



**CITY OF LEON VALLEY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

DATE: November 21, 2014
TO: Mayor Chris Riley and City Council Members
FROM: Manuel Longoria Jr., City Manager
SUBJECT: Weekly Update

Zoning Commission Action on Boarders and Vehicles: The Zoning Commission met on Tuesday, November 18 for a 2nd meeting regarding continued discussion of the zoning amendments proposed for the definition of “family” and “parking regulations” in residential areas.

Assistant City Attorney Clarissa Rodriguez was on hand to answer questions regarding the amendments. After another 3 hours of discussion and open public session, the Zoning Commission tabled the discussion of the amendment to the definition of family asking that staff and the city attorney flush out the definition further, based on the evening’s discussion and present it to the Commission on **Tuesday, December 16, 2014.**

For the “parking regulations,” the Zoning Commission recommended denial of the zoning amendment noting that there was not a detriment to the public’s health, safety, or welfare and there were other parking regulations by which the Police Department or appropriate city staff could ensure/enforce that vehicle parking was not creating neighborhood issues.

Both of these items will be submitted to the City Council for final determination in either January or February 2015.

CONTACTS WITH RETAILERS AT ICSC CONFERENCE: Economic Development Director Mora attended the ICSC Texas Conference and Deal Making in Dallas last week. This week staff has been working on following up with the various contacts made during the conference. Among the retailers visited were Ace Hardware, Cato Fashions, Advanced Auto Parts, Marriott International, McAlister’s Deli and Hibbett Sports. Staff continues to work with In-N-Out Burger on keeping Leon Valley among their prospective locations for northwest Bexar County.

The LVEDC and staff are working with The Retail Coach to plan the 2015 ICSC Recon strategy. This will include the LVEDC having a presence by sharing booth space with TRC and a few of their clients. The strategy will enable staff and the LVEDC to pursue retailers more aggressively at a single event.

Donations to Support the new Fire Station reach over \$30,000 in Value: The fire department continues to receive donations from local businesses and churches to help support the new fire station. Donations include a brand new treadmill; three refrigerators, signage, mattresses, nightstands, dining room table, large television for dayroom, fitness equipment, large photographs and décor, a handmade display case for the lobby, and more. The department is planning a special way to thank them for their support, including signs throughout the

building during our open house that gives credit to the generous gifts. Of course, these donations provided resources that we would otherwise have to budget. We are extremely grateful...and have heard that more donations are expected.

RFP for Events Management Completed, Posted and Sent Out: The Request for Proposal for the Events Management contract was completed. It is now posted on our website for review.



LEON VALLEY BUSINESS ACTIVITY: Over the past few weeks (and days), we have seen a number of businesses begin or make progress on their developments.

Welcome Buddy's Home Furnishings at 6812 Bandera Rd. (Next to Tuesday Morning).

<http://www.buddyrents.com/>



Site work has begun for the new Ancira Kia dealership.



Bandera Self-Storage building complex site work has begun. This is located at the north end of Leon Valley, next to the car wash.



SAN ANTONIO AQUARIUM ON SCHEDULE TO OPEN DECEMBER 21ST: The San Antonio Aquarium continues to make progress on the renovation of the old Fiesta Dodge dealership building. They are

on track to open December 21st. Staff is working with the owner and general manager to coordinate a grand opening event.

Monument Sign Lighting Checked and Reset: There was a report that the lighting at the monuments were out – the monuments were reset for daylight saving time and Public Works staff was trained to have a program for future changes as needed.

Code/Animal Control Activity:

- Office “A” – Bandit Signs = 12 (**12 Resolved**)
Animal Violation = 1 (**1 Pending**)
High Grass/Junk = 12 (**12 Pending**)
Graffiti = 1 (**1 Pending**)
Permit Violation = 2 (**2 Pending**)
Junk Vehicle/Parking = 2 (**2 Pending**)
Other = 2 (**2 Pending**)
Total Violations Addressed: 31 / 20 Pending

- Office “B” – High Weeds = 17 (**7 Pending**)
Bandit Signs = 15 (**1 Pending**)
Animal Issues = 20 (**20 Resolved**)
Graffiti = 1 (**0 Pending**)
Trash = 2 (**1 Pending**)
Permit Inquiry = 1 (**0 Pending**)
Total Violations addressed: 56/ 9 Pending

Trap Neuter Return (TNR) Activity: 3 more cats were trapped, neutered and returned this week.

Street Striping Program: On Sunday, November 23rd, Public Works crews will be re-striping streets to include center lane lines, crosswalks, and turn arrows at the following locations:

Huebner and Evers Intersection
Seneca and Bandera Intersection
Timco East
Timco West
Linkhaven
Exchange Parkway
Thunderbird and Stebbins Intersection
Poss and Bandera Intersection
Huebner and Bandera

The project is anticipated to be completed in 7-10 days. Please feel free to contact Public Works at 210-681-1232, should you have any concerns or questions during the project.

Upcoming Important Events:

- Coffee with the Mayor & City Council, 9:00 a.m. to 11 a.m., Saturday, 11/22/14 at the City Hall City Council Chambers.
- City Hall Offices will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving on Thursday, 11/27/14 and Friday, 11/28/14.