

Special Events

Valentine's Dance and Chocolate Buffet
Join the Flickenger Center as they take over the Civic Center for a night of fun...

Big Band on the Rio Grande

Hot D'oeuvres

Chocolate Buffet

Cash Bar



Friday, February 14, 2014 at 7pm

Tickets \$60 per Couple, \$35 Individuals

FIRESIDE CHATS



With the City Manager are held on the second Monday of each month. The next one will be **February 10, 2014 at 5:30 PM** in the Southwest Room of the Alamogordo Public Library. See you there!



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CITY PROFILE

The Friendliest Place on Earth

Message from the Mayor

I want to wish everyone in the City a "Happy New Year".

Alamogordo continues down the path of seeing our desalination system come to fruition. We will begin phase three of the system this month. This phase involves the piping of the wellheads together up at the Snake Tanks site where the brackish water will come from. On January 16, Governor Susan Martinez and Lt. Governor John Sanchez will join the city in a ground breaking up at the Snake Tanks site. This marks a major milestone in the history of Alamogordo. We all saw what the Little Bear Fire did to the Bonito Lake and 15% of Alamogordo and Holloman's water supply. This constitutes a fire proof supply that will serve Alamogordo for now on. The City anticipates having this reverse osmosis water supply available by 2016.

The Washington/Pecan realignment is now a reality. The traffic signals will be in operation before or shortly after you read this. Before the end of the year, you will see Pecan extend into Fairgrounds Road. The City will extend Washington at 1st Street between the cemeteries and in front of the new elementary school and to Mountain View Middle School. There will be a new traffic signal at 1st and Washington to allow pedestrian and vehicle traffic to flow more smoothly than ever before. Beside these, the City has multiple construction projects planned. This is the year of orange barrels for Alamogordo. Please be careful and safe when driving near these construction sites. Slow down and give the construction workers your consideration to keep everyone safe.

-Robert Rentschler

Alamogordo Public Library



Teen Café Un-Valentine's-Day-Chocolate-Party, for grades 8 and up. Thursday, February 27, 5:30-7PM. Crafts, movie (Charlie and the Chocolate Factory), and LOTS AND LOTS of chocolate! For more information, call 439-4157. No charge, no pre-registration required.

Tweens Group- grades 4-7, will meet from 5:15-7 pm on Monday, January 27th; as this date is the birthday of author Lewis Carroll, we will watch the movie Alice in Wonderland while working on Alice-themed crafts, including picture frames, book marks, & book plates.

Recreation Services

Swimming Lessons

Session 8 - February 3 - February 26, 2014

Registration Begins January 29, 2014

Cost: \$30.75



Spring 2014 Pee-Wee Soccer

Ages 3 - 8

Registration Begins on January 29, 2014 @ 9:00

a.m.

Practice Begins: March 3, 2014

Season Begins: March 15, 2014

Season Ends: April 19, 2014

Desert Lakes Golf Course

Season Passes now on Sale!

- Annual Adult: \$930
- Annual 2 Adult: \$1,395
- Annual Senior: \$840
- Annual 2 Senior: \$1,255

Join us on February 20th at the 19th Hole for an Open House beginning at 5:30 pm

ELECTIONS 2014

An Election will be held in the City of Alamogordo on **Tuesday, March 4, 2014** for the purpose of :

- electing a Mayor At-Large;
- one (1) District 2 City Commissioner;
- one (1) District 4 City Commissioner and
- a Municipal Judge;
- One proposed Gross Receipts Tax Amendment question; and
- Two General Obligation Bond Questions



The election will be Citywide (Districts 1 through 6) and all ballots will contain the Mayor at large, Municipal Judge, Municipal Infrastructure Gross Receipts Tax amendment question, and two bond questions. Only in Districts 2 and 4 will the ballot contain a position for City Commissioner.

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REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION

To be eligible to vote in this Election, you must be a registered elector whose registered address is within the City Limits of Alamogordo. If you are not currently registered to vote, you must do so with the Otero County Clerk **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 4, 2014**. Since the registered voters within the boundaries of the districts elect the City Commissioners, it is particularly important for voters to be registered at the address where they presently reside. If you have moved since the time you registered to vote, you should change your voter registration to reflect your current address.

Absentee & Early Voting

Absentee voting on paper ballots through the mail will be available by contacting the office of the City Clerk. Absentee voting applications can be mailed beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 28, 2014, and Early Voting in person on electronic voting machines begins at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 12, 2014. Absentee voting on paper ballots and Early Voting on voting machines ends at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 28, 2014.

Absentee and Early Voting will be conducted in the Office of the City Clerk at City Hall, 1376 E. Ninth Street, during regular business hours, which are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **THERE WILL BE VOTING DURING THE NOON HOUR.**



Voting Convenience Centers

The polling places for **all** districts will be held at:

- Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center,
- Tays Special Events Center, and
- Otero County Fairgrounds.

Elected Officials

One **Mayor At-Large** (4-year term). The following are the candidates who have filed for the position in Alphabetical Order:

- Joe C. Ferguson
- Susie A. Galea
- Robert G. Rentschler
- Paul “Chez” Sanchez

Two **City Commissioners** (4-year term) for the districts listed below. The following are the candidates who have filed for the positions in Alphabetical Order:

District Two (2) –

- Nadia A. Sikes

District Four (4) –

- Keith Duncan
- Joshua W. Rardin
- Jennifer Ann Turnbull

Municipal Judge (4-year term). The following are the candidates who have filed for the position in Alphabetical Order:

- Christopher H. DeWitt
- Steven O. Lee
- Mike Rosales



Municipal Infrastructure Gross Receipts Tax Question

Shall the City of Alamogordo continue to impose one-eighth of one percent (0.125%) Municipal Infrastructure Gross Receipts Tax until December 31, 2020, with the revenues from the tax being dedicated for economic development purposes?

FOR continuation of the tax

AGAINST continuation of the tax

General Obligation Bond Questions

A. Shall the City of Alamogordo, New Mexico, be authorized to issue its general obligation bonds, in one series or more, in an amount not exceeding \$10,500,000 for the following purposes, said bonds to be payable from general (ad valorem) taxes (except to the extent other moneys are available therefore), and to bear interest and mature and to be issued upon such terms and conditions as the City Commission may determine:

1. Shall the City of Alamogordo issue up to \$6,000,000 of general obligation bonds, to be repaid from property taxes, for the purpose of building, beautifying, improving, acquiring, constructing, equipping and improving land and buildings for public parks and related recreational facilities? (Project Includes: A family recreation center to be located at [Site 8, Mesa Village])

FOR Parks & Related Recreational Facilities General Obligation Bonds

AGAINST Parks & Related Recreational Facilities General Obligation Bonds

2. Shall the City of Alamogordo issue up to \$4,500,000 of general obligation bonds, to be repaid from property taxes, to construct, repair, and otherwise improve streets and bridges?

(Project Includes: Realign and reconstruct the intersection of Florida Avenue and 1st Street)

FOR Streets and Bridges General Obligation Bonds

AGAINST Streets & Bridges General Obligation Bonds

Non Resident Voting for G.O. Bond Question

A registered, nonresident municipal elector means any person who on the date of election, is a qualified, registered elector of Otero County but who is a resident of that portion of Otero County which is outside of the Alamogordo city limits, who has paid a property tax on property located within the City of Alamogordo during the year preceding the election and who has timely registered with the City Clerk of Alamogordo his or her intention to vote at the general obligation bond election by filing with the office of the City Clerk of Alamogordo a certificate of eligibility announcing his or her intention to vote at such election on the question of creating municipal debt. **A nonresident municipal elector must file a certificate of eligibility with the City Clerk on or after Friday, January 3, 2014, but no later than Tuesday, February 18, 2014 to be eligible to vote.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact City Clerk, Reneé Cantin, CMC at 575-439-4205 or rcantin@ci.alamogordo.nm.us