



Installation of accessible sidewalks on Patterson Avenue.

ALAMO HEIGHTS City news

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Completion of Capital Improvement Projects



In 2007, the City sold \$7.5 Million in Certificates of Obligation for Capital Improvement Projects. The City is nearing completion of these projects, which included water and sewer line replacements, construction of a 600K gallon elevated water tank, repainting of existing 300K gallon elevated water tank, installation of electronic control system on all tanks and wells and purchase of new fire ladder apparatus.

Also included in these projects were major street improvements and installation of sidewalks along the major thoroughfares of Alamo Heights.

- *Broadway* - repaved and accessible sidewalks and pedestrian crossings installed
- *N. New Braunfels* - repaved and bike lanes installed
- *E. Castano* - rebuilt as concrete street with accessible sidewalks and dark-sky compliant lighting
- *Patterson Ave.* - accessible sidewalks are being installed

Thank you for your patience through all the construction and roadwork during the completion of all the projects.



Congratulations and well wishes to Interim City Manager Shawn P. Eddy in his new role as Sr. Director of Enterprise Facilities Asset Management at CPS Energy. He will be greatly missed by City Council, staff and residents. During his tenure at Alamo Heights Shawn has overseen many major infrastructure improvements including the the Capital Improvement Program, the development and implementation of the 20-year street maintenance program, water conservation program and storm-water management plan.

AACOG Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2010 Update

As part of the process to continue Alamo Heights' eligibility for Federal FEMA assistance for disaster recovery, the City of Alamo Heights hosted a community meeting on November 23, 2010 and gathered comments from attendees to incorporate them into the plan update.

The final draft documents have been posted on the Alamo Area Council of Governments' (AACOG) website and



are available for download at <http://www.aacog.com/homelandsecurity/Mitigation/HMPUpdate2010-2011.asp>.

Alamo Heights' action steps and public comment form can be found at the City of Alamo Heights website, <http://www.alamoheightstx.gov/publicnotices/>. Please send your comments to Marian Ramirez at mramirez@alamoheightstx.gov or fax to 822-8197 by March 1, 2011.

Please contact Brian Chandler, Planning & Development Services Director (bchandler@alamoheightstx.gov or 832-2250), or Buddy Kuhn, Fire Chief (bkuhn@alamoheightstx.gov or 832-2206) if you have any questions concerning the plan.

City Welcomes New Animal Care Representative



Cathe Eldredge-Graczyk was hired as the new Animal Care Representative in November of this past year. As the Animal Care Representative, Cathe is responsible for the Alamo Heights Trap, Neuter, and Return program, helping sick and injured wildlife, community

education, and a foster care program.

Prior to this current appointment Cathe worked at the San

Antonio Humane Society as a clinic technician and as a surgery technician, even assisting to open their new surgery suite. Cathe has been volunteering for years with numerous animal rescue organizations, shelters, and animal sanctuaries.

She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from Sam Houston State University, is married and owns a Pembroke Welsh Corgi named Bishop and four adopted cats named Arnie, Olive, Minnie, and Sambo.

If you have questions, need to report feral cat(s) or are interested in becoming a foster care giver, contact Cathe at 832-2216 or e-mail cegraczyk@alamoheightstx.gov.

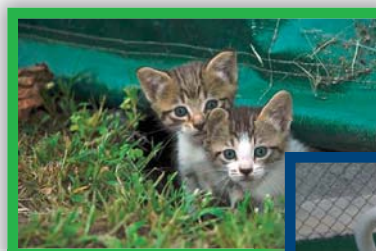
Urgent Update on Your Pets Vaccinations

Due the recent increase in canine distemper in raccoons in Alamo Heights, we want to remind residents to make sure their pets' vaccinations are current. Canine distemper is not contagious to humans, but it is highly contagious to dogs and ferrets. Cats are not affected by canine distemper.

Canine distemper can affect dogs of any age, but is more likely to affect puppies between the ages of 3 to 6 months. The distemper virus is spread through the air by respiratory secretions and through contact with infected bodily fluids. These fluids include nasal and ocular secretions, feces, and urine. Distemper can also spread through food and water contaminated with these fluids.

Symptoms of distemper include nasal and ocular discharge, coughing, callusing of the nose and foot pads, depression, lack of appetite, vomiting, diarrhea, walking in circles, behavioral changes, imbalance, and seizures. Vaccinations for distemper are widely available and are generally combined with the parvovirus, parainfluenza, adenovirus 2, and leptospirosis vaccinations. Puppies need to be vaccinated at 6-8 weeks and then every 2-4 weeks thereafter until they are 16 weeks of age. The next vaccination would be one year later, with boosters every 1-3 years depending on the recommendations from your veterinarian.

Not all wildlife seen during the day is sick, but if you notice wildlife that is injured or displaying any of the symptoms of disorientation or illness - please notify Alamo Heights Animal Care Services. For removal of any healthy wildlife from houses (in or under), garages, attics, etc residents will need to contact any of the local pest control agencies.



CITY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

Monday, Feb. 14	City Council Meeting	5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 15	Architectural Review Board Meeting	5:30 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 21	City Holiday	Closed*
Monday, Feb. 28	City Council Meeting	5:30 p.m.

MARCH

Wednesday, March 2	Board of Adjustment Meeting	5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 8	Planning and Zoning Meeting	5:30 p.m.
Monday, March 14	City Council Meeting	5:30 p.m.

*REGULAR GARBAGE PICK-UP