

A CITY ON THE MOVE



CITY OF SANSOM PARK

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REMINDER— there will no longer be quarterly bulk pickups.

There will continue to be regular/weekly collections of bulk pickup with the following regulations:

- Need to be curbside no later than 7:00 a.m. on the day of pickup
- Reasonably contained and not to exceed three (3) cubic yards in total volume
- Not have any individual item exceeding fifty (50) pounds in weight.

Please call Progressive Waste at 817-222-2221 for bulk pickups larger than listed above.

Did You Know?

Parking on the grass is a violation of Chapter 14, Zoning, Section 6.6 Supplemental Regulations, (A) of the Code of Ordinances which states: *"No vehicle shall be parked on a lot or tract located within any zoning district unless the area upon which such vehicle is parked is paved with a hard surface. Hard surface shall not be defined as concrete pavers, paver stones, concrete blocks or similar material. Hard surface shall be defined as asphalt or concrete."*

Please call City Hall if you have any questions.

Online Utility Payments Are Here!!!

You can now pay your utility payments online at two different web sites:

www.sansompark.org, click on the Utility Billing page; or

www.trafficpayment.com.

For either site you will need to set up an account or use the account number listed on your bill.

There will be a 3.5% fee charged, by a third party, to help cover merchant credit card fees in addition to servicing the account.

This fee is not collected by the City of Sansom Park.

May 9, 2015 General Election

It's that time of year again! Preparations are underway for May elections.

The terms up for election this May in Sansom Park are Council, Place 3; Council, Place 4; and Council, Place 5.

The drawing for place on the ballot will be held on March 5, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

The last day to register to vote in the May 9, 2015 General Election is April 9, 2015.



Water Department Corner



MARCH

Water payments are due by
5 p.m. on March 16th

LATE FEE APPLIED:

March 17th

CUT OFF DATE:

March 31st

Please note payments left in the night depository box after 5 p.m. will be processed the next business day. Also, failure to receive bill or late notices does not void late fee or cutoff.

City Council Meetings:

Thursday, March 19th
at 7:00 P.M.

City Council Chambers
5705 Azle Ave
Sansom Park, TX 76114

GARDEN ON THE GO

When: 2nd Tuesday of the Month

Time: 3:45 PM— 4:45 PM

Where: Joy James Elementary School

\$5 per bag

Cash and all major credit cards



Garage Sale Permits!



With warmer weather around the corner there will be an increase in garage sales. Please keep the following in mind if you plan on conducting a garage sale:

1. A permit is required prior to conducting the garage sale.
2. Only four (4) sales during any calendar year are allowed and not to exceed one per calendar month. The duration of each sale shall not exceed three (3) consecutive calendar days
3. Only one (1) sign is allowed and must be located on the property conducting the sale.
4. Off premise signs are not allowed.
5. Sign needs to be removed within 24 hours following the expiration of the permit.



Accessory/Storage Buildings.....

With spring right around the corner our thoughts turn to cleaning up our properties. If you plan on installing an accessory building on your property please keep the following in mind:

1. A permit is required for an accessory building with a square footage of 120 and above.
2. An accessory building cannot be located in front of the primary structure.
3. A minimum of a five (5') foot side yard setback is required.
4. A minimum of a five (5') foot rear yard setback is required.
5. Accessory buildings shall not exceed twenty foot (20') in height.
6. There shall be no more than two (2) accessory buildings per lot.
7. Any single detached accessory structure in excess of 300 square feet shall be constructed of the same or similar material as the primary structure and must have a minimum of 1:6 pitch roof.
8. No accessory structure shall be constructed of corrugated metal materials.

Please call City Hall if you have any questions or would like to meet with a Building Inspector before purchasing the building.

FREE INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE AND FINANCIAL EDUCATION

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program (VITA) is offering free income tax assistance to low—to—middle income families this tax season. The program—available to households with an income of \$53,000.00 or less—connects individuals with IRS-certified volunteers to assist in tax filings. VITA representatives help participants avoid the high interest rates and potentially predatory practices of tax refund loans by providing guidance on how to use refunds to improve financial health. Volunteers are also trained in ethics and tax law.

Free educational opportunities will be available for participants interested in further managing their finances through debt reduction and asset building.

VITA tax centers will be open through April 15, 2015, and are located across Tarrant County. (A full list is available online). To schedule an appointment, call 817-392-CALL, ext. 211 (choose option 1) or visit <http://freetaxdfw.com>

Save Water / Save Money

The average American household wastes more than 10,000 gallons each year from easy-to-fix water leaks. Across the country, household leaks can add up to more than 1 trillion gallons of water lost every year.

Fixing leaks saves water and reduces water utility bills by about 10 percent. Start saving today with three simple steps:

1. **CHECK.** Check your home for leaks. If your winter water use exceeds 12,000 gallons per month for a family of four, you probably have leaks.
2. **TWIST.** Make sure plumbing fixture connections are sealed tight. Give leaking faucets and shower heads a firm twist with a wrench.
3. **REPLACE.** If you just can't nip that drip, it may be time to replace the fixture.

