



# Buffalo *chronicle*

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE SPRING 2016

Family and Friends of Cibolo,

The holidays are behind us and 2016 is off to a great start! Since the beginning of December, several new businesses have opened their doors or relocated to our city including Walmart, AutoZone, and Well Control Concepts. Our City Council also recently met with senior staff in an all-day retreat to review the state of the city and discuss the goals of the council for the upcoming year. In the next 12 to 18 months, we will see quite a few projects that upgrade our transportation and drainage infrastructure begin. We also have a number of studies underway in support of the development of the Master Plan, including a 5-Year Strategic Plan study and the FM 78 Corridor study. Some of the major goals outlined by Council for 2016 include continuing to improve our brand as the "City of Choice", improving our transportation network, and moving forward with efforts to revitalize downtown. On a lighter note, the Cibolo BBQ Cook Off was held on the last weekend of January and was a huge success! The number of people who came out to enjoy some great food and good times was amazing. Congratulations to the Cibolo BBQ Cook Off Committee and all of those who volunteered their time for another great event!

Very Respectfully,

Allen Dunn  
Mayor

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- Cibolo Fest 2016
- Wastewater Winter Average
- TCEQ Public Hearing
- Annual Spring Cleanup Event

## City Manager's Message—Spring 2016

Our city continues to grow at a progressive rate. With the continued growth, our City Administration has been working closely with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) towards addressing traffic movement and congestion along the FM 1103 corridor. Addressing traffic mobility and safety concerns along this highly-travelled roadway has been one of the primary goals for the Mayor and City Council.

Some of the noteworthy developments in the enhancement of FM 1103 within the City of Cibolo include:

- Joint efforts of TxDOT, the City of Cibolo, and the City of Schertz to address the mobility transportation issues and congestion along FM 1103.
- Cibolo voters approved by a 71 to 29 percent margin in the November 2014 Bond Election: Proposition 1 – Road Improvements to FM 1103 which included lane improvements, traffic signalization, and sidewalks to enhance pedestrian/bicycle safety.
- The addition of traffic signalization and all new utilities at the intersection of FM 1103 and Green Valley Road to enhance traffic flow in this area in support of the new Cibolo Valley Elementary School.
- The addition of traffic signalization at the intersection of FM 1103 and the Buffalo Crossing Subdivision.
- Environmental studies are currently underway and surveying crews are working.
- In October 2015, the City executed necessary agreements with TxDOT for the FM 1103 Expansion Project to include:
  - Right of Way Agreement - To increase the width of FM 1103 to four lanes with a turn lane.
  - Construction Advanced Funding Agreement
- TxDOT officials have indicated road and intersections improvements at IH-35 and FM 1103 will be let for bidding in the Spring of 2017.
- TxDOT officials also indicated they believe FM 1103 improvements in Cibolo city limits would be let for bids in the Summer of 2018.



It is also important to note that a joint (TxDOT/Cibolo/Schertz) public meeting to present project information to the community, answer citizens' questions, and receive feedback on the proposed improvements to FM 1103 has been scheduled to occur on **Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, from 5-7 p.m. at Barbara C. Jordan Intermediate School** located at 515 Thistle Creek Drive in Cibolo, TX. Members of the community are highly encouraged to attend.

Thank you,

*Robert T. Herrera*

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City Manager

### Tree Trimming

Spring is fast approaching and it is time to start preparations for trimming trees that are not at the proper height or distance from the city right-of-way. Requirement are as follows:

- The minimum clearance of any portion of a tree overhanging a public street right-of-way shall be fourteen (14) feet, and overhanging a public sidewalk shall be eight (8) feet.
- The maintenance of these trees is vital to reduce damage to school buses, city vehicles such as the Fire trucks and the street sweeper, as well as some private vehicles like travel trailers and RVs.



## Cibolo Parks and Recreation Committee's Community Easter Egg Hunt



- Schlather Park – 174 Wiedner Rd, Cibolo  
Sat. March 26th, 2016

- Times: Event begins 10:00 am

- Social gathering and photo opportunities

Actual "hunt" times are: 0-4 yrs. - 10:20-10:30

5-7 yrs. - 10:40-10:50

8-11 yrs. - 11:00-11:10



Photo Area with the Easter Bunny!

- No cost, just bring your "basket" and join us!

Just "hop" to it!



### Cibolo Fest 2016

Cibolo Residents interested in being vendors for Cibolo Fest 2016, please contact: Peggy Cimics at 210-566-6111 or [pcimics@cibolotx.gov](mailto:pcimics@cibolotx.gov) or Sheila Edmondson at [sedmondson@cibolotx.gov](mailto:sedmondson@cibolotx.gov)

### Wastewater Winter Average

Residential wastewater winter average calculations take place each year using your winter water consumption, since typically residential consumption is at its lowest point in the winter season. You may notice a change on your bill closing in March because of this calculation. Please contact City Hall Utility Billing Office if you have suffered a water leak during this time. You may be eligible for an adjustment to your wastewater average if the leak occurred during the period used in the calculation. Please bring in a copy of the repair receipt.

If your water service is provided through Green Valley Special Utility District (GVSUD), a consumption history is provided to us each year for calculating your winter average.



# Community Shred Day

Saturday, April 16, 2016

9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Cibolo City Hall

200 S. Main Street, Cibolo, Tx

The City of Cibolo is sponsoring "Shred Day" for Cibolo residents.

There will be an Iron Mountain Mobile Shred Unit (MSU) for on-site shredding.

Limit: 3 banker box sized containers per car/household.

This service is free to Cibolo Residents.

For questions, please call City Secretary at 210-566-6111 or email [pcimics@cibolotx.gov](mailto:pcimics@cibolotx.gov)

No plastics, magazines, phone books, spiral binders, bound books, paper clips, binder clips or trash will go into the bins/shredder.



### TCEQ PUBLIC HEARING

TCEQ will hold a public hearing to allow members of the public to state their formal comments orally into the official record concerning an application submitted by Green Valley SUD for a Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination Permit. The hearing is scheduled to occur on Tuesday, March 29, 2016, beginning at 7 p.m. at the McQueeney Lions Club located at 3211 FM 78 in McQueeney, TX.

### Bexar Waste Guidelines

Recent events have prompted Bexar Waste to evaluate their business needs in order to gain efficiency in providing services. The following guidelines have been updated by Bexar Waste:

#### Trash Services

- 1 rollaway cart is provided by Bexar Waste; 1 additional personally-owned container will be emptied at no charge; however, additional containers may be subject to additional fees.
- Customers with additional Bexar Waste supplied containers will be notified by Bexar Waste that the additional container(s) will be subject to an additional monthly charges. The customer should contact the City within 10 business days of the notice to schedule removal of the additional container(s) or they will be charged for the containers on their next bill.
- Maximum of 6 bags per collection day outside of container. This includes bags of leaves/grass.
- No dirt, rocks, paint, and/or chemicals of any kind will be taken with household trash. We see a high number of construction/renovation products in cans/carts. We have a responsibility to our community to be conscious of our environment. Paint, oils, pesticides or any chemical that enters the rear of our trucks are crushed as we compact our waste and may combust or break and spill onto the street. Please be considerate and help keep our city clean.
- It shall be the responsibility of every residential customer to keep the residential garbage and recycling receptacle in a reasonably clean and sanitary condition. Customers should contact the City regarding damaged carts.
- Customer shall ensure that all receptacles are on the side of the street, free of obstructions and ready for pick up by 7AM on the scheduled pick up days. Bexar Waste will ensure that containers are returned to their starting location and not left obstructing driveways / roadways.
- Reported complaints for missed garbage pickups will be addressed by noon of the following calendar day.
- Volumes of trash in excess of these parameters will be picked up separately as a bulk pickup on customer request. Free bulk pickup is available once every 60 days for Cibolo residents. Bulk pickup guidelines and the request form are on the City website.

#### Branches

- We will allow small branch/twigs in cans/carts as long as they are smaller than the thickness of a thumb and as long as the lid can be closed (to prevent small animals from entering the can/cart).
- Any branch/twig that is thicker than your thumb must be bundled in lengths of 5 feet or less, tied at both ends, and weigh no more than 50 pounds each. These items will require bulk pickup.

#### Recycling

- Cardboard boxes intended for recycling should be broken down and placed separately from the trash so as not to be confused and taken with trash.
- Excessive volumes of cardboard boxes, as would be associated with moving into or out of a residence, will not be picked up as regular recycling. Customers should request a bulk pickup by completing an online request form on our city website.
- Items left for recycling should be properly marked as recycling by placing them in a container that is marked appropriately or labeling individual items for recycling. Items not clearly marked "recycling" will be assumed to be household garbage and will be picked up as such.
- Information regarding what is considered allowable for recycling is available on our website.

### **Annual Spring Clean Up April 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>**

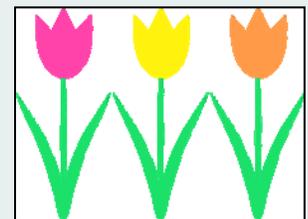
**Bexar Waste Collection point—2221 FM 3009 (Near Live Oak Rd) between 8am and 5pm.**

**For Cibolo residential customers only. No commercial waste will be accepted. Proper identification and a City of Cibolo bill will be required.**

**Limited to 2 pickup truck loads or 1 trailer load. Does not apply to rental property cleanup or large lot cleanup.**

**Hazardous waste will only be accepted April 2nd and 3rd. Limits will be applied to hazardous waste.**

**Please see our website for the complete flyer with includes limits on hazardous waste and other requirements.**



## UPCOMING EVENTS. . .

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 6:30 PM Youth Council Meeting  
1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 6:00 PM Parks Meeting  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 6:30 PM City Council Meeting  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 1:30 PM Municipal Court  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, 6:30 PM Planning & Zoning Meeting  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 6:00 PM Animal Advisory Board Meeting  
3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 6:30 PM Streets & Drainage Meeting  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 6:00 PM Economic Development Meeting  
Thursday, 2:00PM - 6:00PM Farmer's Market, Grange Hall

March 25—City offices closed for Good Friday  
March 26, 10:00 AM—Community Easter Egg Hunt  
April 16, 9:00 AM—Community Shred Day  
May 30—City offices closed for Memorial Day



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