

## CITY OF LEON VALLEY INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** March 20, 2015

**TO:** Mayor Chris Riley and City Council Members

**FROM:** Manuel Longoria Jr., City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Weekly Update

<u>Fire Station Open House Success:</u> We are pleased to report that the Fire Station open house event held last Saturday was a big success. We estimate that about 175-200 guests toured the facility. Most in were new residents who had not even been to the old fire station. The Fire Department staff served refreshments, pastries, and even grilled up burgers and hotdogs for visitors during lunchtime. Fire staff gave tours throughout the day from 9-3PM, and received all positive feedback and compliments about the new fire station.

<u>New Friends Learning Center Update</u>: Code Enforcement staff sent a letter on March 4, 2015, informing the New Friends Learning Center (7500 Eckert) that their sign on the fence was not a permitted use and gave them until April 4, 2015 to come into conformance. In the meantime, the staff of the center submitted an application for LVEDC grant funding under the Façade and Signage Program to replace the fence sign with a wall sign.

M. Vidio Soccer Complex: Mr. Manuel Vidio informed us yesterday that he will be developing a soccer training complex in Leon Valley. Mr. Vidio, in conjunction with Memo Espinoza will be developing the soccer facility on the property approved by the City Council for this purpose in 2011. The soccer complex is located off Shadow Mist Street adjacent to the Huebner Creek. Mr. Vidio is working with Claudia Mora to scheduled are ribbon cutting ceremony within the next two week. We'll keep you posted as this project develops.

Home Rule Charter Outreach: LV residents should be receiving postcards informing them on the town hall informational meetings scheduled on the Home Rule Charter. As far as format for the sessions, the City Attorney will be present to give a brief presentation and answer any questions. We have also extended an invite to Charter Commission members to serve as panelist and several have already confirmed their attendance and participation. The dates and times of the meetings are as follows:

- o Saturday, March 28, 2015 at the Leon Valley Conference Center 9:00 a.m. -11:00a.m.
- o Thursday April 9, 2015 at City Hall 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
- o Saturday, April 25, 2015 2015 at the Conference Center from 9:00a.m.-11:00a.m.

We have been informed that residences have already begun receiving a copy of the Home Rule Charter.

**Evers Road Rehabilitation Project**: We have entered the bidding process for this project. The project has been advertised and the bids from contractors will be opened Thursday, April 2. We will be having a pre-bid meeting on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> with interested contractors/bidders.

<u>Audie L Murphy Memorial Way Ceremony:</u> City Staff has been working with Mr. Walter Geraghty of the American Legion to set a date for the dedication of Evers Road as the Audie L. Murphy Memorial Way. The ceremony has been scheduled for Memorial Day, May 25, 2015 at 2 p.m. over at the LV Conference Center area. Mr. Geraghty is developing the program for the event and we expect participation by the Mayor & City Council. We'll send you more information as the event scheduled and program develops.

## **Upcoming Events**:

- Community Events Committee, Wednesday, March 25, 2015, 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.
- Bond Oversight Committee, Thursday, March 26, 2015, 6:00 p.m. at City Hall
- <u>Volunteer Appreciation Dinner</u>, Leon Valley Conference Center, Tuesday, April 7, 2015, from 6 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.