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MAYOR'S MESSAGE SPRING 2017

Family and Friends of Cibolo,

We're off to a great start in 2017 and Spring is right around the corner! This year, we will begin to see a lot of big changes coming to some of our major roadways. In the next several months, TxDOT will begin the reconstruction of the overpass at IH-35 and FM 1103. This reconstruction comes ahead of the widening and improvements of FM 1103 from IH-35 to Wagon Wheel Way that TxDOT will begin early next year. The reconstruction of Borgfeld Road from Crimson Tree to Dietz Road is expected to begin in March 2017 and the reconstruction of Haeckerville Road will begin later this year.

Our roadways aren't the only city infrastructure that is being upgraded. Construction of the new water tower at Main Street and Schaefer Road along with the reconstruction of Fire Station #1 is proceeding nicely. These upgrades to our infrastructure represent an ongoing effort by City Council to make sure that, among other things, our citizens can get where they need to go when they need to be there, have a ready supply of high-quality drinking water with great water pressure, and have an efficient and effective Fire Department standing by to handle any emergencies that might come up.

The City of Cibolo is on the move, and across the country our city is getting attention. Most recently, Cibolo was named as one of "America's Top 100 Safest Cities" for 2017 by Neighborhood Scout. To me, this is no accident. The Cibolo Police Department is highly trained, professional, and dedicated to making our city safe. Their exemplary performance both on and off duty in our community should make us all proud. I think, though, that our recognition as one of America's safest cities also highlights something deeper: I think it reflects the pride that we take in our community. Cibolo may be growing fast, but it isn't the number of people who call Cibolo home that gives us our small-town feel. It is our character, our friendliness, our concern, and our pride for each other and our city. I am very proud to have the honor and privilege of serving as the Mayor of such a wonderful city!

Very Respectfully,
Allen Dunn
Mayor

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City Manager's Message—Spring 2017

In December 2016, the City of Cibolo and the YMCA of Greater San Antonio entered into a contractual partnership to increase recreational amenities within the Cibolo Community.

I'm pleased to announce the Cibolo City Council passed the latest measure to progress the construction of a 23,000+ sq ft community recreation facility and a youth sports complex with soccer, baseball and softball fields and at the corner of South Main Street and Schaefer Road.



On January 24, 2017, the City Council unanimously approved an ordinance authorizing the issuance of Certificates of Obligation in the amount of \$2M to be repaid over a 15-year period by the YMCA of Greater San Antonio. As part of the partnership, the YMCA will pay for the annual recurring staffing, marketing, maintenance, liability and capital outlay needs associated with managing both facilities. In its agreement with the City, the YMCA contractually assumes the responsibility to pay approximately 95% of the debt issuance by the City.

This additional capital will help enhance the Cibolo youth sports complex and increase the square footage of the community recreation center. Please visit the City of Cibolo website for additional details about the project including conceptual designs. www.cibolotx.gov

We believe partnering with the YMCA may save our residents millions of dollars within the first 3 to 5 years of operation in addition to the premier quality of life facility their management and operational expertise will bring to our community.

The City of Cibolo and the YMCA will also explore the possibility of a later phase of the sports complex including a Miracle League Field to help serve the needs of area youth and adults with special physical or mental challenges.

An additional benefit of the sports fields and community center is the potential development spur anticipated to occur along the FM 78 corridor. Athletes and spectators coming to Cibolo for events will drive up demand for restaurants, retail options, and overnight accommodations which will, in turn, provide more recreation and entertainment options for area residents.

The estimated completion of the first phase of the sports complex is August 2017 and the community center is estimated to be complete in July 2018.

This is an exciting time for the City of Cibolo!

Robert T. Herrera
City Manager

Cibolofest 2017

Applications for craft and food vendors at the 2017 Cibolofest will be accepted by the City Secretary's Office beginning April 3, 2017. For applications or information regarding the event scheduled to take place on October 14, 2017 please contact Peggy Cimics (pcimics@cibolotx.gov) or Amanda Valdez (avaldez@cibolotx.gov). You can also reach us by telephone at 210-566-6111.

Keeping Fats, Oils, and Grease out of the Sewer System

Fats, oils, and grease—FOG—comes from meat fats in food scraps, cooking oil, shortening, lard, butter and margarine, gravy, and food products such as mayonnaise, salad dressings, and sour cream.

FOG poured down kitchen drains accumulates inside sewer pipes. As the FOG builds up, it restricts the flow in the pipe and can cause untreated wastewater to back up into homes and businesses, resulting in high costs for cleanup and restoration.

Manholes can overflow into parks, yards, streets, and storm drains, allowing FOG to contaminate local waters, including drinking water. Exposure to untreated wastewater is a public-health hazard.

FOG discharged into septic systems and drain fields can cause malfunctions, resulting in more frequent tank pump-outs and other expenses.

Restaurants, cafeterias, and fast-food establishments spend tens of thousands of dollars on plumbing emergencies each year to deal with grease blockages and pump out grease traps and interceptors. Some cities also charge businesses for the repair of sewer pipes and spill cleanup if they can attribute the blockage to a particular business. Some cities also add a surcharge to wastewater bills if a business exceeds a specified discharge limit. These expenses can be a significant.

Communities spend billions of dollars every year unplugging or replacing grease-blocked pipes, repairing pump stations, and cleaning up costly and illegal wastewater spills. Excessive FOG in the sewer system can affect local wastewater rates.

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Al Rich Park Renovation

Al Rich Park, located at 228 Deer Meadow, will be renovated this spring. The renovation initiative will include the replacement of a swing set, slide and the additions of the following: a park bench, ADA picnic table, bike rack, musical entertainment center and a pet waste station. There will be ramps to accommodate those with decreased mobility.

The goal of the renovation initiative is to create an environment where children of all abilities can play with one another and also provide parents and grandparents with disabilities the opportunity to take their children to the park. This is the 1st phase of a 2 phase project to renovate the park. The Al Rich Park improvement project is being funded, in part, by the Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative Power Up Grant.

Construction of Al Rich Park will require us to close the park during renovation and is scheduled to be completed by the end of April.

Residential Crime Prevention Inspection

The Residential Crime Prevention Inspection Program is intended to help homeowners reduce their insurance premiums by qualifying for a Texas Home Security Credit. There is no guarantee of a reduction in premium. Contact your insurance provider to see if they offer the reduction. Any homeowner may request a Residential Crime Prevention Inspection of their residence by contacting the Cibolo Police Department Crime Prevention Unit or by visiting our website. A Crime Prevention Specialist will perform a security evaluation. This inspection is at no cost to Cibolo residents. For questions, email CPU@cibolotx.gov or call (210) 659-1999.

Commercial Crime Prevention Survey

The Commercial Crime Prevention Survey Program is intended to help business owners make their property and building more crime resistant. Either an oral survey or written survey can be requested. The written survey takes approximately three weeks to complete. Contact the Crime Prevention Unit at CPU@cibolotx.gov or (210) 659-1999 to request a survey. This survey is at no cost to Cibolo businesses.



CITY OF CIBOLO
Annual Spring Clean Up April 14th – 16th & April 21st – 23th, 2017



Waste disposal at this event will be free of charge to residents as a service paid for by the City of Cibolo. The drop off site will be open April 14th-16th and April 21st- 23th, 2017 between 8 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. daily. **Hazardous Items** may be dropped off **ONLY** during April 15th-16th 2017.

Drop Off Site/Location:

Disposal may be dropped off at Bexar Waste's temporary collection point, 2221 F.M. 3009, Schertz, TX (Near Live Oak Road). The temporary collection location is subject to change.

What you need to know:

Proper Identification Accepted at the Collection Site:

A current City of Cibolo Residential Utility/Garbage Bill and Driver's License are required at time of disposal.

A tax bill will not get accepted as a form of identification.

Spring Clean Up event is restricted to **CIBOLO RESIDENTS ONLY**. Waste delivered must be separated and sorted by type of material **BY THE RESIDENT**. Spring Clean Up event activities **DO NOT** apply to commercial/rental property clean ups, large property clean up, lot or acreage clean up, or lot and property land clearing. Commercial tree trimmers are not eligible for this service.

LIMITS: Household waste and yard waste only. Maximum of 2 Pick-up truck loads per household or a maximum of 1 trailer load per household not to exceed 16' long x 4' high in size.

Items Accepted

- a. Couches, Refrigerators, Stoves, Computer/Monitors, anything and everything except tires or hazardous waste can be dropped off, free of charge during the clean-up, Friday through Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Materials must be sorted by customer, **NOT BY** Bexar Waste employees.
- b. Appliances will be **ACCEPTED FREE ONLY** if Freon tank is removed; if Freon tank is still attached there will be a \$35.00 fee at time of disposal. Please contact Bexar Waste if you have any questions concerning the Freon tank removal.
BBQ pits MUST NOT contain any hot ash.
- c. Residents are able to leave brush and limbs free of charge, **DURING THE 6 DAY CLEAN-UP EVENT ONLY**.

Hazardous Items/Tires (All containers MUST be sealed)

- a. **Hazardous Items and Tires** may be dropped off **ONLY** during April 15th-16th, 2017. Tires are limited to eight (8) per household.
- b. **Hazardous Waste includes but is not limited to:** Insecticides, pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, chemicals, cleaning and bleach products, swimming pool cleaners and chemicals.
- c. Enamel and latex paints in cans and aerosol dispensers, varnish and stains, paint thinners and removers, acetone, etc. – **These items will have a combined 10 gallon limit per household.**
- d. Tires are considered hazardous. Tires on rims, or wheels, commercial vehicle tires, tractor tires, and heavy equipment tires **WILL NOT** be accepted.
- e. Hazardous waste such as automotive and cooking oils, filters and batteries-Oils will have a combined **10 gallon** limit per household.
- f. Empty propane tanks up to seven (7) gallons – **VALVE MUST BE ENTIRELY REMOVED.**
- g. Mercury **WILL NOT** be accepted.

****The City of Cibolo and Bexar Waste are NOT responsible for damage to vehicles or injury to citizens during this event.** The City of Cibolo and Bexar Waste reserve the right to refuse service to anyone for not following the rules of the clean-up. **Any items brought that are not listed/accepted or are over limits listed are subject to a fee (at Bexar Waste's discretion).** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Bexar Waste Administrative Office at 210.566.5454 (M-F 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM) or City of Cibolo Utilities Department (210) 658-9900 ext: 1 (M-F 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM) ****The City provides chipping services for tree trimming free of charge. The day of this service depends on what part of town you live in. North of Borgfeld Rd will be the first Tuesday of each month. South of Borgfeld Rd will be the last Tuesday of each month. Call City Hall at 658-9900 x1 or visit our website to get specifications and to be put on the chipper list.****





THE CITY OF CIBOLO, TEXAS

CIBOLO PARKWAY

CITY OF CHOICE

ABOUT

Did you know that more than 1,000 people move to Texas each day? Cibolo sees this growth firsthand, and the City, in partnership with the Texas Turnpike Company, is working to plan ahead as travel times and congestion continue to rise. The proposed Cibolo Parkway Project would help alleviate traffic concerns with the construction of approximately seven miles of toll road between the Weil Road and FM 1103 intersection to I-10. In addition, non-toll express lanes will be constructed inside the soon-to-be improved FM 1103 from I-35 to Rodeo Way. These roadway projects will provide a vital route for commuters between I-35 and I-10. A map of the proposed route is available on the City of Cibolo website.

The Cibolo Parkway will improve mobility and safety with the addition of overpass bridges at SH 78, the Union Pacific Railroad tracks and the Town Creek Drainage watershed. By doing this, access would be substantially improved for emergency vehicles, school buses and residents who live south of SH 78. In addition to improving safety and mobility, the construction of the Cibolo Parkway would drive economic development south of SH 78. Cibolo Parkway would make way for residential, commercial and light industrial developments.

Collaboration is key to the construction, finance and maintenance of Cibolo Parkway. The City is working closely with Texas Turnpike Company who will secure private funds for construction, operation and maintenance of the toll road. Under this development agreement, the City does not expend any City funds; therefore, property taxes will not be used or increased. As the project moves forward the Texas Turnpike Company will continue to work closely with the City of Cibolo, as well as the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the City of Schertz.

TIMELINE

2006

City of Cibolo includes Cibolo Parkway and FM 1103 improvements to the City's Master Plan

EARLY 2014

City Council raises concerns about growing mobility challenges and directs City staff to study the proposed corridor

SUMMER 2014

City staff presents options to address the project corridor and works with Texas Turnpike Corporation to build public/private partnership for funding

EARLY 2015

Study updates presented to City Council

SPRING 2016

Study updates presented to City Council and 15-member Blue Ribbon Committee is selected

SUMMER 2016

Blue Ribbon Committee gives written recommendation to City Council to pursue toll road concept for the extension of FM 1103 to I-10

SUMMER - FALL 2016

City Council hosts series of public hearings regarding the proposed Cibolo Parkway

WINTER 2016

City Council adopts Resolution No. 1544 authorizing the City Manager to submit a formal request to TxDOT to enter into a MOU with the Texas Turnpike Corporation

EARLY 2017

The City requests that Cibolo Parkway Project be placed on the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program

FEBRUARY 28, 2017

City Council executes a development agreement with Texas Turnpike, L.P.

Cibolo Community Easter Egg Hunt

Hop on over to the Cibolo Multi-Event Center at 210 S. Main Street on Saturday, April 15, 2017 for an Easter Egg Hunt in

the following age groups:

Pre-K (0-4 years), K-2nd (5-7 years), 3rd-5th (8-11 years)

• *Photo Area with Easter Bunny* • *Candy Filled Eggs*

• *Special “Golden Egg” Prizes* • *Face Painting*

This event is free! Be sure to bring your basket!



JOIN US FOR

COMMUNITY SHRED DAY



Saturday, April 29, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Cibolo Municipal Building, 200 South Main St.

The City of Cibolo is sponsoring “Shred Day” for residents. There will be an Iron Mountain Mobile Shred Unit for on-site shredding. Limit: 3 computer, banker box (size) per car/household. This service is FREE for Cibolo residents.

Contact Info: Peggy Cimics or Amanda Valdez at 210-566-6111

Economic Development Update

Twenty-seventeen is off to a strong start with several new dining options opening or confirmed to opening later this year. Both Panda Express and Taco Bell will be coming to the Shops at Cibolo Bend near the Walmart Supercenter. Across from Fire Station #2 on Cibolo Valley Drive is the newly-opened Magic China, and a second Sonic on FM 1103 became operational over the Christmas break. In the Old Town District, local residents opened the 1908 House of Wine & Ale offering a large selection of wine on tap and an array of fine craft beers. It joins the growing group of new merchants providing a unique destination experience in historic Old Town Cibolo.

The EDC is proud to announce that a Tractor Supply Co. will be joining the Cibolo business community. The Company will be opening a 20,000 plus sq. ft. store at the corner of FM 1103 and FM 78 with an additional 17,500 sq. ft. of outdoor display. This has been a project several years in the making and is anticipated to open mid-2017.

Ground work has begun on the construction of a three-story medical complex between Walmart and Cibolo Texas Storage. This medical office will host a variety of medical practitioners including an ambulatory center, medical specialists, and pediatric care.

A new Pic-n-Pac/Valero gas station is well underway at Green Valley Rd. and FM 1103. This station features a convenience store and also brings in several tenants to offer services and goods to those traveling along FM 1103. Meanwhile, closer to the town center, Sports Clips has now opened its doors at the Shops at Cibolo Bend offering fast and convenient hair services to Cibolo residents.

For information about any of these projects, please contact the EDC at (210) 658-9900 x 3119.

Let's grow, Cibolo!

The public is invited to attend the monthly EDC Board Meetings or contact EDC staff at (210) 658-9900 or economicdevelopment@cibolotx.gov for additional information.



2017 Junior Police Academy will be June 5-9 and June 19-23

Calling all Cibolo young people age 10 - 13 years old who have interest in law enforcement. Cadets will learn how to fingerprint, collect evidence, tour the police department and more. They will also hear from Guadalupe County SWAT, Cibolo Fire/EMS, Cibolo PD K9 and others. We will also tour the Guadalupe County juvenile detention facility in Seguin. Each day there will be physical fitness training. Please wear appropriate clothing and footwear.

8am-12pm daily. There will be a graduation ceremony at 11:30am at City Hall each Friday.

*Cadet can only attend one class. A minimum of 15 cadets is required for a class. Preference will be given to those that have not previously attended and Cibolo residents.

Applications and liability forms will be available on the city website and at the front desk during normal business hours.

There is no cost for the program. Donations are accepted. Cadets receive tshirt, wristband and graduation certificate. Snacks and water are provided daily.

*Please note this is not a "Scared Straight" or "Turning Point" program designed to discipline but an opportunity for career exploration.

Let's Tackle the Grease in This Kitchen!

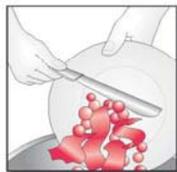
Why should I help?

- Prevent grease buildups from blocking sewer lines.
- Stop sewer overflows into streets and storm drains.
- Save money spent on costly cleanups of sewage spills.
- Reduce the number of times you have to clean your grease trap (food service).
- Protect the quality of our water.

DO!



- ✓ Put oil and grease in covered collection containers.



- ✓ Scrape food scraps from dishes into trash cans and garbage bags and dispose of properly. Avoid using your garbage disposal.



- ✓ Remove oil and grease from dishes, pans, fryers, and griddles. Cool first before you skim, scrape, or wipe off excess grease.



- ✓ Prewash dishes and pans with cold water before putting them in the dishwasher.



- ✓ Cover kitchen sink with catch basket and empty into garbage can as needed.



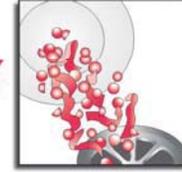
- ✓ Cover floor drain with fine screen and empty into garbage can as needed.

DON'T!

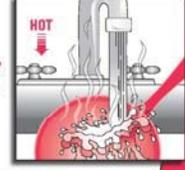
- ✗ Don't pour oil and grease down the drain.



- ✗ Don't put food scraps down the drain.



- ✗ Don't run water over dishes, pans, fryers, and griddles to wash oil and grease down the drain.



- ✗ Don't rinse off oil and grease with hot water.

More Ways to Tackle Grease

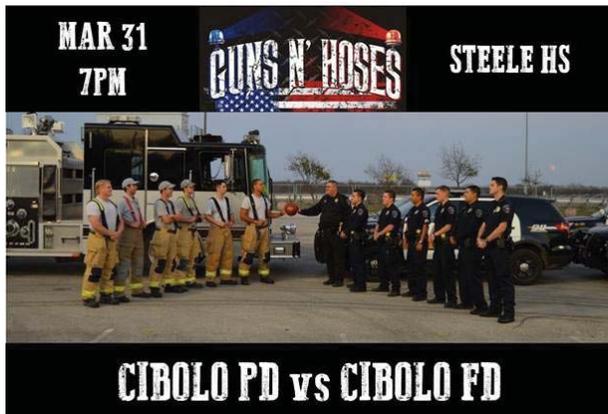
- ▶ Use environmentally safe cleaning products instead of harsh detergents or cleaners that can damage sewer lines.
- ▶ If you generate large amounts of used cooking oil, reuse or recycle it. To find a recycler, check the phone book under "recyclers" or "rendering companies."
- ▶ If you generate small amounts of used cooking oil, reuse it as often as possible and then pour it into a container you can throw away. Never pour it down the drain.
- ▶ Start a compost pile at your home with scraps that are not meat. The TCEQ publication *Mulching and Composting: A "Take Care of Texas" Guide (GI-36)* provides basic information to get you started.



For more information, contact the
 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)
 Small Business & Local Government Assistance Section
 1-800-447-2827 • TexasEnviroHelp.org



2017 Guns n' Hoses Cibolo Basketball Game – Cibolo Police Department vs the Cibolo Fire Department: March 31st at 7pm at Steele High School



The Cibolo Police Department and Cibolo Fire Department invite you to join us for our basketball game benefiting a local food bank.

Admission is one canned food item. The department with the most items at half time will get 5 extra points on the scoreboard. Individuals can bring more than one item per person.

PD fans are encouraged to wear BLUE while FD fans are encouraged to wear RED.

We are currently looking for half time performers by Cibolo youth, a DJ and food trucks are welcome. Please email CPU@cibolotx.gov with your contact information if you would like to participate.

Tree Trimming

With summer upon us, trees are growing fast and it is the homeowner's responsibility to keep them trimmed and maintained in a manner that allows for the safe passage of pedestrians and vehicles. Requirements for proper height or distance from the city right-of-way are as follows:

- The minimum clearance of any portion of a tree overhanging a public street's right-of-way shall be fourteen (14) feet, and overhanging a public sidewalk shall be eight (8) feet.

The maintenance of trees is vital to reduce damage to school buses, city vehicles such as fire trucks and street sweepers, as well as private vehicles such as travel trailers and RVs.

The City will provide chipping service for tree trimmings, free of charge. The day for this service depends on what part of the city you live in. North of Borgfeld Rd. will be the first Tuesday of the month. Anyone living South of Borgfeld Rd. will be the last Tuesday of the month. Visit us at www.cibolotx.gov to get specifications and to be put on the chipper list.

**Please note that residents who hire a contractor to trim their trees are ineligible for the city's free chipper service.*

Garbage & Recycling

Residential service consists of weekly pick up, except for Christmas week, and during the months of June, July, August and September, when twice per week garbage service is provided:

- Garbage and recycling must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on your designated collection day. In order to ensure the most efficient service to our residents, routes may occasionally change.
- Disposal of hazardous materials (gas, oil, freon, tires, etc.) is not permitted outside of our semi-annual clean up events.

Trash Bulk Pickup

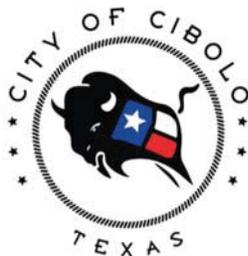
Free bulk pickup is available once every 60 days for our residents. Collection of these items will be scheduled on your corresponding trash day. The deadline for requesting a Bulk Pickup must be received by **Noon** on Monday. Brush, limbs, boxes & wood must not be more than 5ft long, no more than 50lb. bundles, tied with rope/twine on each end. All items are limited to no more than a standard truck load. All items for bulk pickup must be placed on the curb by 7 a.m. on your corresponding trash day.

**Please note if the deadline for bulk pickup or city chipper service falls on a holiday the deadline is the business day before.*

UPCOMING EVENTS. . .

1st Monday, 6:30 PM Youth Council Meeting
2nd & 4th Tuesday, 6:30 PM City Council Meeting
2nd & 4th Wednesday, 1:30 PM Municipal Court
2nd Wednesday, 6:30 PM Planning & Zoning Meeting
3rd Thursday, 6:00 PM Economic Development Meeting

April 14—City offices closed for Good Friday
April 15—9:30AM Community Easter Egg Hunt
April 29—9:00AM-12:00PM Shred Day
April 29—Food Truck Round-up (Tentatively Scheduled)
May 29—City offices closed for Memorial Day
May 29—9:00AM Memorial Day Event



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