

Mayor's Newsletter

Mayor Kit Marshall



NEW ESD1 FIRE STATION #34 at 911 Bailey Ranch Road is NOW OPEN!



FIRE SAFETY BULLETIN



- Be aware of dry outside conditions when grilling
- Dispose of lighted cigarettes in proper receptacles, not out the car window
- Check that all wiring for holiday lighting is in good condition, and interior lighting is turned off while not at home
- Do not overload electrical plugs or outlets
- Do not put hot ashes in the trash; cool completely before disposing
- Avoid camp fires & open flames during dry & windy conditions
- Obey "burn bans" when set by our local authorities

NEW BUSINESS

Aledo Economic
Development Corp. &
the City of Aledo
warmly welcome:

- ◆ EAST PARKER COFFEE
 COMPANY (formerly Holy
 Grounds Coffee & Gifts) @ 108
 JEARL ST., STE. 100
- ♦ NEW LOCATION OF "THE CHIROPRACTIC PLACE FOR MOMMY & ME" & "DOULAS OF NORTH

TEXAS" @ 301 ELM ST.

(former location of Touch of Elegance)

2018 WATER & WASTEWATER RATE REVIEWS

In accordance with the City of Aledo's rate ordinance and in recognition of the City's outstanding debt covenants, a review has been performed by NewGen Strategies & Solutions, LLC for the anticipated performance of the City's current rates for Fiscal Year 2018.

The current rates have been in place since 2012, with no adjustments for six consecutive years. The stability of the City's revenue stream is the result of factors such as: 1) City staff has continued to minimize increases in overall operations and maintenance expenses however possible; 2) City growth has contributed in the fixed operations and maintenance costs, and ongoing debt service; 3) the addition of taxpayers resulting in the lowering of the per unit cost of services and additional revenue, which mitigates the need for an increase in existing rates.

The debt service requirements state:

"The City shall at all times maintain and collect sufficient rates and charges in conjunction with any other legally available funds so that after payment of the costs of operating and maintaining the system, it produces revenues in an amount no less than 1.10 times debt service requirements of all outstanding obligations of the City... which are secured in whole or in part by the pledged revenues..."

While no adjustments to the City's rates is called for at this time to ensure financial performance in compliance with the City's bond covenants, the City Council will continue to closely monitor rate revenue performance.



AVOID BEING A VICTIN OF BURGLARY

This is a popular season for burglars. Lock your vehicle and keep valuables out of site every time you are not in your vehicle, day and night, even when parked in your own driveway. Close your garage doors and lock all exterior doors, even when you're home.

Make safety your priority!







SHOP LOCAL, ALEDO!

For a listing of our great businesses, please visit the "SHOP LOCAL" tab on our website!

FRIENDLY REMINDERS



While exercising your pets, please remember that City Ordinance requires dogs to be on leashes and under control of owners at all times.

Be courteous to our City and its residents: please clean up after your pet.

We love yard sales, but remember, signs are not permitted in City Easements or on City Property.

To avoid damage to the irrigation systems, NO SIGNS or POSTS in the FM 1187 medians or landscaped areas, please!

The City of Aledo **prohibits fireworks** and **outdoor burning** within the city limits per
the adopted City Codes and Ordinances.

To schedule once-per-month BULK TRASH PICK-UP, please contact Republic Waste: 817-441-2303

DID YOU KNOW? City Permits are required for home repairs and improvements such as replacing a wooden fence, building an outdoor kitchen, and structural decking and roofing. To avoid a possible permit citation, please contact City Hall before you begin your project.



The Community News is proud to be the City of Aledo's official newspaper. www.community-news.com 817-441-7661 repaired throughout the City at the 400 block of Valley View Court, 300 block of Howard Way Drive, 200 block of Wayne Drive, 100 block of Clyde Drive, 100 block of Aspen Loop, 400 block of Taos Court East, 100 & 200 block of Taos Loop, and 500 block of Taos Court West.



DO I HAVE A LEAK?

Leaks from pipes, plumbing fixtures and fittings are a significant source of water waste in many households. Research has shown that the typical home can lose 2,000 to 20,000 gallons of water per year due to leaks. Some leaks are obvious, such as dripping faucets and leaking water heaters, but small, undetected leaks can also cause a significant amount of water loss over time, including toilets that run.

A drip can consume **15 gallons of water per day**, 450 gallons per month. Typical water loss examples include:

Leaking toilet @ 1/2 gal/min = 21,600 gal/mo Irrigation drip @ 1 gal/min = 43,200 gal/mo Unattended watering hose: 1 night @ 10 gal/min = 5,400 gal/mo

Typical Water Usage:

1 Bath = 42 gallons

1 Shower = 17 gallons

Wash 1 load of clothes (in standard washer) = 45 gallons

1 Toilet flush = 3 gallons

If you suspect you may have a leak within your home, please contact a licensed plumber; for questions regarding your water meter, contact Aledo City Hall.

ALEDO PARKS UPDATE

ALEDO COMMONS — PARKING LOT TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION IN JANUARY! The new parking area will contain 15 parking spaces and construction will include a driveway to the parking lot from South Front St. Future plans include the construction of permanent restrooms in the Aledo Commons.

ALEDO VETERANS PLAZA — HONOR YOUR VETERAN.

Custom, commemorative bricks may still be purchased through the City's website, and one bench sponsorship is still available. The bricks are set around the circumference of the monument within the star, by branch of service.



Planning a Family Reunion, Birthday Party, Wedding, or Company Function?

No need to host at your home, or pay outrageous rental fees...

Rent the Newly Renovated Aledo Community Center!

Rates, Regulations & Rental Application are on our website!