

Odessa Outlook

Monthly Newsletter

CALENDAR

- July 2, 2024**
Fireworks Display – Dyer Park
- July 4, 2024**
City Hall closed in observance of Independence Day
- July 8, 2024**
Board of Aldermen Meeting
- July 9, 2024**
Municipal Court
- July 18, 2024**
Planning & Zoning Meeting
- July 22, 2024**
Board of Aldermen Meeting
- July 23, 2024**
Park Board Meeting
- August 6, 2024**
Primary Election Day 

Voting in the August Election

On August 6, 2024, voters of the City of Odessa, Missouri, will be asked to consider establishing a half-cent public safety sales tax that would improve funding for a new police facility, staffing levels, safety, recruitment, and retention.



Half-Cent Public Safety Sales Tax Fast Facts

- The half-cent sales tax will only be used to fund public safety needs, will not replace the public safety budget, and cannot be commingled with non-public safety City funds.
- If approved, the revenue from this public safety sales tax could exceed \$315,000 annually.
- If approved, the half-cent sales tax would go into effect on January 1, 2025.
- Anyone who shops in the City of Odessa, both residents and non-residents, would pay this sales tax.

Voting locations for Odessa residents are the Community Building at Dyer Park and the New Horizons Presbyterian Church on Hwy 131. Your voter registration card will indicate your location. The last day to register to vote is July 10, 2024. For more information, please visit www.sos.mo.gov/elections/goVoteMissouri/register. You may even register to vote at Odessa City Hall.

Fourth of July Fireworks

Odessa residents may shoot off fireworks within city limits on residential property on Thursday, July 4, during the hours of 8:00 am and 11:00 pm, and on July 5 and 6, during the hours of 8:00 am and midnight with the following restrictions:

- No fireworks may be ignited in streets or alleyways.
- Bottle rocket fireworks are prohibited.
- No fireworks may be ignited within 600 feet of a church or school.
- Ignited fireworks may not be thrown from, into, or at a vehicle.

The City of Odessa will have a fireworks display on Tuesday, July 2, at Dyer Park. There will be food vendors, a bounce house, and face painting starting at 5:00 pm with fireworks beginning around 9:30 pm.

Severe Weather Information

The Community of Christ Church, located at 515 S First Street, is the community storm shelter.



Missouri Primacy & Sewer Connection Fees

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR), requires community water systems to collect a Primacy Fee and a Sewer Connection Fee from each customer for the administration of the Safe Drinking Water Act. This fee appears on the July utility bill as a once a year charge. All fees are sent to the Missouri DNR. Level pay customers will see the fees added to their July's level bill only.

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Odessa Business Licenses

The deadline to renew City of Odessa business licenses has been extended to August 31, 2024. If you have a business operating in Odessa, you are required to have an annual safety inspection before a license will be issued per Odessa Code of Ordinances Sec. 12-35 - Inspections. Penalties for unlicensed businesses will be assessed in September. For more information, please call City Hall at 816-230-5577.

City Dog Pound

Per City Ordinance, the Odessa Police Department picks up and houses stray or lost dogs found within Odessa city limits. While the majority of these dogs are reunited with their families, a few are sadly never claimed. Currently, the City has two wonderful dogs waiting to find their forever homes. For adoption information, please contact the Odessa Police Department at 816-633-7575.

Also, remember that more pets go missing during the Fourth of July festivities than at any other time of year. Loud fireworks can be very frightening to many pets and cause them to run if left unattended and/or loose. Please keep your animals contained in a quiet, escape-proof area of your home.

