



# City of Sandy Oaks

NEWSLETTER

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## From the Mayor's Desk:

As your presiding mayor, I would like to welcome you to our city's first newsletter. The *City of Sandy Oaks Newsletter* will highlight a few things put in place to make a difference in our community. As a new city starting with a blank slate, the past eighteen months have been spent laying the groundwork for necessary services and establishing the laws (ordinances) required to address the many issues that have been neglected in our area. There is still much to do and each month at the regular meeting of the city council, new ideas and activities are continuing to shape the future of Sandy Oaks.

Honorable Mayor Micki Ball

## Meet Your Elected Representatives

Be on the lookout for your elected officials setting up a tent and/or banner within the city to meet and discuss with citizens any concerns they may have. These are not regularly scheduled, but rather are "pop up" events as time and weather allow.

### Who Do I Call?

Dial 9-1-1 for fire, medical, police emergencies  
Bexar County Sheriff non-emergency 335-6000  
City Office - 660-8255 and leave a message  
Tiger Sanitation - 333-4287

### Contract with Tiger Sanitation

- Exclusive contract for services in Sandy Oaks
- Quarterly billing direct to residents.
- Standard 95 gallon with recycling and quarterly curbside bulk pickup for \$15.25 + tax
- Container options available
- Recycling every other Wednesday beginning February 3, 2016

First bulk pickup scheduled for March 19, 2016  
The contract with Tiger Sanitation offers the benefit of minimizing wear and tear on roads by reducing the number and frequency of heavy trucks while offering reduced pricing with more services. The burning of household trash is prohibited by ordinance 2015-35.

### Who Let The Dogs Out?

The City of Sandy Oaks entered into inter-local agreements with Elmendorf and Selma to address stray dogs.

To have a stray dog picked up, call David Battiest with the Elmendorf Animal Control Office at 632-6833 or 635-8210. Elmendorf will not chase down a stray animal, the animal will need to be contained and ready for pickup. Elmendorf will not pick up animals an owner no longer wants.

The animal may be kept at the Elmendorf facility for a maximum of 3 days before being taken to the Selma facility. Elmendorf will charge the owner a \$50.00 impound fee plus \$10.00 for each day the animal is in their facility.

Final disposition of the dog will be handled at the Selma facility. The dog will first be scanned for a chip and checked for any collar identification. Selma animal control will contact the owner if possible and tell the owner their animal is in their facility. The animal will be kept in the Selma facility for a maximum of three days before final disposition. Selma will charge the owner a \$30.00 impound fee plus \$8.00 for each day the animal is in their facility.

Elmendorf Animal Control  
8304 FM 327  
632-6833 or 635-8210

Selma Animal Control  
9375 Corporate Drive  
651-7830

### Feral Cats

Feral cat care is a community affair! A trap, neuter, & return policy is being considered by the City of Sandy Oaks, which allows residents to care for feral cats in their neighborhoods. SpaySA may consider assisting us, if there is a need for it. Please email me at [ktanguma@cityofsandyoaks.com](mailto:ktanguma@cityofsandyoaks.com) and let me know if you are interested in having them come to our city. Also, please email me with the location of known feral cat colonies so I can start mapping Sandy Oaks' feline residents. Feral cats serve to keep rodents, snakes and other varmints under control.

### City Marshal

The City Marshal is appointed and is currently a volunteer position. The city has appointed Mr. Jesse Gutierrez, a resident of the city and a Licensed Peace Officer with the City of Floresville. There is much to be done before the City Marshal Office is sanctioned by the State of Texas and most of the foundation work has been completed. The next step is to establish a physical location to house evidence and records. Once complete, an application for an agency code can be made. The role of the City Marshal will be to answer complaints, enforce ordinances, and keep the peace. Bexar County Sheriff's Office will continue to respond to calls within our city.

Regular City Council Meetings are scheduled for the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:30 PM at Braunig Lake RV Resort Meeting Hall, 13550 Donop Rd, Elmendorf, TX 78112

**Upcoming Meeting Dates (Las fechas de reuniones próximas) - March 10, April 14, May 12**

May 10, 2016 – One Year Anniversary – Event to be Announced

Council members serve 2-year terms. Places 1, 3, and 5 are elected in odd numbered years; the Mayor and Places 2 and 4 are elected in even numbered years.

Elections are held each November.

### Who are our City Council Members and how can you contact them?

Honorable Mayor	Micki Ball - mball@cityofsandyoaks.com
Alderman - Place 1	David Tremblay – dtremblay@cityofsandyoaks.com
Alderman - Place 2	Douglas Tomasini – dtomasini@cityofsandyoaks.com
Alderman - Place 3	Karen Tanguma - ktanguma@cityofsandyoaks.com
Alderman - Place 4	Melissa Matehuala - mmatehuala@cityofsandyoaks.com
Alderman - Place 5	BJ Gillespie - bjgilles@cityofsandyoaks.com
City Attorney	Kassahn & Ortiz - www.kassahnortiz.com
City Marshal	Jesse Gutierrez - Marshal@cityofsandyoaks.com
City Clerk	Charlotte Rabe – cityclerk@cityofsandyoaks.com

## Ordinances Passed which Assess Fees/Fines

**Vendors and Solicitors (2015-13):** License required for \$1,800. Applies to anyone who engages in a business on PUBLIC STREETS, SIDEWALKS, AND OTHER PUBLIC WAYS, and for such purposes, hires, leases, uses or occupies any stand, motor vehicle, tent, or from his or her person. A health permit is also required for the sale of food and beverage. A bond of not less than \$50,000 is required. Temporary licenses for special events are available for \$60. Exempt organizations are religious, non-profit, public or private schools, volunteer departments, and scouting organizations. Violations are not to exceed \$500.

**Health and Sanitation (2015-35):** Offenses include violation of rodent control through dumping of trash or refuse, and failure to keep property lines free of overgrown vegetation or accumulation of trash or refuse. Also, trash bins can only be placed 24 hours ahead of pick up and must be removed no later than 24 hours after pick up from the right of way. Also prohibited is the burning of household trash and hazardous waste. This does not include the burning of brush. This ordinance also addresses the licensing and fees related to food sales and health inspections. Each violation shall be punished by penalty of a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$1,000.00, with each day of offense being a separate offense.

**Sale or Storage of Fireworks (2016-36):** The sale and storage of fireworks carries a penalty not to exceed \$2,000.

**Animal Control (2016-37):** Animal nuisance, vaccination and identification, standards of care and conduct, prohibited actions. Violations will be deemed a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$2,000.

**Parking of Motor Vehicle in Public Right-of-Way Prohibited (2016-38):** Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of an offense and shall be liable for a fine not to exceed the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

**Prohibiting Littering and Improper Waste Disposal (2016-39):** An offense under this Ordinance is a Class C misdemeanor. Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of an offense and shall be liable for a fine not to exceed the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00). Each occurrence shall be deemed to be a separate violation. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

**Reckless Discharge of Firearms (2016-40):** Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.



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PO Box 828  
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**Bulk Trash Pick Up on March 19**  
**La basura a granel Pick Up el 19 de marzo**