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Municipal Court 830-257-2388

Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library 830-257-8422

Cailloux Theater 830-896-9393

Police Department 830-257-8181

Utility Billing 830-258-1504





# City of Kerrville e-newsletter

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An 'Out of this world' experience







Thousands of visitors flocked to Kerrville April 8 to celebrate the solar eclipse and the Kerrville Eclipse Festival at Louise Hays Park. The City of Kerrville would like to extend our sincerest gratitude to all who visited us for this once-in-a-lifetime event. The Kerrville Eclipse Festival, presented by James Avery Artisan Jewelry, was a huge success thanks to the multi-year pre-planning by the Parks and Recreation Department, Public Safety, other city departments, and many others involved in the planning process. The event included eclipse viewing, NASA speakers, yoga led by Humbling Bloom, live music from Judah & the Lion, vendors, and science-related programming.

## **LAST MONTH IN REVIEW:**

## City of Kerrville recognized as U.S. Best-in-Class Employer

The City of Kerrville participated in Gallagher's 2023 U.S. Benefits Strategy & Benchmarking Survey and was identified as an organization that excelled in implementing successful strategies for managing people and programs. Kerrville

was recognized for its comprehensive framework for strategically investing in benefits, compensation and employee communication to support the health, financial security and career growth of its employees at a sustainable cost structure.

Designations like Gallagher's Best-in-Class Employer help current and potential employees understand and appreciate an organization's workplace culture and people strategy - important differentiators as employers compete for talent in today's labor market.

Gallagher (NYSE:AJG), a global insurance brokerage, risk management and consulting services firm, is headquartered in Rolling Meadows, III. Gallagher provides these services in approximately



City earns Best-In-Class Employer award

130 countries around the world through its owned operations and a network of correspondent brokers and consultants

## **KAYLA** visits the library

Kerrville Area Youth Leadership Academy (KAYLA) members toured the Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library Thursday,



KAYLA visits the library

April 11, while visiting with Library Director Danielle Brigati and Assistant Library Director Diane Miller. Brigati and Miller also gave the KAYLA members a tour of the Kerr Regional History Center, which stands just west of the library and is part of the library campus.

KAYLA's goal is to develop youth leaders committed to learning about local government, and to provide an overview of the complexity and variety of opportunities available through public service.

Pictured are, from left, Assistant Library Director Diane Miller, KAY-LA members Jonah Moreno, Autumn Atkinson, Callie Waiser and Una Peterson, and Library Director Danielle Brigati.

#### Kindness, recognitions and proclamations

Kerrville Mayor Judy Eychner issued two Kerrville Kindness Awards, two proclamations and three recognitions at the April 23 city council meeting.

## Thank you for your service

Mayor Eychner joined with Kerrville Fire Chief Eric Maloney to recognize former KFD Lt. Mitchell Ray for his 39 years of service to the City of Kerrville. Ray, who joined the KFD in 1985, retired from the department earlier this year.

#### **Kerrville Kindness Award**

Mayor Eychner presented a Kerrville Kindness Award to Light on the Hill for its assistance to the city during the April 8 solar eclipse.



Former KFD member recognized

Light on the Hill at Mount Wesley provided almost one thousand free meals to first responders over a three-day period during the eclipse event. Light on the Hill's 70 volunteers prepped breakfast, lunch and dinner for first responders and provided meals on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, April 6, 7 and 8. Volunteers began at 4 a.m. each morning preparing meals to go, which were picked up three times a day and delivered to area public safety command centers.

Light on the Hill also provided free lodging for first responders who came from out of town to assist in emergency planning for the eclipse.



Light on the Hill earns Kindness Award

Light on the Hill members pictured with Mayor Eychner include, from left, Izzy Massey, Sara Mayfield, Jerry Lewis, Jennifer Gibson, Carol Williams, Tina Box, Joy Thomas, Beth Palmer, Joseph Foyt, Marquetta Pitts, Robert Ullrich, Laura Shrader, Cara Hulen, and Dee Ann Foley.

#### **Kerrville Kindness Award**

Mayor Eychner presented a Kerrville Kindness Award to the Texas Department of Public Transportation for its assistance to the city during the April 8 solar eclipse.



**TXDOT receives Kindness Award** 

McCall, and Kerrville Fire Chief Eric Maloney.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) joined in planning for the solar eclipse with the City of Kerrville and other local agencies at the very beginning and was instrumental in obtaining material resources, funding for contract labor services, and assistance from local TXDOT staff to prepare for and work the event. TXDOT's proactive approach helped assure a safe and successful eclipse experience for residents and visitors alike.

Pictured with Mayor Eychner are, from left, TXDOT's Robert Madrigal, Dale Picha and Andres Gonzalez, City of Kerrville Executive Director of Public Works Stuart Barron, Kerrville Police Chief Chris

## **April proclaimed Fair Housing Month**

Mayor Eychner proclaimed April as Fair Housing Month with the help of seven local realtors. Joining Eychner for the proclamation were, from left, Monica Bird (Vision Hill Country), Koy Coffer (Century 21), Ladena Odom (Rooted Tree Consulting and Development), Dorys Prentice (Fore Premier Properties), Shelby Kocurek (Keller Williams), Coby Byerly (Keller Williams) and Ardie Vargas (Keller Williams).

#### **Proclamation recognizes Mount Wesley**

Mayor Eychner issued a proclamation recognizing Mt. Wesley as an integral part of Kerrville's history. Mt. Wesley has for years served



**April is Fair Housing Month** 

as the main conference and retreat center for the Southwest Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. The center is now under the vision and supervision of the First United Methodist Church of Kerrville. It has been re-purposed and a wonderful renewal has taken place in the form of outreach ministries. It has been renamed "Mt. Wesley – The

Light on the Hill" and today is an important and viable part of Kerrville by serving the people of the community and having a positive impact.

Pictured with Mayor Eychner are Mt. Wesley residents (from left) Kathy Cicconi, Linda Stone, Evelyn Hickey, and Linda Bullard.

## Animal Regulation Review Committee recognized

Mayor Eychner issued a Resolution of Commendation to (from left)



**Animal Regulation Review Committee** 

Kerr County Animal Services Director Reagan



Mount Wesley neighborhood recognized

Givens, Kerrville Pets Alive President Karen Guerriero, and Kerrville Convention and Visitors Bureau Coordinator Leslie Jones for their contributions to the Animal Regulation Review Committee. The committee has been instrumental in updating and amending the City of Kerrville's Animal Ordinance.

## KAYLA members recognized

Mayor Eychner recog-

nized the 2023-24 Kerrville Youth Leadership Academy class for its completion of a year-long study of the City of Kerrville's inner workings. KAYLA's goal is to develop youth leaders committed to learning about local government and provide an overview of the complexity and variety of opportunities available through public service.

KAYLA members pictured with Mayor Eychner include, from left, Jonah Moreno, Una Peterson, Autumn Atkinson, Elyse Houdeshell, Callie Waiser, and Payton Montgomery.



KAYLA members recognized

#### **COUNCIL ACTIONS:**

## City Council took action on a number of items in April, including:

#### Resolutions:

 Council approved a Resolution authorizing the city's continued membership in the Alamo Cities Steering Committee (ACS), and authorizing the city's payment of five cents per capita to the ACS to fund regulatory and related activities related to Atmos Energy Corporation.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2538474/20240409\_Reso\_10-2024\_ Atmos\_Cities\_Steering\_Committee.pdf

 Council approved a Resolution recognizing Saturday, May 11, 2024 as World Migratory Bird Day and authorizing the city manager to pursue the Bird City Texas Certification for the city from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2569313/20240423\_Reso\_13-2024\_World\_Migratory\_Bird.pdf

 Council approved a Resolution in support of the submission of an application to the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas and its Affordable Housing Program by Review Manor, L.P., for the new construction of affordable senior housing.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2569391/20240423\_Reso\_12-2024\_ JES\_-Support\_Housing\_Program.pdf

 Council approved a Resolution authorizing utility (water and wastewater) connections to a property located outside the city limits at 921 Harper Rd. (State Hwy. FM 783).

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2562131/20240423\_Reso\_91-144\_Water-Sewer\_outside\_City\_Limits.pdf

#### Ordinances:

• Council approved on second reading an Ordinance amending Chapter 60 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Kerrville, Texas, which adopted zoning regulations, use districts, and a zoning map in accordance with the City's Comprehensive Plan, such Chapter more commonly known as the City's Zoning Code; by changing the zoning and classification of the property consisting of an approximate 86.71 acre tract out of the W.T. Crook Survey No. 71, Abstract No. 114, Kerr County, Texas, and more commonly known as 300 Peterson Farm Rd; from being a Planned Development District established by Ordinance No. 2010-03, to an Industrial and Manufacturing Zoning District (IM). The site will be the new home for Megaacrete, an international manufacturer of autoclave aerated concrete, a lightweight energy-efficient concrete product.

## Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2533756/20240409\_Ord\_2024-06\_Zoning\_Code\_300\_Peterson\_Farm\_Rd\_-\_2reading.pdf



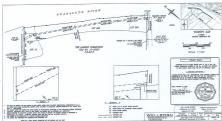
300 Peterson Road

 Council approved on second reading an Ordinance amending the City of Kerrville fee schedule by adopting a revised fee to be charged for each solicitation permit.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2540435/20240409\_Ord\_2024-07\_Solicitation\_Permit\_fee\_2reading.pdf

Council approved on first and second reading an Ordinance vacating, abandoning, and closing all right, title, and interest in a segment of a public right-of-way known as Knapp Road. This segment of Knapp Road is located south of the Guadalupe river, consists of an approximate .744 acres, and extends across Lots 13, 902, and 903 of The Landing subdivision, a subdivision within the City of Kerrville, Kerr County, Texas, and recorded in the Plat in File No. 19-05337, Plat records of Kerr County, Texas.



**Knapp Road** 

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2566495/20240423\_Ord\_2024-10\_Knapp\_Rd\_ROW\_closure\_2reading.pdf

Council approved on first and second reading an Ordinance amending Chapter 18 "Animals" of the Code of Ordinances, City of Kerrville, Texas, by revising and replacing said Chapter in its entirety. The new chapter includes regulations pertaining to the care, custody, and control of domesticated animals, seizure and impoundment under specific situations, required rabies vaccinations, and enforcement and penalties.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2561053/20240423\_Ord\_2024-08\_Animals\_Ordinance\_2reading.pdf

Council approved on first and second reading an Ordinance amending the city's Fiscal Year 2024 Budget to account
for increased revenues, a merger of city funds, a multiyear Public Works project, and a mid-year cost of living and adjustment for all city employees.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2561054/20240423\_Ord\_2024-09\_FY24\_Budget\_amend\_2reading.pdf

 Council approved on second reading an Ordinance amending the City of Kerrville fee schedule by adopting a revised fee to be charged for each solicitation permit.

#### Other Actions:

• Council approved a contract with A3 Communications in the amount of \$78,922 to purchase and install security cameras at city hall and the downtown parking garage.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2537145/20240409\_Contract\_A3\_Communications\_-\_cameras.pdf

Council approved an Interlocal Cooperation Contract Failure to Appear Progam with the Texas Department of Safety.
 Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2538503/20240409\_Contract\_DPS\_FailureToAppear.pdf

• Council issued a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Guadalupe River Center.

## Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2544381/20240409\_MOU\_GRC 032124 DRAFT.pdf

 Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with 6S Engineering, Inc., for 2024 street maintenance projects in the amount of \$98,750.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2569412/20240423\_PSA\_6S\_Eng\_-2024 Street Maintenance.pdf

• Council approved an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Kerrville and Kerr County for participation in the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan for Kerr County.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2564923/20240423\_ILA\_Hazard\_Mitigation\_Plan\_041624.pdf

• Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with 6S Engineering, Inc., for services regarding improvements to Al Mooney Road and a portion of Peterson Farm Road in the amount of \$216,462.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2570088/20240423\_PSA\_6S\_Eng\_-\_Al\_Mooney\_Reconstruction.pdf

• Council approved a third amendment to the Design-Build Agreement with Thos. S. Byrne, Inc., dba Byrne Construction Services Corporation in the amount of \$39,565,559 for the Public Safety Facility Project.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2570895/20240423\_Amendment\_Byrne\_for\_PSF\_3.pdf

 Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with Marmon Mok, LP, for project services relating to the Olympic Pool in the amount of \$683,036. Renovations to the Olympic Pool, which will commence in 2025, are being financed by Economic Improvement Corporation funds and will have no impact on property taxes.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2567367/20240423\_Contract\_MarmonMok\_-\_Olympic\_Pool.pdf

 Council authorized a request to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1 (TIRZ) for funding in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the city to contract for professional services with Freese and Nichols, Inc. to update its Kerrville 2050 Comprehensive Plan with a focus on the downtown area within this TIRZ.

#### Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2569463/20240423\_PSA\_Downtown\_Plan\_scope.pdf

- Council authorized city staff to submit a funding application to the City of Kerrville Economic Improvement Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$800,000 for park improvements. EIC debt funding has no impact on property taxes.
- Council authorized city staff to submit a funding application to the City of Kerrville Economic Improvement Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for renovation of the Heart of the Hills Heritage Center. EIC debt funding has no impact on property taxes.

## Attachments:

https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/2571983/20240423\_Proposal\_Marksman\_HHHC.pdf

- Council made the following appointments or reappointments:
  - Kerrville-Kerr County Joint Airport Board: Thomas Pogue

## **COMING UP THIS MONTH:**

Kerrville City Council meeting Tuesday, May 14 and May 28 Kerrville City Hall

Meetings are open to the public. Citizen participation is encouraged. For more information on city council meetings, go to <a href="https://www.kerrvilletx.gov/1566/City-Council-Video-Archive">https://www.kerrvilletx.gov/1566/City-Council-Video-Archive</a>. Agenda packets are available online beginning the Friday evening before each meeting date.

## **KEEPING UP WITH KERRVILLE:**

In addition to this monthly newsletter, the City of Kerrville encourages citizens to keep up with city events through our website (https://kerrvilletx.gov/), Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/KerrvilleTX/); Twitter (https://twitter.com/cityofkerrville), Instagram (https://www.instagram.com/cityofkerrville/) and Android and I-phone compatible phone app (https://www.kerrvilletx.gov/DocumentCenter/View/34124/Press-Release---City-now-offering-new-mobile-device-app). If you would like to be added (or deleted) from our monthly e-newsletter, please email Public Information Officer Stuart Cunyus at stuart.cunyus@kerrvilletx.gov.

## Congratulations to our April 2024 anniversaries!

These are some of the people that help keep the City of Kerrville running smoothly. We thank each and every one for their unwavering commitment and dedication to public service!

## **APRIL 2024**

#### Employee Anniversaries

NAME	DEPARTMENT	YEARS
CANDI BEHRENS	POLICE	26
DWAIN KUTZER	FIRE	23
YESENIA LUNA	MUNICIPAL COURT	12
KOLTEN HUGHES	FIRE	10
SAMMY CORTEZ	PARKS AND RECREATION	9
TANNER BROWN	FIRE	7
JESS CONNER	FIRE	7
ERNIE CARRILLO	STREETS	7
JACOB PIERZ	PARKS AND RECREATION	6
JULIE BEHRENS	FINANCE	6
MARION KVIDERA	PARKS AND RECREATION	5
GLENN YOCUM	WATER DISTRIBUTION	4
STEFANIE DAILY	STREETS	3
TINLEE SANCHEZ	POLICE	2
RAIN THORESEN	COMMUNITY EVENTS	2
LUCY PEARSON	MUNICIPAL COURT	2
DWAYNE MARTINEZ	PARKS AND RECREATION	1
MICHAEL WILKERSON	PARKS AND RECREATION	1
ERICA TAYLOR	FIRE	1

