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- Code Enforcement.....651-7862
- Chipper Service.....651-7800
- Fire Department.....651-7832
- Municipal Court.....651-7801
- Non-Building Permits.....651-7806
- Police Department.....651-7865
- Public Works.....651-7830
- Utilities.....651-7800

The number to call on weekends, holidays and after normal business hours for City Office is Live Oak Dispatch @ 653-0033.

City Council Meetings

City Offices to be CLOSED July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.

- July 9 @ 6:30 pm
- August 13 @ 6:30 pm

City Offices to be CLOSED September 7th in observance of Labor Day.

- September 10 @ 6:30 pm

Results of the May 9, 2015 General & Special Election

City Council Place 4	Kevin Hadas Mark A. Ford	361 (75.21%) 119 (24.795)
City Council Place 5	Karen K. Rutledge James T. Parma	138 (28.75%) 342 (71.25%)
City Council Place 6	Jose A. Silva Kenneth W. Polasek	178 (37.01%) 303 (62.99%)
Proposition	FOR:	374 (77.11%)
	AGAINST:	111 (22.89%)

A special thanks goes out to all the candidates for their time and effort!



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WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

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Luke Russell	Kensington	Francisco Prado	Kensington
Lauren Quirao	Forest Creek	Rudolph Sutton	Retama Springs/West
Steve and Janice Nelson	Kensington	Shatoria Davis	
Garrett Ledford	Kensington	Perry Reed	Creekside Gardens
An Nguyen	Forest Creek	Erica Montoya	Retama Ridge
Manuel Olivo	Selma Park Estates	Victor Palomo	Kensington
Jesse Trevino	Retama Ridge	Robert Stricklin	Chelsea
James Boyless	Kensington Ranch	Brian Eno	Creekside Gardens
Bradley Peschel	Retama Ridge	Christian Valenciano	Kensington
Brandon Maldonado	Kensington Ranch	Meghan Carroll	Kensington
Michael and Celia Tokarski	Kensington Ranch	Robert Herzog	Kensington
Shelley Woitena	Live Oak Hills	Katherine Munoz	Kensington
Paul Maslak	Forest Creek	Shueh Joseph	Olympia Hills
Jerad and Marisa Moheit	Kensington	Douglas Lavelle	Retama Springs
Martin Alvarez	Kensington	Michael White	Forest Creek
Bobbie Booker	Retama West	Jessie Daniel	Retama Springs
Arnulfo Alvarez	Retama Springs	James Meyer	Retama West
Michael and Kari Allen	Retama Springs	Garrett Reed	Reserve at Retama
Carmen Ainsley	Kensington	Keith Burke	Retama Ridge

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On May 9, 2015, the citizens of Selma voted to issue \$9 million dollars in general obligation bonds to construct and widen Lookout Road from the northern city limits with Schertz to just north of the Retama Parkway with a bridge over the Cibolo Creek. The road surface will be widened to four 12' wide lanes and a 4' wide paved shoulder each side.

At intersections and across the Cibolo Creek Bridge the road will have five 12' wide lanes to accommodate a center left turn lane. There will be pedestrian and bike lanes on both sides. Currently, the City is in the process of coordinating the relocation of the utilities and attaining the additional rights-of-way. Look for construction to start in Spring 2016!



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The San Antonio Business Journal named the Titan Industrial Park in Selma the Best Industrial Development in 2015! Eleven development projects and transactions were chosen as winners in 12 categories of the San Antonio Business Journal's Best in Commercial Real Estate Awards.

Also, Movoto listed the City of Selma as the 2nd best city near San Antonio for young professionals! According to Movoto.com, this list was compiled in terms of the following criteria: Unemployment rate; Percent of population aged 22-29; Percent of population who attained a bachelor's degree; Median earnings for those who attained a bachelor's degree; Percent of population who work in management, business, financial, or other professional fields; and Cost of living.

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Budget Season for next year has kicked off!

In the coming months, the City's Elected Officials and City Staff will be working on the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Annual Operating Budget. The Public Hearing on approval of this budget will be at the September 10, 2015 City Council Meeting. Be on the lookout for the draft budget to be posted on the City's website by the first week in August!



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Special thanks to the volunteers that made the Selma Park Estates community-wide yard sale a success! Nineteen households participated! Thank you to Curtis Gregory for distributing the flyers, Gloria Detrick who helped coordinate, Harvey Mayer and Vickie Machen for advertising, Rick and Michele Maas for allowing their fence to display a billboard sign, and to Stephanie and Josh Bernstein for making the signage! Be on the lookout for the next one!

Happy 20th Birthday to Retama Park!



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UPDATE!

Stormwater Drainage Improvements to Glenn & York Lanes

The drainage improvements on York Lane and Glenn Lane in Live Oak Hills subdivision are now complete. Although the bad rains hit us before they were complete, the areas that were done prior to the rain worked well.

The work, which started on March 16th, was completed by W. P. Murphy Mobile Concrete and KSA Engineers, on time and on budget. Selma plans on continuing the phased improvement of drainage in Live Oak Hills in successive budget years.





UPDATE: ROAD IMPROVEMENT ON ALTON BOULEVARD



The Alton Boulevard improvements are continuing to move ahead. The rains in May set the schedule back, but with the improved weather we are once again making progress. The stretch of Alton Boulevard between Arcadia Drive and Brightleaf Drive was complete when the May rains hit us. The new “inverted crown” design of the street worked very well in conveying the stormwater down to the Retama drainage channel, standing up well to the pounding that it got from those rain events in May.



CHIPPER SERVICE

Chipper Service is provided to residents free of charge during the first week of every month. If you would like to add your address to the monthly chipper service list, please call 651.7800. As a reminder, chipper service is provided for the residents of the City of Selma only. This service IS NOT for professional landscaping services who then call for the City to come chip the contractor produced waste. When professional landscape contracts are entered into by the residents, have the removal of the contractor generated waste included in the contract.

Here are brief reminders & guidelines to remember when preparing for chipper service:

- No palm limbs will be chipped as they will clog the chipper;
- Please no tree limbs wider than 12 inches in diameter;
- No tree stumps, plywood, wood, or fencing can be chipped;
- All brush and tree limbs must be stacked at the front curb to allow easy access for City staff (City staff is not allowed to enter onto private property);
- No bulk items or trash will be chipped (arrangements can be made with Bexar Waste @ Ph. 566.5454 to remove these bulk items);
- Please remember to set piles for chipper service as close to the first week of the month as feasible; putting piles for chipper service too early can result in nesting for snakes and other animals.

NEED A PAVILION TO RENT THIS SUMMER?

The recently constructed and named Friesenhahn Pavilion is now open to the public to rent! Rental Agreements can be obtained via the City's website or at the Visitor's Center. For more information to include reserving the Stage Stop Park Pavilion, please call 210-651-1036 or 210-651-1053.



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CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

RECAP OF THE MAY 14, 2015 MEETING

Citizens to be Heard: Alex Hartman provided an update on upcoming activities and events for the Schertz Chamber of Commerce.

- Presented a Ten-Year Service Plaque to Sergeant Jonathan Kennedy
- Approved the Minutes of the April 9, 2015 Selma Regular Monthly Council Meeting
- Received an operational update from Mr. Kevin Whalen, Vice-President and General Manager for Retama Park
- Approved the Selma Investment Policy Report for the First Quarter 2015
- Received a briefing on the results of a transportation survey
- Authorized City Staff to begin the process of acquiring thirty-four (34) lots along Utopia and Deephaven rights-of-way for the purpose of constructing drainage improvements



RECAP OF THE JUNE 11, 2015 MEETING

Citizens to be Heard: Dave Cooney congratulated the incoming Councilmembers and praised the passage of the May 9, 2014 Special Bond Election. Maggie Titterington provided an update on upcoming activities and events for the Schertz Chamber of Commerce. Jeremy Mello provided an update on upcoming activities and events for the Historical & Parks Commission.

- Performed a Ceremonial Swearing in of Councilmen Kevin Hadas, Jim Parma, and Ken Polasek
- Approved the Minutes of the May 14, 2015 Selma Regular Monthly Council Meeting.
- Approved the Minutes of the Special Selma City Council Meeting of May 15, 2015.
- Approved the Minutes of the May 18, 2015 Selma Special City Council Meeting to consider a Resolution Canvassing the Returns of a Bond Election.
- Accepted a recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission and approved the plat of the Titan Industrial Park Selma Unit 2 for the Ben E. Keith South Texas Regional Headquarters.
- Accepted a recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission and approved the plat of the Kensington Ranch II Subdivision, Unit 6 P.U.D.
- Approved a cooperative agreement between the City of Selma and Bexar County regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program.
- Approved the General Obligation Bond financing plan and timetable, including authorizing City Staff and the City's Financial Advisor, SAMCO Capital Markets, to complete necessary work in preparation for the road improvement to Lookout Road bond sale.
- Appointed Kevin Hadas as the City's Mayor Pro Tem with a term ending June 1, 2016.
- Re-appointed Tom Brotherman and Sharon Phillips as members of the Historical & Parks Commission with terms expiring June 30, 2017.
- Reappointed Alvin Kowalik, Jennifer Johnson, and Bill Weeper as members of the Planning and Zoning Commission with terms expiring June 30, 2017.



NEW BUSINESS OPENINGS



Businesses are starting to open their doors at Forum Pointe, the newest shopping center in Selma! Bracken Cafe has moved into their new location on the grounds of Retama Park.

Water Restrictions

Selma is currently not under any water restrictions. We ask that all residents continue to be wise in your water use and conserve where you can. Best management practices for conserving water include prohibiting watering lawns and other landscaping between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 8 p.m. unless such watering is by hand-held bucket, hand-held hose, or a properly installed drip irrigation system. Water runoff from property is also prohibited.



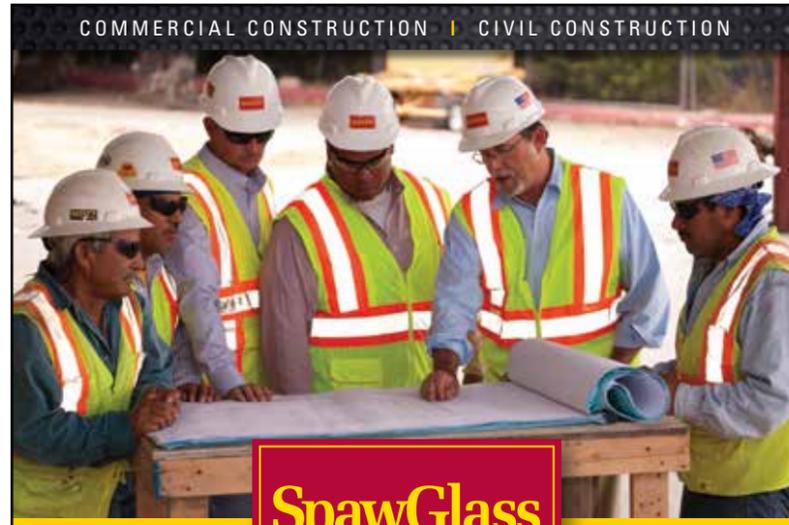
Seasonal Water Rates in Effect

As a reminder each year between the months of May through September, summer water usage rates go into effect. The average residential water consumer can expect a 2% increase in their water utility bill during this period. We thank you for your support in prudent water conservation measures during this high demand period!

GRASP

The Greater Randolph Area Services Program, Inc. (GRASP), a 501(c) (3) human service organization established in 1983, helps economically disadvantaged individuals, families and children. GRASP programs offer emergency assistance to those experiencing a household crisis and who live in areas of Bexar or Guadalupe Counties in communities where access to help is limited. Qualified households receive emergency assistance for rent, utilities, food, and medicine. The GRASP Thrift Shop provides clothing and housewares to needy families who experience a catastrophe such as fire, flood, or other loss. The agency provides emergency financial assistance, food pantry, senior transportation, daily activities and nutritious meals at the GRASP Community Center in Converse. For more information please call (210) 658-6351 or visit their website at <http://www.grasp211.org/index.html>.

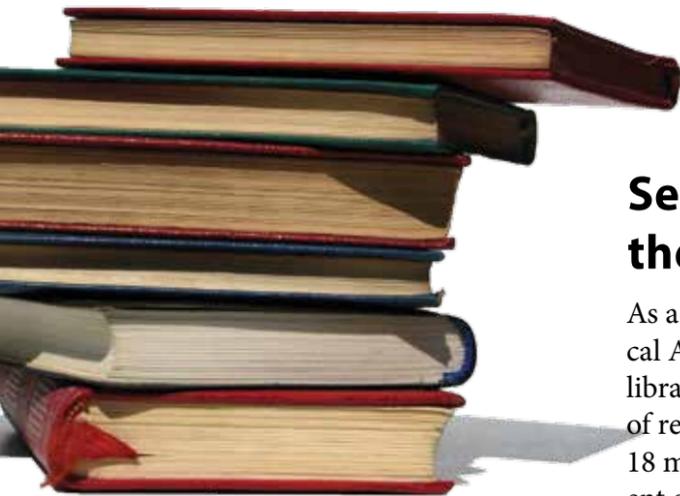
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As a reminder, the cities of Selma and Schertz entered into an Interlocal Agreement that allows Selma residents to utilize the Schertz public library without charge! Any resident with a photo ID and current proof of residence may apply for a library card, free of charge. Children under 18 may apply for a card as long as they can write their name and a parent or legal guardian is present to sign the application form.

Farmer's Market is back at the Stage Stop

As of Saturday, May 30th, the Farmer's Market at the Stage Stop has resumed and will continue each Saturday from 9am to noon.



Spraying for Mosquito Control

The City of Selma recently contracted with Century Pest Control, Inc. to perform city-wide mobile mosquito fogging service. The product being used is an adulticide called Perm X 30 30. The application process takes place at approximately 9pm and the duration of service is approximately 2 hours. Service is applied to residential streets and in a pattern that allows continued vehicle movement with minimal stops, backtracking and dead ends. This service is for mosquito management only. Three treatments were applied during the month of June with more treatments planned for this summer as the need arises.



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