

# Rockport Transcript

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## Police Department Promotions



Chief Stevens, Lt. Marshman, Lt. Paine, Capt. Anderson, Capt. Garcia, and Lt. Leal

At the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting of City Council, Police Chief Greg Stevens announced a series of promotions for the City of Rockport's Police Department Patrol and Criminal Investigation Divisions (CID). These

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## City Manager Search Update

The City is now accepting applications for the position of City Manager. Ads have been placed on the City's website, *The Pilot*, and select trade and municipal-related publications. Additionally, the City is utilizing the services of SGR, a national executive recruitment firm to cull the applications.

To engage the public in the process, the top three to five candidates will be invited to be a part of a Town Hall-type meeting, to introduce themselves to the community. The deadline for application is May 6 and it's anticipated that a new City Manager would come onboard in late June or July.



The next General Election will be on Saturday, May 7, 2022, at the Rockport GI Forum, Rockport and Fulton Volunteer Fire Departments, and the City's Service Center on the Bypass. Early voting will be held at the Aransas County Elections & Voter Registration Office, located at 602 E. Concho Street, Rockport, Texas. Candidates for the position of Mayor are Tim Jayroe and Andrew Kane.

Danielle Hale will serve as the new representative for Ward 2 and Andrea Hattman will retain her seat for Ward 4 as they were the only candidates filing for those positions. The swearing-in ceremonies will take place at the May 24<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.

## Spring Yard Waste Program

Residents with scheduled trash day of Monday or Tuesday, will have their yard debris picked up on Wednesdays (6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>). Those with Wednesday or Friday weekly collection, will have their bags picked up on Saturdays (9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>). Regular weekly trash and bi-weekly recyclables continue on schedule. Please visit the City website for details.

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officers were selected for promotion based on an assessment of performance; relevant training, education and experience; department needs; officer interests and predicted success; and managerial prerogative.

Lt. Nathan Garcia has been promoted to Captain and head of the Department's Patrol Division. Lt. Nathan Anderson has been promoted to Captain and head of the Criminal Investigation Division. Other promotions include Det. Rachel Marshman being named Lieutenant and moving to Patrol; Officer DJ Paine to Administrative Lieutenant; and Officer Isaac Leal moving to CID as a Detective, where he will be responsible for follow up investigations of property crimes and person crimes ranging from minor thefts to violent assaults and potentially homicides.

The rank of Captain is the RPD's "second-in-command" rank. Captains often serve as the Acting Chief of Police in the absence of the Police Chief. Lieutenant is the first line of supervision in the RPD. Lieutenant Marshman will be assigned to a Patrol Watch tasked with supervising uniformed patrol services during overnight hours throughout the City. Lieutenant Paine will be the RPD's Administrative Lieutenant tasked with managing aspects of the department such as training, vehicle fleet, property, and evidence.



**Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.**

When doing projects around your house, digging without knowing where underground utility lines are buried can be very risky. Any time underground lines are damaged, vital services and everyday conveniences can become disconnected, not only to your home, but to entire neighborhoods. Don't risk harming yourself, your family or your neighbors.

When planning an excavation project, including building new flower beds, simply dial 811 at least 48 hours (two working days) before you plan to start your work. They will notify underground utility providers, who will send professional locators out to mark the approximate location of their utility lines. If you prefer to do it online, go to <https://txhop.texas811.org/>

Visit us on the Web  
[www.cityofrockport.com](http://www.cityofrockport.com)

## Save the Date



The City of Rockport will host a Tire Round Up on Saturday, May 21. Funded by a grant from the Coastal Bend Council of Governments, the event is open to all Aransas County residents and proof of residency must be provided (driver's license, utility bill, etc.)

Tire size is limited to 17.5" x 25", which would include passenger cars, lawnmowers, bicycles, wheelbarrows, and more. The tires will be transported off site and shredded to one-inch (1") chips for conversion to tire derived fuel.

Details on time and location will be posted on the City website and Facebook page closer to the date.

We now have four Facebook pages: Rockport, Texas – Charm of the Texas Coast; Memorial Park, Rockport Community Aquatics Center, and the Rockport Police Department. Like and follow us for the latest news, information and special events.



# Key Allegro Bridge Updates

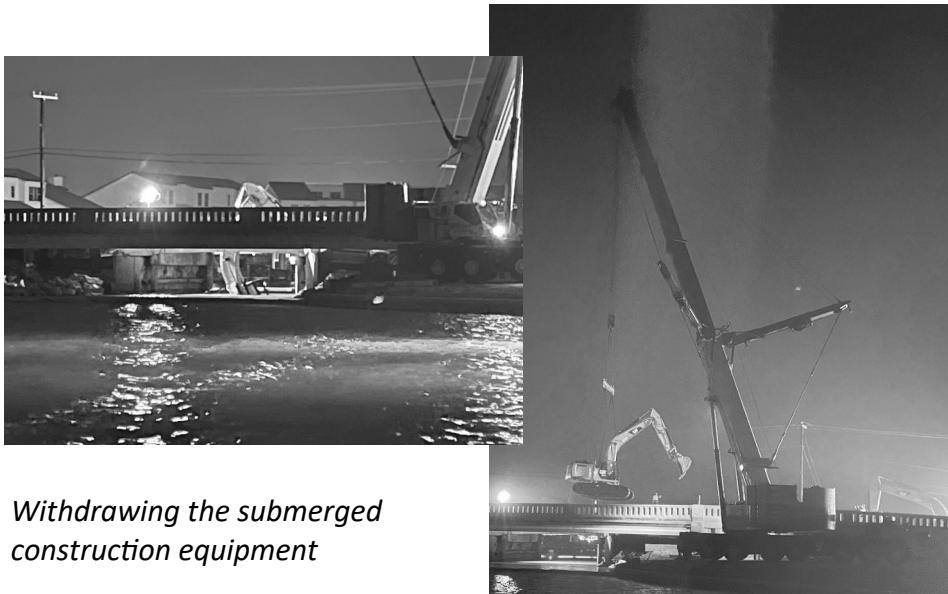


*New lane opened in early March*

During the second week of March, the contractor implemented a lane shift for motorists crossing the bridge, which did not require any changes to the traffic control and safety plan implemented last summer. With the shift, the contractor began work on the second half of the bridge.

A week later, an older, unused portion of the bridge collapsed as an excavator was being driven across. There were no injuries or destruction to the newer part of the bridge. Three days later, the construction vehicle was removed successfully.

When the second half of the bridge is completed, both sides will be finished with a new smooth asphalt topping. The project is expected to be completed by late summer.



*Withdrawing the submerged construction equipment*

The 2022 trash/recycling calendars are posted on the City's web site. They may be accessed by going to the "About Rockport" or "I Want To" tabs on the top of the home page. If you do not have access to a computer, please call Utility Customer Service at 729-2213, ext. 234 to request a copy.

## Get Involved with the City

The successful management of a city relies not only on elected officials and paid staff, but the involvement of concerned citizens. They play a significant role in overseeing programs, recommending and implementing ordinances, and laying the groundwork for future endeavors.

The citizen advisory committees are Parks and Leisure Services, Planning and Zoning, Tree and Landscape, Planning & Zoning, and Zoning Board of Adjustment. Each ward should have at least one representative on any given committee, but that hasn't been the case for several years.

If you would be interested in participating, you may pick up an application at City Hall, visit the Boards and Commissions page on the City's website, or copy and paste this link: <https://rockport.seamlessdocs.com/f/ApplicationBoardCommission>. Deadline for submissions is June 15.



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working at home**

## Rockport City Council

Mayor



Pat Rios

Ward 1



Katy Jackson

Ward 2



J.D. Villa

Ward 3



Brad Brundrett

Ward 4



Andrea Hattman

**Remember — The City web site offers the latest news and information. Also, you can pay your utility and municipal court bills online through the City's website.**

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## Who Do I Call If ...

### Illegal Dumping in Progress

**729-1111**

### Illegal Dumping After the Fact

**790-1125**

### Emergency

**911**

### Non-Emergency Public Safety

**729-1111**

### Utility Bill/Trash Questions/Concerns

**729-2213 x 234**

### Street Issues and Repairs

**790-1160**

### Sewer, Water and Gas Issues

**790-1160**

### After-Hours

**729-1111**

### City Administrative Offices

**729-2213 x 253**

### Building and Development Dept.

**790-1125**



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For additional questions or concerns, visit the "FAQs" or "Fix It" sections on the City's web site ([www.cityofrockport.com](http://www.cityofrockport.com)) or call City Hall at (361) 729-2213.