

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: Marc Morales
- At-Large 2: Alicia Casias
- District 1: Keith Parker
- District 2: Susan Euton (Mayor ProTem)
- District 3: Hector Trevino
- District 4: George Zepeda

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
- GFL Environmental (Solid Waste)
↪ 832-271-5187
↪ cityofrosenberg@gflenv.com



ROSENBERG FIRE CHIEF DARRELL HIMLY RETIRES AFTER 40 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY

For four decades, Darrell Himly worked to keep Rosenberg safe in the Rosenberg Fire Department. On April 30, 2023, Chief Himly officially retired and hung up the uniform in exchange for a fishing pole. Chief Himly joined the Rosenberg Fire Department as a Junior volunteer firefighter in March of 1983. Upon turning 18, he became a Volunteer Firefighter and was promoted to Volunteer Lieutenant in 1988. He knew becoming a full-time firefighter was his career goal, and in January of 1990, Chief Himly's dream became a reality when he was hired as a full-time firefighter with the City of Rosenberg. Prior to reaching the rank of Fire Chief, Himly served the City as a Firefighter, Lieutenant, and Assistant Chief and also served as the City's Emergency Management Coordinator.

During his distinguished career, Chief Himly was instrumental in putting together the first Strategic Plan for the department. He proposed and presented the 48/96 schedule that the firefighters still use today. Under his leadership, the department expanded its services to the City by replacing Engine 1, adding Tower 4, and began the process to replace Engine 3 embracing the growth of the City. To provide longevity of the engines, he expanded the use and concept of squads within the City which is the practice of using a pick-up truck or SUV to respond to emergency medical and rescue calls when appropriate instead of sending out a fire engine each time.

He was instrumental in creating Engineer positions and converting Captain positions to Battalion Chiefs and the Fire Marshal and Training Office to Division Chiefs. Chief Himly played an integral role in reducing the City's ISO rating from a 4 to an improved rating of 2 – resulting in insurance premium savings for the citizens of Rosenberg. He also worked with Fort Bend County to negotiate an agreement to open Rosenberg's Fire Station 4 in the Fort Bend EMS Station located at Hwy 36 and Band Road to better serve citizens in this area. The department was awarded several grants under Himly, including the Firehouse Public Safety Foundation Grant for the purchase of a Polaris Ranger equipped with Firefighting and EMS capabilities (2017); Department of Homeland Security Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Hiring Grant for 6 firefighters (2018); Rebuild Texas Fund Preparedness Grant for the purchase of a Generator (2019); Firehouse Public Safety Foundation Grant for the purchase of a Rescue Boat (2019); Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters Regional Grant awarding SCBA for Rosenberg, Pleak, Needville and Fairchild Fire Departments (2021); and the DHS Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the purchase of Headsets (2022).

Chief Himly served as President of the Tri-River Firefighter Association and was an Instructor at Texas A&M Fire School. He earned his Certified Fire Executive (CFE) Professional from the Texas Fire Chief's Academy and obtained his Fire Service Chief Executive Officer from Texas A&M Mays Business School. Among his many accomplishments, he was awarded Rosenberg Fire Department's Firefighter of the Year in 1995; City of Rosenberg Employee of the Year in 1995; Gulf Coast Firefighters Association and Tri-Rivers Firefighter Association Firefighter of the Year in 1996; State Fireman and Fire Marshal's Association FF of the Year Nominee; Elks Club Public Safety Employee Award for 1996 and the Red Cross Lifesaving Award. "I am sincerely grateful to Chief Himly for 40 years of dedication to the City and Citizens of Rosenberg," said City Manager John Maresh. "His distinguished career truly defines what a public servant is as he leaves behind a legacy of leadership and service. We wish him well on his retirement!" In his retirement, Himly looks forward to spending time with his family and fishing. Read more about the Rosenberg Fire Department at rosenbergtx.gov/fire.



GOVERNOR ABBOTT ANNOUNCES FILM-FRIENDLY TEXAS DESIGNATION FOR THE CITY OF ROSENBERG

On Tuesday, April 25, 2023, Governor Greg Abbott announced that the City of Rosenberg, having completed the multi-step training and certification process, has been designated as a Film Friendly Texas community by the Texas Film Commission.

"I congratulate the City of Rosenberg on earning the Film Friendly Texas designation and joining 170 other Texas communities who have received this recognition," said Governor Abbott. "Texas is brimming with promise, and I look forward to continuing to work alongside all of our communities to ensure they have the knowledge and tools needed to succeed."

Through the Film Friendly Texas training and certification process, communities large and small are prepared to help match local businesses with production-related needs, creating jobs for Texas-based crew members and local residents, as well as spurring on-site spending at local small businesses. I thank the Texas Film Commission for helping communities like Rosenberg market their unique appeal and support local job creation through media production."



ILLEGAL DUMPING

Used mattresses, torn couches, broken TVs, tires, and more are all common items that are illegally dumped within the City limits. Not only are these items an eyesore, but they impact our quality of life and become a health and safety issue.

Stagnant water can attract mosquitos and other pests. Rodents, roaches, snakes, and other critters are commonly found in these piles of trash and debris. In addition, unknown chemicals, liquids, or hazardous materials can leach into the soil, contaminating the environment, or runoff during a rainfall event and pollute nearby water bodies. You may fish, swim, play or otherwise enjoy these bodies of water.

Broken glass, exposed metal, nails, screws, and other hazards may cause serious injuries to members of the community, such as a curious child or an adult doing some work nearby. Not to mention the odor nuisance for the community.

Did you know that the City can fine or file criminal charges if the offender is caught? Law enforcement officials need everyone's help fighting environmental crime. These random acts of illegal dumping are burdensome to City workers and costly for the City. It's a challenge for the City to monitor all areas within their boundaries – especially those that are hidden or not traveled often.

If you observe illegal dumping, please report it. You can contact the City by calling 832-595-3700 or report an issue via email at info@rosenbergtx.gov.



SHORT TERM RENTAL REGISTRATION NOW REQUIRED IN ROSENBERG

Did you know if you have a Short Term Rental such as a VRBO or Airbnb you must now register it with the City?

At the May 16, 2023 meeting, City Council approved Ordinance No. 2023-10, Chapter 16, Article XII - Residential Short Term Rental Property Licensing and Inspection.

Short Term Rentals mean the provision of a room or space that is suitable or intended for occupancy for dwelling, sleeping, or lodging purposes, for a period of fewer than thirty (30) consecutive days, in exchange for a charge for the occupancy.

For more information, call the Permit Department at 832-595-3500 or email info@rosenbergtx.gov.



Family 4TH Celebration

Music | Food | Fireworks

Tuesday, July 4 | 6-10 p.m.
Seabourne Creek Nature Park
3831 Hwy 36 S. Rosenberg, Texas 77471





ROSENBERG DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

WAYFINDING SIGNS PROJECT

Here's your sign to watch out for one of Rosenberg's latest projects. As part of the City's Comprehensive Master Plan, Rosenberg identified the need for a wayfinding sign program targeted at increasing citizen's and tourist's access to the City's Historic Downtown District, Key City Facilities, Fort Bend County Epicenter, Rosenberg Civic Center, Brazos Town Center, Fort Bend County Recycling Center, as well as Rosenberg Regional Parks and Amenities. Gateway, vehicular, pedestrian, regulatory, and parking signage will be designed and planned for during the process.

Wayfinding signage will increase the sense of place and community in Rosenberg. It will strengthen the city's identity and highlight many of the features Rosenberg has to offer. This is just one of the many projects that city staff are focusing their efforts on, with more projects to come. Stay tuned!



AUGUST 4TH IS THE LAST NIGHT OF MUSIC IN WATER TOWER SQUARE FROM 4-8 P.M.

Join us to hear The Jam Band all the way from Corpus Christi, Texas!
A mix of rock-n-roll, country, alternative and more!



FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA



@ROSENBERGTXGOV

Publication comments or topic ideas are welcome.

CONTACT US:
communications@rosenbergtx.gov
832-595-3301 *ask for Communications

SIGN-UP FOR CITY ALERTS:
rosenbergtx.gov/alerts

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Visit rosenbergtx.gov to confirm meetings and agendas, view public notices, see more information on events

- 6/2/2023 Music in Water Tower Square (Historic Downtown) 4-8 p.m.
- 6/6/2023 City Council Meeting (City Hall) 6:30 p.m.
- 6/16/2023 Dino-Night Disco Mother/Son Dance (Civic Center) 6-9 p.m.
- 6/20/2023 City Council Meeting (City Hall) 6:30 p.m.
- 6/27/2023 City Council Workshop Meeting (City Hall) 6:30 p.m.
- 7/4/2023 July 4th Holiday - City Offices Closed
Family 4th Celebration (Seabourne Creek Park) 6:00 p.m.
The July 4th City Council Meeting is subject to cancellation. Please see the June 6, 2023 Council Meeting Agenda for details.
- 7/7/2023 Music in Water Tower Square (Historic Downtown) 4-8 p.m.
- 7/18/2023 City Council Meeting (City Hall) 6:30 p.m.
- 7/25/2023 City Council Workshop Meeting (City Hall) 6:30 p.m.

