

Monthly Newsletter

Multiple Ways to Pay Your Utility Bill

In addition to paying in person or by mail, you have two other options that make paying your utility bill easier than ever. And the best part is there's no additional cost!

ONLINE – Through our online payment site, you can make a one time or future dated payments, set up recurring Auto Pay, manage your account 24/7, view statements, payment history, and consumption, get notifications of your bill, and go green and go paperless. Just visit www.municipalonlinepayments.com/odessamo to pay online today.

PHONE – You can also pay by phone by calling 1-888-291-1842. You can make a payment anytime, hear your account information, manage saved payment information, and enroll in Text 2 Pay where you will receive a text when your bill is posted to your account and you can simply respond "Pay" to make your payment.



April General Election Filing

The annual election of officers of the City of Odessa will be held on April 5, 2022. Seats available for filing include the Mayor and an Alderman in each of the three wards, all of which serve a term of two years. All candidates desiring their names on the official ballot in the election must file in person with the City Clerk at City Hall at 125 S 2nd Street, Odessa, Missouri.

The opening date for candidate filing is **Tuesday, December 7, 2021**, at 8:00 am, and will continue during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, with the closing filing date of **Tuesday, December 28, 2021**. City Hall will be closed Friday, December 24, 2021, and Monday, December 27, 2021, in observance of the Christmas holiday. Candidates will be listed on the ballot in the order in which they file. You may contact the City Clerk at City Hall for additional information at 816-230-5577.

CALENDAR

December 13, 2021Board of Aldermen Meeting

December 16, 2021Planning & Zoning Meeting

December 21, 2021Municipal Court

December 24 & 27, 2021City Hall Closed in Observance of the Christmas Holiday

December 27, 2021Board of Aldermen Meeting

December 28, 2021Park Board Meeting

December 31, 2021City Hall Closed in Observance of New Year's Day





for Aging Services Odessa Senior Center

Dear Neighbor,

Older adults in our community continue to rely on Odessa Senior Center for nutritious hot meals, fellowship, and resources to help them make their golden years their best years. None of that has changed since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. In fact, the need has only grown.

Meals for older adults have always been important, but they were especially so this year when, for most of the year, we weren't able to serve them at the center itself. **But with help from friends like you we still provided over 9,847 meals last fiscal year.** Curbside pickup options and our home-delivered meals ensure that our older neighbors receive the nutritious food they need.

Could you help your older neighbors who want to age with dignity with a tax-deductible gift of \$25, \$100, \$250 or more? Your gift in any amount will help. You can mail a check to 217 S Second, Odessa, MO 64076, or go online at www.goaging.org/donate and designate your gift to our center.

Thank you so much for your caring spirit and generosity throughout the year. We wish you and yours a joyous holiday and all the very best that life has to offer.

Sincerely,

Joyce Van Sickle, Odessa Center Coordinator

Annual Registration for Golf Carts and UTVs

A yearly permit is required to drive a golf cart or UTV within the city limits of Odessa. The annual fee for the permit is \$15.00 due at the time of registration. All permits expire on December 31. The vehicle must first be inspected by the Police Department located at 310 S First Street between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. You will then go to City Hall at 125 S 2nd Street to complete the application, provide proof of insurance, and pay the fee to receive your vehicle sticker. For additional information, please call City Hall at 816-230-5577 or visit our website at www.cityofodessamo.com/UTVsandGolfCarts.

Winter is Coming – Energy Conservation Tips

With colder temperatures just around the corner, it is important to prepare for winter and do what you can to reduce consumption. Free ways to save on heating bills include:

- Set thermostat at 68 degrees or as low as possible while home, 60 degrees when away.
- Don't block heating system air vents with furniture, curtains, or rugs.
- * Keep shades open on windows that receive direct sunlight during the day.
- ★ Wear layers of clothing and use extra blankets.
- Run washer, dryer, and dishwasher only when you have full loads.
- Close fireplace damper when not in use.
- * Roll up a towel to put at the bottom of a leaky door to keep drafts at bay.
- Adjust ceiling fans to spin clockwise to force warm air near the ceiling down into rooms.
- Close doors and vents of unused rooms.