

Rosenberg TEXAS Insider

★★★ AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2021 ★★★

What's Included in the FY2022 Proposed Budget?

- ✓ \$2.5 Million Increase in Sales Tax Revenue
- ✓ \$0.02 Property Tax Rate Cut
- ✓ \$7.5 Million Reduction in Debt
- ✓ \$325 Million Increase in Taxable Value
- ✓ \$387,000 of Interest Savings for Early Payoff of Debt
- ✓ 10.4% Reduction in Employee Health Insurance Premiums
- ✓ \$2,500 Annual Increase for All Full-Time Employees
- ✓ 8 New Positions Including 3 New Police Officers
- ✓ Increase in Homestead Exemption
- ✓ Increase in Disabled Persons Exemption



The City's budget team is working diligently on the **Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget**. Rosenberg has a long history of being recognized as a leader in financial stewardship; in fact, the City was recently awarded the **Distinguished Budget Presentation Award** from the Government Finance Officers Association for the 28th consecutive year.

"Most Cities would be happy to say their budget includes two or three of the items outlined in the FY2022 Proposed Budget. I'm proud to say that with great stewardship, Rosenberg's includes all of these items and much more. This budget is a win/win for everyone including our citizens, employees and stakeholders."

- Rosenberg Mayor Kevin Raines

For more information on the City's budget visit:
rosenbergtx.gov/budget

Overlapping Tax Rates

How your tax dollar is divided.



Lamar Consolidated ISD
60%



Ft. Bend County
21%



City of Rosenberg
19%

Property Tax Exemptions

- Increased the Residential Homestead Exemption to 15% of the appraised value or a minimum of \$5,000.
- Increased the Disabled Persons Exemption to \$75,000.
- The Over-65 Exemption remains \$75,000.

Certified Property Values

The certified property tax value for FY2022 is estimated at \$3,215,030,581 which is a \$325,616,275 increase over the 2021 value of \$2,889,414,306.

Important Upcoming Budget Meeting Dates

Aug. 24, 2021 Council Meeting: Public Hearing on Budget

Sept. 7, 2021 Council Meeting: Public Hearing on Tax Rate; Adoption of the Budget; Adoption of the Tax Rate



OUR GOVERNMENT

The city of Rosenberg operates in a Council-Manager form of government in which the City Council sets the policy and overall direction for the City, and appoints a professional City Manager and other key officials to oversee the City's daily operations.

CITY COUNCIL

- Mayor: Kevin Raines
- At-Large 1: Tim Krugh
- At-Large 2: Alicia Casias
- District 1: Isaac Davila
- District 2: Susan Euton
- District 3: Timothy Anders
- District 4: Marc Morales (Mayor Pro Tem)

CITY MANAGER

John Maresh

MEETINGS

City Council meets regularly in public session the first, third and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. The meeting agendas are available on the City's website. Council meetings may also be viewed live on Comcast Channel 16, rosenbergtx.gov/TV or on YouTube @RosenbergTXGov

MISSION STATEMENT

To anticipate community needs and deliver exceptional service, and to cultivate an enhanced quality of life through leadership, innovation and cooperative partnerships.

NUMBERS TO KNOW

- Animal Control
↪ 832-595-3490
- Citizen Relations
↪ 832-595-3301
- Customer Service (Utilities)
↪ 832-595-3400
- Police Dispatch (Non-Emergency)
↪ 832-595-3700
- Republic Services (Solid Waste)
↪ 713-726-7300



Lamar CISD Classes Resume Aug. 23

Summer is drawing to a close and it's time to start preparing for another school year! It's important to remember – and share with students – some key tips that will help keep them safe and healthy throughout the school year.

- Be sure younger children know their address and phone number.
- Never talk to strangers & don't accept rides from someone you don't know.
- When walking or riding your bike, look both ways before crossing the street.
- Don't text and drive and never pass a school bus with flashing red lights.
- Wash your hands often; use hand sanitizer when you can't.
- Be a friend and not a bully!
- See something – say something!
- Stay organized, study and make it your best year yet!



#AskTheMayor

Have a question about the City? Anything about your local government, to projects, plans or activities? Ask the Mayor! Email your question to: communications@rosenbergtx.gov and we'll cover questions in our new #AsktheMayor series.



Ride to ROSENBERG



4th Annual CAR SHOW

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Presented by: ROSENBERG ARTS ALLIANCE

ALL CLASSES OF VEHICLES WELCOME.
\$25/VEHICLE PRE-REGISTRATION.
\$30/VEHICLE ONSITE REGISTRATION.
FREE T-SHIRT WITH REGISTRATION.
MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT. ART CARS.

SHOW IS OPEN FROM 10 A.M.-4 P.M.

AWARDS AT 3 P.M.

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN ROSENBERG
[FACEBOOK.COM/RIDETORROSENBERG](https://www.facebook.com/ridetorosenberg)

Code Enforcement Update: June 2021

During the month of June, 155 new Code Enforcement cases were opened. Of those 155 cases, 21 were citizen complaints and 134 or approximately 86% were proactive cases by the Code Enforcement Office. Here's the breakdown:

- 86 Vegetation Issues
- 26 Property Maintenance Issues
- 16 Backflow Device Violations
- 15 Vehicle Violations
- 6 Building Violations
- 5 Sign Issues
- 1 Stormwater Violation

In June, the Code Enforcement Office also resolved 125 outstanding Code Cases and have 111 open cases still pending. The pending cases are:

- 62 Vegetation Issues
- 24 Property Maintenance Issues
- 16 Vehicle Violations
- 6 Building Violations
- 2 Sign Issues
- 1 Stormwater Violation

meet Rocko

I'm a lovable and devoted guy who's a self-proclaimed "nerd." I'm quirky, I'm a tad socially awkward, and I may occasionally overthink things to the point where I trip over my own feet... I'm about 4 years old, 50 pounds, neutered, vaccinated, chipped. I love to party in dog playgroup.



I'd love to be your new BFF!

Rosenberg Animal Shelter | 1207 Blume Rd. | 832-595-3490

Municipal Court Clerks Recognized



Mayor Kevin Raines presented a certificate of recognition to City Employees Jessenia Morfin-Ruelas for Obtaining the Court Clerk Level One Certification and Elissa Ramirez for Obtaining the Court Clerk Level Two Certification at the July 20, 2021 City Council Meeting. (Pictured left to right: Ramirez, Raines and Morfin-Ruelas)



Business Improvement Grant Program Now Accepting Applications

The Rosenberg Development Corporation (RDC) has available matching grant funds for its Business Improvement Grant (BIG) Program. The program is designed to enhance the economic vitality of the City by encouraging visually appealing exterior physical improvements to local businesses. Any new or existing business in the City limits is eligible to apply for grant funding for reimbursement on projects that improve the physical appearance of its business facility. Up to 50% percent of the total project cost, with a cap of \$10,000, is available to qualifying projects.

“Rosenberg is in the midst of unprecedented commercial growth, and that’s exciting to watch,” said Rosenberg Economic Development Director Jeremy Heath. “But we want to try to maintain a balance between the development of new commercial properties and redevelopment of existing ones. This program will help us spur the types of redevelopment projects that will have a positive visual impact on the entire City. A fresh coat of paint, a sharp-looking new sign, or some professional landscaping improvements can go a long way in enhancing the appearance and value of a business and also the surrounding businesses.”

Types of projects that qualify are façade improvements, such as painting, reconstruction and remodeling; sign improvements, including new signs or renovations to existing signs; property improvements, such as landscaping, lighting, fencing, sidewalk and driveway improvements and parking lot improvements, and demolition of abandoned signs and structures. Applications will be evaluated by RDC and City staff. Projects that meet the program guidelines will be presented to the RDC Board of Directors for approval.

Applications must be made on a form provided by the RDC, and may be obtained at the RDC Building located at 3829 Highway 36 S, at Rosenberg City Hall located at 2110 4th Street, or on the City's website at rosenbergtx.gov.

For more information about the program, contact Economic Development Director Jeremy Heath via email at jheath@rosenbergtx.gov or by phone at 832-595-3330.



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Due to COVID-19, the meetings listed below are subject to change or be conducted via video conference. Please visit rosenbergtx.gov to confirm meetings and events, as well as public notices and meeting agendas.

- 8/3/2021 City Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- 8/10/2021 Special City Council & Budget Workshop Meetings - 6:00 p.m.
- 8/17/2021 City Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- 8/24/2021 Special City Council & City Council Workshop Meetings - 6:30 p.m.
- 9/6/2021 City Offices Closed in Observance of Labor Day
- 9/7/2021 City Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- 9/11/2021 Ride to Rosenberg Car Show (Downtown Rosenberg) 10 to 4
- 9/21/2021 City Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- 9/24/2021 City Offices Closed in Observance of Fort Bend Co. Fair Day

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