



**CITY OF LEON VALLEY  
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** January 30, 2015  
**TO:** Mayor Chris Riley and City Council Members  
**FROM:** Manuel Longoria Jr., City Manager  
**SUBJECT:** Weekly Update

**Proposed Home Rule Charter Fact-Sheet:** City Staff working with the City Attorney's office has prepared a fact-sheet to be used as an informational guide for residents. The fact-sheet is **attached PDF** for your review and use.

**Garbage Rate Increase:** Waste Management (WM) has notified the City that the rates will increase effective in the January billing. Our contract with WM allows an annual rate increase based on and calculated by the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The rate for collection services will increase 1.5% over the current monthly service fees. See **attached PDF** letter. The letter includes the new rates.

**Silo Park:** The Leon Valley Park Commission has already held two public hearings to gain citizen input on the type of amenities desired at this park. They will hold one more public hearing on Tuesday, February 10, 2015, 7:00 pm, at the Leon Valley Conference Center, located at 6421 Evers Road.

**Basura Bash Event:** The City of Leon Valley will again participate in the 21st Annual Basura Bash Event, cleaning 2,100 feet of Zarzamora Creek (Between 410 and Bandera, located in front of the HEB). The Event is scheduled for Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> and begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 12:00 p.m. Registration tables and refreshments will be located in the HEB parking lot next to the creek. If you are interested in volunteering, please register online at [www.basurabash.org](http://www.basurabash.org). Last year, over 55 volunteers removed 71 bags of trash, 6 tires and 4 shopping carts from Zarzamora Creek.

**City Management Training:** Assistant City Managers Caldera & Wallace have begun their training through the Texas City Manager Association attending Part I of the nationally respected William "King" Cole City Management Educational Series. They were in training this week.

**Upcoming Events:**

- 26th Annual Earthwise Living Day, "Sustainability 101", will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2015, from 9 am to 1 pm, rain or shine!
- Spring Clean-up. Place items at the curb: March 9-13, 2015. Waste Management will pick up all your bulky items such as old furniture, water heaters, appliances and brush. Collection begins on March 16, 2015 at 7:00 a.m.

**Public Works 2015 Projects:** Just as a reminder, I'm including a listing and report of projects that our Public Works Department is working on.

## STREETS/SIDEWALKS PROJECTS

- Street Maintenance Tax Program Budget - \$1,393,000
- Streets scheduled for repair/mill & overlay:
  - Evers Rd. \$750,000
  - Linkview @ Linkcrest \$118,000
  - Forest Timber \$93,000
  - El Verde \$339,000
  - **Total Cost \$1,300,000**
  - Status of Bid Advertisement – February Target, award in March
- Other Street Projects
  - Grissom Rd. – Street and Sidewalk Assessment Report for possible transfer from TxDOT to City of Leon Valley – need cost/benefit analysis, but looks promising
  - In-house street repairs include the streets in front of 7011 Forest Moss, 7211 Gumtree, 7428 Linkwood, 5922 Forest Ridge, portion of Pacer Trail, street around manhole on Forest Mont, and the corner of Weathered Post and Huebner Roads
- Sidewalks
  - Will be installing new sidewalks along Evers Road, with the street project
  - Will be replacing 100' of sidewalk along Stirrup Lane, 20' along Pickering, and repairing an unknown length of sidewalk along Trotter Lane.

## DRAINAGE PROJECTS

- Edinborough and Seneca
  - Engineering completed and materials/supplies received
  - One estimate received of \$31,000 and obtaining two more from HB Construction and Triple H.
- Aquarium Detention Pond – Budget \$125,000.
  - Engineering completed
  - Phase I – site cleanup and lot clearing - contacted three HUB vendors - Booker Tree Service lowest at \$26,000
  - Working on tree inventory and notice to surrounding property owners
  - Funds for project to be transferred from reserve fund to contractual services at February 9, 2015 City Council meeting
- Huebner and Timberhill – Engineering in progress

## WATER RELATED PROJECTS

- Rate Study – near completion; meeting w/consultant next week.
- Well Study – near completion; meeting w/engineer next week.