

CITY INSIGHT

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A Message from Mayor Debbie Nash-King



The fall season is upon us and with it comes a host of events to round out the last quarter of the year. The Killeen Police Department will host the city's 41st annual National Night Out event on Oct. 1 and our second Fall Night Market kicks off on Oct. 4 in Historic Downtown Killeen. That's followed by the Police Department's Walk Against Domestic Violence (Oct. 5), the Fire Department's Open House event (Oct. 12) and KPD's Trunk or Treat (Oct. 28). The annual Fall Fest is happening a little earlier this year, so look out for that event on Oct. 17. Details on all of our events can be found on our website at www.KilleenTexas.gov/Calendar.

We hope you enjoyed the Bow Wow Luau and Touchdown in Downtown events. This time of year also marks the second year of implementing the Killeen 2040 Moving Forward Plan (formerly referred to as the

Comprehensive Plan). This is the blueprint of six "Big Ideas" to help shape our city's growth over the next two decades. We'll be updating residents on progress and residents can also get refreshed on the plan at www.KilleenTexas.gov/Killeen2040.

Lastly, each September, Council approves the budget for the following fiscal year. After hearing from residents and determining priorities based on the Killeen 2040 Plan, Councilmembers work with the City Manager to determine the best way to provide the necessary resources to our residents, while being fiscally responsible. The new budget year begins each Oct. 1 and we appreciate all residents who have spoken up at the Council meetings or contacted their council representatives with their recommendations and thoughts. We encourage citizens to participate in local government process year-round. Citizens can find out who their Council representative is and contact Council by email or phone at www.KilleenTexas.gov/Council.

Killeen Regional Airport turns 20!



The City of Killeen held a celebration for the 20th anniversary of the Killeen Regional Airport (GRK) on Friday, Aug. 2. Speakers at the event included former U.S. Congressman Chet Edwards, Former Killeen Mayor and State Representative Scott Cospers, current State Representative Brad Buckley, Killeen Mayor Debbie Nash-King, Fort Cavazos Garrison Commander Col. Lakicia Stokes, Killeen Assistant City Manager Laurie Wilson and Killeen Executive Director of Aviation Mike Wilson.

Pictured above left are key personnel who helped make the Killeen Regional Airport a reality in 2004, including Edwards, Cospers and former Killeen Mayor Maureen Jouett. Top right, Rep. Buckley presents a proclamation to Mike Wilson, Mayor Debbie Nash-King and members of the current Killeen City Council.

Battle of the Badges Blood Drive



The sixth annual Battle of the Badges brought out 121 donors, including 57 first-time donors. Carter Blood Center collected 106 units of blood, which can save up to 318 lives. The Police won the popularity contest for a second year in a row, 73-53.



Always on call



On July 3, while off-duty, Capt. Christopher Poston (right) of our Killeen Fire Department performed life-saving CPR on the husband of a Cedar Park firefighter. His quick actions restored the man's pulse and breathing.

Capt. Poston was recently honored with the Killeen Fire Department Life Saving Award, the Cedar Park Fire Department Life Saving Award, and a Cedar Park Phoenix Award for his bravery.

Capt. Poston was assisted by former KFD firefighter Justin Jackson, who now works for the Cedar Park Fire Department. Thank you for your service!

Road work

A groundbreaking ceremony was held for the Bunny Trail Reconstruction Project in July. For a progress list of major road work, visit www.KilleenTexas.gov/engineering.



Purple Heart City



We're celebrating 10 years as a Purple Heart City. Recently we put up long overdue signs around town to show our pride in that honor. To learn more about this designation, visit www.KilleenTexas.gov/PurpleHeart.

Youth Basketball Camp



Youth enjoyed our basketball camp put on by our Parks and Recreation Department this summer. For information, please visit www.KilleenTexas.gov/Rec.



Fire Department



Firefighters pushed in a new truck for Station 7 (left) on July 17, while others led youth in a Jr. Fire Academy. The academy is more than just fire safety, as it allows students to participate in exercises and drills our fire fighters use for training.



New rates effective October 1, 2024

WATER RATES									
Residential (Inside City Limits)									
Meter Size	3/4"	1"	1 1/2"	2"	3"	4"	6"	8"	
0-2,000 gallons	\$15.04	\$16.49	\$20.13	\$24.48	\$34.65	\$49.20	\$86.61	\$129.10	
2,001 - 15,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons			\$3.38						
15,001 – 30,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons			\$4.23						
Over 30,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons			\$5.29						
Commercial (Inside City Limits)									
Meter Size	3/4"	1"	1 1/2"	2"	3"	4"	6"	8"	
0-2,000 gallons	\$15.52	\$19.63	\$33.65	\$50.47	\$89.73	\$145.81	\$286.01	\$454.25	
Over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons			3.50						
Apartment, Small Apartment and Mobile Home Parks (Inside City Limits)									
Meter Size	3/4"	1"	1 1/2"	2"	3"	4"	6"	8"	
0-2,000 gallons	\$15.04	\$16.49	\$20.13	\$24.48	\$34.65	\$49.20	\$86.61	\$129.10	
Over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons			\$3.38						
Fire Hydrant Construction Meters									
0-2,000 gallons			\$64.49						
Over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons			\$3.50						
WASTEWATER RATES									
Residential (Inside City Limits)									
0-3,000 gallons					\$20.76				
3,000 - 10,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons					\$3.80				
Commercial and Apartment (Inside City Limits)									
0-3,000 gallons					\$20.65				
Over 3,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons (90% flow factor)					\$3.80				
Multifamily 2 – 4 units Residential (Inside City Limits)									
0-3,000 gallons					\$21.15				
Over 3,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons					\$3.80				
Motels, Multifamily > 4 Units Residential (Inside City Limits)									
0-3,000 gallons					\$20.65				
Over 3,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons					\$3.80				
Mobile Home Parks (Inside City Limits)									
0-3,000 gallons					\$21.15 per unit				
3,000 - 10,000 gallons, per 1,000 gal (max 10,000 gal per unit)					\$3.80				
ALL RATES FOR PROPERTIES OUTSIDE OF CITY LIMITS ARE EQUAL TO THE RATES ABOVE PLUS FIFTY PERCENT (50%)									

A detailed list of the changes can be found in the Water, Sewers and Sewage Disposal Ordinance – Chapter 30, which can be viewed at: https://library.municode.com/tx/killeen/codes/code_of_ordinances.

DEPOSITS

The ordinance (Section 30-105) regarding good credit deposit refunds has been revised. As of 10/01/2023, all deposits will remain on the account for a minimum of 24 months. After 24 months of continuous service with no late payments, the deposit will be credited to the utility account and remain with no deposit on file.

SOLID WASTE

There is no change to residential or commercial Solid Waste rates. For more information visit https://library.municode.com/tx/killeen/codes/code_of_ordinances. For additional Solid Waste services and fees, please visit <https://www.killeentexas.gov/318/Finance> and review the FY 2025 Fee Schedule. You can contact the Solid Waste office by phone at (254) 501-7785 or email sw-info@killeentexas.gov.

SERVICE CHARGES

After Hours Service – Charged for any service provided after 5:00 pm CST Monday thru Friday, and on a weekend or holiday.	\$40.00
Late Penalty – Assessed if payment is not received by 5:00 pm CST on the due date.	\$10.00
Delinquent Fee – Assessed if payment is not received by 5:00 pm CST on the delinquent due date.	\$25.00
Reconnection Fee – Charged for turn on of service after disconnection for non-payment.	\$25.00