



# Mayor's Newsletter

## Mayor Kit Marshall



### FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

In September 2017, City Council approved the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget with the new budget to be implemented on October 1, 2017. The approved Budget for all City Funds (General Fund, Water/Wastewater, Debt Fund and Economic Development Fund) is \$6,832,062. The current tax rate (\$0.3850) will remain the same. Also, the total appraised value of all properties is \$337,340,817, an increase of \$62,172,617 from last year due to new construction. This budget continues to be conservative and cost-effective because we watch our expenditures very closely with savings in mind for you, our taxpayers. Also, an updated five (5) year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) outlines estimated costs for vehicles, equipment, personnel, facilities, and programs. The CIP is a blueprint to help guide City planning efforts and outline funding options and time frames for major capital expenses as the City grows.

The FY 2017-2018 Budget has one new Public Works position. The City has 16 full-time and 4 part-time positions to effectively carry out the budget plan.

Street Improvements and repairs will continue into the new fiscal year through our street program. In this new budget year, Cherry, James, and Jearl Streets will be repaired. The City was awarded grant funding to construct a sidewalk along FM 5 from Autumnwood to the McAnally Intermediate School, and this project is scheduled to be completed in 2017. The City also received a second sidewalk grant award to continue the sidewalk along FM5 and FM1187 to connect the McAnally Intermediate School with the Middle School and Vandagriff Elementary School and connect to the existing sidewalk Downtown. This sidewalk project will be completed in 2017. The City of Aledo is 1 of 9 cities that has been selected for a third grant that will fund an additional sidewalk project from City Hall west on Old Annetta Road.

The Library appropriation will increase from \$25,000 to \$30,000 due to their growing needs. The City will add a parking lot and restroom facility in the Aledo Commons located across the street east of City Hall.

You can view the entire 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget on the city website at [www.aledo-texas.com](http://www.aledo-texas.com)

### UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

**ALEDO FARMERS MARKET** - Every Monday afternoon from 3-6 pm @ Aledo Community Center Parking Lot! *New Vendor Applications being accepted*

**ALEDO-FEST** - Saturday, October 21, 1:00—5:00 pm @ Downtown Aledo - *see Website for Vendor Application*

**17th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TYME IN ALEDO**— Saturday, December 2, 5-9 pm @ Downtown Aledo -*see Website for Vendor Application*

**40th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TYME IN ALEDO'S ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR**— Saturday, December 2, 11am—7pm @ Downtown Aledo—*see Website for Vendor Application*





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for the most current  
information regarding our  
City and its businesses!

## NEW BUSINESS:

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

- ◆ **POQUITOMAS MEXICAN  
KITCHEN & MEAT MARKET**  
(formerly *Maria Bonita*)
- ◆ **ALEDO PILATES**
- ◆ **RESTORE TEXAS  
MASSAGE** (in *Aledo Athletic  
Club*)
- ◆ **DUOLAS OF NORTH  
TEXAS** (in *The Chiropractic  
Place for Mommy & Me*)
- ◆ **ATKINS & CO. REAL ES-  
TATE SERVICES**
- ◆ **HACKBERRY HOUSE  
FURNITURE COMPANY**



Take actions to prepare and plan ahead  
for disasters: at home, work, business,  
school, and places of worship. Make a  
plan for yourself & your family; plan to  
help others; practice & build out your  
plans; and, get involved by being a part  
of something larger!

For help & more information, download  
the **free FEMA App** for weather alerts,  
disaster resources, and safety tips.

# ALEDO-FEST

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2017**  
**1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.**  
**'ALEDO CHURCH OF CHRIST' GROUNDS**  
201 FM SOUTH, JUST SOUTHEAST OF THE RAILROAD TRACKS

**BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY!**

**LIVE MUSIC by  
ROCKY LOIT BAND**

Archery  
Tag

**PONY RIDES**

Petting Zoo

FACE PAINTING

**Food**  
Autumn Sweets & Treats

**CANDY**

**Business & Craft Vendors' Items for Sale**

**BOUNCE HOUSE &  
OBSTACLE COURSE**

MINI TRAIN  
RIDES

VIDEO GAME  
TRUCK

SACK  
RACES

**PHOTOS  
IN THE  
PUMPKIN  
PATCH**

**FREE FALL FUN**

*Crazy Casa Photo Booth*

**HUMAN HAMSTER BALL RACES**

SPONSORED BY THE CITY OF ALEDO & ALEDO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
For more information, or to be a Sponsor or Vendor, please contact Toni Fisher, Community Event Planner at  
City Hall: 817-441-7016, Cell: 817-300-0814 or email: event.planner@aledo-texas.com

## OUTDOOR WARNING SYSTEM



The City of Aledo has been  
awarded a FEMA Grant for two  
Outdoor Warning Sirens to en-  
hance the safety of our resi-  
dents. One will be installed at the  
new Fire Station on Bailey  
Ranch Road, and one on the  
South side of the City.

## ALEDO PARKS

### ALEDO VETERANS

**PLAZA – HONOR  
YOUR VETERAN.**

Custom, commemo-  
rative 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.



Enjoy  
the fall  
season  
outdoors  
at the  
**ALEDO**

**COMMUNITY CENTER PARK**, com-  
plete with playground, walking trail,  
and covered pavilion.

Newly renovated  
**ALEDO  
COMMUNITY  
CENTER** is ready  
for your next  
event! Call Toni



Fisher, Community Event Planner @  
817-300-0814 for reservation infor-  
mation & availability.

## 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!

**SAVE THE DATE!**

*December 2nd* **5 PM - 9 PM**  
Downtown Aledo

17th Annual  
*Christmas Tyme in Aledo*

40th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair

**11 AM - 7 PM**  
@ Church at the Crossing's  
Indoor Gymnasium

## THE COMMUNITY NEWS

The Community News is proud to be the  
City of Aledo's official newspaper.  
www.community-news.com 817-441-7661