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"A love for tradition has never weakened a nation, indeed it has strengthened nations in their hour of peril." Sir Winston Churchill. www.quotationspage.com

"Beware of the young doctor and the old barber" Benjamin Franklin. www.quotationspage.com

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

Good Job Award!!!





Mike Tamez / Jeremy Loftin / Ruben Villalobos / Richard Kirkpatrick

The Kingsville Task Force showed professionalism and team work last week during the Motor Vehicle Criminal Interdiction (MVCI) Conference held in San Antonio, Texas. Kingsville Task Force Agents Mike Tamez, Jeremy Loftin, Ruben Villalobos, and Richard Kirkpatrick attended the 23rd Annual MVCI Conference assisting in the preparation for the conference and handling conference duties and

"What a great week of training in San Antonio....Realizing how much class the Texas DPS and Kingsville Task Force have..."

Lanny Bergeron, Louisiana State Patrol, Lt., **Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

assignments during and after. These agents provided the Texas Department of Public Safety Staff with all their conference organizational skills to make this a very successful conference. Their dedication and professionalism did not go unnoticed as was affirmed by Facebook comments from Texas Highway Patrol Lt. Richard Jankovsky, as well as Louisiana State Patrol Lt. Lanny Bergeron. It reflects well on Kingsville when the work and expertise of its employees is acknowledged by fellow professionals in other

parts of our state and country. I had the pleasure of attending the conference and witnessing first hand their hard work.

Respectfully submitted......Guillermo "Willie" Vera, **Task Force Commander**

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Let's Remember & Recognize Our Award Winners!!!

2012 Safety & Recognition Awards

Jennifer Bernal – Employee of the Year Task Force Department – Injury Free Award Avelino "Java" Valadez – Safety Hero

2013 Good Job Awards

Mike Tamez	Task Force	8/26/13	Impressing others statewide
Jeremy Loftein	Task Force	8/26/13	Impressing others statewide
Ruben Villalobos	Task Force	8/26/13	Impressing others statewide
Richard Kirkpatrick	Task Force	8/26/13	Impressing others statewide
Valerie Valero	Publice Works – Engineering	g 8/12/13	Leadership & initiative
Chris Sanchez	Public Works - Sanitation	7/22/13	Exceptional performance
Teresa Orr	City/County Health Dept.	7/08/13	Going the extra mile/compassion
Carol Rogers	Public Works & Risk Mngt.	6/24/13	Commitment to work & coworkers
Myrna Barrera	R.J. Kleberg Public Library	6/10/13	Helpful and welcoming to all
Theresa Cavazos	Planning	5/28/13	Fundraiser for PDAP
Norma Cavazos	Finance / Accounting	5/13/13	Payroll processing excellence
Luke Stevens	Public Works Sanitation	4/22/13	Assistance to other departments
Capt. Roel Carrion	Fire Department	4/08/13	Selfless service as Interim Chief
Jessica Storck	Planning & Development	3/25/13	Customer service excellence
City Employees	City of Kingsville	3/11/13	Assist. Com Ken Starrs' fundraiser
Chuck Jennings	Tourism	2/25/13	Working effectively with Sheriff
Cpl. Jorge Flores	Police Department	2/11/13	Prompt/caring customer response
Ptlm. Javier Aleman	Police Department	2/11/13	Prompt/caring customer response
Ptlm. Henry A. Canti	u Police Department	2/11/13	Prompt/caring customer response
Ptlm. Allen Brown	Police Department	2/11/13	Prompt/caring customer response
Cindi Flores-Falcon	Communuity Appearance	1/28/13	Resolving a neighborhood problem

CITY MANAGER (Courtesy of Vince Capell, City Manager)

The City Manager thanks all 278 regular, full-time, part-time and temporary employees who are helping to improve our organization and our City.

Budget workshops coming our way on Monday and Tuesday, August 26^{th} and 27^{th} and again the following week on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 3^{rd} and 4^{th} .

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

Food Service Inspections (August 2, 2013-August 16, 2013)

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.

Food Service Inspections

Sunny Mini Mart #2-90	JC3-Mart-96	Subway/14 th St91
Kwik Pantry #102/Ricardo-74	Mesquite Drive Inn-100	Gregg's Short Stop-88
A&J's Super Stop-96	Kingsville Quality Inn-100	

Food Handler & Fundraiser Food Handler Classes

Food Handler Class	16 Students	Regular Food Handler Class
Food Handler Class	2 Students	Fundraiser Food Handler Class

Permitted Temporary or Permanent Food Events Mobile Unit

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Weavers of Love	Temporary Food Event-Carne Guisada Plate Fundraiser
KUYFL-Javalinas	Temporary Food Event-Brisket Sandwich Fundraiser
Juan Doc Garcia	Temporary Food Event-Chicken & Sausage Plate Fundraiser
HM King High Brahma Booster Club	Temporary Food Event- Cotton Candy & Snow Cones
Kingsville Boxing Club	Temporary Food Event-Hot dogs, Frito Pies & Sodas

New Food Establishment

Marshall's Hotdog Stand-Downtown Food Vendor

Animal Shelter Food Donations

<u>Thank You Wal-Mart</u> - Our local Wal-Mart Store donated 45 pounds of dry dog food, 35 pounds of cat dry food. Thank you Wal-Mart for your generous food donation!!!



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<u>Thank you General Dollar</u> - recently donated 30 cans of dog food and 16 pounds of dry dog food. Thank you General Dollar for your generous food donation for our animal shelter!

Animal Control-Rescue Group

<u>Wemaraner Rescue</u> - Volunteer Lyn Edler from Corpus Christi is with the Weimaraner Rescue of Texas out of Dallas is pictured with this adult male Weimaraner that was running at large and was impounded by



Animal Control. After 3 days the Weimaraner was

ready to be adopted or rescued. The Weimaraner will be going to a foster home in Austin, where he will be examined by a Veterinarian before it is available for adoption. Thank you, Weimaraner Rescue of Texas for rescuing this animal.

<u>Joyful Reunion</u> - A joyful reunion, Cornelia M. Garza, who lives at $1312 \frac{1}{2}$ E. Alice Street, was recently reunited with her cat. The cat was picked up at 718 W.

Henrietta as a stray. The cat was scanned for a microchip and to our surprise the scanner beeped indicating a microchip. The Health Department, contacted the microchip service company, which in turned

contacted Ms. Garza to advise her to call the City-County Health Department-Animal Control Division. Ms. Garza was very grateful and appreciative to have been reunited with her cat and thanked the Health Department.

Consumer	Food	Restroom Insp.	Food Handler	Day Care & Foster		
Health	Establishm ent Insp.		Attendees	Homes Insp.		
Oct 2012	57	47	45	2		
Nov 2012	74	65	280	3		
Dec 2012	61	50	35	1		
Jan 2013	64	41	38	1		
Feb 2013	63	58	54	5		
March 2013	55	53	23	8		
April 2013	68	40	23	2		
May 2013	61	54	28	1		

Monthly Reports of Activities



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June 2013	59	25 27		0							
July 2013	54		35			49		3			
Animal Control		Oct 2012	Nov 2012	Dec 2012	Jan 2013	Feb 2013	Mar 2013	Apr 2013	May 2013	June 2013	July 2013
Dogs impounded		186	156	128	133	123	101	185	198	173	179
Dogs adopted		9	14	22	20	33	20	18	15	9	13
Dogs released		27	27	32	14	20	10	23	23	26	28
Dogs Rescue (Gro	ups)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0
Cats impounded		120	89	56	65	75	71	113	121	117	113
Cats adopted		4	0	2	2	1	0	7	3	0	2
Cats released		3	0	3	1	3	1	1	3	1	0
Cats rescued (Gro	oups)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Opossum in traps		69	91	42	45	38	62	85	71	23	45
Other an impounded	nimals	4	5	8	7	14	6	3	12	2	5
Other animals adopt	pted	13	17	0	0	5	0	3	7	0	2
# of humans bitten		8	5	8	3	3	6	4	1	10	2
Animals obs. 10 da	ays	8	4	6	3	2	3	2	0	9	2
Warnings issued		2	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Citation issued		9	10	20	16	19	7	15	14	4	10
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Vector Control		Oct 2012	Nov 2012	Dec 2012	Jan 2013	Feb 2013	Mar 2013	April 2013	May 2013	June 2013	July 2013
Calls pertaining to	bees	20	14	2	12	8	10	9	14	20	20
Removal of swarm	ns	8	3	1	3	3	0	1	6	4	7
Site unable to abat	e	6	6	0	3	5	10	0	4	5	12
Mosquito surveilla	ince	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0

Fees collected	Consumer Health	Animal Control
Oct 2012	\$3,650.00	\$1,535.00
Nov 2012	\$1,848.00	\$1,100.00
Dec 2012	\$3,343.00	\$1,822.00
Jan 2013	\$2,590.00	\$1,240.00

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Feb 2013	\$3,055.00	\$1,680.00
March 2013	\$1,865.00	\$ 805.00
April 2013	\$2,846.93	\$1,420.00
May 2013	\$ 895.00	\$1,510.00
June 2013	\$2,475.00	\$1,345.00
July 2013	\$2,715.86	\$1,600.00

FINANCE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Mark Rushing, Director)

Finance Administration Division

<u>Did you know?</u> - Property tax and Sales tax constitute the largest sources of local government's revenue.



Budgeting - Finance has been working with the City Manager daily to complete the

City's FY 14 Budget. All revenues, expenditures, debt service, capital projects, transfers and other non-departmental and special budget accounts have been reviewed and entered into the final proposed budget in anticipation of the deadline set for August 16th. Directors should refer back to the Budget Calendar for scheduled budget workshops within the following weeks.

Finance has been working with the Melissa T. De La Garza, the County Tax Assessor-Collector concerning the City's proposed tax rates and debt service schedules and statements. Additionally, Finance has been working with Ms. De La Garza on ensuring all legal notices are being posted and adhered to according to State law.

<u>How do tax rates work?</u> - Property values determine each taxpayer's share of the total taxes. Changes in property values may affect the tax bills of individual owners, but they do not necessarily increase or decrease the total amount of taxes to a taxing unit. A taxing unit's budget determines the total amount of taxes. A change in the tax rate by itself does not reflect an increase or decrease in taxes. Total taxes increase only when government spending increases. The only meaningful way to compare tax rates is to compare the amount of tax revenue they produce.

<u>The Effective Tax Rate</u> - The effective tax rate enables the public to evaluate the relationship between taxes for the preceding year and for the current year, based on a tax rate that would produce the same amount of taxes if applied to the same properties taxed in both years.

The calculation process starts after the chief appraiser delivers to the taxing unit the certified appraisal roll and the estimated values of properties under protest. The taxing unit's tax assessor-collector determines the following information:

• the total appraised and taxable value of property in the taxing unit;

• the total appraised and taxable value of new improvements; and

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• the total taxable value of property annexed since the preceding year.

The tax assessor submits all of this information to the governing body. The governing body designates an officer or employee (often the tax assessor-collector, but not necessarily) to calculate the effective tax rate and the rollback tax rate.

Calculating the Effective Tax Rate. Calculating the effective tax rate requires the last year's taxes and the current year's taxable value for property taxed in both years. Dividing the taxes by the value (and multiplying by 100 to convert to a rate per \$100 of value) produces the effective tax rate

Last Year's Taxes Less Taxes on Property Lost This Year - To calculate a 2013 effective tax rate, a taxing unit must first determine its total 2012 taxes. The effective and rollback rate calculations begin with the total taxes and values for the last year at the time of the rate calculations. These totals include all supplements and corrections that have occurred to the tax roll since the last year's certification and tax rate adoption. However, some corrections ordered prior to the date the taxes become delinquent are generally not included and values.

<u>Rollback Taxes</u> - The rollback rate calculation splits the rate into two separate components — a maintenance and operations (M&O) rate and a debt service rate.M&O includes such things as salaries, utilities and day-to-day operations. Debt service covers the interest and principal on bonds and other debt secured by property tax revenues.

Calculating an effective tax rate does not require the taxing unit to distinguish between M&O and debt service. The rollback tax rate, however, is the sum of M&O and debt service rates. In most cases, the rollback tax rate exceeds the effective tax rate. Occasionally, however, decreases in a taxing unit's debt service will create a situation where the effective rate might be higher than the rollback rate.

<u>Calculating the Rollback Tax Rate</u> - The M&O portion of the rollback tax rate is the tax rate that would be needed to raise the amount the taxing unit levied in the preceding year plus eight percent. This portion of the rollback rate calculation is similar to the effective rate calculation.

The debt service rate portion is the tax rate necessary to pay the taxing unit's debt payments in the coming year. This part of the calculation does not depend on the last year's debt taxes at all; it considers the amount the taxing unit will need for the current year. The debt service portion of the overall rate may rise as high as necessary without triggering the threat of a rollback.

<u>M&O Component of the Total Tax Rate</u> - To calculate the M&O rate, taxing units begin with the adjusted 2012 total taxable value used to calculate the effective tax rate. They then multiply that adjusted taxable value by the 2012 M&O rate, divide it by \$100, arriving at the adjusted 2012 M&O taxes. Dividing the adjusted 2012 M&O taxes by the adjusted 2013 taxable value used to calculate the effective tax rate yields the effective 2013 M&O rate.

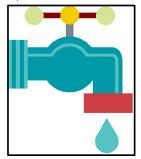
<u>Payroll</u> - There are Three (3) pay-periods in August this year. Some employees may see a small increase on the August 27^{th} check because certain deductions will have been covered by withholdings

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on the first two paychecks in this month. This is due to the deductibles for various types of insurance such as health and life being met.

Utility Billing Division

<u>The Facts on Leaks</u> - Leaks can account for, on average, 10,000 gallons of water wasted in the home every year, which is enough to fill a backyard swimming pool. The amount of water leaked from U.S.



homes could exceed more than 1 trillion gallons per year. That's equivalent to the annual water use of Los Angeles, Chicago, and Miami combined. Ten percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day. Common types of leaks found in the home include leaking toilet flappers, dripping faucets, and other leaking valves. All are easily correctable. Fixing easily corrected household water leaks can save homeowners more than 10 percent on their water bills.

Keep your home leak-free by repairing dripping faucets, toilet valves, and showerheads. In most cases, fixture replacement parts don't require a major investment and can be installed by do-it-yourselfers.

www.epa.gov/WaterSense/pubs/fixleak.htmlp://www.washoecounty.us/water/

wtrconservation/usage.htm

<u>Reminder</u> - City Hall will be closed Monday, Sept. 2nd in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

Residential pick up for Monday/Thursday will be on Tuesday/Thursday and Tuesday/Friday will be changed to Wednesday/Friday. Commercial service for Monday/Tuesday will be on Tuesday only. 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. See the following City Ordinance:

Sec. 5-1-35. When collections made. B) For customers served by city roll-out containers, the time for placement of city roll-out containers shall be 7:00 a.m. on the date of collection and removed from the street or curb by 8:00 p.m. on the date of collection. (1962 Code, § 8-5-13; Ord. 93005, passed 4-12-93; Ord. 2001-06, passed 2-26-01; Ord. 2006-18, passed 4-17-06; Ord. 2008-09, § I, passed 2-11-08)

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

<u>Did you know?</u> - Info from: http://www.epa.gov/WaterSense/pubs/fixleak.html Faucets and Showerheads

A leaky faucet - that drips at the rate of one drip per second can waste more than 3,000 gallons per year. A home with Water Sense labeled toilets could use that water to flush for six months! Leaky faucets can be reduced by checking faucet washers and gaskets for wear and replacing them if necessary. If you are replacing a faucet, look for the Water Sense label.

A showerhead - leaking at 10 drips per minute wastes more than 500 gallons per year. That's enough water to wash 60 loads of dishes in your dishwasher. Most leaky showerheads can be fixed by ensuring a tight connection using pipe tape and a wrench.

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Toilets - If your toilet is running constantly, you could be wasting 200 gallons of water or more every day. If your toilet is leaking, the cause is most often an old, faulty toilet flapper. Over time, this inexpensive rubber part decays, or minerals build up on it. It's usually best to replace the whole rubber flapper—a relatively easy, inexpensive do-it-yourself project that pays for itself in no time.

If you do need to replace the entire toilet, look for a Water Sense labeled model. If a family of four replaces its older, inefficient toilets with new Water Sense labeled ones, it could save more than 16,000 gallons per year. Retrofitting the house could save the family approximately \$2,000 in water and wastewater bills over the lifetime of the toilets.

<u>Paving liens</u> - On March 11, 2013 the Commissioners voted to extend the waiver of interest on paving liens for another year. The Collections Department will continue to accept principal payments through March 11, 2014. Property owners that have received a release of lien must record the release of lien at the Kleberg County Courthouse.

<u>Calling in for Payment</u> - The Collections Manager does request that when calling in for a payment over the phone or paying in person that the correct paying job number is provided to the cashier for correct posting. The Utility Billing office does accept Visa and/or MasterCard, checks, money order, and cash. The Visa and/or MasterCard payment can be made over the phone at no cost to the customer. Once payment is received in full, a release of lien will be processed that must be recorded at the Kleberg County Courthouse.

Municipal Court Division (July 26, 2013 through August 13, 2013)

New Offenses Filed: 535

<u>Kingsville Police Department</u> - Traffic - 455 / State - 28 / Junk Vehicle Violations- 1 / Nighttime curfew violations - 3 / Parking - 8

Planning & Community Appearance - High Weeds - 2+

Prosecutor's Office - Failure to appear - 38

<u>Settlement – 288</u> – Closed – 198 / Compliance Dismissals – 83 / Other Dismissals - 7

Through settled cases, the execution of warrant orders, and the assistance from Linebarger and Omnibase, the court collected a total of \$65,183.52 dollars in fees and fines.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Joey Reed, Fire Chief)



Fire Department Mission Statement Safely respond to fire, medical, and other emergencies. Provide public safety education and prevention programs to protect our community because we care.



Participation in Community Events Update

National Night Out - August 6th, Texas A&M Kingsville Campus. Engine 2 participated in the event during the evening hours.

NOTE: Due to the increased number of simultaneous emergencies that are occuring within the City, the Fire Department will not be able to assign personnel or equipment to remain at the location of special events. The Fire Department and it's personnel are happy to be involved in community events, but must remain available to respond to emergencies and ensure the fastest possible response times. Personnel may be requested for events through the Fire Chief's office. Daily staffing levels and training schedules may effect resource availability.

Training and Professional Development

<u>Station Drills</u> - Fire crews participated in various training drills throughout the period including pumping operations, ambulance familiarization for new employee, driver training on Tower 1 and ERT, and vehicle stabilization rescue jacks.

EMS Training - New employee protocols familiarization.

<u>Wildland Firefighting</u> - B Shift firefighters conducted a wildland fire pre-plan of the neighborhoods on the West end of Johston and Kenedy streets. The class included size ups and fire attack strategies.

<u>Wildland Firefighting Structural Triage</u> - A second class was presented to personnel that involves the determination of how to provide structure protection to numerous buildings that are located in front of a moving fire using limited resources.

Planning

<u>Fire Department Budget</u> - Much of the period was spent working on a detailed break down of current Fire Department budget expenses and future needs. The Department is still in the process of reorganizing the needs by priority.

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Other Department Activities -

Local 2390 Bargaining Agreement Negotiations - Bargaining agreement talks between the City and Firefighters Local 2390 are ongoing.

Committee Meetings

<u>Apparatus Repairs</u> - Engine 2 still has a severe water leak, we are waiting for a part to come in and be installed. Medic 2 was returned to the fire department but problems were not fixed and it was returned to the Chevy dealer.

<u>Officers Meeting</u> - An officers meeting was held on August 9th and lasted for approximately 6 hours. Numerous subjects were discussed and corresponding draft memos and policies will be posted in the near future.

Fire and EMS Response Statistics

Fire/EMS crews responded to (15) fire/other calls, (118) EMS calls, for a total of (133) emergency calls between August 2^{nd} and August 16^{th} , 2013.

<u>Major Incidents</u> - Mutual Aid to the Alice Fire Department, 2 Story Residential Structure Fire. The Fire Chief and Eng. Guerra responded mutual aid in Brush 1. Firefighters from at least 7 fire departments responded to the mutual aid fire outside Alice.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Diana Gonzales, Director)

Do you know an interesting HR Fact?

Based on a study performed by the by Department of Labor in 2012, the average number of years an employee stays with an employer is 4.6 years. This is an increase of .2 years from their 2010 study.

Advertised Positions and/or Pending Hire

Finance – Director Fire - Firefighter/Paramedic Garage – Maintenance Technician Landfill – Equipment Operator II Library - Library Director Police – Telecommunications Operator Street – Equipment Operator II **New Employees**





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Antonio Garcia Equipment Operator I Community Appearance



Tyler Jacobson Equipment Operator II Street

Promotions/Temporary Assignments Aileen Escamilla – Customer Billing Specialist

Separations – 0 / Retirements - 0

Prescription Discount Program – National League of Cities (NLC)

July 2013 - 46 prescriptions filled under this program used by a total of 16 individuals for a monthly savings of \$ 538.77. The average price savings was \$11.71 per prescription which translates to a 22.8% savings on prescriptions.

As of date, the program has been utilized by 1,789 individuals for a grand total savings of \$58,162.78 since the beginning of the program in August 2009. The plan has averaged a 20.7% savings in filling 6,291 prescriptions for persons in the Kingsville community.

Employee Open Enrollment

Notices were distributed on 08/15/2013 regarding upcoming insurance open enrollment meetings for City Employees. Employees are offered a variety of benefits and opportunities for health and supplemental insurance policies.

Open Enrollment for SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCES is scheduled for September 4^{th} – 6th for products such as life, short term disability, long term disability, critical illness, accident, cancer, dental and vision.

Open Enrollment for Health insurance is scheduled for September 12, 13th and 18th. The City's health plan includes major medical, prescription and vision coverage.

Human Resources will notify City departments of the specific locations and times in the upcoming week.

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General

Director administered The HR Telecommunications testing on August 14. 2013. A total of 7 applicants tested. This is the 1st phase of the candidate selection process. Candidates receiving a score of a 70 or better proceed to the next phase (background investigation) of the process. Applicants successfully passing а background investigation proceed to the panel interview phase. Contract negotiations continue with both the Fire and Police HR personnel associations. address



employee issues daily in person, phone and by email.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (Courtesy of Robert Isassi, Director)

Planning and Administration

<u>Responsive Website</u> - City staff has met with Hi-Res Creative to discuss reformatting the City website to make it a more smartphone and tablet-friendly website. Hi-Res is expected to complete the work by August 30th.

 6^{th} Street Pavilion - City is taking contractor quotes on a colored, texturized concrete slab to be placed under the canopy donated by HEB. The City has created a plan set for contractors to examine and provide a price on. The slab is expected to be high enough to encapsulate the exposed drilled shafts holding the structure. The Department expects work to begin by the end of August.

H.M. King High School Renovation – Adaptive Reuse Project - A temporary perimeter construction fence has been installed around the old high school to deter vandals and to provide a staging and stockpiling area for contractors working on the interior of the building. Ferrell/Brown & Associates, Inc. is working on plan sheets for the interior while interior structural repairs are starting.

Mobile App Project - Now includesCitizenRequestManagement,CodeEnforcement,andPermits



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In looking at the options available for a mobile app, the Planning Department, along with the IT Department, have seen a need to integrate the many existing software apps to better serve the proposed mobile app. To better accomplish this and to streamline citizen requests as well as integrate the City's permitting and code enforcement data we have expanded the search for a mobile app to include additional features. Recently, after searching through multiple content providers, we have selected WebQA which should greatly improve citizen request responses through its tracking system. It will also be able to handle code enforcement issues and permits, as well as many additional features such as GIS integration, planning and zoning tools as well as a responsive mobile app branded by the City. We anticipate that this will be complete by Fall 2013.

Building Services Division

Residential Remodel	8	Demo	0
Commercial Building	0	Electrical Remodel	18
Mechanical	9	Moving	0
New Residential	1	Fire Inspection	10
Cert. of Occupancy	1	Gas Inspection	6
Commercial Meter	1	House Leveling	0
Plumbing	7	Residential Meter	11
Re-Roof	4	Sprinkler	0
Sidewalk	1	Sign	2
TOTAL INSPECTIONS		79	



New Businesses -

- Aspire to lead academy at 201 N 19th new chapter school for 3rd, 4th & 5th grade.
- Dolce Vida Hair & Nail Salon at 116 N 14th.
- Pardino Bail Bonds at 1830 E King
- Missy's Monogram relocated two doors down at 2730 S Brahma Blvd. Ste 100

Community Appearance Division

Recent activity (July 31 – August 15) by Community Appearance Inspectors is as follows:

Activity:	Results:	
Notices Sent- 50	Compliances- 273	
Inspections- 45	Abatements- 22	
Re-Inspections- 310	Court Cases- 0	
Illegal Dumping Cases- 0	Referral to other Department- 4	
Obsolete Sign Violations- 1	Placards Posted- 5	
Cleaning up our Neighborhoods		

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Below are photos of recent examples of success in the removal of trash and debris due to our community appearance division efforts:

BEFOREAFTER1208 E Ragland – Phase 17 Abated by Property Owner





216 S 16th– Phase 17 Property Owner Abated





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816 E Doddridge – Community Appearance Abated

BEFORE

AFTER



Hwy 77 & King – Community Appearance Abated



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Community Appearance Activities

Street Improvements Near Community Appearance & Recycling Center (Dr. Pepper) Building - There the Community Appearance building. is lot of activity at а Street repair has started and is expected to be completed bv the end of the month. The old recycling sign been removed and work has begin soon. signage will Thanks Java. Juan Torres on new to BJ. & Polo Cadena. Final and completed project pictures to come.







<u>Demolition Initiative</u> - The Building Dept. will present five dilapidated structures to City Commissioners for review on the last meeting of each month. A goal of 25 demos per fiscal year has been set and has been achieved! Commission Approved 26 / Property Owner Agreement 28





Below is an update pertaining to the noticed properties in violation awaiting a demolition order and the already agreed upon and approved properties scheduled for upcoming demolition:

DateProperty LocationPending519 N. 6th St.- Awaiting re-hearing for Demolition Order Request8/7/132029 General Cavazos – Property Owner Agreement

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8/12/13	1107 W Kenedy- Property Owner Agreement
8/15/13	423 W Ave D – Property Owner Agreement
8/15/13	618 E Ave D – Property Owner Agreement
Pending	604 E Richard – Property Owner Agreement pending tentative demo date
Pending	103 ¹ / ₂ S 2 nd - Property Owner Agreement <i>pending tentative demo date</i>
Pending	1221 E Huisache – Pending tentative demo date
Pending	422 S 18 th – Pending tentative demo date

Water Tank on 6th & Ave D - Demo by City Crews BEFORE



AFTER

2029 General Cavazos – Demo by City Crews (Property owner agreement)





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609 E Mesquite – Demo by City Crews



AFTER



Cumulative count of abatements conducted by the pro

<u>perty owner for "Top Ten" monthly private property cleanups</u> - As shown in the below table the number of owner abatements on noticed properties within the "top ten" monthly clean ups has risen. The intent is to get to 100% property owner compliance with no reoccurring junk and debris violations. These numbers indicate the property owners are increasingly taking the initiative to come into compliance, thereby indicating a change in behaviors hopefully due to increase public awareness of City codes.

Top Ten Phase #	#of Cleanups Conducted	Top Ten Phase #	#of Cleanups Conducted
	by property owner		by property owner
PHASE 1	0 out of 10	PHASE 12	8 out of 10
PHASE 2	2 out of 10	PHASE 13	9 out of 10
PHASE 3	2 out of 10	PHASE 14	6 out of 10
PHASE 4	3 out of 10	PHASE 15	9 out of 10
PHASE 5	3 out of 10	PHASE 16	9 out of 10
PHASE 6	3 out of 10	PHASE 17	8 out of 10
PHASE 7	4 out of 10		
PHASE 8	7 out of 10		
PHASE 9	5 out of 10		
PHASE 10	8 out of 10		
PHASE 11	7 out of 10		

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

Administration Division

<u>ECAC Meeting</u> - Chief Ricardo Torres and Sgt. Donald Lobaugh attended the Emergency Communications Advisory Committee Meeting at the Coastal Bend Cog on Wednesday, August 14th, 2013. The meeting consisted of presentations by two vendors regarding the replacement of 9-1-1 hardware and software at the 17 PSAP's, Public Safety Answering Points, in the Coastal Bend Region.

Presentation were made by Intrado, who currently provides hardware and software at the PSAP's and Emergency Call Works. The committee decided to further investigate and research the presentations made by the vendors. The awarded bid will result in nearly one million dollars in expenditures. Attendees were also notified that the State of Texas is making an additional \$148 million dollars available to 9-1-1 entities in the state. Additional information will be provided at a later time.

<u>Homeland Security Advisory Committee Meeting</u> - Chief Ricardo Torres attended this meeting on Friday, August 16th, 2013 at 10 a.m. All 2011 funds should be spent have an additional amount left over. This will be used to hire a temporary employee to assist RJ and Mark and bring issues up to date. An additional \$12,000 will be used to purchase a cache of VHF radios for use by anyone in the COG.

Surplus of approximately \$10,000 left from 2012 grants to be used for existing projects. GAN will be done and sent up to the state for approval. New grants for 2014 have to be part of THIRA, Threat Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment.

<u>Meeting with Commanding Officer at NAS Kingsville</u> - Chief Torres met with Captain Misner and other representatives of NAS Kingsville on Thursday, August 15, 2013. The discussion included the possibility of "concurrent" jurisdiction with the Kingsville Police Department on NAS Kingsville. The Security Department at NAS Kingsville has extended a hand to allow KPD officers to train in NAS facilities. Initial talks to assist NAS Kingsville MA's as well as other navy personnel to transition to civilian jobs upon the conclusion of their tour of duty in the Navy were also begun.

Patrol Division

Patrol officers responded to 1004/events/traffic stops and 224 case numbers were assigned. 513 citations have been given in the past two weeks. Border Star overtime was welcomed back with over 64 hours being worked by 7 officers. During the past two weeks, three patrol officers attended an interviewing/interrogation course at TAMUK. One officer attended Legislative Update course at KPD and 2 officers attended Crisis Intervention Training in Corpus Christi. Several officers attended two SWAT training sessions (slow movement and force-on-force training).

08-05-2013:

1300022989 - Assault at 322 Briarwood - Reanna Brown assaulted family members and was arrested.

1300023011 - POCS at 1301 W Circle Dr. - Jacob Delarosa was reported for smoking kush in the garage of his residence. He was contacted by G. Gonzalez and J. Dodd and arrested.

1300023015 - Warrant Arrest - Sgt. Allen conducted a traffic stop at 1000 E Lott for a traffic violation. The driver, Jason DeLaPaz, was found to have two county warrants with no bond

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(terroristic threat and theft of livestock) as well as two city warrants (DWLI and FTA). He was arrested.

1300023019 - DWI - Ptlm. G. Gonzalez stopped a vehicle that was driving erratically (on the sidewalk instead of the roadway) and conducted a traffic stop at 1000 E Kleberg. Julian Javier Alaniz was arrested after being unable to perform any of the SFST's and refusing to cooperate. Suspicious activity was reported at 700 S 17th in the alleyway, where units secured the perimeter and checked the area. Sgt. Allen saw a group of young males who fled. They are suspected of living in the area, because the perimeter was never crossed but the boys were not located despite checking vacant homes and the property within the area surrounded.

8-6-2013

- 13-23122: Assault = Brandon Moore assaulted Erica Gomez but left the location prior to officers arriving. He was contacted later and given a CTW for 119 W. Ave. B. Assault was written up.
- 13-23150: Found Property = A customer at Wal-Mart returned to their vehicle after buying groceries and found a small plastic baggie that contained what appeared to be marijuana. He picked it up and threw it in the trash can but notified security. Security called us. The marijuana was collected and logged and tagged into evidence as Found Property.
- 13-23153: Disturbance = Patricia Vela called 911 and said she was ok but was crying. Officers responded and contacted Cornelio Deleon and Patricia Vela. Patricia and Deleon told officers it was just an argument and she asked if she could say goodnight before she left for the night. She then proceeded to yell at Deleon wanting to know why he did not love her. Officers ended that outburst and she left the location.

Officers also responded to William street in reference to a male juvenile with a machete. At the same time Kingsville Fire Dept. called asking for assistance at Lulac in reference to a male who had fallen out of his wheel chair and they wanted to make a forced entry. On William Street, officers contacted a 15 year old male who had already dropped the machete and his mom explained he was upset and did not want to follow rules at home. They agreed to let him walk off his anger and also told officers that he never pointed the machete at anyone and never threatened to harm anyone. Meanwhile at Lulac, EMS advised that they were talking to the male through the bedroom window. He had fallen out of his wheel chair and could not get back up. He did not want them to break the window or door and asked them to call the manager to get a spare key. I asked EMS if they thought he was ok and they said yes they also told me they had called the manager but got voicemail. I advised dispatch to call Benny Saldana or Cindy Falcon directly and have them come to our location. Officer Perez advised he could go to Saldana's house and notify him and I said that was ok. Saldana came to our location and opened the door for us. I made entry along with EMS. They contacted the patient and helped him up. All was code 4.

Officers on Eves also issued 4 citations to cars (parking violations) at 1414 W, St. Gert. We started getting calls (small disturbances & civil matters) and they had to leave the area. Officers noted that there are some street lights that are out in the area of the Santa's.

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- 13-23355 1220 N. 17th #37. Officer Brown made contact with a male identified as Omar Ortegon. During the contact Brown got consent to search his house. Omar was arrested for Synthetic Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia.
- 13-23364 1220 N. 17th #34. Brown then made contact with multiple people and got consent to search from the person who was renting the apartment. Synthetic Marijuana was found and Ryan Garcia was arrested.
- 13-23363 318 S. 25th. Tiffany Hernandez reported she found some fraudulent charges to her bank account totaling \$199.35.
- 13-23366 2501 S. Hwy 77. Aaron Torres reported that his truck was damaged while being serviced at Ed die Yaklin's Quick Lane.
- 13-23410 1900 Ailsie. Vehicle parked in the middle of the street was called in. Driver, Mauro Galvan was arrested for DWI.
 Eves 8-9-13 Friday Night:
- 13-23477 = POCS + POM< 2: Officer Brown 95ed Sidney Passmore for Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Controlled Substance. He had about a gram of cocaine and marijuana <2 oz. Result of a traffic stop.
- 13-23509 = Sgt. Figueora had dispatch issue a case number for Civil Matter after Cesar Guerra reported a disturbance / civil matter that occurred at Wal-Mart. Had to do with a vehicle and a verbal agreement between two people who agreed to make payments. One party thinks he should get some money back now and began yelling at Guerra at Wal-Mart. Guerra wanted incident documented.
- 13-23529 = Public Intoxication: Hermeregildo Medrano was arrested by Officer Grant for Public Intox. at 1127 W. Kenedy.
 13-23536 = Albert Noriega and Celestino Rodriguez were arrested by Officer Brown for PI after they were stumbling on the dance floor and causing problems at the Texas Ranch. Owner advised they walked in with their own bottles of Budweiser prior to officers doing a walk through.
- 13-23538 : Officer Dodd arrested Israel Carranza for DWI after a traffic stop in the 2600 block of south Brahma.
- 13-23541 = Officer Vega arrested Armando Conde Jr. for PI after he almost fell in the parking lot of the Luau. He began to shout and cuss and at the officers and made his body stiff while being placed in handcuffs. Once at the jail, he was placed in the padded cell after jailers struggled with him.

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Bar detail went to 4 or 5 bars with the K-9. Burglary detail started in area 2 where we have had some case numbers generated the past few days and then made their way to the other areas. Hotel detail was on foot and checked all hotels in area 2. DWI Detail made several traffic stops. There were a few disturbances as well but none that required case numbers. Officers did a great job with their details and covered a lot of area Friday, August 9th, 2013.

- 13-23550 1116 E. Ella. Mellisa Pena reported that a thing hispanic male (30-40yrs old) was attempting to break into their house when her disabled father confronted the male. Pena advised the male then assaulted her father and left location in a white SUV with tinted windows.
- 13-23566 Hwy 77 S.B. Minor Accident between car and flat bed trailer. Car's driver door mirror was knocked off and second vehicle was not located.
- 13-23529 1127 W Kenedy #10 23:37 Hermerejildo Medrano was arrested for PI.
- 13-23554 POCS/Poss Drug Para 101 N hwy 77 Motel 6 02:36 Victor Remlinger 48YOA and Walter Brown 30YOA were both arrested for having cocaine methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia.
- 13-23566 Accident fail to stop and leave info Hwy 77/King 06:06 Hilda Rivera advised that a truck pulling a trailer had side swiped her. Units were unable to locate the vehicle, Female was also unable to give a good description of either the trailer or the truck pulling the trailer.

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- 13-23873 Burglary of a Habitation at 419 W Avenue A Mary Solis reported that a television and television mount were stolen out of her residence.
- 13-23878 Accident at 9th/Kleberg Two vehicles were attempting to enter the parking lot at the same time and struck each other.

13-23890 - Burglary of a Building at 1127 W Kenedy Ave - Mike Arguijo reported that copper was stolen from the AC unit inside of the home he is fixing to move into.

13-23896 - Information Report - Alexis Espinosa (girlfriend of the male stabbed by George Cruz) wanted to document the fact that other people were telling her that Cruz was allegedly making claims to "finish the job" on her boyfriend and having something for her as well. Espinosa advised that she had already spoken to the detective (J. Gonzalez) but wanted a report done regardless.

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- 13-23991 Welfare Concern at 4000 S Brahma (Arroyo Apts) #F9 (1st of 3 calls) Zonia Zamora called in and requested that an officer check on her daughter, Liana Zamora, who called Zonia and advised that she was assaulted by her boyfriend. Officers went to the scene but no contact was made. Liana called back and advised that she had been assaulted but that she was in Falfurrias (hiding from the ex-boyfriend) and would not be back this evening.
- 13-23995 Agency Assist Officer Dodd stopped a vehicle on Hwy 77 SB and located \$9000 on the person of a female, \$500 in her purse and an undocumented subject in the vehicle. BP took custody of the people, money and vehicle.
- 13-23996 Assault at 4147 Jamlie Ave Diana Mendoza called in and advised that she was assaulted and bitten by her niece, after the niece heard her call the niece's mother (Sophia Campos) and inform Sophia that she (Diana) had seen photos of the niece smoking pot on Facebook.

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- 13-23998 Burglary Vehicle at 219 E Fairview Juan Garcia reported that someone broke into his Nissan Titan.
- 13-23997 Theft at Wal-Mart Matthew Rideout reported that an unknown male stole a vacuum worth around \$400. No one caught but he provided a photo and has the video for detectives to see if anyone recognizes the male.
- 13-24007 Found Property at Arroyo Apts #F9 (2nd of 3 calls) Carla Valdez, sister to Liana Zamora's boyfriend noted above (Carlos Valdez) called and advised that her brother had allegedly taken a "bunch of pills". Units went to the scene but no one was home. A neighbor with a key provided access due to the exigent circumstances. No one was home, but a baggie of what officer's believe to be cocaine was found and collected.
- 13-24009 Theft at 1227 W. Kenedy Armando Conde called and reported that his neighbor Oscar (no last name provided) had stolen a small flag and stand from his home. Ongoing issues.
- 13-24010 Public Intoxication at Arroyo Apts # F9 (3rd of 3 calls) Units were sent back to Arroyo when Liana's brother called and advised that Carlos was back on location destroying the apt. Carlos was located seated on the floor of the bedroom with a bloody nose, where he struggled with Liana's brother, and acting strangely. Carlos was not able to balance, he did not recall what had happened or where he was. EMS was called to the scene and checked Carlos. Once clear, Carlos was taken to jail for PI after being served with a CTW as requested by the property manager. Liana's brother will be staying at Liana's apartment in case there are further problems with Carlos.
- 13-24022 Civil Matter at 718 E Ella Ave Trinidad Rawlinson called in to report that his daughter, Cynthia Rawlinson and her children's father, Martin Olvera Jr, had removed two children (their children) from his home, violating a temporary placement order issued by DFPS. Trinidad advised that he had struggled with Cynthia to try and get the kids from her, but that she and Martin (neither licensed) had fled in a vehicle with the children unrestrained. Units contacted Cynthia and Martin at 1705 N. 1st on foot, where Cynthia finally agreed to return the children, once advised that a report was being prepared about the incident.
- 13-24025 (Related to the previous case) After I left Trinidad's residence, Ptlm. Cantu advised me that Cynthia was now claiming she was assaulted by Trinidad. She was advised about filing a false report but insisted in doing so. There were various traffic stops and disturbances, including a 14 year old driving a vehicle with no headlights on by Texas Star at 1:00 a.m. Various citations were given out to the 14 year old, his 16 year old passenger and the female who allowed them to use the vehicle in the first place.

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- 1300024119 CTW Issued 2121 Brahma "Payless" 19:38 Roy Williams was issued a CTW at management's request. He refused to sign.
- 1300024133 Disturbance Adults 529 W Ave C 20:07 Jose Cuevas and Priscilla Perez was arguing in his vehicle and she got out. She advised that there was no assault and case was taken for documentation. We did deal with them again this morning at about 06:30, and will probably continue throughout the day.

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- 1300024155 Assault 727 S 15th 01:20 Alejandro Alvarez 25YOA assaulted Prisma Mireles no further information was given. Alvarez was not arrested, he was not on scene when the report was taken.
- 1300024161 PI 208 S 14th "McDonald's" 02:37 Misael Rivera was arrested after he was found asleep in the drive through. His vehicle was left on location with the manager's permission. 8-14-2013:
- 13-24289 POCS 730 W Corral "Kwik Pantry" 01:05 Isaac Nunez was arrested for synthetic marijuana, and Samantha Guajardo was arrested on local warrants.
- 13-24292 Criminal Mischief 115 University "The Country Luau" 01:56 Jose Espinoza punched the juke box. He was not arrested, his DL is going to be here at the front desk in case he comes to pick it up.
- 1300024293 DUI 208 S 14th "McDonald's" 02:25 Alfredo Jimenez was arrested his vehicle was not towed.
- 1300024295 Use of an Inhalant 417 W Kenedy 05:48 Pedro Perez was arrested after the neighbor saw him hiding behind a tree as he was going to work.

Criminal Investigative Bureau

Last week (08-05-13 thru 08-09-13), Sgt. Campos and Det. Contreras, attended a week long Practical Kinesic Interview and Interrogation Class in Beaumont Tx.

Last week (08-06-13 tru 08-08-13), Det. Michalski and Det. J. Gonzalez, attended a class at TAMUK on Interview and Interrogation.

Case #1300023926 (Sex Offender Duty to Register), <u>On 08-13-13</u>, Det. Greif received a tip and a case was written up. Det. Greif then drew up a warrant and later that day served it on Edward Lee Leal 21YOA. Leal was brought to the PD and confesses to the offense. Leal was taken to the Jail. Great job!, Det. Greif.

This week (08-15-13), Cpl. Rodriguez, Det. Salinas, Det. Michalski and Det. J. Gonzalez, attended a Sexual Assault Confrence in San Diego Texas.

This week Det. Mirarchi, worked up a Agg. Sexual Assault of a Child warrant for a suspect. The warrant has yet to be signed by a judge but Det. Mirarchi was able to get a confession from the suspect. Det. Contreras also stated working on a warrant for Carlos Valdez 20YOA, in reference to an assault that occurred at 4000 Brahma, he did not finish it and I don't have any addition details on it, at this time. This week, several detectives were in court along with the evidence tech. they were all there to testify. When the trial was over, Michael Elliott was found guilty for a Sexual Assault.

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FUGUNNES-KOPBERG					
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Kingsville Police Departm Department 361-595-85	ion on any of these fugitives call Crimestoppers (361) 592-INFO; ent 361-592-4311, <u>http://www.kingsvillepd.us/;</u> Kleberg Probation 58 Ext. 102, <u>www.kcscd.com</u> . Crimestoppers offers a reward for formation leading to an arrest or indictment. CALDERA, HERIBERTO Hispanic Male, Born 12/09/1980, Height 5'06", Weight 210, Brown Eyes, Black Hair Charge: Unlawful Restraint Motion to Revoke Felony Warrant# 07-CRF-0589				
	JESSIE, ALDRICH EARL African-American Male, Born 10/12/1982, Height 6'01", Weight 205, Brown Eyes, Black Hair Charge: Credit Card Abuse Motion to Revoke Felony Warrant# 05-CRF-0533-1				
	MENDIETTA, JULIAN JR. Hispanic Male, Born 06/26/1988, Height 5'09", Weight 135, Brown Eyes, Black Hair Charge: Burglary of Habitation Motion to Revoke Felony Warrant# 10-CRF-0475				
	SALAZAR, ERNESTO III Hispanic Male, Born 07/31/1990, Height 5'06", Weight 140, Brown Eyes, Black Hair Charge: Possession of Marijuana > 4 oz < 5 lbs in a Drug Free Zone Motion to Revoke Felony Warrant# 10-CRF-0452				
	JONES, ERIC LEVIN African-American Male, Born 10/24/1978, Height 5'09", Weight 200, Brown Eyes, Black Hair Charge: Evading Arrest with Vehicle Motion to Revoke Felony Warrant# 11-CRF-0591				

ALL WARRANTS ACTIVE AS OF 8/15/2013

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Courtesy of Charlie Cardenas, Director)

Engineering (08/03-08/16)

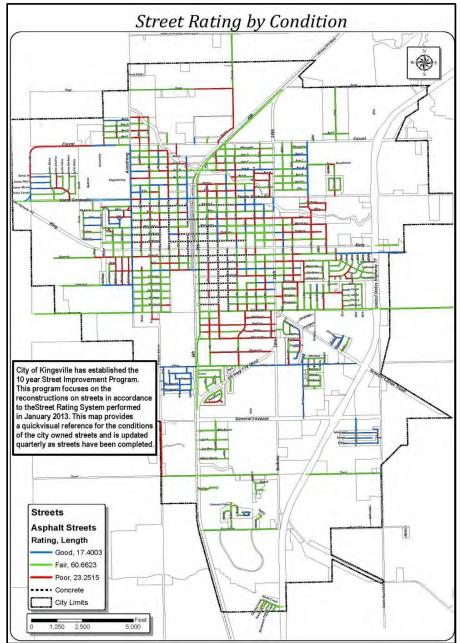
The Concrete street projects (phase III) has started - Contractors are at 5th and Lee Street, ready to pour

concrete. Forms are laid down and prepping for concrete on 10th and Kennedy. Engineering has taken the role of project management for this project. The project should be completed by September. In an effort to notify the public on the city's street work, Engineering services has gone "on line" with a Street Rating by Condition map. The map describes the condition of the pavement of each street in Kingsville and is updated as the reconstructed street is and evaluated. The public can view the map on the city's website and check the condition of streets. The map is also physically posted in City hall.

Street Condition rating map online.

Street Division (07/28-08/10)

<u>Road Construction</u> – Crews worked on milling and re-doing patch work with hot mix on Santa Gertrudis. Crews repaired alley behind Carwash at the 700 block of King and laid a truck load of limestone down. Crews cut road and hired Munoz Trucking to haul 40 loads of dirt to the Landfill on Sage Rd. Cut and resurfaced road with hot mix on Santa Gertrudis.



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New safety rail on 200 W. Santa Gertrudis



Completed work on Santa Gertrudis



Sweeping - Crews swept on:

- Swept on Kleberg
- Yoakum and King from 11th to 3rd St.
- Corral and General Cavazos from 6th St to 14th St
- King St from Hwy 77 to Hwy 141
- General Cavazos from 14^{th St.} to Hwy 77 and Armstrong Ave.to Hwy 77
- Kleberg Ave, Yoakum Ave, and King Ave from 11th St to 3rd St.
- Corral Ave and General Cavazos from 6th St. to 14th St.
- King Ave. from Hwy 77 to Hwy 141
- General Cavazos from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- Armstrong to Hwy. 77

Mowing - Crews mowed:

- Creeks from 17th St. to 14th St.
- Ditch on General Cavazos from 14th St. to Hwy 77
- Ditch at Carlos Truan Blvd. from Bypass to NAS
- General Cavazos and Hwy 77
- 6th St from General Cavazos to Escondido
- Sage Rd. from Young Dr. to Armstrong
- Young Dr. from Corral to FM 1355
- 6th St. from Escondido to City Limit Sign
- Henrietta, King at the Bypass
- Santa Gertrudis at the Bypass
- Corral at the Bypass

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<u>Gutters</u> – Crews cleaned gutters on:

- Frances St. from Johnston to Kenedy
- Huisache from Frances St. to Armstrong
- Mesquite from Corral to 16th St.
- Ave D from $12^{\text{th St}}$ to $16^{\text{th St}}$
- 15th St from Corral to Ave B
- Ave B and Ave C from 17th St. to 14th St.
- 16th St. from Corral to Ave B
- Ave A and Nettie St from 17^{th} St. to 14^{th} St.
- Ella Ave from 17th St to 14th St.
- 15th St and 16th St. from Ave B to Ella
- 17th St. from Corral to Santa Gertrudis
- Brookshire from 17th St. to Fairview
- Richard Ave. from 17th St. to dead end
- Alice St. from 1th St. to 19th St.
- Lee Ave from 17th St. to 14th St.
- Henrietta Ave. from 14th St. to 19th St.
- 12th St. from Lee to Yoakum Ave.
- Kleberg Ave from 17th St to 19th St.
- All of Fairview

<u>Weed Killer</u> – Crews sprayed weed killer on:

- Caesar from 18th St to 21st St
- Caesar from 6th St to 14th St.
- Caesar from 14th St to Hwy 77 (only the south side)
- 6th St. from Corral to General Cavazos
- Lee St from 14^{th} St to 17^{th} St.
- Ailsie from Loop 428 to 14th St.
- Shelly St from Ailsie to General Cavazos
- Henrietta from 7th to University Blvd.
- 14th from Corral to Santa Gertrudis
- Completed all of Zone 5
- Started on Zone 12 from Kenedy to Lott.
- Zone 4 and 5 and started on Zone 6
- Ailsie Ave from 6th St to Franklin Adams

Patching – Crews patched and filled in potholes:

- Railroad from Corral to Ave D
- Yoakum Ave. from 5^{th} St. to 6^{th} St.
- Intersection of Santa Monica St. and Santa Barbara St.
- Nettie from 6th St and 7th St.

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 Intersection of 16th St. and Henrietta Nettie from 6th St to 9th St. King Ave and 6th St. 19th St. and King Ave. 17th St. and Lee Ave Nelda Rd. 					
• Escondido Dr.					
Drains					
• 5 th St. from Ella to Nettie					
Miscellaneous					
Watered palm trees on General Cavazos					
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<u>Sign Shop</u> –					
Signs and Cones -					
• Crew put 4 reflectors on pipes at bridge on 6^{th} St.					
• Put up Thru Traffic Signs and cones on Shelton					
• Welder removed pipe sign					
• Took 2 Type 3 barricades, 4 signs, stands and 12 sandbags to Sage Rd. and Armstron	ıg				
and to Sage Rd, and Young Dr.					
• Took type 3 barricades and 15 bags of sand to W. Santa Gertrudis					
• Replaced a stop sign on 17^{th} St. and King Ave. (north side)					
• Installed a Children Crossing sign on 19 th and Kenedy (east side)					
• Installed a water gauge sign on W. ave I (creek) and 9 th St					
• Picked up mourning signs on Yoakum Ave. between 15^{th} St. and 16^{th} St.					
• Delivered and picked up mourning signs at 329 W. Ave D					
• Picked up mourning signs from W. Fordyce between 2^{nd} St. and 3^{rd} St.					
• Delivered mourning signs to 1214 E. Ave A					
• Picked up Thru Traffic Signs and Cone on Shelton St.					
• Put up signs on Armstrong, Ella and Richard St.					
• Put reflectors on post on Santa Rosa.					
Crosswalks-					
\circ Set up post at crosswalk at 18 th St. and Lott Ave.					
$\circ \qquad \text{Repaired crosswalk on } 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ St. and Ragland Ave.}$					
 Repaired crosswalk on 2rd St and Yoakum Ave. Repaired crosswalk on 3rd St and Yoakum Ave. 					
 Repaired crosswalk on 9th St and Kenedy Ave. 					
 Installed crosswalk on 19th St. and Kenedy Ave. 					
a mounted crosswark on ro- st. and renewy rive.					
Locates-					
• Checked locates on 18^{th} St. and Lott Ave and on Kenedy Ave and 18^{th} St.					

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- Staked for locates on 19th St. between Kleberg and Henrietta 0 Checked to see if locates were clear on Lantana 0 Removed locate stakes on 3rd St. in front of Epiphany School. 0 Miscellaneous -Broke cement at Recycling Center on 5^{th St.} and Lee Ave 0 Picked up bags of trash on the side of the road on 6th St. and Escondido. 0 Put kitty litter on hydraulic oil spill at 6th St. and King Ave. 0 Trimmed blind corner at 12th St. and King Ave(SE corner) 0 Picked up broken glass on 6th St. and Huisache Ave. 0 Replaced leaking water hose on Mobile Unit 7408 0 Helped City Welder cut pipe on 18th St. and Lott, 19th St. and Lott and on 5th St. and W. 0 Lee Helped Wastewater crew clean out a sewer drain on Wells St. and on 4th St. and W. 0 Santa Gertrudis
- Checked drains on the 5th St. from Ella to Nettie.
- \circ Trimmed blind corner on 10th St. and Caesar.
- Checked water gauge on W. Ave I
- Unloaded dirt at the yard.
- Picked up tree by the alley on 12th St and Warren Ave.

Alley Maintenance -

• Repaired alley behind Carwash on the 700 block of King and put down 1 truck load of limestone.

Water Production (07/28-08/10)

Water Production continues with fence slats installation at Well 24 and West Tower - Grounds are

being maintained at three well sites. Crew flushed 29 dead-end lines. Operated did pump and motor maintenance 8/9/13 thru 8/16/13.

<u>Routine job</u> - Collected 12 routine Bacteriological Samples; collected 14 daily chlorine residual and 2 construction samples (TAMUK project) delivered Ammonia to 6 sites; delivered Chlorine to 6 sites.

<u>Water pumped to distribution (7/29 - 8/114)</u> - Wells - 40,133,000 gallons; Surface - 29,353,000 gallons; 5,244,000 gallons for Ricardo bypass; Total 74,730,000 gallons; Average - 5,337,857 gals/day



Excellent water system rating

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Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant (07/28-08/10)

<u>Wastewater Treatment North Plant</u> - Operators and helpers cleaned clarifier troughs and weirs. Operators shoveled sludge from sand drying bed; Helpers and operators wasting in wedge wire and sand drying beds; plant helpers mowed grass around Treatment Plant. Operators put wasting sludge into drying beds and took BioMonitoring samples. Operators and Helpers got secondary clarifier back online, replaced UV lights and did trail run on bypass gate valve. C&D Electric installed Turblex blower motor and Rabalais connected the electrical motor to the blower. The annual (TLCP and PCB) dry sludge samples was sent to Test America for the North and South Plant.

<u>Wastewater Treatment South Plant</u> - Operator mowed grass, cleaned clarifier troughs and shoveled sludge from sand drying beds. 3&1 MGD wasting on drying beds. Crew is wasting in wedge wires and sand drying bed. Crews took BioMonitoring samples. Contractor Mendez is still working on bypass gate valve project.

Wastewater Collection – Had 8 call outs for sewer backups; did 10 line locates; 1 clean out repair; lowered 1 clean out; had 1 bad odor call, disconnected 1 sewer tap, 1 sewer service repair 2 installations of clean out boots 1 manhole repair. Crews replaced main sewer one on the 900 block of W. Yoakum Ave. and vacuumed and jet 1 main line in Bishop. Operators jetted the center well at the 1MGD. Crew cleaned storm drains on Santa Gertrudis from Wells to 4th St. Crew ran vactor on 4th St. – 5th St on W. Ave B. Dumped dirt from warehouse at 1MGD. Operators helped install motor at the 3MGD.



Replacing 500 lf of sewer main at 900blk of W. Yoakum

Water Distribution (07/28-08/10)

Water Division Crews repaired 1 Main Breaks and answered approximately 55 Service Calls. Water crews assisted contractor on 2^{nd} St and Kleberg Ave replace asphalt street patch with concrete. Crews replaced a section of sidewalk on the 800 block of E. Fordyce with concrete. Water crews continue to work valves to isolate water on the west side of town to replace 18" and 20" valves.

City Garage (0728-08/10)

<u>Maintenance</u> - 11 Oil changes on preventive maintenance; 37 scheduled work orders; 43 nonscheduled work; 20 Service calls; 1 Call out; 22 New tires on heavy equipment and trucks; 6 flat tire repairs and balances; 44 pending work orders. Replaced clutch on unit 535, repaired power steering pump on unit 306, replaced sweeper broom head on unit 545 and replaced pistons on unit 575.

Welder - 0 work order; 4 pending work orders; 15 nonscheduled work orders; 2 scheduled work order; and 7 service calls. Welder completed handrails and is now working on storm drains.

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Solid Waste

<u>Landfill (07/28-08/10)</u> - Landfill crew continued litter clean up in and around facility. Due to the passing of House Bill 7, we will be paying .94/ton instead of1.25/ a ton on solid waste fees beginning this 4th quarter. Santa Anita removed 32,960 lbs. of tires from the Landfill. NPE picked up, repaired and returned the Brush Tractor to the Landfill. Oil Patch installed gas meter for the fuel tank. City welder took off scraper hydraulic and the Garage staff repaired it. Kingsville Fire Service came to the Landfill to service the "exit" signs and fire extinguishers. Spoke with Straight Edge Nursery and Macareno Signs about estimates for landscaping and signage to the entrance of the Landfill. Trash – 802 tons; Brush – 94 tons; Concrete (commercial and residential) –3.0 tons; Construction and Demolition (C & D) – 342 tons; Dirt – 0 tons; Metals – .66 tons; Tires – 2.78 tons; Recycled Tires – 13.48 Tons Sludge –0 tons; Asphalt –14.75 tons Litter - 1.58 tons

<u>Sanitation (07/28-08/10)</u> - Residential waste collected from 07/28 - 8/10 - 638,700 pounds; Commercial waste collected <u>648,960</u> pounds; Brush collected <u>20,620</u> pounds and construction debris collected <u>56,000</u> pounds. Brush crews collected Zone 4 and working on abatements and demos when possible. The Brush Tractor developed a problem with the articulation joint and was transported to Corpus Christi, Holt Cat for repairs. It has been repaired and back in service. We had a large demolition at 2029 General Cavazos and it was completed last week.

<u>Dumpster Enclosures</u> - Robert Mendez began the enclosure construction at 14th and Corral and will proceed south down 14th St. Notable enclosures are behind Café 5 and Harrell's Drug Store. Approximately half of the enclosures have been constructed. All abatements for the month of July have been abated. Sanitation has been helping Community Appearance finish small abatements as needed due to the manpower shortage in their department. The following abatements were complete: 611 W. Kleberg, 329 E. Richard and 518 College Place. Recycling for the month of July totaled 27.1 tons from the recycling center taken to Corpus Christi.

609 E Mesquite demolition

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

Purchasing Division

<u>What is a Contract?</u> - A question many people ask is: "What is a contract?" A valid contract must have:

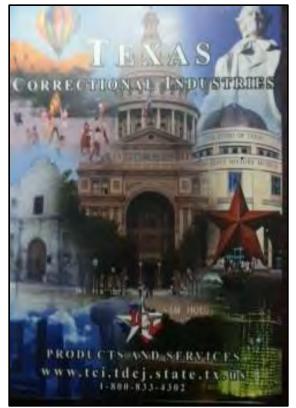
- Offer
- Acceptance
- Legal purpose
- Mutuality of obligation
- Certainty of subject matter
- Consideration
- Competent parties





<u>Purchase Orders</u> - For the period of 08/02/2013 through 08/15/2013, 100 purchase orders were issued totaling over \$396,000.00.

<u>PCard Totals</u> - PCard purchases for period ending July 26, 2013 were approximately \$63,272.00. A total of 611 transactions were processed. *As a reminder, purchases must be for necessary and authorized public purposes and not for private use. All original receipts and backup for purchases and travel/training must be attached and turned in with your PCard statement*



<u>Kingsville Police Department Fence Project</u> - The Purchasing Director worked with the Police Chief to modify specifications for the fence project so that Texas Correctional Industries (TCI) could be included as a possible vendor.

Technology Division

The Network Infrastructure Improvement Project is complete and came in within budget. Besides wiring, new rack mounted switches, and internal and external Wi-Fi was installed.



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R.J. KLEBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY (Courtesy of Ruth Valdez, Interim Director)

Library Tidbit

Many library programs such as story times, book talks, puppetry, crafts, and other group programs primarily target preschool and kindergarten children. Eighty-six percent of libraries offer group programs for preschool and kindergarten-age children; only 79 percent of libraries offer group programs for school-age children.

2013 Summer Reading Program

The 2013 Robert J. Kleberg Public Library *Dig into Reading* Summer Program was an overwhelming success. This year, 216 children participated compared to last year's 115. Our readers logged in 84,550 minutes, surpassing last year's total by 1,400 minutes. The Summer Activity Program also saw a dramatic increase. A total of 930 children and youth, and 389 adults attended the Activity Program throughout the summer. Each week, the children reacted with amazement and joy. They were eager to see what each new activity would entail. Along with the activities, stories were read and crafts were created to compliment the *Dig into Reading* theme. A few of the library's special activities included visits from Critter's Pet Store, the Kingsville Police Department, and the sea turtles from Texas State Aquarium. Also this summer, the children portrayed game pieces in a life-sized CandyLand board game. At the end of the Summer Reading Program, each child that completed a reading log of 750 minutes was invited to partake in an ice cream party. Children and parents had over 30 toppings to choose from for their ice cream sundaes. The library is hoping that next year's Summer Program will continue to draw in large crowds and make Kingsville citizens more aware of what the library has to offer.



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RISK MANAGEMENT (Courtesy of Melissa Perez, Manager)

Public Safety Meeting has American Red Cross give a presentation on Emergency Services and Volunteers

A public Safety Meeting was conducted on August 14, 2013 in the City Hall Conference Room. City Public Officials turned out from The Fire Department, Police Department, Emergency County Management Division,



Border Patrol and Naval Base. Lauren Ellse with The American Red Cross gave a presentation to everyone on Emergency Services they can provide the city. Volunteers are also needed for this area. This is the 3rd meeting held at City Hall. The next meeting is being planned for September at The New Border Patrol Station.

Public Works Employees are Trained on the Importance of PPE/Personal Protective Equipment

Public Works Employees had their Monthly Training on Wednesday August 14th with the following departments: Street, Water, Sanitation, Landfill, and Wastewater. The Topic for this month was on Personal Protective Equipment.





Why is Personal Protective Equipment Important? - "Because it protects workers from injury!" Employees were trained on the importance of wearing their Safety Vests, Safety glasses and hard hats while working out on the job site.

Employee Recognition and Safety Committee meets on August 13th

The Employee Recognition and Safety Committee met on August 13th to discuss upcoming "Employee Recognition and Safety Week" in December. There is so much to discuss, New venue, music, safety



games and more. The committee wants to give the City of Kingsville a wonderful experience so the plans are to make the week better in all areas. Some Committee members who attended the meeting were Carol Rogers, Valerie Valero and Emilio Garcia

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City employees will be participating at the Run or Dye 5K Marathon in Corpus Christi TX on August 24th

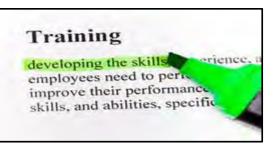


The City of Kingsville employees will be attending the Run or Dye 5K Marathon in Corpus Christi Texas on August 24th. Run or Dye Corpus Christi is happening at Wharaburger Field. The event is the worlds most colorful yet. Runners will get showered in safe eco-friendly, plant based cornstarch dye every kilometer. Afterwards runners will enjoy a world-famous dye festival where you can tie-dye the sky in this ultimate celebration of life,friendship,fitness and fun.

Risk Manager Trains 2 New Employees at City of Kingsville

The Risk Manager trained 2 new employees on Friday August 16, 2013 in the Risk Management Office. One employee was going to the Street Department and the other to Community Appearance.

Employees were trained and given an overview of the City's Health and Safety Handbook and Workers Compensation procedures and policies. As usual the Risk Manager issued a safety vest and safety glasses to the employees. Both employees also received a City of Kingsville cap. The city tries their best to start each employee ready to go with all the information and knowledge they will need on their job.



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

National Night Out at Texas A&M University - Kingsville

On Tuesday August 6, 2013 Kingsville Task Force agents participated in National Night Out at the Texas A&M University Kingsville Campus.





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During the event agents passed out school supplies to over 200 children. Agents also answered questions pertaining to criminal interdiction and explain how our team is here to help keep their neighborhoods safe.

Agents Attend 23rd Annual DIAP/EPIC MVCI Training Conference

Commander "Willie" Vera along with Special Agents Michael Tamez, Richard Kirkpatrick, Jeremy Loftin and Ruben Villalobos attended the 23rd annual conference in San Antonio, TX from August 12-15th. The theme of this year's conference was "Back to the Basics; Interviewing, Reporting, and Prosecuting." The goal of this conference is to facilitate and encourage the exchange of intelligence relative to identifying and apprehending traveling criminals and contraband smugglers utilizing our nation's highways. Agents were able to attend numerous seminars to gain valuable knowledge and insight pertaining to criminal interdiction from the largest number of overland criminal interdiction experts and practitioners in the United States.

44th Annual State Training Conference by TNOA

On Sunday August 18th, 2013 several agents will be traveling to Dallas TX to attend the 2013 Texas Narcotics Officers Association Conference. Agents will attend numerous seminars in reference to advance undercover violence, drug endangered children, current drug trends and plethora of other equally informative classes given by leading experts in narcotics interdiction.

Vehicle Auction Set for August 24th, 2013

On Saturday August 24th, 2013 the Kingsville Special Crimes and Narcotics Task Force will participate with Kenedy County Sheriff's Office in an auction of confiscated vehicles. This year we will be auctioning off not only cars but boats, trailers and trucks.

TOURISM SERVICES DEPARTMENT (Robert Trescott, Director) Report (8/2 – 8/16, 2013)

Kingsville Main Street Annual Meeting & Mixer

We will be hosting the annual Kingsville Main Street Meeting Tuesday August 20, 2013 at the Visitors Center from 4 - 7 PM.

Texas Association of Convention and Visitors Bureau

Bob Trescott attended the TACVB Annual Conference in El Paso, August 6 - 9, 2013. This is the premiere statewide event that presents the best practices of the destination management and marketing industry.

Bob attended sessions concerning:

- The Experience Economy
- Internet and Social Media
- Taking and Using Photography on electronic media
- Texas Events Trust Fund
- Social Networking for Business
- Tourism for University Towns

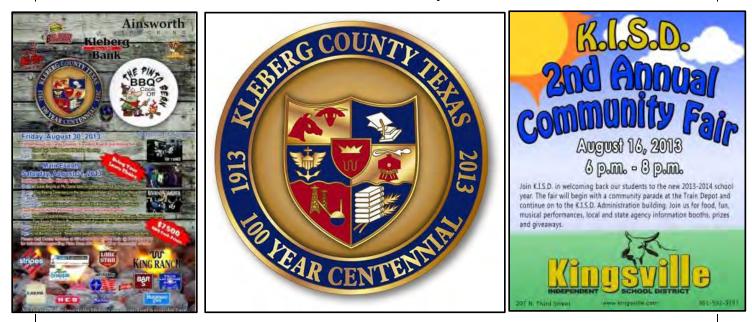
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- Sports Tourism
- Communicating a Consistent Brand

There was also a Trade Show

Events

We continue to support and to coordinate the larger City support for community events. The County has requested substantial City support from several departments for the upcoming Kleberg County Centennial as has the KISD for its Second Annual Community Fair



Planning is underway for the Kingsville Ranch Hand Festival

that is being built around the King Ranch® Ranch Hand Breakfast. The event will be the weekend surrounding the Breakfast which has been held on the Saturday before Thanksgiving for a generation.



Downtown Street Closures

There had been an issue with the Mercy Ministries concerning downtown street closings. We met with Mr. Gary Herrera and discussed his program. We facilitated arrangements for future events using County Parks as well as City spaces for a continuing series of programs.

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Downtown Management

Downtown Management duties, programs and projects continue to grow. We are seeing more street trees, more streetscaping and more and improved street furniture. As is customary, the more you do, the more people notice and the more they expect. We are happy to see the bar being raised.

Javelina Innovation Lab

We hosted a meeting in City Hall and participated in a tour of the TAMUK Engineering College Javelina Innovation Lab in the Wilson Building on Kleberg Avenue for TAMUK Engineering College and TAMUK Facilities Management personnel.

The meeting covered the extensive plans that the university has for the renovation of that building. At our request and as a service to our Main Street program, the Texas Historical Commission prepared a study and renderings for the structure. Cynthia Martin has been named to the Advisory Board for that project.

Historic Resources Survey and Inventory

Cynthia Martin and the University folks are scheduled to complete the field work and mapping by the end of the month. The deliverables from this project will support the City's Historic Preservation, Planning, Building and Engineering missions with updated historical data. 2000 hours have gone into this project from students, faculty and staff. We are working with the Historic Board on designs for local historical markers.

Downtown Mural

The downtown mural is nearing completion and we are working out the details concerning completion, transport and installation. There are logistic, engineering and code issues to be worked-out.

Texas Treasure

Harrel's Kingsville Pharmacy will be recognized with a Texas Treasure Business Award from the Texas Historical Commission, having been nominated by Representative Lozano.



The Texas Treasure Business Award Program recognizes the accomplishments of Texas businesses that have provided employment opportunities and support to the state's economy for at least 50 years. Businesses that have been continuously owned by the same family or have operated continuously from a building that is at least 50 years old and have maintained its architectural integrity receive additional recognition.

New Business

Because I Can Boutique tried the Mall, tried the Strip and is now open at 228B East Kleberg Avenue in Historic Downtown

Kingsville. Welcome!

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Façade Grants

Tourism staff is talking to property and business owners about five possible façade grants and, actually,



the work has begun on all of the projects: <u>Texas Theater</u>, <u>Domino's Pizza</u>, <u>Economy Finance</u>, <u>Consign What?</u> and the <u>Innovation Lab</u>. <u>Downtown</u>

<u>Divas</u>' requested an application packet from staff and is reviewing the information.

<u>Domino's Pizza</u> - 309 E. Kleberg. The owner, Mr. Henry Molina, wishes to improve the façade of his building s below. Mr. Molina also plans

to replace the canopy that was failing with a canopy consistent with the historic character of the Downtown. A contractor has been hired and the façade work has begun. Mr. Molina's application is in progress awaiting pricing on the canopy to complete the documentation requirements.





Innovation Lab - 231 E. Kleberg Dr.

Stephan Nix, Texas A & M University – Kingsville, is working with City staff to apply for a façade improvement grant. The Texas Main Street Program Architect has provided design work of the façade of the building. The current plan is to restore the storefront and building interior.

Consign What? - 301 E. Kleberg & Economy Finance - 307 E. Kleberg

These two properties are owned by Mr. Luis Fuentes, Jr. Mr. Fuentes has contacted staff about applying for a façade improvement grant for both addresses. Mr. Fuentes has removed the failing canopy that served both businesses. He is planning to do some façade work on both buildings to cover

the opening left by the removal of the canopy and perhaps restore the transom windows behind the sign on the Economy Finance building.

<u>Texas Theater</u> -327 E. Kleberg - Cal Collins, building owner, has started the restoration of the theater. Mr. Collins has applied for a façade improvement grant to restore the theater's marquee. His application is being reviewed by City staff.



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

Regular Commission Meetings	(Robert H. Alcorn Commission Chambers)
Monday, August 26, 2013	3:30 p.m.
Monday, September 9, 2013	6:00 p.m.
Monday, September 23, 2013	6:00 p.m.

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Special Commission Meetings/W	orkshops (Rob	ert H. Alcorn Com	mission Chambers)					
	4:00 p.m.							
	4:00 p.m.							
Wednesday, September 4, 2013	4:00 p.m.							
Municipal Court Dates (Commission Chambers:								
	3:00 p.m.							
	3:00 p.m.							
	3:00 p.m.							
Board Meetings (Commission Chambers)								
Planning and Zoning Board	,	September 18, 2013	7:00 p.m.					
Historic Development Board	•	September 18, 2013	4:00 p.m.					
Zoning Board of Adjustments		tember 12, 2013	6:00 p.m.					
Civil Service Commission	TBA	tember 12, 2015	11:00 a.m.					
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Board Meetings (Respective Loc	Board Meetings (Respective Location)							
Library Board	Wednesday, September 25, 2013 4:00 p.m.							
City/County Health Board	$(3^{rd} \text{ week of every other month } @ 5:30 \text{ p.m.})$							
Conferences/Seminars Texas Municipal League Annual Conference – Austin, TX October 8-11, 2013								
Events City of Kingsville Trash Off Day!! Saturday, September 21, 2013 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 6 th Street & East Avenue B – Two blocks north of Kleberg Elementary School								
Holidays								
Labor Day – September 2, 2013								
City Hall & Administrative Office	s will be closed i	n observance of Lab	oor Day					
Domindows								
Reminders City Secretary requests Commission Member Nominations for the following Vacant Board Positions:								
Board Name	<u>Vacancies</u>	Recommer	ndations					
Zoning Board of Adjustments	0	0						
Joint Airport Zoning Board	0	0						
Civil Service Commission	1	0						
Historic Development Board	0	0						
Planning & Zoning Commission	0	0						