



# 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 WEDNESDAY JULY 4**

City offices will be closed on Wednesday, 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 as an addition to this month's level bill only.

## **ODESSA BUSINESS LICENSES**

City Business Licenses are due July 1, 2018. If you run your business out of a building in town, you are also required to have an annual safety inspection before the license will be issued. The City will start assessing penalties for unlicensed businesses on July 3.

## **UTILITY RE-CONNECT REMINDER**

The City will do after hours utility reconnects for unpaid utilities only until 6:00 pm. Connects will resume 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. The Odessa Board of Aldermen has approved the discharge of fireworks within City limits Friday, June 29, through Thursday, July 5th. All discharging of fireworks should be between the hours of 8:00 am and 10:00 pm, except on July 3 and 4, when the hours are between 8:00 am and 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 some soothing background noise to keep them calm. You can also talk to your veterinarian about medications that will calm a nervous pet.

## **PARKING ON SIDEWALKS**

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