yield sign on Santa Monica, Santa Cecilia
- Put new Stop sign on 15th St. & Briarwood
- Helped Ramon with Hot mixing on 20th St
- Put light bulb covers at Kleberg Bank

- Put new Yield sign on 5th St. & Lemonwood
- Took 4 barricades to Wells between Ave F & Corral Ave.
- Helped Mike with hot mixing on 20th St and on 10th & Santa Gertrudis
- Unclogged drain on 11th & Alexander
- Took picture of solar panel on 6th St.
- Turned off all school lights
- Worked on the paint sprayer machine
- Took obsolete computers from new city hall/gymnasium to recycling center
- Cleaned the paint machine to paint City Hall parking lot lines
- Took out dead trees on 10th St between King Ave. & Kleberg Ave.
- Helped Mike with hot mix on Fairview
- Helped Code Enforcement guys weed eat around new City Hall
- Put new lights on small trailer
- Cut branches on W Henrietta Ave.

Water Production (5/25 – 6/7)

Collected 0 routine Bacteriological Samples:

Collected 14 daily chlorine residuals:

- 332 E. Ave B
- 714 W. Mesquite Ave.
- 1612 Shirley
- 2020 Sherwood
- 221 Pasadena
- 506 W. Fordyce Ave
- 711 E. Ragland Ave.
- 916 W. Ave I
- 724 W. Richard Ave
- 417 E. Nettie Ave.
- 621 E. Kenedy Ave.
- 1516 E. Warren Ave
- 4011 Allen Drive
- 312 W. Ave A

Delivered Ammonia to 2 sites; delivered Chlorine to 6 sites.

Water pumped to distribution (5/25 – 6/7) - Wells – 23,638,000 gallons; Surface – 6,953,000 gallons; 0 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 30,591,000 gallons; Average –4,369,000 gals/day

Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant (5/25 –6/7)

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. Rabalais troubleshoot blower and contractor troubleshoot transfer switch to generator.

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. Rabalais troubleshoot blower and UV lights.

Wastewater Collection – Had 5 call outs for sewer backups:

520 Caesar Ave.

719 E. Miller Ave.

607 E. Shelton Ave

531 W. Warren Ave

1014 E. Ave A

5 – Line Locates and 1 – bad odor call

2 – New Sewer Taps

2 – Bad odor

Vacuumed manhole and jet at 13th St and Fordyce Ave., vacuumed hole in alley on the 600 block of E. Alice Ave. and vacuumed, replaced manhole cover on 10th St and Fordyce Ave. and vacuumed sludge at South Plant.

Hauled sludge from North Plant to South Plant.

Fixed steel boot on 117 N. 7th St.

Video service line at 407 S. 19th St

Replaced manhole cover at 12th St. and Fordyce Ave. and repaired clean out at 1219 E. Ella Ave.

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

Construction crews hauling sludge from North Plant.

Construction crews installing tap and clean out at 2210 N. 20th St.

Construction crews working on sewer main repair on the 800 block of E. Fordyce Ave.

Constructions crews are repairing a manhole on the 1900 block of E. King Ave.

Construction crews are exposing sewer main line at 1305 W. Kenedy Ave.

Water Distribution (5/25 – 6/7)

Repaired 4 Main Breaks and answered approximately 75- Service Calls

3” Main Break	Epiphany School
3” Main Break	310 W. Yoakum Ave.
2” Main Break	16 th St. and King Ave.
2” Main Break	416 S. Wanda

8- Locates, 1 -Service line leaks, 23- water leaks; 13- Meter Leaks, 8- Backfills, 8- valve repairs, 1 – Customer Side Leaks; 9 – No Water/Low Pressures; 1- Fire Hydrant 2 – Turn off Water, 0 -Turn on and 0 – Water Tap.

1 – Locate Meter; 0 – Install Riser; 0 – Expose line; and 1-Sink hole

The Water Department demolished concrete pier at 12th St. and King Ave.

Crews continue to haul dirt to old swimming pool at Dick Kleberg Park

City Garage (5/25 – 6/7)

Maintenance

12- Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 41 Scheduled work orders; 46-Nonscheduled work; 22 Service calls; 1 Call out; 2-New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 37 flat tire repairs and balances; 29 pending work orders.

Repaired the engine miss on Unit 338.

Repaired an electrical short on Unit 332.

Replaced rear pistons on Unit 334.

The transmission on Unit 534 was stuck in high gear and garage dept. fixed this problem.



Welder

3- Received work order and 1 pending work orders

City welder repaired front end loader fenders and steps and welded a frame for county health units.

Welder repaired hydraulic line on the scraper at Landfill and repaired the rear bumper on Unit 332.

Solid Waste (5/25 – 6/7)

Landfill - (5/25 –6/7)

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. Mowed and swept everywhere along the landfill and weed eaten around wells. The Landfill has received at total of 6” of rain for



this reporting period. Garage mechanic and City Welder came to the Landfill to work on the scraper hose and dump truck. A rental dozer was ordered and delivered from Waukesha Pearce for one week. UTW brought one Tire Trailer to the Landfill. Henry's Glass was out to fix the lock on the scale house north entrance door. Third Quarter MSW Quarterly reports to TCEQ were submitted. The City Engineer Assistant and his helper came out to the Landfill to survey. A mechanic from the city garage installed the dozer fans and motors. The street department continues to haul asphalt.

Brush – 214 tons; Garbage –941 tons; Litter –2.87 tons; Construction/Demolition – 313 tons; Concrete -48 tons, metals -.75 tons; Recycled metals-11.27 tons; Sludge – 198 tons; Tires - .15 tons; and Recycled tires – 16.54 tons.

Sanitation

Residential waste collected from 5/25 – 6/7 –**696,060** pounds; Commercial waste collected **703,260** pounds; Brush collected **219,400** pounds and construction debris collected **141,120** pounds. The brush crew is collecting in Zone 4 this week. White Goods pick up for Zone 4 is on Friday, June 12, 2015. Sanitation has been helping Community Appearance finish small abatements as needed. Recycling for the month of May totaled 23.09 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 22, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Monday, July 13, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Monday, July 27, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Monday, August 10, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Monday, August 24, 2015	6:00 p.m.

Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers)

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, July 15, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Historic Development Board	Wednesday, July 15, 2015	4:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustments	Thursday, July 9, 2015	6:00 p.m.
Joint Airport Zoning Board	Thursday, July 16, 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.

Reminders:

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

Board Name:**Vacancies****Recommendations**

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

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