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Fall Alvin Adventure Guide



The Parks and Recreation Department has released the Fall 2018 Alvin Adventure Guide! Go checkout all the fun activities and programs that are being offered this fall. Programs start in September and run through December. The guide can be found at www.alvin-tx.gov under the Parks Department tab. Hard copies are also available at City Hall.

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Community Connection

Water-Wastewater Rates

City Council has been proactively planning for current needs, projected population growth and aging infrastructure to provide for the health and welfare of the residents of Alvin.

In May 2016, the City engaged the services of Freese & Nichols to perform a water & wastewater rate study to develop a multi-year plan of rate increases that would provide sufficient revenue to implement the first five years of water & wastewater capital improvements identified in the City's 20-year Utility Master Plan. The projects identified for the first five years are needed to address the existing water & wastewater system issues; and also needed to serve anticipated growth within the next five years that the existing system does not have the capacity to currently serve.

Below is the 5-year plan of rate increases that would be effective in October of each fiscal year (FY). More information on the various improvements funded by water & wastewater user fees can be found in the *Utility Master Plan Summary* located at www.alvin-tx.gov under the Public Services Department tab.

WATER RATES	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Base up to 2,000 Gallons					
Residential	\$12.95	\$15.15	\$18.18	\$19.27	\$20.43
Commercial	\$13.59	\$15.90	\$19.09	\$20.23	\$21.44
Per 1000 (2001 – 7000)	\$3.31	\$3.87	\$4.65	\$4.93	\$5.22
Per 1,000 (7,001- above)	\$5.05	\$5.91	\$7.09	\$7.52	\$7.97
WASTEWATER RATES	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Base up to 2,000 Gallons					
Residential	\$20.08	\$23.49	\$28.19	\$29.88	\$31.68
Commercial	\$20.66	\$24.17	\$29.00	\$30.74	\$32.59
Per 1,000 (2,001-above)	\$3.31	\$3.87	\$4.65	\$4.93	\$5.22



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Citizens Academy Returning!

The 2nd Annual City of Alvin Citizens Academy will be returning this fall! The 6 session course will be held consecutive Mondays from 6pm-8pm, starting Monday, October 8 and concluding Monday, November 12. Graduates will be recognized by the City Council at the regular City Council Meeting on Thursday, November 15.



Did You Know?

A permit is not required in order to hold a garage sale. However, garage sale signs should be limited to the private property hosting the sale. Signs are not permitted in public right of ways or property.

For more information about permits, visit www.alvin-tx.gov and click on Engineering Department, or call 281-388-4271 any time between the hours of 7am and 6pm Monday through Thursday.

The Citizens Academy is designed to educate and encourage citizens to become more engaged and assume a leadership role within the community. Participants will tour city facilities, discover how things get done at the local level, and build relationships in an interactive and engaging way while giving an up-close and in-depth look at the operations of municipal government.

Applications can be found at www.alvin-tx.gov and will be accepted until Thursday, September 20. The Academy is free but limited to 25 participants, so get your application in now!

Firefighters Receive New Drone



The Alvin Volunteer Fire Department is in the process of training several firefighters on new drone equipment, which was donated by a local business owner. This new use of technology will allow firefighters to now have eyes in the sky. The drone will be navigated by a remote firefighter pilot that has specialized training and licensing for operation required by the Federal Aviation Administration. According to Fire Chief Rex Klesel, the drone will be used to assist in a variety of missions including search and rescue, natural disaster response, aerial observation of structure and brush and grass fires.

Staff Spotlight

David Chanski

**City Manager's Office
Management Assistant**



Length of time working for the City of Alvin:
7 1/2 months.

Three things most people don't know about you: *1) I've been a member of the Civil Air Patrol for 12 years, 2) I've played piano since I was 7, and 3) I graduated college at 20.*

What would people be surprised if they knew: *I'm an Uber driver.*

What is your Motto or personal mantra: *Do hard things!*

What have you always wanted to try but never have: *Scuba dive and skydive*

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