# Odessa Outlook

Monthly Newsletter

### **2020 Odessa Street Improvement Plan**

The City of Odessa's 2020 Street Improvement Plan is nearing the finish line with both chip seal maintenance and full asphalt overlay for fourteen streets in Odessa. The City contracted with Vance Brothers Inc. for the chip seal maintenance portions of the project and have completed four of the five scheduled streets – North Wells, Cox School Road, East Main, and Ninth Street (Golf to OO). The final street – Fifth Street (Main to Dryden) – should be completed in October.

The asphalt overlay projects have been performed by the City with the following streets now complete – East Orchard, Ninth St/Marlow, Dyer, West Main, Owl Creek Parkway, Kirkpatrick, and Fifth Street (College to Golf). The final two streets – Eighth and West Montgomery – are currently underway and should be finished in the first couple of weeks of October depending on the weather.

We are just as excited as you are to see freshly paved streets across Odessa and appreciate your patience as we strive to improve our community.

# **CALENDAR**

October 12, 2020 Board of Aldermen Meeting

October 20, 2020 Municipal Court

October 26, 2020
Board of Aldermen Meeting





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## Colder Weather is on the Way

It is important to winterize your home and yard now before winter sets in. Here are a few tips:

**Doors and Windows** – Replace worn out weather stripping and broken glass. Weather stripping and caulking helps keep your house weather tight and lowers your heating and cooling bills. Install storm windows or use window insulations kits.

**Ceiling Fans** – Reverse your ceiling fan blades to keep the warm air down in your living space. Blades should turn clockwise in cold weather.

**Gutters** – Maintain and clean your gutters by removing all debris so water can drain properly.

**Roof** – Replace damaged shingles. If you have a fireplace, check for gaps around the flashing.

Water Heater – Wrap your water heater in an insulating jacket.

**Furnace** – Have your furnace and fireplace checked by a professional. Change furnace filters once a month.

**Insulation** – Check the insulation in your home. Don't neglect basements or crawlspaces. If well insulated, your pipes stand a better chance of not freezing. Use heat tape where needed.

**Siding** – Repair or replace loose siding.

**Exterior Areas** – Remove all brush piles and junk piles where rodents can hide. Roll up hoses and store them in a dry place. Pick up all debris from the yard.

**Trees** – Look out for loose branches. Inclement weather can cause weak trees or branches to break and damage your home, care, utility lines, or someone just walking by your property.

**Rodent Infestation** – Seal possible entrances to your home by using expanding foam, sheet metal, steel wool, or concrete.

## Dog Tags Are Due October 1, 2020

Dog tags for the 2020-2021 year are now available for purchase. All dogs within Odessa city limits are required to have a current city license. The cost is \$3.50 per tag. Please bring your dog's current rabies vaccination receipt with you to City Hall to purchase the license. Senior citizens 65 years of age or older are allowed one free tag. You will still need to bring a current rabies vaccination certificate for the dog.

