



CITIZENS' NEWSLETTER

Keeping Our Citizens Better Informed.



HAPPY NEW YEAR



I LOVE ODESSA ~ MORE INFORMATION COMING IN JANUARY

Coming up on March 18-19, 2016, the City of Odessa will be invaded by hundreds of volunteers with one purpose—to improve the lives of Odessans. Volunteers will do construction projects, yard work, and hold block parties in certain parks. Do you have a project that needs to be done, but you are not physically able to do so? Do you have an important home improvement need but do not have the resources to get it done? Are you getting notices from the City about property maintenance but need help getting those items completed? If you answered yes to any of these questions, this is the time to get the help you need. Please type the following link into your web browser, and fill out the form. Someone will contact you within 7 business days regarding your needs.

To request help during I LOVE ODESSA: <https://goo.gl/AxpCdx>

To volunteer during I LOVE ODESSA, type the following link into your web browser: <https://goo.gl/1In33O>

Someone will contact you within 14 business days regarding volunteering.

(The Odessa City Wide Clean-Up Day will be on Saturday, March 19th. More information next month)



PLEASE NOTE...City offices will be closed on Friday, January 1, 2016 for New Years Day, and Monday, January 18, 2016 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Remember... There will not be trash service on Friday, January 1, 2016. Friday's trash pick up will be on Saturday, January 2, 2016.

Dog tags are available for purchase at City Hall. All dogs that live within the City of Odessa are required to have a yearly dog tag. Please bring the dog's current valid rabies vaccination receipt with you. The cost is \$3.50 per tag.



Energy Saving Tips

Keep extra blankets or quilts around to cover up with on chilly days. Turn your thermostat down to 68degrees when you are home and lower when you are going to be out for awhile. Now it the perfect time to use a crock pot or slow cooker for stews and soups. They use less power than the stove or oven. Open the shades and let the sun shine into your homes for extra warmth.

Penalties For Late Taxes

Your 2015 City taxes were included in your Lafayette County taxes. They will be from now on. They were due on December 31, 2015. All taxes paid after December 31, 2015 will be assessed a penalty along with interest charges. If you have any questions, please contact the Lafayette County Collector's Office. (660) 259-6171

Care for Pets

Please make sure your outdoor pets are provided with humane shelter from the cold, rain, snow and wind.

2016 Utility Disconnect Dates

The following dates are those that utilities will be disconnected upon non-payment of your account. If you have questions about our utility payment policy, please call City Hall at (816) 230-5577.

- January _____ Thursday, January 21st
- February _____ Monday, February 22nd
- March _____ Monday, March 21st
- April _____ Thursday, April 21st
- May _____ Monday, May 23rd
- June _____ Tuesday, June 21st
- July _____ Thursday, July 21st
- August _____ Monday, August 22nd
- September _____ Wednesday, September 21st
- October _____ Friday, October 21st
- November _____ Monday, November 21st
- December _____ Wednesday, December 21st



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HAPPY NEW YEAR 2016 Municipal Calendar



We have provided a calendar of the regular meeting dates of the Board of Aldermen, the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Economic Development Council, and the Parks and Recreation Board. All meeting dates are subject to change, if need be, for observed holidays or by choice of the members of their respective boards. The agenda of all meetings is posted at least 24 hours before each meeting on the front door of City Hall and in the bulletin board located on the exterior of the Community Building's east wall. Also included are the public election dates, municipal court dates, and City observed holidays in which City offices are closed. We encourage all citizens of our community to exercise their democratic rights by attending these meetings and casting their votes in the elections. Your public meetings and elections are held at the Community Building in Dyer Park. If you would like more information, please call City Hall at (816) 230-5577.

- **Board of Aldermen:** Regular meetings are held on the 2nd & 4th Mondays of each month. (Except holidays) (7:00 P.M.)
- **Planning and Zoning Commission:** Regular meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month. (7:00 P.M.)
- **Parks and Recreation Board:** Regular meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month. (7:00 P.M.)
- **Economic Development Council:** Regular meetings are held the 3rd Monday of every other month. (6:15 P.M.)
 - **Municipal Court** is held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. (6:00 P.M.)

B: Board of Aldermen **Z:** Planning & Zoning Commission **P:** Parks & Recreation **E:** Economic Development **V:** Election **M:** Municipal Court **H:** Holiday/Offices Closed

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