



ALAMO HEIGHTS *City news*

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New School Zone Hours



AHISD has made a change in their school dismissal times and has added thirty (30) minutes to the end of the school day. The **new school dismissal times will be 3:30 p.m. for Cambridge**

Elementary and 4:00 p.m. for AH High School.

Due to the later dismissal time for Cambridge and AH High School the **NEW** afternoon **School Zone times** near both campuses has been changed to **2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

School begins on August 22nd and the AH Police Department urges all motorists to use caution and be 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 from the curb or cross the street without looking both ways.

Please remember the speed limit in all school zones is 20 m.p.h. Also, the use of hand-held communication devices while a vehicle is in motion is prohibited in certain school zone areas. Areas where hand-held communication devices are prohibited include St. Luke's Lane, the 6800 – 7100 blocks of Broadway (Alamo Heights H.S.), and all streets within the posted school zones of St. Peter's School and Cambridge Elementary to include the 5400 – 5900 blocks of Broadway.

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.

Rules For Bike Safety

1. **Protect Your Head** - Wear a helmet.
2. **Stay Visible** - If drivers can see you, they are less likely to hit you. Use lights when biking at night or in low-light conditions.
3. **Look, Signal and Look Again** - Use hand signals to let drivers know where you are going. Don't assume drivers will stop.
4. **Stay Alert** - Keep a lookout for obstacles in your path.
5. **Go with the Flow** - Bike in the direction of traffic.
6. **Act like a Car** - Do not weave in and out of traffic. Check for traffic and be aware of traffic around you.
7. **Don't get Distracted** - Do not listen to music or talk on the phone while riding.
8. **Obey all Traffic Laws and Lights**



BRIEFS

FY17 Proposed Budget

City Council and staff have been working hard on establishing the FY17 Annual Budget.

- Proposed Budget was presented to City Council on Monday, August 8th
- Available on the website
- Printed copies are also available at City Hall for the cost of \$22.50

Tax Rate Public Hearings

Public Hearings for the proposed FY16 Ad Valorem Tax Rate will be held

- August 22nd and September 12th during the regularly scheduled City Council meetings.
- Contact Robert Galindo, Finance Director, at 882-1502 or rgalindo@alamoheightstx.gov with your questions.

Movie Nights in the Heights

August Movie Nights in the Heights

has been rescheduled for **October 7th**
Don't forget to bring your chairs, blankets and snacks.

- Movie: Hotel Transylvania 2
- Date: Friday, October 7th
- Time: Around 8:30 p.m.
- Sponsored: RBFCU



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Smoke Alarm Checklist - It is Important



Did you know that smoke alarms let you know when there is a fire? Working smoke alarms give you time to get outside and stay outside. The Alamo Heights Fire Department would like to continue fire safety education not just during fire prevention week, but throughout the year.

The National Fire Protection Agency "Sparky" campaign provides many excellent safety flyers for children and adults. Check out the "Fire Prevention

Week Checklist" with your family, and call us with any questions or concerns.

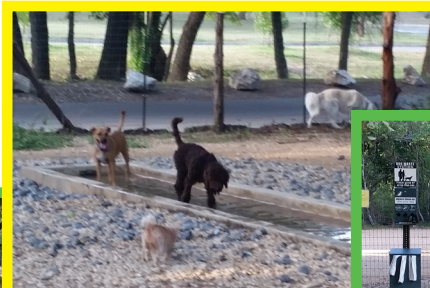
Take a look around your home. You need a smoke alarm on every floor and inside every bedroom. Remember to press the test button on each and every one to make sure they work. Make sure to print and post the "Smoke Alarm Calendar Checklist," too. Remember, Home Fire Safety Inspections are FREE!

If there are some boxes not checked, work together to help fix the problem (PDF English and Spanish) or get assistance from the fire department non-emergency number 824-1281.

The Bark Park AH - A Gathering Place

The Bark Park has been open for a little over a year and continues to attract dogs and their owners as a great place to gather and mingle. It has been a collaborative effort between the Bark Park AH organization and the City of AH to make this a successful Dog Park for all. Extra parking has been created to ensure a safer area for those who are driving to the park.

You can find almost a dozen dogs utilizing the park every morning and many more during the evening and weekends. If you have not had a chance to come out to see the Bark Park do so, it is a great place for your little one to mingle and socialize with others and you to get to know your neighbors. For more information visit The Bark Park of AH FB page [@BarkParkAH](#).



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CITY CALENDAR

AUGUST

Tuesday, August 16	Architectural Review Board	5:30 p.m.
Monday, August 22	City Council Meeting	5:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Monday, Sept 5	City Holiday	Offices Closed*
Tuesday, Sept 6	Planning and Zoning Commission	5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept 7	Board of Adjustment	5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept 12	City Council Meeting	5:30 p.m.

*REGULAR GARBAGE PICK-UP