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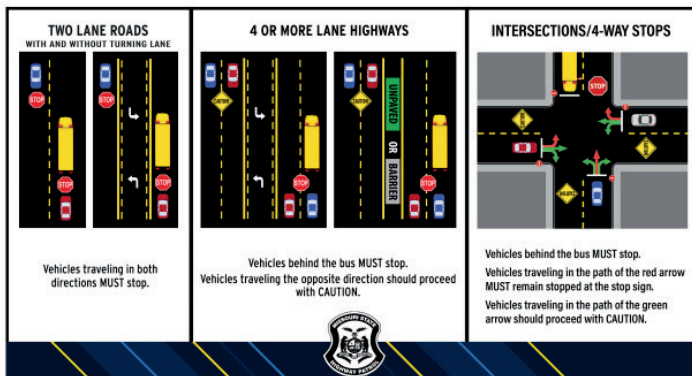
CITY HALL CLOSED

City Hall will be closed on Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day. The holiday will not impact the regular trash service schedule.

SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION

SCHOOL BUS *Safety*

DO I NEED TO STOP?



Odessa students are back in class!

Please remember to slow down, stay alert, and watch for school buses and children near roadways. Effective Aug. 28, SB 1421 sets harsher penalties for illegally passing a school bus when its lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended.

Yellow flashing lights indicate the bus is preparing to stop to load or unload children. Drivers should slow down and prepare to stop their vehicle.

Red flashing lights and extended stop arms indicate the bus has stopped and children are getting on or off.

CALENDAR

Meetings/Court are held at the Community Building at 601 W Main Odessa, MO

September 7, 2026

City Hall is Closed in observance of Labor Day

September 8, 2026

Municipal Court | 9:30 am

September 14, 2026

NO BOA Meeting due to MML conference

September 16, 2026

Park Board Meeting | 7:00 pm

September 17, 2026

Planning Commission Meeting | 6:00 pm

September 28, 2026

Finance Committee Meeting | 4:30 pm

Board of Aldermen Meeting | 6:00 pm

Drivers must stop their vehicle before they reach the bus and wait until the lights stop flashing, the extended stop arm is withdrawn, and the bus begins moving (or the bus driver signals to proceed) before they can start driving again.

Let's make getting to and from school safe for everyone. Stop. Stay. Keep our bulldogs safe.



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JOHNSON DRIVE BRIDGE DEMO SCHEDULED FOR SEPT. 15

MoDOT's Johnson Drive bridge demolition is scheduled for September 15 as part of the Improve I-70 project and will require an overnight closure of I-70. At approximately 7 p.m. until Wednesday, Sept. 16 at approximately 6 a.m. westbound traffic will detour via Route O, Route FF, and Route 131, while eastbound traffic will be shifted onto Old Hwy 40 near the commuter lot before returning to I-70.

Eastbound I-70/Old Hwy 40 is expected to reopen before morning rush hour. Johnson Drive will remain closed over I-70 until the new bridge is completed in Feb. 2027.

The September 15 date is subject to change based on weather and construction conditions. For updates, please refer to MoDOT's Improve I-70 project information.

RENEW YOUR DOG TAGS

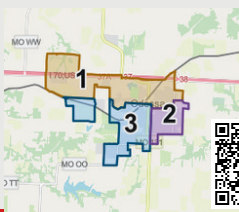
City dog tags for 2026-2027 are due October 1. Tags are required for all dogs within Odessa city limits and are valid through September 30, 2027. Cost is \$7 per tag, with the first tag free for residents age 65+. A current rabies vaccination record is required to purchase a tag.

ELECTRIC RATE INCREASE

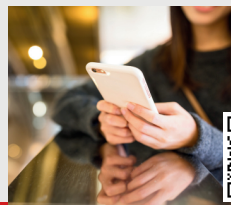
The Board of Aldermen approved changes to the City's electric rate structure following completion of a cost-of-service study. The updated rates will appear on September electric bills and include new residential block rates, updated commercial classifications, and a new Purchased Power Adjustment.

Visit the City's website for more information about the changes.

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