



CITY NEWS

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MAY 2020

Neighborhood Community Informational Meetings for Bond Election

City Council ordered a special bond election for the issuance of \$13.25M in general obligation bonds for the Austin Highway/Lower Broadway Improvement Project to be conducted on May 2, 2020.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Texas Governor Greg Abbott has provided municipalities to postpone the election to November 3, 2020 Election.

On April 13, 2020, Alamo Heights City Council elected to postpone the special bond election prioritizing public health and safety from May 2, 2020 to November 3, 2020. Updated information is available at www.alamoheightstx.gov.

Water and Sewer Rate Increase Delayed

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the water and sewer rate increase will not go into effect until July 1, 2020. Sewer averaging will be processed July 2020 and reflected on your August 10, 2020 bill. The months of November, December and January will still be used for averaging. If you have any questions please call 210-822-3331 or 210-882-1507.



Councilmember Frederick F. Prassel

In May 2010, Frederick Franz Prassel was elected at large to serve as Councilmember Place 3. He also served as Mayor Pro Tempore.

He had a vision for Alamo Heights, which is no surprise. His uncle, Dick Prassel, is a founding father for the City of Alamo Heights; led the incorporation of our beautiful City that residents love.

Mr. Prassel was engaged with the construction of the new City Hall at \$6.3M. With his professional experience, he ensured contractors were following City's ordinances.

You can always see his smiling face as he prepared to sing patriotic songs at the annual 4th of July celebrations hosted by Hal and Pat Hammond. He dedicated 10 years as a public servant. We wish you the very best; thank you Frederick Franz Prassel!

BRIEFS

Overnight Street Parking Permits

The City of Alamo Heights recognizes the COVID-19 virus led to state, county and local officials to issue emergency declarations, one of which closed all schools and colleges.

We understand this will impact already over-crowded residential drive-ways.

Until the fall semester resumes, there will be no requirement for on-street parking permits for student vehicles parked over-night on City streets. This will apply to passenger cars and light-duty trucks only.

We will provide notice prior to the expiration of this variance.

Follow Us

Community events:

<https://www.facebook.com/CityofAlamoHeights>

Lost and adoptable pets:

<https://www.facebook.com/AlamoHeightsAnimalCareServices/>

Street closures, weather, events, etc.:

<https://twitter.com/cityofah>

GO ON-LINE FOR CITY NEWS

<https://www.alamoheightstx.gov/news/>

CITY CALENDAR

MAY

Tuesday, May 19
Architectural Review Board
5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 26
City Council Meeting
5:30 p.m.

*Offices Closed—Memorial Day
Monday, May 25



International Firefighters' Day May 4th



"The role of a firefighter in today's society – be it urban, rural, natural environment, volunteer, career, industrial, defense force, aviation, motor sport or other, is one of dedication, commitment and sacrifice – no matter what country we reside and work in. In the fire service we fight together against one common enemy – fire – no matter what country we come from, what uniform we wear or what language we speak."

IFFD Founder, Lt. JJ Edmondson 1999

IFFD is a day of reflection and to honor and commemorate the lives of firefighters who never returned home from the fireground and firefighters who dedicated their skills and lives to protecting their communities, but have since passed on.

It is an opportunity to acknowledge those who paid the ultimate sacrifice. Through loss, hardship and experience, we have learnt from all those who have come before.

It is a day to thank and honor the commitment, dedication and hard work from current firefighters and those who work to support them from all agencies right around the world.

THANK YOU to all who serve to protect lives and communities.



JUNE

Monday, June 1
Planning and Zoning Meeting
5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 3
Board of Adjustment Meeting
5:30 p.m.

Monday, June 8
City Council Meeting
5:30 p.m.

*NO CONSTRUCTION WORK
ALLOWED ON OFFICIAL CITY
HOLIDAYS

*REGULAR SOLID WASTE



Peace Officer Memorial Week May 10 thru May 16



The current crisis that our nation and the world is facing has resulted in the cancellation of public gatherings in DC during National Police Week 2020. The National Law Enforcement Memorial and Museum wants you to know that this crisis will not deter us from honoring the 2019 fallen.

On Wednesday, May 13, 2020, we plan to march forward in solidarity with a [virtual Candlelight Vigil](#) and the reading of the names that can be watched from anywhere in the world.

Then, as the future becomes more certain and the end of this crisis is near, we will begin to make plans for a live reading of names to honor our 2019 fallen officers. You have our commitment that the fallen will not be forgotten, and we will not rest until they receive the honor that they so rightfully deserve.

For now, we encourage you to support the mission of the National Law Enforcement Memorial and Museum by following the link below.

[LIGHT A VIRTUAL CANDLE](#)

ALAMO HEIGHTS Texas

USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

911 for EMERGENCY
Fire/EMS (Non-Emergency): 210-824-1281
Police (Non-Emergency): 210-822-3321
Administration and Finance: 210-822-3331

Public Works: 210-882-1518
Water: 210-882-1507
Community Development: 210-826-0516
Court Clerk: 210-882-1501



2020 Census Operational Adjustments Due to COVID-19

We're adapting or delaying some of our operations to protect the health and safety of our staff and the public and make sure we get the same population counted another way.

The 2020 Census is underway - more than half the households across America have responded - and more are responding every day. Online, phone and mailed self-responses will continue throughout the data collection process.

In light of the COVID-19 outbreak, the U.S. Census Bureau has adjusted 2020 Census operations in order to:

- Protect the health and safety of the American public and Census Bureau employees.
- Implement guidance from Federal, State, and local authorities regarding COVID-19.
- Ensure a complete and accurate count of all communities.

Guidance issued by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of Personnel Management has given Federal agencies guidelines to resume operations on a epidemiologically sound, data-driven basis, adhering to the latest Federal, State and Local guidance. The Census Bureau continues to monitor the changing conditions at the State and Local level and will update its planned start dates for selected operations and in selected states, consulting with appropriate officials.

Information provided daily to the Census Bureau from FEMA, as well as State and Local authorities, will be used to guide Census Bureau decisions on timing. As a result, selected field operations will resume on a phased schedule on a geographic basis.

Under the adjusted 2020 Census operational plan, the Census Bureau is conducting a series of preparatory activities so we are fully ready to resume field activities as we continue to advance the mission of the 2020 Census to ensure a complete and accurate count. **In-person activities, including enumeration, office work, and processing activities, will always incorporate the most current guidance from authorities to ensure the health and safety of staff and the public.**

More information can be found on the Census website at:

<https://2020census.gov/en/news-events/operational-adjustments-covid-19.html>