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Serving With Pride

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The 26th Annual Tour de Braz is now history. Several riders participated in the Spaghetti Dinner the night before the ride. While the severe weather was in the forecast and we made the call to cancel the 100-mile ride due to lightning/safety concerns, we are happy to say the weather held out for our riders on the 10, 34, 50 and 65-mile rides. Check out the Tour de Braz Facebook page for pictures and videos of the event!

The event was hosted by Convention & Visitors Bureau and sponsored by Associated Credit Union of Texas

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Community Connection

"My parents elected me president of the family when I was 4. We actually had an election every year, and I always won. I'm an only child, and I could count on my mother's vote."

—Condoleezza Rice

Alvin Economy Continues to Grow: At a Glance:

- ★ **Unemployment is at record low: 4.1% for last quarter of 2018**
- ★ Team Industrial Service completed \$3.1 million in upgrades to facility/added 19 new employees
- ★ \$33.9 million in new commercial permits in 2018
- ★ 120—140 new homes with average value of \$275,000 per home

★ **New Commercial Coming**

- Discount Tire*
- Chick-fil-A*
- Blue Wave Car Wash*
- Wendy's*
- Two new convenient stores/Gas stations*

★ **New Residential Coming**

- Martha's Vineyard*
- Mustang Crossing*
- Midtown Park*
- Kendall Lakes*
- Mustang Ridge*



City of Alvin Appoints Michael Higgins As Chief Financial Officer



The City recently appointed a new Chief Financial Officer, Michael Higgins, who hails most recently from the City of Manvel where he served as the Finance Director. Mr. Higgins holds a Master's in Accounting and Financial Management from Keller Graduate School, a BS in Business Administration from Chicago State University, and is a Certified Governmental Finance Officer. He brings over 20-years of management and government accounting experience.

A Gary, Indiana native, Mr. Higgins currently lives in Missouri City and is the proud father of two daughters and one son. Much of his personal time is spent volunteering in youth sports activities. He enjoys outdoor activities including gardening and fishing.



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"A community is only as strong as its residents and their informed involvement"



Municipal Court Scores Municipal Traffic Safety Award...Again!

Alvin Municipal Court is the recipient of the 2019 Municipal Traffic Safety Initiative Award!

This award was given for their efforts in helping to prevent impaired driving and improve traffic safety in our community. They continue to actively promote awareness and traffic safety education in our community sharing traffic safety tips with various groups in town.

Thank you Alvin Municipal Court for your outstanding service and dedication and for helping making Alvin such a great place to live, work, and play.



Texas Municipal Courts Education Center

2019 Municipal Traffic Safety Award

presented to
Alvin Municipal Court
L. A. Y. J. J. J.

Recognized for their outstanding accomplishments in the area of traffic safety and accident prevention.

Hope Luchridge, Executive Director March 26, 2019

Funded by a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation. **Save a Life**

City of Alvin Receives Finance Award for 37th Time!

For the 37th year, the Finance Department secured a very prestigious municipal financial accounting award. The official award is called the "Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting" for the FY17 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and given by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA of the US & Canada). This certificate is the highest form of significant accomplishment by a government and its management, demonstrating the City's commitment to wise stewardship of taxpayer dollars and transparency.



Find where or what money is allocated annually for certain departments/projects: <http://www.alvin-tx.gov/page/Financial.trans>

Staff Spotlight

Amy Mallett: *Utility Billing*

Length of time working for the City of Alvin:
6.5 years

Three things most people don't know about you: 1) I am an ordained minister 2) I love to cook 3) I have fostered 14 kiddos and adopted 3...so far!

What would people be surprised if they knew:
I am a speed reader and love reading; it's how I decompress.

What is your Motto or personal mantra: "Lord, here I am, send me." Isaiah 6:8

What have you always wanted to try but never have: To take a trip to Israel to walk where Jesus walked.



Work to be done in the North bound lanes as shown in red.

**35-Bypass:
TxDOT
Road Work**

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