



ALVIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Alvin...The Best Location for Your Business Interest

Economic Newsletter

1st Quarter

April 2015

Development Facts Year to Date

Building Permits & Values

New Residential Permits
\$11,201,828 Million

New Commercial Permits
\$18,055,000 Million

Residential Repairs/Additions Permits \$39,800

Current Home Builders in Alvin

- Brighton - Forest Heights
- Brighton - Mustang Crossing
- Brighton - Kendall Lakes
- D. R. Horton - Kendall Lakes
- Saratoga Homes -Kendall Lakes
- Grand View Builders - North Pointe Trails

Development Highlights Calendar Year 2015

- 22 Planning Development Meetings
- Kendall Lakes-28 Starts
- Mustang Crossing - 2 Starts
- North Pointe Trails - 8 Starts
- Midtown Park - 2 Starts
- Forest Heights - 12 Starts
- Hunters Cove- 7 Starts
- Miscellaneous Resident-1

Alvin's Largest Employers

- Alvin ISD
- Dish Network
- Alvin Community College
- Wal-Mart
- Ascend Performance Materials
- INEOS Olefins & Polymers
- Ron Carter Automotive
- TEAM, Inc.

Alvin's steady growth in commercial and residential markets is due in large part to our easy access to business and industry locations. Two state highways, Port Freeport, and the Port of Houston, rail service by BNSF and Union Pacific, and Hobby International Airport, logistics say it all. Alvin Community College and our surrounding members of the Texas Gulf Coast Consortium of Community Colleges delivers excellent education and workforce training. Whether it is a business expansion, relocation, or a start-up, Alvin will show value right to your bottom line.

Coming Soon

Nissan of Alvin



The new 25,000 square-foot Nissan automobile dealership facility is to be constructed for the display and sale of new and pre-owned Nissan vehicles. The open concept showroom and offices cover 10,000 square feet; in addition to the 12-stall service shop which will be 10,000 square feet and the remaining area is to be dedicated to secondary functions. The 7-acre property to be developed is located near the corner of FM 528 and Victory Lane at 3507 FM 528, Alvin, TX. The estimated start of construction will be the end of April 2015 and estimated completion will be February 2016.

OPENING SOON



MEMORIAL HERMANN
Medical Group



Brazoria County Days...



City of Alvin Councilmembers Gabe Adame, Terry Droege, Brad Richards, Keith Thompson are joined by Mayor Paul Horn, Alvin Community College President Dr. Christal Albrecht and Assistant to the President Wendy Del Bello at Brazoria County Day in Austin.

The Alvin community was well represented at Brazoria County Day in Austin on March 3rd. This was an opportunity for residents of Brazoria County to go to Austin and let our legislators know about issues that are important to the region. Our Mayor and several Councilmembers joined many others from our community to advance these initiatives. They participated in meetings with TxDOT, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Texas Workforce Commission, and the Office of the Governor Economic Development and Tourism.



City of Alvin Councilmembers Terry Droege, Gabe Adame, Mayor Paul Horn, Councilmember Brad Richards in the Texas Senate Chambers at Brazoria County Day in Austin.

Other City News



Alvin Convention & Visitors Bureau

Alvin Historic Depot
200 Depot Centre Blvd.
Call Julie Siggers at 281-585-3359

Need a venue? Speak with Julie.

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where you have the home
advantage.

Updates

New Election Information

Brazoria County

Early Voting:

April 27-May 1 8 AM – 5 PM

May 2..... 7 AM – 7 PM

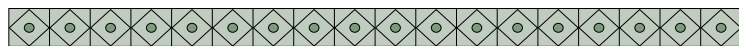
May 4-57 AM – 7 PM

General Election*:

May 9..... 7 AM – 7 PM

**Brazoria County Residents may vote at any voting locations within Brazoria County ON Election Day, as well as during Early Voting.*

New and Expanding Companies:



**City of Alvin Police Department's
 Door Hanger Program a Semi Finalist**

Alvin Police Department was recently recognized as semi-finalists for the prestigious Motorola/Webber Seavey Award for Quality in Law Enforcement for their "Door Hanger" program.

The Alvin Police Department implemented the program in 2013. The Door Hanger Program creates a strong relationship between Alvin PD and the City of Alvin's Code Compliance Division. Alvin's officers are directed to seek out the most common code violations, which detract from the quality of life in Alvin. This program provides immediate notification to the property owners which promotes remediation more efficiently.

Robert E. Lee, Police Chief of Alvin states, "The success of this program and other programs conducted by the Alvin Police Department depend greatly on teamwork. Not only teamwork within the organization but teamwork between the various city departments and with the public in general. Working together is the key to our success."



Quality of Life

**Alvin Parks and Recreation
 Receives Federal and Brazoria
 County Grants for Park
 Improvements**



Alvin residents will soon notice upgrades to 6 of their local city parks as the result of \$273,000.00 in grants.

Alvin City Council unanimously voted to approve a contract that permits the city to receive a \$235,000 federal grant for community development. Parks and Recreation will also receive a \$26,000 grant allocated from Brazoria County Precinct 3 Commissioner Stacey Adams and \$12,000 that had been previous allocated by Former County Judge Joe King.

"I am really excited about this grant. The projects we are about to undertake represent our effort to respond to the needs and values of our community." Alvin Parks and Recreation Director, Dan Kelinske.



Pre-Development Meetings

A Pre-Development Meeting (PDM) is an informal meeting with city staff and the landowner, businessperson or developer.

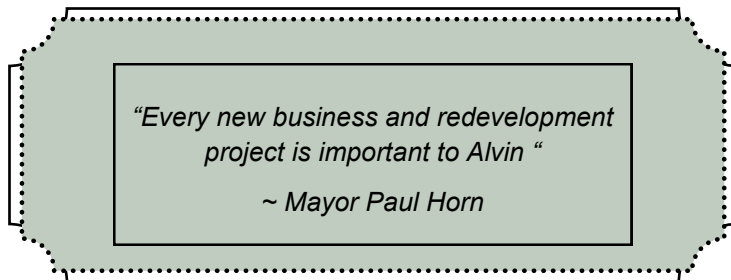
PDM's are generally scheduled in 1 hour increments and are held on Thursdays between 9 am – 12 pm. Exceptions can apply.

Pre-Development Meetings are offered for all who wish to learn more about city development policies and procedures and to address site specific issues.

These PDM'S are meant to be a "discovery" type meeting designed to help inform and assist developers with their projects. These meetings are not comprehensive but rather a tool to help answer questions and uncover potential issues. They are a good platform to create a common understanding between all attendees and help to streamline the development process. PDM's are not a substitute for due diligence on the part of the Developer.

Representatives from city departments such as Engineering, Public Services, Economic Development, Code Compliance, and Fire Marshal Office are present to evaluate the project and to aid the developer in their project planning.

To schedule a Pre-Development Meeting contact:
Kristine Schaffner, Development Coordinator at 281/388-4281.



City of Alvin's ISO Rating

The Insurance Services Office (ISO) Property Protection Classification (PPC) for the City of Alvin is 2. This number represents the capability of the City of Alvin and its fire department in handling fire emergencies within its community. The rating scale for the PPC ranges from 1-10, where the best fire capability and operations are represented by the lower numbers in the scale. For more information on ISO Ratings, you may contact Jesse Williams at 512/305-7941 or ISC Customer Service 1-800/444-4554.

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**Thinking about
Moving Your
Business?**

Then Think Alvin!

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TxDOT Traffic Counts

W Hwy 6 @ Business 35
26,000

S Bypass 35 @ E Hwy 6
36,000

S Bypass 35 @ FM 1462
22,000

S Bypass @ FM 528
26,000

S Gordon @ Hwy 6
14,000

FM 528 @ Bypass 35
17,000

