

# From Councilman Sharples

Persistent triple digit temperatures in early August create the illusion of an endless summer. However, seasons are changing on the school calendar as pool parties, summer camps, and beach vacations, give way to pep rallies, homework, and field trips. The fall semester is here and August 20th is the 1st day of classes for AHISD. The end of summer is bittersweet. My kids long for a few more weeks of swimming at the Alamo Heights Pool and relaxed (or nonexistent) bedtimes; however, at the same time, they look forward to new teachers, new classmates, and sharing stories of summertime adventures with friends, new and old alike.

Inside, when the first bell rings the classrooms will return to order, and the routine of a new school year will commence. In fact, our teachers are already hard at work on lesson plans and other preparations for their new classes. Outside, bond related construction continues on AHISD campuses. The Mayor, City Council, and staff will continue working with AHISD to ensure these projects are completed efficiently, with minimal disruption to the community, while achieving superlative results.

Please take care when navigating these construction

zones. A new school year also means the return of school zones and school traffic. The safety of our students is paramount, so please give yourself a few extra minutes for your morning and afternoon commutes.

At City Hall, another busy summer has flown by. Just weeks ago, Councilman Prassel was leading the crowd gathered for the 49th annual Pat and Hall Hammond 4th of July Neighborhood Parade in a spirited rendition of Yankee Doodle Dandy. Also, we ended our Movie Nights in the Heights and enjoyed popsicles from Steel City Pops while watching "The Greatest Showman." We look forward to many more community activities. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and/or Nextdoor for

community events.

### BRIEFS

### FY19 Proposed Budget

City Council and staff have been working hard on establishing the FY19 Annual Budget

- Proposed Budget will be presented to City Council on Monday, August 13th
- Document will be available on Tuesday, August 14th on the city website at www. alamoheightstx. gov/departments/ administrationand-finance/ financial-reports/
- Public Hearing will be held on Monday, September 10th

### **First Aid Training**

Contact the Alamo Heights Fire Department for free basic first aid and "Hands-Only" CPR training.

It is important to learn the basic steps to keep you and your family safer.

Call 832-2241 to schedule these important safety trainings.

## CITY CALENDAR

### AUGUST

Monday, August 13 City Council Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 21 Architectural Review Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Monday, August 27 City Council Meeting 5:30 p.m.



### SEPTEMBER

Monday, September 3 City Holiday - Labor Day Regular Solid Waste Schedule

Tuesday, September 4 Planning and Zoning Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 5 Board of Adjustment Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Monday, September 10 City Council Meeting 5:30 p.m.

# School Zone Safety

School begins on August 20th. AH Police Department urges all motorists to use caution and be more alert while driving on streets around the school campuses and anywhere children may be walking or riding their bicycles to school. Students are easily distracted this time of year and may inadvertently get too far away form the curb or cross the street without looking both ways.

### Remember the speed limit in ALL school zones is 20 m.p.h.

Streets around school campuses can become heavily congested before and after school. If traveling through or near a school zone, please plan accordingly and expect delays.



### 1: OBEY TEXAS SCHOOL BUS LAW

- Stop for flashing red lights on a school bus, regardless of which direction you're headed
- Continue your trip once the flashing lights stop flashing
- Violations can lead to a \$1,000 fine



# 2: NO CELL PHONES IN SCHOOL ZONES

- No cell phone use in school zones
- Drivers under the age of 18 are prohibited from using wireless communication devices
- Drivers cannot send or receive electronic messages in Texas

### Stage 2 Water Restrictions

Stage 2 of the City's drought plan is triggered when the 10-day average of the Edwards Aquifer at the J-17 well drops below 650 feet and remains in effect until the level of the Index Well remains above the 650 feet for a ten-day rolling average.

Under Stage 2, outdoor watering with a sprinkler or irrigation system is allowed only between the hours of 7 a.m. to 11 a.m, and 7 pm. to 11 p.m., once a week, as determined by the last number of your street address.

Last Number of Your Address	Watering Day
0 or 1	Monday
2 or 3	Tuesday
4 or 5	Wednesday
6 or 7	Thursday
8 or 9	Friday
Multi-Family, schools, churches & commercial	Wednesday

# ALAMO HEIGHTS

### USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

911 for EMERGENCY Fire/EMS (Non-Emergency): 824-1281 Police (Non-Emergency): 822-3321 Administration and Finance: 822-3331 Public Works: 882-1518 Water: 882-1507 Community Development: 826-0516 Court Clerk: 882-1501