



CITIZENS' NEWSLETTER

Keeping Our Citizens Better Informed

SEVERE WEATHER INFORMATION

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

CITY OFFICES CLOSED THURSDAY JULY 4

City offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. We hope you and your family have a safe and happy holiday.

MISSOURI PRIMACY FEE AND SEWER CONNECTION FEES

The State of Missouri, through the Department of Natural Resources, requires community water systems to collect a Primacy Fee and a Sewer Connection Fee from each customer to pay for the administration of the Safe Drinking Water Act. This fee appears on the enclosed utility bill as a once a year charge. **All fees** collected are sent to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Level pay customers will see this amount

ODESSA BUSINESS LICENSES

City Business Licenses were due July 1, 2019. If you run your business out of a building in town, you are now required to have an annual safety inspection before the license will be issued. The City will start assessing penalties for unlicensed businesses on July 2, 2019.

UTILITY RE-CONNECT REMINDER

The City will do after hours utility reconnects for unpaid utilities until 6:00 pm. There is an additional \$50.00 reconnect fee for after hours. The City will resume reconnects the morning of the following business day.

LOCAL FIREWORK LAWS

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL AT ALL TIMES IN THE CITY OF ODESSA TO:

Possess or ignite any fireworks on a public street, or possess or explode any form of fireworks within the City except on residential property on July 3, 4, and 5. The Odessa Board of Aldermen have approved an extension to the dates in which fireworks may be discharged due to July 4 falling on a Thursday. The 2019 dates approved include Wednesday July 3 through Saturday July 6. Fireworks may only be discharged between the hours of 8:00 am and 10:00 pm, except on July 4, when the hours are 8:00 am to midnight.

KEEPING YOUR ANIMALS SAFE DURING THE HOLIDAY

Remember that during the 4th of July holiday, most pets will be very frightened by the sound of fireworks. It's better to leave them at home in a confined, cool, and safe space with plenty of shade and fresh cold water, with some soothing background noise to keep them calm. You can also talk to your veterinarian about medications that will calm a nervous pet. Also remember.....all dogs need to have a city dog license. In the event that your dog gets loose, a dog license will assist us in returning your pet to you.

PARKING ON SIDEWALKS

According to the Odessa Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Police Code, Section 2.413 (1) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle: (b) on a sidewalk.