

THE CITY OF SELMA OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

“A unique City that leads through providing planned growth, quality of life, a safe environment, and a vision for the future.”



This Newsletter is designed to provide citizens of Selma with information about our City and City Government. News items are always welcomed and may be forwarded to Newsletter, City of Selma, 9375 Corporate Drive, Selma, TX 78154.

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Message from the Mayor

Dear fellow residents,

Some might say that things like this shouldn't happen when you take on a job as Mayor, no one ever expects it. The phone call hits like a punch to the gut, many of us weeks ago experienced just that with the shooting of two of our family members. Many long days proceeded, but our prayers were answered with both Tiffany and Jesse now recovering and well on their way to returning one day to this grateful City. I would like so much to commend this City's council, staff, police and fire for their constant professionalism through this tough time. As your Mayor I am so proud of you all. I also want to thank all those individuals and businesses, and also the surrounding cities for their donations and outpouring of concern and compassion. We are again so grateful to have so many who helped us during this tragic event. With that we will continue to move forward and know our city will continue to succeed with the constant hard work and support from all.

National Night Out was a tremendous success. On Oct 1st, there were almost a dozen large gatherings throughout our city. I enjoyed meeting so many of you and sharing the night with your families. Thank you all for hosting and sponsoring these get-togethers; it looked like so many little ones enjoyed meeting with both our fire and police depts as the grins were hard to miss. I am so very glad so many came out and shared the night with their neighbors.

Finally, if I did miss you on NNO, come on out on Saturday Oct 26th to the Stage Stop Park. We will be having our traditional Halloween, "Movie in the Park". The movie that will be playing is Hotel Transylvania. Start time is at dusk, come early and find your seat, bring blankets for the cool evenings, there will be free refreshments, face painting, popcorn and candy. Should be a fun night. See you there.

Mayor Tom Daly

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS:

Ladonna & Ricky Moore – Retama Springs
 Devin Holcomb – Kensington
 Richard & Elisa Martinez – Live Oak Hills
 Frank Menchaca & Leslie Garza
 Tim Reynolds – Retama Ridge



Brian Lalley – Retama Springs
 Andrew Pinter & Stephanie Harrill – Kensington
 Stephen Martin – Kensington
 Lisa Herrera – Retama West
 Joseph Trevino – Kensington

UPCOMING EVENTS AT RETAMA PARK:

ADIDAS Tent Sale: October 24th – 27th

Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation
 Ride for Kids Motorcycle Charity Program:
 October 27th from 8am to 5pm

Pancreatic Cancer Action Network – 5K Run / Walk:
 November 2nd from 8am to Noon

**DAYLIGHT SAVING
 TIME ENDS:
 November 3rd!**



SEWER RATES & SEWER AVERAGING

As another reminder, Cibolo Creek Municipal Authority is raising their base sewer rate from the current \$2.50 to \$2.74 per month. You will see the increase on your January 2014 billing. Also, the period for sewer averaging will begin as in years past from November through February. Your water usage during this time period 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.

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

ANNUAL FALL CLEAN-UP

This year's Fall Clean-Up will be from October 26th through November 3rd. Dumpsters will be located behind City Hall and at Chippewa Blvd. The Fall Clean-Up is restricted to Selma residents only. Delivered waste must be separated by type of materials by the resident. Fall Clean-Up activities does not apply to commercial businesses. A current water bill or tax statement and proper identification are required when making a drop off. For more information to include what will and will not be accepted please call Bexar Waste at Ph. 210-566-5454 or the Selma Utility Department at 210-651-7807.

SENIOR WATER RATE DISCOUNT

As a reminder, for those 65 years of age and older who have a residential water service account in their name qualify for a discount on water usage rates. The owner of the account must reside at the address to which the account is assigned.

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 on line please go to the City's Website and follow the instructions for this new customer service feature. If you choose to have your bank make these payments be advised that not all banks process these payments in a timely manner. In some cases that delay in receipt causes the utility customer to incur a late fee.

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!



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 natu-

ral 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.

Storm Pollution Awareness

Did you know that stormwater run-off is one of the biggest sources of water pollution, and that you can make a difference in the quality of our water? Learn how by picking up the brochure entitled After the Storm, available in the lobby at Selma City Hall. Thanks!

STREET SWEEPER SERVICE

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

Olympia & Forest Creek – First Week of the Month
Selma Park Estates & Chelsea Crossing – Week Two
Retama Ridge & Retama Springs – Week Three
Live Oak Hills & Kensington Ranch -Week Four

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.

CORRECTION:

In last month's Newsletter under "Citizens to be Heard", Ms. Karen Rutledge was listed as questioning the refund amount in her recent utility billing. That statement was in error. She spoke only to her current utility bill. We apologize for the error.

CHIPPER SERVICE

is provided to residents free of charge. 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.

Recap of the Selma City Council Meeting of October 10, 2013

Citizens to be Heard: Mr. Eloy Gomez stated that the grass on the lot next to his needs to be mowed and brought to city code. Mr. Jeff Rogers spoke to his desire to be on the next City Council Agenda to amend the city ordinance related to the solid waste franchise agreement. Ms. Jean Heide presented a donation of \$411 from the Selma Historical Foundation towards exhibits in the Stage Stop Visitors Center. Ms. Anne Garcia presented a petition for street lights in Live Oak Hills Subdivision. Ms. Karen Rutledge spoke to her concerns about the errors and configuration of her utility billing. Ms. Maggie Titterington, President of the Schertz Chamber, gave an update on current activities and events happening with the Chamber.

- Approved the Minutes of the September 12, 2013 Selma Council Meeting and Public Hearing.
- Passed Resolution Number 101013-01, authorizing the City to enter into a safekeeping/custody services agreement with Frost Bank.

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

- Passed Resolution Number 101013-02, authorizing the City Administrator and Assistant City Administrator to take actions in regard to securities registered in the name of the City.
- Awarded a contract to The Retail Coach, L.L.C. for economic development services.
- Received a briefing on the accuracy of Ms. Karen Rutledge's utility billing
- Passed Resolution Number 101013-03 in support of an application for a tax credit grant in support of veteran/wounded warrior housing.
- Amended/reviewed and approved the Selma Investment Policy.
- Approved the Minutes of the Selma Special Council Meeting of September 17, 2013.
- Passed Ordinance Number 101013, reflecting a pass-through wastewater treatment (sewer) rate increase imposed by the Cibolo Creek Municipal Authority.

City Offices will be Closed on Monday, November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day and on November 28th – 29th for Thanksgiving

Copies of all Ordinances are maintained on the City Website

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: November 14, 2013 at 6:30 P.M.