

Leadership

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Commission Meetings

Commission Meetings are generally held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month (except in November and December). For full meeting schedule visit ci.alamogordo.nm.us.

Fireside Chats

FIRESIDE CHATS with the City Manager are held on the second Monday of each month. The next one will be **May 11, 2015** at 5:30 PM in the Southwest Room of the Alamogordo Public Library. Stop by and hear Jim chat about ongoing projects and answer your burning questions!



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CITY PROFILE

Message from the Mayor

April is designated as "The Month of the Military Child." I encourage you to show your support for military children and celebrate their resiliency despite the struggles they encounter due to the military lifestyle. All citizens are encouraged to wear purple on April 15, 2015 for "Purple Up for Military Kids." Purple symbolizes all branches of the US military, as it is the combination of Army green, Coast Guard blue, Air Force blue, Marine red, and Navy blue.

Additionally, I would like to recognize the individuals of our Retired and Senior Volunteers Program who have contributed over 121,000 hours of community service over the last year. Their volunteer efforts have contributed greatly to our community through: economic development, education, environment, faith, health and nutrition, human needs services and public safety. Be sure to celebrate all their hard work on April 17, 2015 for Senior Volunteer Day!

~ Mayor Susie Galea

Want daily updates on happenings around town? Scan the code and "Like" us on Facebook!



New Businesses

Increased economic development is a goal we all share and the city would like to recognize new business in Alamogordo. The following businesses were issued a license in March:

- AF Transport Services (575) 422-2598
- Alamo Computers (575) 491-0592
- Amanda Gallagher, LLC (575) 495-2411
- Auto Body Experts (915) 504-3686
- Big J's Property Maintenance (575) 551-6279
- Cook's Cleaning (575) 430-3939
- Diamondback Yardwork (575) 520-6203
- Elements Wellness & Beauty Center (575) 430-8706
- Free Cost Clothing, LLC (915) 838-5488
- Freedom Home Services (575) 495-5353
- Frontier, LLC (575) 921-5983
- Hair by Irene (575) 415-6925
- J-La's Salon (575) 640-5802
- JAM-ing Hot Dogs and More (575) 430-5098
- Jenny Coffey Counseling, LLC (804) 317-8767
- Johnny's Detail (575) 415-8434
- JT Lawn Care (575) 446-2587
- Keith's Custom Steam Cleaning (575) 415-8198
- Lady Luck (575) 437-0543
- Lydia Winiecki (575) 430-4576
- Massage by Shelby (575) 415-1959
- Midwest Finance (575) 434-8999
- Physical Therapy Melina Matz (575) 446-3955
- Premium Interior Solutions, LLC (575) 921-9118
- Pure Smoke Vape, LLC (884) 478-7376
- Sally's Nails (708) 602-7885
- Walter Parker Co, LLC (505) 246-6960

Annual Great American Cleanup

Join us at Washington Park on May 2, 2015 as we help make our parks cleaner and greener.

Our scope of work will include:

- Painting the pavilion (AHS Black and Gold initiative)
- Litter collection
- Tree planting (approx. 35 trees)

For more information, or to volunteer contact:

Erik Marion

Keep Alamogordo Beautiful Coordinator

(575) 439-4250

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Boards and Committees

The City of Alamogordo currently has ten active boards and committees which are all comprised of volunteer members from our community. Each board and committee acts in an advisory capacity to the City Commission, and the input received from each of them can be very essential to decisions made by the City Commission. We currently have vacancies and are accepting applications for the following: Airport Zoning Board (2), Alamogordo Disability Council (2), Cemetery Board (1), Community Development Advisory Committee (5), Senior Volunteer Programs Advisory Council (2), Housing Authority Board (1), and Parks and Recreation Board (1).

If you think you might be interested in voluntary service to any of these boards or committees, please call the city clerk's office at 439-4205 for further information.

Grief Recovery and Support

A new weekly Grief Recovery and Support Seminar is starting up in Alamogordo and is open to anyone in the community who has suffered the death of a loved one. The program, "GriefShare," is a 13-week seminar and support group designed to help people rebuild their lives, offering help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, partner, or friend.

Participants can come to all 13 sessions or just drop in to any of them. No RSVP is required, and the program is completely free. There is a workbook participants can purchase if they choose, as a supplement to the program.

GriefShare will be held on Thursday nights at 6:30pm, beginning March 12, at Christ Community Church, 2960 N. Scenic Drive, Alamogordo, in the Fellowship Hall. Participants do not have to be a member of the church or of any church. It is non-denominational and open to anyone who is hurting from the death of a loved one, whether the loss is recent or happened years ago.

The meetings consist of a half-hour DVD of professional grief counselors, followed by group discussion and hand-outs. Free childcare will also be provided. Call [\(702\) 682-2556](tel:702-682-2556) for more information.

White Sands Blvd Construction



The City of Alamogordo is replacing a water service line on WS Blvd. The outside northbound lane, southbound lane and center turn lane between 1st Street and 10th Street will be closed in one-block increments. Construction will last until June 2015.

Motorists are advised of the temporary traffic control and reduced speed limits that will be in place during construction and should use extreme caution in the project area and if possible should seek alternative routes.

Early Registration for Alamogordo Public Schools

Alamogordo Public Schools will hold early registration for elementary students on:

In-zone students—May 8, 11 & 12, 2015
Out-of-zone students—May 20, 2015

 Please remember to bring birth certificate, shot records and proof of residency.

For more information, please call 812-6000 or your child's school.



Water Restrictions Begin May 1, 2015

As part of the ongoing efforts to use water wisely, the water conservation ordinance will go into effect beginning May 1, 2015.



- Users with odd numbered addresses (street number ends in 1,3,5,7,9) may only water on Sunday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Users with even numbered addresses (street number ends in 0,2,4,6,8) may only water on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

All outdoor watering must take place before 9 a.m. and after 6 p.m., and watering is not permitted on Monday.

You will find a link to the entire WaterConservation Ordinance on the City's webpage.

https://www.municode.com/library/nm/alamogordo/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=PTIICOOR_CH28WASES EDI_ART28-03WA

Special Events

ARMED FORCES DAY CELEBRATION
SAT. MAY 16TH 8AM-6PM
WASHINGTON PARK
FOOD CARNIVAL
STATIC DISPLAYS
INTERACTIVE DISPLAYS
JOIN US IN HONORING OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

GUS MACKER
3 ON 3 BASKETBALL
WASHINGTON PARK
SAT. MAY 16TH
SUN. MAY 17TH
FOOD DJ
LIVE PERFORMANCES
REGISTER ONLINE AT: www.macker.com
HAVE A BALL!

FOURTH FRIDAYS
FREE ADMISSION GIVEAWAYS
MAY 22 6P-10P JULY 24
JUNE 26 AUG 28
LIVE MUSIC FOOD FUN
ALAMEDA PARK ZOO
54KEY Cool Country
Movie Under the Stars
FUNELICKS OUTDOOR MOVIES
FAMILY FRIENDLY MOVIES SHOWN EVERY FOURTH FRIDAY!!

Gardening Tip

From Becky at Lowe's Grocery Store:

Spring fever is contagious; everyone seems to be catching it. When planting, try to protect tender seedlings from possible cold fronts and harsh winds. Our weather, so far, has been warmer than last year's, but you never know what can happen from one day to the next. The mesquites are breaking dormancy, but they've been fooled before.

As you work your garden, remember to provide the basic needs for your plants: good soil, the proper amount of sunlight, and adequate water. These are all elements that we control, and in doing so, we can expect positive results, unless we are attacked by the terrorists of the garden world—tomato worms, gophers, rabbits, and roaming goats and horses.

Roses are putting on new foliage and flower buds, and they need some TLC. Lightly loosen the top inch of soil about eight inches from the trunk of the rose to about four inches past the outer spread of the branches, and spread about two inches of organic compost over the area. Water the compost to settle it, and then add a layer of mulch over the compost, keeping it approximately six inches away from the trunk. Deep water the rose, and then provide fertilization as needed as the season progresses.

For those who have been asking about red and yellow roses, I have ordered a lot of different ones, including gorgeous new color selections.

As the growing season starts, I want to wish all my gardening friends a beautiful, productive, and wonderful garden.

