

THE CITY OF SELMA OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER



This Newsletter is designed to provide citizens of Selma with information about our City and City Government. News items are always welcome and may be forwarded to Newsletter, City of Selma, 9375 Corporate Drive, Selma,

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Message from the Mayor

Dear Residents,

Once again our "Movie in the Park" was enjoyed by many of our residents. A big thank you to all our volunteers who helped with judging, games, and face painting. Also thanks to our Fire and Police Departments for showing up and sharing information with all. As usual, representatives from our Parks and Recreation and Historical Commissions were in attendance. The Selma Historical Foundation

is just back from a successful weekend representing our City at the Alamo; they showed everyone their display on the history of Selma and the Harrison & McCulloch Stage Line. This display was awarded first prize for "most historical content" beating out 35 other heritage booths in attendance. They presented their winning check of \$100 to the Council on the night of November 1st. These dollars will help in the

restoration of artifacts to be displayed in our Stage Stop. Great job by all!

The City Staff and I wish each and every one of you a wonderful Thanksgiving. Please take the time to enjoy your families and let us all take a moment to remember everyone on the East Coast after last week's hurricane.

Sincerely,

Mayor Tom Daly

Welcome New Residents & Businesses!

Heidi Arementariz – Forest Creek

Muro Michael – Retama Springs

Pamela & Gregory Hays – Retama Springs

Elida Gonzales – Retama Springs

New Businesses:

BLUE BONNET DRIVING RANGE

IH-35 ROAD CONSTRUCTION

In one of most congested corridors, more than 130,000 vehicles travel Interstate 35 between Farm to Market 3009 and Loop 1604.

In order to address the congestion and improve the safety in this area, TxDOT will build auxiliary lanes (a lane for those entering and exiting the interstate) along this area; reconfigure the exit and entrance ramps to promote a free flow of traffic and construct turnaround features at a handful of intersections, including FM 3009. The 18-month project will not affect access to the Forum Shopping Center during the

holiday season. Funding for the project comes from traditional sources, including state and federal motor fuels taxes and state registration fees. Attached is a link to the TXDOT website that has a page dedicated to the work being done on IH 35. This page will be updated with the latest information regarding this road improvement project.

<http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/san-antonio/ih35-us281.html>

RESIDENTIAL ALARM PERMITS

As a reminder, all residential alarm permits expire on December 31st. The amount due is \$5.00 for the year. You may mail your permit payment to Selma Police Department, Attn: Records, 9375 Corporate Drive, Selma, Texas 78154. Payments are accepted at the Police Department between the hours of 8am – 5pm, M thru F. If there are changes to the data on the original application you will be asked to fill out a new application which is available at the Police Department. Should questions arise, please call 651-5368.

CITY STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

Ken Roberts, City Administrator, Ph. 651-7824
 Syd Hall, Police Chief, Ph. 651-5368
 Ric Braun, Fire Chief, Ph. 651-7831
 Water Department, Ph. 651-7807
 Dispatch, Ph. 653-0033,
 Emergency: 911



SEWER AVERAGING

During the period November 15, 2012 through February 15, 2013, your water usage will determine your charge for sewer service in the coming year. We use the winter months for “sewer averaging” to ensure that landscape watering is not included for this charge.

SELMA HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE!

Visit the Selma FB Page to look for the latest updates, photos, and special events happening in Selma. Search “City of Selma, Texas,” look for the City logo and hit the “Like” button!



Pay Your Utility Bill Online

Your City has our online bill paying up to speed and operational. If you wish to pay your utility bills online please go to the City’s website and follow the instructions for this new customer service feature.



Reporting after hours minor emergencies; Emergency contact numbers

The number to call on weekends, holidays and after normal business hours for City Offices is Live Oak Dispatch at 653-0033. Any major emergency should be reported through the 911 system. By minor emergency we mean water main breaks, water pressure issues, vicious dogs, or downed tree limbs in the right-of-way. Live Oak Dispatch will then get the on-call Public Works Employee to respond.

Selma has a call back (some call it Reverse 911) system that is utilized to inform neighborhoods

or the entire City should some natural disaster or emergency occur. Your number is not shared with any other agency or data base. If you have changed phone numbers or switched to only cellular service since you signed for utility service, we ask that you call 651-7807 and update your phone contact information.

Chipper & Street Sweeper Service

Chipper Service is provided to residents free of charge during the FIRST WEEK OF EVERY MONTH. To schedule the City crew and chipper, please call 651-6661, ext. 7827. As a reminder chipper service is provided for the residents of the City of Selma only. This service IS NOT for professional landscaping services and then called for the City to come chip the contractor produced waste. This is not what this chipper service was intended to support. When professional landscape contracts are entered into by the residents, have the removal of the contractor generated waste included in the contract.

The City's street sweeper will be following this monthly route schedule in our subdivisions:

Olympia & Forest Creek – Week 1
Selma Park Estates & Chelsea Crossing – Week 2
Retama Ridge, Retama West & Retama Springs – Week 3
Live Oak Hills & Kensington Ranch – Week 4

During business hours on the week of street sweeping your neighborhood, it would be greatly appreciated if you park your vehicles off the street. This will enable us to do a better job in your neighborhood.

Recap of the Selma City Council Meeting of November 1, 2012

Citizens to be Heard: Rose Ryan gave an update from the Randolph Chamber. Maggie Titterington gave an update from the Schertz Chamber. David Arroyo and Jean Heide presented Council with a check for \$100 in prize money that the Selma Historical Foundation received for their First Place Finish for their Selma Display at the Alamo.

- Approved the Minutes of the October 4, 2012 Regular City Council Meeting
- Received a presentation from Anthem Builders on a proposed Veteran's Housing Development.
- Accepted the Final Guadalupe County Tax Assessor/Collector Tax Report
- Passed Ordinance Number 110112 relating to weeds, rubbish, brush and other objectionable matter.
- Passed Ordinance Number 110112-01 relating to refinancing 2003 Bond Debt with a substantial saving to the City.

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The City Council
Regular Meeting is
the First Thursday
of each Month

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- Passed Ordinance Number 110112-02 relating to funding the restoration of the Harrison House and creating a park on the surrounding grounds with no increase in property taxes.
- Extended the wrecker contract with Johnny's Wrecker Service for one year.
- Approved a variance for the Selma Gardens Subdivision.

City Offices will be closed: November 12 for Veteran's Day

November 22 & 23 Thanksgiving

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: December 6, 2012 at 6:30 P.M.

OR CURRENT OCCUPANT

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