



**CITY OF LEON VALLEY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

DATE: January 9, 2015
TO: Mayor Chris Riley and City Council Members
FROM: Manuel Longoria Jr., City Manager
SUBJECT: Weekly Update—HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Home Rule Charter Commission Completes Proposed Charter: The Home Rule Charter Commission has completed their task and the proposed charter is now complete. We are awaiting a final version from the City Attorney and once that is available we will then provide it to you all. The Commission will meet on January 21, 2014 for one final meeting on developing a strategy on informing the public.

Fire Department Unpacking and Settling into the New Fire House: The fire department is moved in, unpacking, and operating out of the new fire station. The moving plan that was put into place in months prior worked great, which made for a seamless transition. It was a team effort- the FD received special help from Public Works, Police Department, and City Hall teammates during this transition.

Staff is currently polishing-up, decorating, and preparing for the dedication ceremony--ribbon cutting/open house event. The ribbon cutting will actually be an **“uncouple the fire hose”** ceremony which is the traditional method that the fire service uses to open a new fire house. The event is scheduled at the station, next Friday, January 16, 2015 at 10 a.m.

Firefighter Gabriel Nerio Accepts Position with the San Antonio Fire Department: Firefighter Gabriel “Nemo” Nerio accepted a position at the San Antonio Fire Department academy as a new cadet. Gabriel was positioned 11th overall in the San Antonio exam after an extremely competitive process. He has done so much for us here in Leon Valley in the short time we had him. Firefighter Nerio took time to train two firefighters to be members of our Honor Guard to replace his position before he left. Firefighters Ryan Jones and Joseph Valadez will replace him in the Honor Guard.

Monitoring Weather Closely this Weekend: The emergency response team in Leon Valley has met and implemented the “Ice Plan” in preparation for this weekend’s weather. We will be monitoring the situations closely to make sure that we respond adequately.

Upcoming Events:

- Fire Station Dedication & Open House—Uncoupling of the House, 10:00 a.m., January 16, 2015 at the new Fire Station; 6300 El Verde Road.
- City Offices will be close on Monday, January 19, 2015 in observance of the Martin Luther King Holiday. All public safety and fire emergency personnel will be working and providing services as usual.
- Walk & Talk with the Mayor Saturday, January 10th, 2015 8:30 a.m. Community

- Annual Town Hall Meeting, Saturday, January 24, 2015. 8:30 a.m. to 12 Noon.

Street Sweeping: Weather permitting; the next scheduled street sweeping will be January 12th – 15th. See link for the dates and streets http://www.leonvalleytexas.gov/news_detail_T2_R350.php.