

## Mayor's Message

By Mayor Chris Riley

**Mission Statement:** The City of Leon Valley is committed to protecting the quality of life, safety, and liberty of all its citizens while prioritizing fiscal responsibility, resiliency, sustainability, and economic development.

*Leon Valley City Council, March, 2024*

### NOVEMBER 4TH ELECTION

There are important ballot measures for citizens of Leon Valley to vote on November 4th:

#### **I. County Referendum:**

**Bexar County Proposition A** to fund \$192 million for Frost Bank Center/ Freeman Coliseum/ Rodeo improvements. This would allow the Stock Show & Rodeo to expand to a 12-month operation; and **Bexar County Proposition B** which would fund up to \$311 million towards a new Spurs arena (if arena costs \$1.5 billion or more) or 25% of cost of arena (if arena costs \$1 billion or less).

Voters will be asked to approve a 2% tax on hotel rooms. Current rate is 1.75%; for a \$200 hotel room, the tax would grow by 50 cents from \$3.50 to \$4.00. Car rental tax of 5 % will also be charged for this venue tax. It is primarily a visitors' tax, not a sales tax or homeowners property tax. *This tax can only be used for venues.* This tax **cannot** be used to fund roads/sidewalks, help with

utility bills or build homes for the unsheltered. Total projected value is \$503 million (subject to change). Please note: *Project Marvel is not a Bexar County project but is the City of San Antonio's initiative* to build a new Spurs arena, expand the Convention Center, and include other projects in the downtown area.

#### **II. 17 State Constitutional Amendments**

During the legislative session, a joint resolution was approved by at least two-thirds of the Texas House and Senate to place these constitutional propositions for vote by the citizens. Due to limited space, please refer to the San Antonio League of Women Voters website at [www.lwvsa.org](http://www.lwvsa.org) for a non-partisan explanation of the pros and cons of each proposition. The League also has a feature on their website, 411, that will inform you of what you will be voting on in November, based on your address.

**Early Voting begins on October 20th and ends on October 31st. Last day to register to vote in the November 4th election is October 6th (must be post-**



**marked). Last day to apply for Ballot by Mail is Friday, October 24th**

### **THE ROAD TO THE 2026 CITY BUDGET**

( Fiscal Year: 10/1/ 2025–  
9/30/26 )

One of the major responsibilities of the city council is to set the property tax rate, which generates ad valorem taxes to help pay for all the city services you receive (police, fire, EMS, public works, library, parks, court, city administration, code enforcement) from the General Fund. Ad Valorem taxes fund 40%, Sales Tax revenues fund 27% and Licenses, Permits and fees fund 11% of the General Fund budget.

In February and March of this year, Council was presented with the Capital plan needs (e.g., patrol cars, IT server, etc.) for the General

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Fund and Enterprise Fund (Leon Valley Water company). After the May election, the council began to review the preliminary budget with the manager. At the June 6th council meeting, the FY 26 budget showed a \$1.3 million deficit when applying the FY 25 tax rate of \$.484 cents per \$100 valuation. One contributing factor was a \$46 million decrease from Bexar Appraisal District (BAD) market value for 2025 over tax year 2024. Ad Valorem tax revenues also decreased (\$167,979) due to declines in apartment complex values, even though the average home value increased by \$6,594. On June 19th, the council met in a special meeting to continue to discuss the budget. The manager cut \$951,331 more, presenting council with a deficit of approximately \$400,000. The Council had another budget meeting on July 1st with the manager presenting further cuts, with the deficit now at \$200,000, at the .484 tax rate of FY 2025.

At the August 5th council meeting, the city finally received its no-new revenue rate from BAD for FY 2026, which was \$.505 per \$100 valuation. The no-new revenue rate is calculated by BAD to bring in approximately the same tax revenue as last year. Unfortunately, this was not the case. When applying the \$.505 rate to the proposed budget, the city still had a deficit of \$47,214. The council directed the manager to increase the tax rate by a full penny to \$.515, which erased the deficit and gave a surplus of \$64,000. This tax increase would equate to approximately \$98 more per year on average home valued at \$230,391 (FY 25: \$1,088.83 to

FY26: \$1,186.61).

At the August 19th council meeting the Council directed the manager to reallocate the \$64,000 surplus to pay for a mass notification system for our city, fire department repairs, and park maintenance, leaving \$15,266 to the general fund reserve.

Council also awarded the employee medical, dental and life insurance contract to Gallagher Benefits, a 7.4% increase from the year before. This benefit pays \$908.54 per employee. There was no cost-of-living increase given, but instead an average increase of 2.7% to bring our dedicated employees to the average salary in the area.

On September 2nd, when the tax rate of \$.515 was ready to be approved, the city manager informed the Council of a pending bill in the special legislative session – SB 10 – which would cap the council's ability in the future to raise the tax rate at no more than 1% (currently it is at 3.5%) without voter approval. The Council heard from citizens at the meeting about the need for hiring more firefighters. Concerned about the inability to raise taxes in future years for these firefighters, the Council directed the manager to adjust the tax rate of \$.515 to \$.545, generating an additional \$347,483 more in ad valorem taxes to hire 3 firefighters (one per shift). The average property tax increase for the homeowner would be \$169.30. However, after directing the city manager to increase the tax rate, **the legislature adjourned the special session the next day without passing this bill, so the 1% cap is not in effect.** As of the

time of writing this article, the Council will meet on September 16th and 20th to finalize the tax rate. Whichever tax rate the Council decides, the budget will be balanced. Since this report precedes the council's actions, I would encourage everyone to go online to look at the detailed budget at [www.leonvalleytexas.gov](http://www.leonvalleytexas.gov). Thank you to City Manager Caldera, Finance Director Carol Goering and all department heads for all their work on the FY 26 budget. This has been one of the most challenging budget processes I have experienced.

### **BANDERA ROAD CORRIDOR UPDATE**

An update was given in July by project manager, Jeremy McGahan, from Halff & Associates to Councilwoman Gavito, myself and our staff. *The preferred alternative is still the At-Grade Parkway concept (adding an additional lane in each direction) with reductions of available left turns to reduce congestion (R-CUTS).* Additionally, 10 foot protected bicycle and pedestrian lanes on both sides of Bandera Road from 410 to 1604 will be added for safety and connectivity to the neighborhoods and businesses. We started this project as a collaboration between City of Leon Valley, City of San Antonio and TXDOT in 2018.

The following are the *extended tentative timelines* for the project: Environmental Clearance from EPA is ongoing and is estimated to be completed in 2026; Right-of-Way (ROW) acquisition will continue for 2-3 years, (paid by TXDOT); Detailed Design – 90% of schematic completed; Utility

Relocation 2027- 2nd Qtr. 2029. The 1st Phase of Construction has been delayed, due to lack of funding, from the original date of 2028 to an estimated 10 years away. The construction is still planned to be phased in on Bandera Road with the southern end to be built first. (Loop 410 to Guilbeau). This project is listed in the TXDOT's 10-year Project Prioritization, with future funding yet to be identified through the Metropolitan Planning Organization. The good news is the project will be "shovel ready", meaning all elements of the project have been completed, except for funding.

A public meeting was held in February 2025 at the Leon Valley Community & Conference Centers with 145 people in attendance. Over 800 comments were received online. Support for the R-CUTS, connectivity with the Shared Use Paths (SUP), and driveway closures were noted. Continued con-

cerns with traffic and displacement of local businesses were listed. There are no businesses in Leon Valley which will be impacted due to ROW displacements. There are 3 businesses in the City of San Antonio which will be impacted by ROW. An additional 9 properties were saved by reconfiguring the ROW along the corridor. I have invited TXDOT to the annual Town Hall meeting on January 24, 2026, to give our citizens an opportunity to ask questions and see the schematic of what the corridor will look like.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, October 26th - Coffee with Mayor and City Council from 9-11 am at the Conference Center. This is an opportunity for the Council to hear from our citizens about any concern, suggestion, improvement or compliment you may have!

Monday, December 1st – Annu-

al Christmas Tree Lighting in the park area in front of Conference/Community Center, beginning at 6 p.m. Please help bring in the start of the holiday season in Leon Valley. Donating a non-perishable item to the San Antonio Food Bank will be available.

On behalf of the city council and myself, best wishes for a Happy and Safe Thanksgiving to all citizens, businesses and staff. We have a lot to be thankful for.

**Please note:** the Friday following every City Council meeting, I have been writing a Letter to the Leon Valley Citizens summarizing the meeting to keep you informed of what's happening in our city. It is posted on ENEWS and the city's website.

Anxiously awaiting the first cool front!

**Sincerely, Chris**

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## Leon Valley Night Out Building Community, One Porch Light at a Time

On the first Tuesday of October, neighborhoods across Leon Valley are urged to celebrate this community-building campaign that seeks to build strong partnerships between neighbors and first responders that serve the community. From 06:00-9:00 p.m. neighbors are encouraged to lock their doors, turn on their porch lights and step outside to enjoy block parties, cookouts and gatherings that strengthen community bonds.

Your participation is integral to keeping our community connected through open communication. This is more than just an event- it is an opportunity to show that

Leon Valley stands together to create safe, caring neighborhoods.

### How to Participate:

- Host a block party, barbeque or neighborhood gathering.
- Register your event with the City of Leon Valley so first responders and city leaders can make every effort to stop by and visit (Link on City website).
- Use this opportunity to get to know your neighbors, share safety tips, voice concerns and build trust that lasts.

Let's work together to make this year's Leon Valley Night Out the best yet.

-Lt. Kasey Tucker



## CITY CODE FAQ

### What is considered an overgrown yard?

Grass or weeds taller than **12 inches** are considered overgrown. Once reported, the property owner has **10 days** to correct the violation.

*Sec. 6.03.005 – Notice to Remove*

### Do I have to remove a dead tree?

Yes. Dead trees are a violation of city ordinance because they are considered a **public nuisance and fire hazard**.

*Sec. 6.03.002 – Prohibited Conditions; Penalty*

### Who is responsible for maintaining alleyways and easements?

Property owners are responsible for keeping their **alleyways and easement areas clear** of debris, vegetation, and obstructions.

*Sec. 14.07.002 – Maintenance; Obstructions*

### Can I keep a trailer, camper, or RV in my front yard?

No. Vehicles must be parked in a **driveway, garage, or carport**—not in the front or side yard.

*Sec. 12.03.052 – Parking in Front or Side Yard*

### Can I park a broken-down vehicle in the street?

No. Wrecked, damaged, or inoperable vehicles may not be left on **any street, alley, or right-of-way**.

*Sec. 12.03.002 – Parking Damaged or Junked Vehicle on Street or Right-of-Way*

### Can I leave my vehicle, trailer, camper, or RV parked on the street long-term?

No. Vehicles may not remain parked for more than **48 hours** without being moved. Campers and trailers must be **attached to a vehicle** to be legally parked on the street.

*Sec. 12.03.003 – Parking for Longer than 48 Hours*

### Can a vehicle block a driveway?

No. Vehicles may not block or impede access to any public or private driveway.

*Sec. 12.03.004 – Blocking Driveway*

### Can I park in my driveway if my vehicle hangs over the sidewalk by a few inches?

No. Vehicles may not block or obstruct a sidewalk, even partially.

*Parking so that your car extends onto the sidewalk is a violation under Texas Transportation Code § 545.302, which prohibits parking on sidewalks.*

### Can people run a business from their home?

Residents may invite guests as they wish. However, if the property is being used for **commercial activity** (e.g., advertised online), home occupation regulations apply.

*Sec. 15.02.315 – Home Occupations*

### What if visitors arrive in junked vehicles?

The city does not regulate the **appearance of visitors' vehicles**. Residents may have guests regardless of the type of car they drive.

### Can the city tow my neighbor's junk vehicle?

Yes, if it meets the legal definition of a junk vehicle:

- Wrecked, dismantled, discarded, or inoperable; and
- Inoperable for 72+ hours on public property, or **30+ days** on private property.

Vehicles with expired plates may also qualify if they meet these conditions.

*Article 8.08 – Junked Vehicles*

### How many pets can a household have?

For most residential lots under one acre:

- Up to **4 dogs or 4 cats** (or a combination of 4 total).
- No more than **2 unsterilized animals**.
- A total of **6 animals maximum**, including cats, dogs, rabbits, fowl, or other approved pets.

*Sec. 2.01.013 – Maximum Number of Animals*

### Can pets be kept outside all the time?

Yes, if owners provide:

- Adequate food, fresh water, and exercise
- Shelter and shade appropriate for the animal
- Veterinary care when needed

*Sec. 2.01.002 – General Regulations for Animal Care*

### Can a dog be tied up in the yard?

Yes, but only if the tether is:

- At least 10 feet long or 5 times the dog's body length (whichever is greater)
- Light enough not to cause injury or discomfort

*Sec. 2.01.002 – General Regulations for Animal Care*

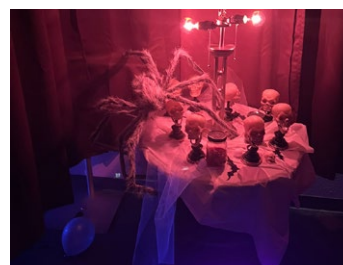
### What if a neighbor's dog barks constantly?

Excessive barking can be a violation. An **animal noise nuisance** is defined as continuous noise for at least **10 minutes within one hour**, audible 100 yards away or inside a nearby home.

*Sec. 2.01.003 – Animal Nuisances*



## 3rd Annual Haunted House at the Leon Valley Public Library



Get ready for a not-too-scary good time at the Leon Valley Public Library! Our Haunted House is perfect for all ages — spooky decorations, silly scares, and lots of treats (and a few tricks).



📅 Date: October 21<sup>st</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, & 30<sup>th</sup>

🕒 Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm

📅 Date: October 25<sup>th</sup>

🕒 Time: 11:30am - 2:30pm

📅 Date: October 31<sup>st</sup>

🕒 Time: 1:30pm - 5:30pm

✨ FREE • Family-Friendly • Come in Costume!

Walk through at your own pace, snap pictures, and stick around for Halloween crafts and candy.

# Oak Wilt – Know Before You Trim!

Have you seen the dead and dying Oak trees along Evers Road and in the Monte Robles Park neighborhoods? These trees died from oak wilt, and it can spread rapidly. Early detection & prompt action are essential for successful management of oak wilt. The specific measures taken depend on several circumstances but should include appropriate combinations of the following:

## Prevent New Infections

- ! Cut and dispose of diseased red oaks immediately
- ! Avoid wounding oak trees, including pruning, from February through June
- ! Sterilize/sanitize all pruning equipment between trees and paint all wounds and fresh stumps regardless of season
- ! Handle oak firewood cautiously, burn all firewood before spring, and never store unseasoned oak wood from infected trees near healthy oaks
- ! Cover unseasoned firewood (from infection centers and unknown origins) with clear plastic and bury the edges of the plastic
- ! Infected red oaks that die in late summer, fall or early winter should be cut down & either burned, buried, or chipped soon after discovery to prevent fungal mats that may form on these trees the following spring
- ! If not possible, infected trees should be injected with herbicide

or deeply girdled with an ax and stripped of all bark 2 to 3 ft above the soil line.

- ! Drying of the wood before spring



discourages formation of fungal mats.

- ! All wounding of Oaks (including pruning) should be avoided from February through June
- ! The least hazardous periods for pruning are during the coldest days in winter and extended hot periods in mid- to late summer

Regardless of season, all pruning cuts or other wounds to oak trees, including freshly-cut stumps and damaged surface roots, should be treated immediately with paint to prevent exposure to contaminated insect vectors. Any type of paint (latex, oil-based, spray-on, brush-on, or wound dressing) will suffice.



Transporting unseasoned firewood from diseased red oaks is a potential means of spreading the oak wilt fungus. Oak wilt can't be transmitted by burning infected firewood; however, fungal mats may form on unseasoned oak firewood in storage.

Presently, no vectors have been proven to transmit the fungus from live oaks to other oak trees, but



diseased wood from any oak species should never be stored near healthy oak trees unless precautions are taken.

It is best to purchase wood that has been thoroughly dried for at least one full year. If firewood from diseased trees is stored near healthy oak trees, it should be covered with clear plastic with the edges buried to prevent insects from leaving the pile

Trees cannot get oak wilt from the smoke of burning diseased wood - the fungus that causes oak wilt is very heat sensitive. The problem with

firewood is the potential for storing contaminated wood. If the wood came from an oak wilt center and has fungal mats, then the beetles visit the fungal mats & fly off & infect the



healthy trees in your yard. The best precaution is to always buy well-seasoned firewood

If you cut down infected oaks, cover the wood with a clear plastic for one year - this will ensure that the fungus is killed by the summer heat. Once the wood has dried out to the point



where the bark is falling off & the wood is cracked, then the fungus that causes oak wilt is no longer viable (alive).

For more information on Oak Wilt please contact: <https://texasoakwilt.org/>

## **FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY**

**The Leon Valley City Council recently adopted the following ordinances:**

**Ordinance No. 2025-15** - An ordinance of the City of Leon Valley, TX., City Council granting a Specific Use Permit to allow construction and operation of a Telecommunication Antennae/Tower in a B-3 Commercial Zoning District, located at 6004 Grissom Road; and more specifically described as Lot 4, CB 5955, Leon Valley Ranches Subdivision – Adopted 08-05-2025

**Ordinance No. 2025-16** - An ordinance of the City of Leon Valley, TX., City Council amending the Leon Valley Code of Ordinances Chapter 15, "Zoning," Appendix C. Sustainability, Gateway, and Commercial/Industrial Overlay District Standards to delete the Sustainability and Commercial/Industrial Overlay Districts. Revisions to Article 15.02 Zoning Ordinance, Sec. 15.02.052, "Definitions", Sec. 15.02.301, "Districts", Sec. 15.02.304 "Description and Purpose of Districts"; Sec. 15.02.305 "Regulation for all Districts"; Sec. 15.02.314 "Residential Use Table"; amending Sec. 15.02.318 "PD Planned Development District" to a different section; and deleting Sec. 15.02.318 "MX-1 Mixed Use District"; amending Sections 15.02.319 "O-1 Office District", Sec. 15.02.320 "B-1 Small Business District", Sec. 15.02.321 "B-2 Retail District", Sec. 15.02.322 "B-3 Commercial District", and Sec. 15.02.323 "I-1 Industrial District" to add landscaping and lighting requirements; amending Sec. 15.02.324 Table of Minimum Requirements to add the R-7 District; amending Sec. 15.02.381 "Permitted Use Table" to delete the Sustainability and Commercial/Industrial Overlay Districts; amending Sec. 15.02.441 "Parking Regulations" to add landscaping regulations and add bicycle parking – Adopted 08-05-2025

**Ordinance No. 2025-17** - An ordinance of the City of Leon Valley, TX., City Council amending the City of Leon Valley's Code of Ordinances to change the rules for giving notice about public meetings under the Texas Open Meetings Act - Adopted 08-19-2025

**Ordinance No. 2025-18** - An ordinance of the City of Leon Valley, TX., City Council closing, vacating, and abandoning Samaritan Drive - Adopted 08-19-2025

**Ordinance No. 2025-19** - An ordinance of the City of Leon Valley, TX., City Council granting an amendment to Ordinance No. 2024-25 for a request for a one year extension to the approved Specific Use Permit (SUP) for the construction of a church and learning center on an approximately 2.75 acre tract of vacant land, zoned B-3 Commercial District with Commercial/Industrial Overlay Zoning, located at 5307 Wurzbach Road, being the replat of Rollingwood Ridge Subdivision, Lots 24 and 25 and Rollingwood Estates Unit 1 Subdivision the West 250' of Lot 5, County Block 9904, establishing Lot 30R - Adopted 08-19-2025

**Ordinance No. 2025-20** - An ordinance of the City of Leon Valley, TX., City Council amending Ordinance Chapter 4 Business Regulations, Article 4.14 Short Term Rental to include a definition for Block Face, and amending Appendix A Fee Schedule, increasing the registration fee to \$200 - Adopted 08-19-2025

**To view these ordinances in their entirety, as well as other City documents, please visit our [Documents Library](#). You may also contact City Secretary Passailaigue at 210-684-1391 ext. 216 or by email at [s.pass@leonvalleytexas.gov](mailto:s.pass@leonvalleytexas.gov)**





## Seasonal Safety in Leon Valley

As we enter fall and the holiday season begins, our community's routines change, bringing both excitement and new safety concerns. By working together, we can help to protect area children, homes and businesses while strengthening the bonds that make Leon Valley such a special place to live and work.

### October – Halloween & Fall Festivities

#### Children

- Bright costumes with reflective tape or glow sticks for visibility.
- Walk in groups, stay on sidewalks, avoid unlit homes.
- Never enter a stranger's home or vehicle.

#### Parents/Homeowners

- Keep walkways lit and clutter-free for trick-or-treaters.

- Inspect candy before allowing children to eat.
- Be alert for identity theft scams that use "holiday promotions" or fake charities.

#### Businesses

- Keep parking lots well-lit; check security cameras.
- Monitor for counterfeit bills, especially in evening sales.
- Lock back/side doors during busy hours and remind employees about safety when closing late.

#### Community & Police Awareness

- Report suspicious vehicles or persons circling neighborhoods.
- Increase awareness of traffic safety with higher pedestrian activity.
- Stay vigilant for DUI incidents tied to Halloween parties.

### November – Thanksgiving & Early Shopping

#### Children

- Use safe routes when walking or biking home after dark (Daylight Savings).
- Talk to teens about safe, sober driving during football games and gatherings.
- Avoid sharing personal information online when using new apps or games.

#### Parents/Homeowners

- Use timers on lights if traveling; Request patrol by from the PD to check your home.
- Plan for secure package deliveries (lockers, trusted neighbor, or signature required).
- Be cautious of phone/email scams posing as delivery companies.

#### Businesses

- Vary cash deposit times; reduce cash kept on premises.
- Train staff to spot distraction thefts (teams of shoplifters).
- Protect customer data from phishing emails and Wi-Fi breaches.

#### Community & Police Awareness

- Expect increased traffic; drive defensively during travel weekends.
- Watch for parking lot thefts during Black Friday sales.
- Support neighbors who may be vulnerable to scams targeting seniors.

### December – Holiday Celebrations & Year-End

#### Children

- Stay close to parents in crowded events or shopping centers.
- Remind teens about safe driving and avoiding impaired driving situations.
- Warn against online predators in gaming/chat apps seeking "holiday friendships."

#### Parents/Homeowners

- Don't showcase gifts in windows or post travel plans online.
- Shred receipts and packaging to prevent identity theft.
- Use caution with charitable donations—verify organizations first.

#### Businesses

- Add extra staff during peak hours for safety and customer service.
- Review robbery prevention and emergency procedures with staff.
- Watch for credit card skimmers and online fraud attempts.

#### Community & Police Awareness

- Stay aware of increased DUI risks from holiday parties—plan safe rides.
- Report suspicious persons around homes, churches, or businesses.
- Help keep Leon Valley safe by checking on neighbors who may be alone for the holidays.



## Big Rig Petting Zoo Returns November 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am

Join us on Tuesday, November 25, from 9:00–11:30 AM at Raymond Rimkus Park for this hands-on, family-favorite event. Kids can climb on and in real fire trucks, police cars, public works vehicles, and more.

Meet the crews, honk a horn or two, and snap all the photos you want.

Free • Family-Friendly • Outdoors

📍 Raymond Rimkus Park | 🕒 9:00–11:30 AM | No registration required

💡 Pro tips: bring ear protection for little ears, bring water, and wear closed-toe shoes.

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# Sharing Hope: Easing Burdens



*By Lt. Kasey Tucker*

The holiday season should be a time of joy and celebration, but for some families, it can also bring worry, hardship, and difficult choices. As a young officer serving this city many years ago, I once had to decide between buying gifts for my children or paying the rent and utilities. I chose responsibility-believing my kids would learn the value of sacrifice. I explained to them that Christmas would be simple that year, without gifts under the tree.

But on Christmas morning, to my surprise, an officer arrived at our door with gifts for my children-without me knowing. The relief and gratitude I felt, along with the joy on their faces, are memories I will never forget. That was many

years ago, before Leon Valley began its own Blue Santa project. My children, now grown, still remember that year vividly. In fact, my daughter now volunteers each season to help with Blue Santa, paying forward the kindness we once received.

## How Blue Santa Works

- **Boot Drives on Bandera Road-** Officers collect donations at intersections throughout the season. Every dollar raised goes directly to helping local children.
- **Toys and Gifts for All Ages-** Blue Santa makes sure no child is left out, including teenagers, who are often overlooked. Art supplies, crafts, books and gift cards help fill the gaps.
- **Specialized Gifts-** Officers work with families to provide meaningful alternatives for children with developmental delays or autism, ensuring every child feels included.
- **Monetary Donations-** Contributions allow officers to purchase specific gifts when needs aren't met through toy drives.
- **Helping Families Apply-** if you know a family in need, please guide them to the Blue Santa application process on the City website so they can be considered for assistance.

### Why Your Support Matters

When you donate to Blue Santa, you are doing more than providing toys- you are giving a parent peace of mind, showing a child they are not forgotten, and creating memories that last a lifetime.

This season, I invite you to be part of this tradition of compassion and community. Together, we can ensure that every child in Leon Valley feels the joy of the holidays.

To donate, guide a family to the application process or have any questions, please visit the City of Leon Valley Website (<https://www.leonvalleytexas.gov/police/page/blue-santa-project>) or contact the Leon Valley Police Department Blue Santa Project by emailing: [bluesanta@leonvalleytexas.gov](mailto:bluesanta@leonvalleytexas.gov).





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## Community Relations

Crystal Miranda, Director  
210-684-1391, x 228

## CITY MEETINGS

All meetings at City Hall unless otherwise specified. All meetings subject to change due to Covid-19

### City Council

1st & 3rd Tuesday - 6:30 p.m.

### Board Of Adjustment

Meets as required

### Citizens Police Advisory Committee

Quarterly, 3rd Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.

### Coffee with the Mayor

Quarterly, 4th Saturday - 9 -11 a.m.

### Earthwise Living Committee

2nd Wednesday -

5:45 p.m. City Hall

### Economic and Community

### Development Advisory Committee

Meets as needed

### Library Board

2nd Thursday - 5:30 p.m. - Library

### Park Commission

2nd Thursday - 6:00 p.m. -

Conference Center

### Planning & Zoning Commission

4th Tuesday - 6:30 p.m.

## CITY NUMBERS

Keep these numbers handy

**Emergency Number for POLICE, FIRE and EMS** 911

### City Web Site Address

[www.leonvalleytexas.gov](http://www.leonvalleytexas.gov)

**City Hall** 210-684-1391

### Animal Control &

**Code Compliance** 210-684-6557

**Non-Emergency** 210-684-8897

**Fire** 210-684-3219

**Police** 210-684-3215

**Human Resources** 210-684-1391

### Dead Animal

**Pickup** 210-684-6557

**Public Works** 210-681-1232

**Library** 210-684-0720

**Tiger Sanitation** 210 333-4287

### Community Center

**Rental** 210-684-1391 ext. 228

City Hall, non-emergency Police and Fire operations may be contacted at the above numbers Monday - Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed weekends and holidays.

Public Works Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

