

AUGUST 2021





ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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Economic Development

About your Sanger EDC

The City of Sanger has established both a Type A and Type B economic development board to stimulate economic growth. These boards utilize sales tax revenues to stimulate the creation of new primary jobs in the community and to address quality of life issues. Sanger is pro-business and aggressively seeks new and expanded businesses that offer quality jobs for the community.

Staff Updates

Staff continues to meet with developers interested in commercial development along I-35, south of the Walmart Distribution Center and along the west side of I-35.

The Sanger Area Chamber of Commerce Business Over Breakfast networking event was held on Wednesday, August 11. This event is a great opportunity to make valuable connections. Staff also attended the monthly Chamber Luncheon, followed by a ribbon cutting ceremony for Jus A Cup.

As part of the City's economic development efforts to attract businesses to the City, staff hired The Retail Coach, a national retail analytics and locational firm, to conduct a deep analysis of the City's demographics in order to help target specific businesses.



Sanger Photo Shoot 2021 – Memorial in Downtown Sanger

DID YOU KNOW...

When you invest money in your local economy, you're not just helping local business owners – you're helping yourself. You're making your town a better place to live in, with a rich character, a thriving economy, and a tight knit community. The more local businesses prosper, the more new ones will open – making it easier to continue shopping locally in the future. Shop local and support our local businesses in SANGER!

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Building Permits

Residential	New	Alteration	Total
# Permits	4	7	11
# Inspections	217	12	229
Fees	\$43,445.80	\$1,182.80	\$44,628.60

Commercial	New	Alteration	Total
# Permits	1	0	1
# Inspections	22	18	17
Fees	\$27,189.38	\$0	\$27,189.38

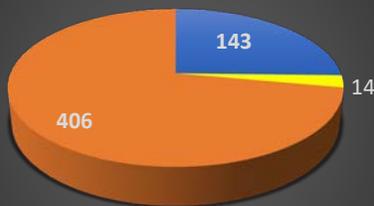
Miscellaneous /One Stop	
# Permits	35
# Inspections	72
Fees	\$2,360.00

DID YOU KNOW...

The City's Building Inspector performs inspections on all permits to ensure that our citizens receive quality construction. This also ensures that all codes have been met. In the event of a loss some insurance companies will ask for proof that work was permitted.

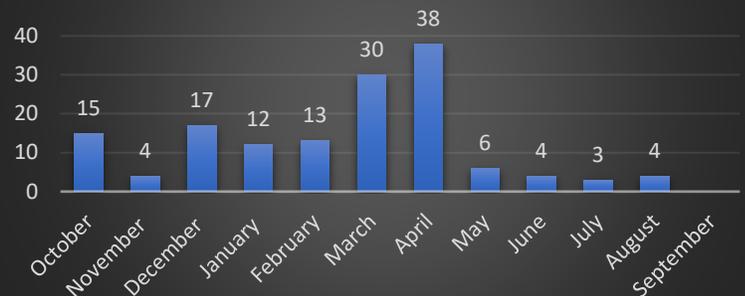
For further questions please contact our department at 940-458-2059.

Building Permits YTD



■ Residential ■ Commercial ■ Miscellaneous/One Stop

New Single-Family Residential Permits FY 20-21





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Planning & Zoning

Case #21SANZON-0018

Conduct a Public Hearing and Consider, Discuss and Act on an Ordinance Regarding a Specific Use Permit for a Kennel Facility at 304 Acker Street, Ste 105; Generally Located on the East Side of Acker Approximately 230 Feet North of Pecan Street.

City Council
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DID YOU KNOW...

Information about the City’s new Comprehensive Plan can be found at Sanger2040plan.com.



POLICE & ANIMAL CONTROL

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Police & Animal Control

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During the month of August 2021, Officers of the Sanger Police Department responded to a total of 596 calls for service having an average response time of 10 minutes per call. The department issued a total of 54 citations and 39 warnings.

The Texas Department of Public Safety Uniform Crime Reporting tracks seven classifications of offenses. You will find below a list of those classifications as well as any of those classifications the Department responded to:

- Criminal Homicide 0
- Forcible Rape 0
- Robbery 0
- Assault 10
- Burglary 1
- Larceny/Theft 8
- Motor Vehicle Theft 1
- Officer Assault 0

Texas law requires that all children younger than eight years old, unless they are taller than 4 feet 9 inches, be secured in a child safety seat whenever they ride in a vehicle. Older children who have outgrown a booster seat must be buckled with a seat belt. Failure to properly restrain a child can result in a ticket of up to \$250.

DID YOU KNOW...

Motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death among children.





FIRE DEPARTMENT

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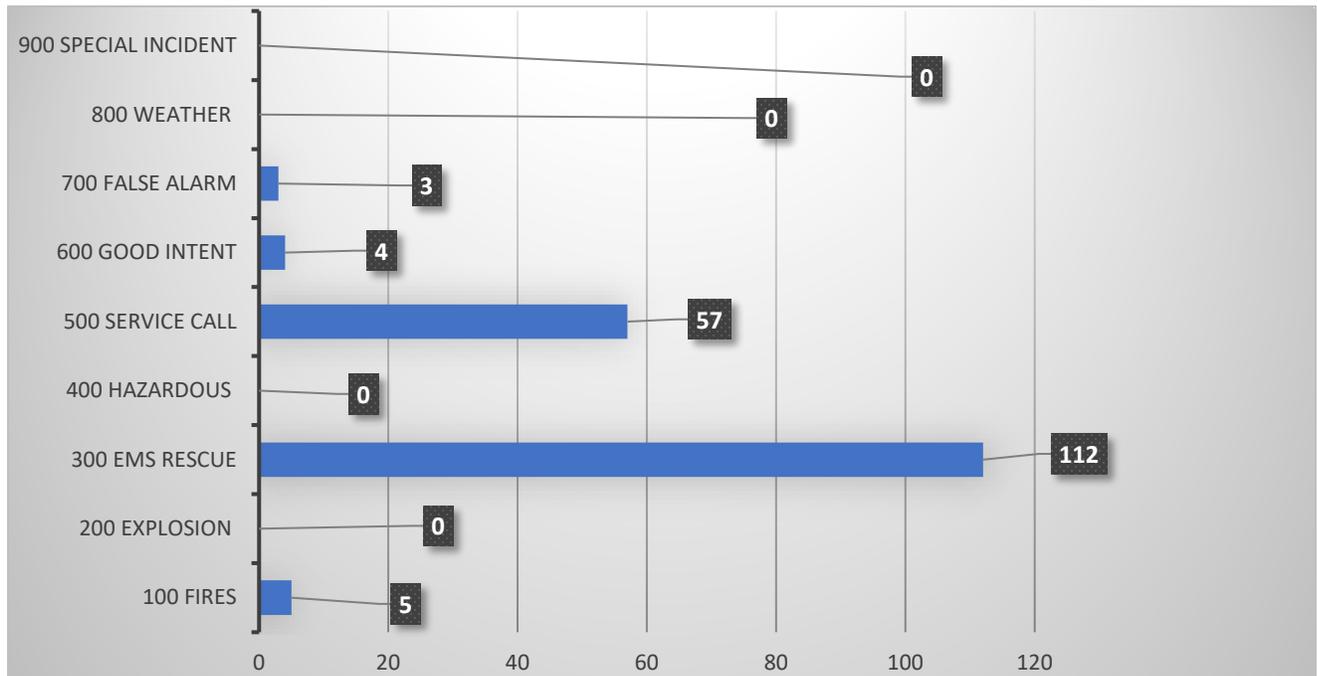
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Fire

Emergency Responses for August 2021:

The Sanger Fire Department responded to 184 emergency incidents during the month of August. The top four busiest incident types:

- 112 Emergency Medical Incident
- 57 Service calls
- Five Fires
- Six False Alarms
- The busiest time of the day was at 07:00 – 07:59 & 13:00-13:59 for the month of August.
- The busiest day of the week for EMS transports was Tuesday with 19 transports during the month. Emergency Medical calls accounted for 60.86 % of the total call volume.

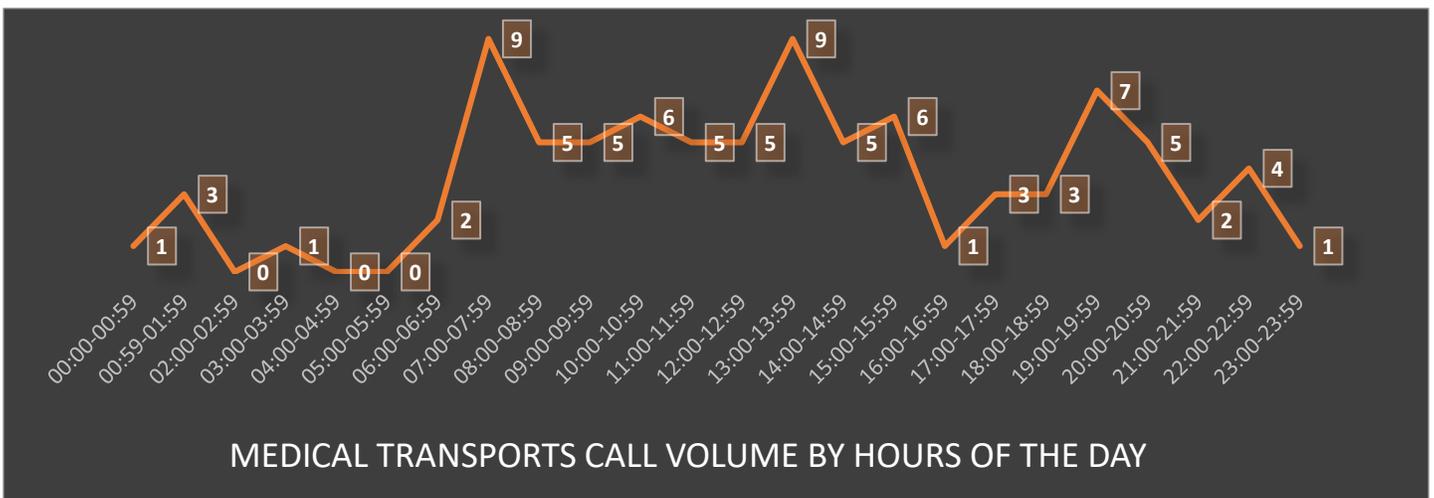
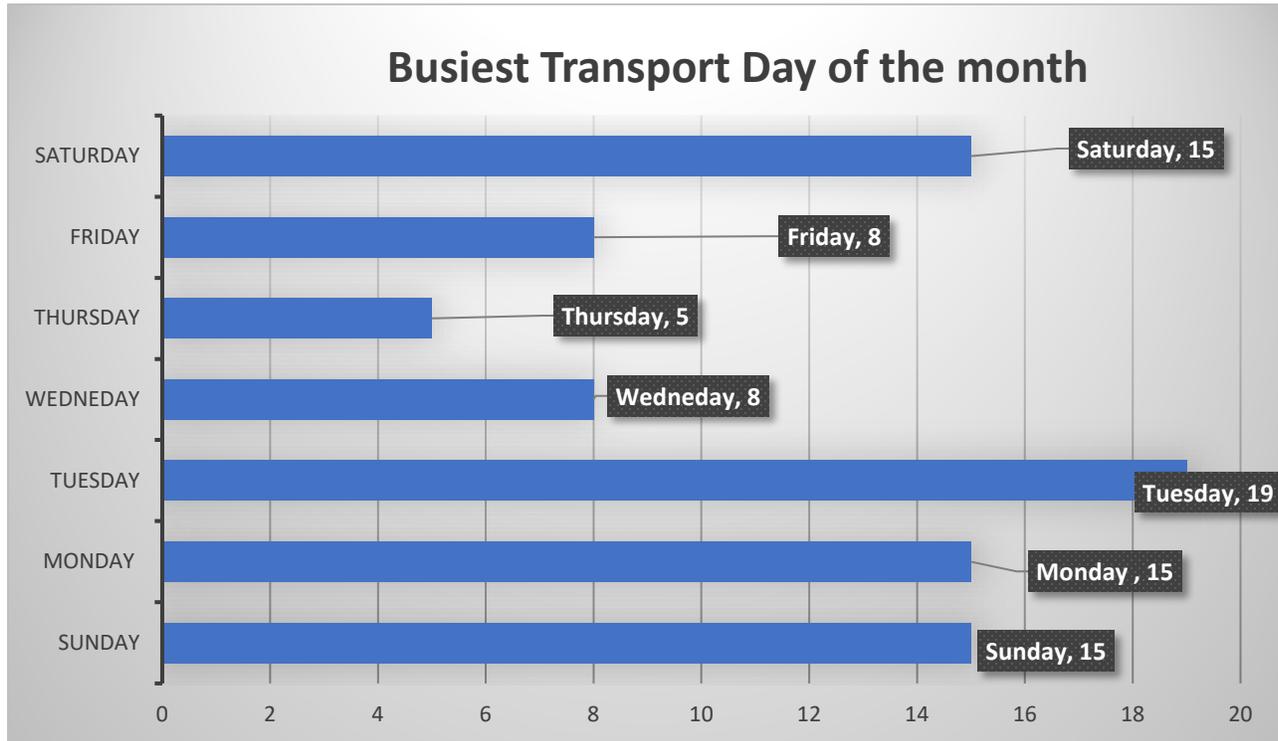




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MOBILE APPS WITH LOCAL ALERT FUNCTIONS

FEMA APP: Stay updated with severe weather alerts from the National Weather Service for up to five locations across the U.S.; learn how to stay safe before, during, and after over 20 types of hazards; save a custom list of the items in your family’s emergency kit; and locate and receive driving directions to open shelters and disaster recovery centers. You can also submit disaster-related photos to a public map using the Disaster Reporter feature. The FEMA App is also available in Spanish. Download the app to your mobile device or smartphone free on iTunes or Google Play. Learn more at www.fema.gov/mobile-app.

AMERICAN RED CROSS APP: The Red Cross Emergency app combines more than 35 different types of severe weather and emergency alerts. You can choose the alerts that are important to your location or the location of loved ones. The “Family Safe” feature allows you to notify loved ones that an alert has been issued in their area and check to see if they are safe. The app also offers information on what to do before, during, and after severe weather hits and how to find open Red Cross Shelters. All content is also available in Spanish. You can download the app to your mobile device or smartphone free on iTunes (Apple-iOS 6.0 or later) and Google Play (Android). Learn more at www.redcross.org/prepare/mobile-apps.

THE WEATHER CHANNEL APP: Tracks weather and provides local forecasts and push alerts of severe weather to your mobile device. Download the app to your mobile device or smartphone free on iTunes (Apple-iOS 6.0 or later), Google Play (Android), App World (BlackBerry), and Windows Phone at www.weather.com/apps.



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Municipal Court

Case Activity:

- For the month of August, 2021, the Municipal Court filed 67 citations.
- There were 11 requests for deferred disposition.
- There were five requests for a driver safety course.
- There were 11 cases successfully closed by deferred disposition and two cases successfully closed by a driver safety course.
- The court closed 47 cases by payment in full or time served.
- The total fines, court costs and other fees collected were \$11,536.20 with \$4,285.05 of that being remitted to the State.

DID YOU KNOW...

A new pedestrian safety law went into effect on September 1, 2021. The Lisa Torry Smith Act (SB 1055) is named after a Texas woman who died after she was struck by a vehicle while walking her son to school.

- A driver may face jail time and/or a fine if they are operating a motor vehicle in a crosswalk and injure a pedestrian or bicyclist.
- Drivers must stop and yield the right of way to pedestrians lawfully in an intersection or an adjacent crosswalk.



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Finance

Overview

The Finance Department is responsible for all financial, accounting and utility billing operations of the City. The department is charged with managing the City's resources through budgeting, purchasing, and reporting. Operations of the department include billing and collecting for all utilities, handling all accounts receivable and payable, preparing payroll for all City employees, paying all City obligations, and preparing the annual budget document.

During the month of August 2021, Finance Department staff presented a proposed tax rate for City Council and facilitated end-of-year budget review meetings with the City Manager and department heads. In addition, the department performed all of the following normal departmental functions for the city:

- Accounts Payable
- Financial Reporting
- Payroll
- Purchase Orders
- Utility Customer Service

DID YOU KNOW...

The City of Sanger provides water service to over 3,300 customer accounts and electric service to over 2,600 customer accounts in the Sanger area?

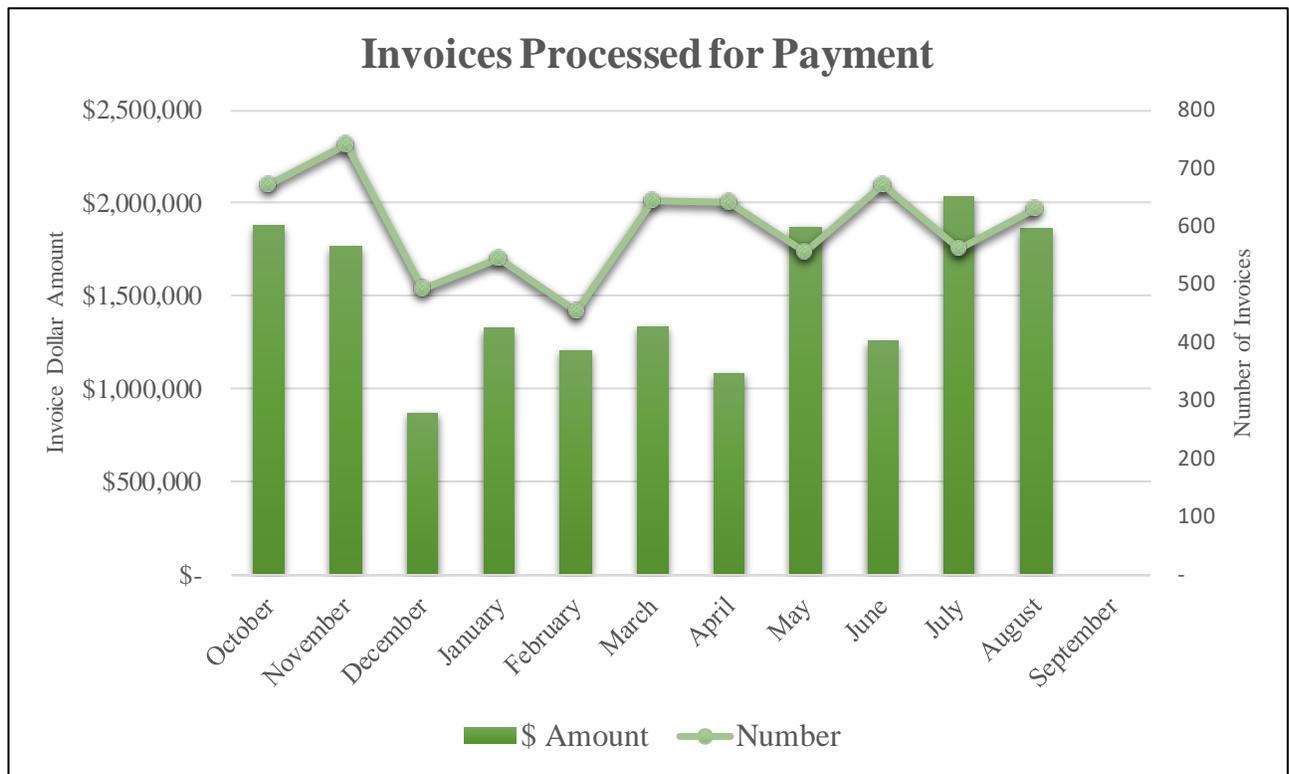




Accounts Payable Function

The purpose of the Accounts Payable function is to provide payment processing services for City departments to ensure timely vendor payments for goods and services.

Invoices Processed		
Year	Number	Amount
2020-2021 YTD	6,611	\$ 16,486,096
2019-2020 YTD	5,963	17,856,882
2018-2019 YTD	6,097	18,586,250



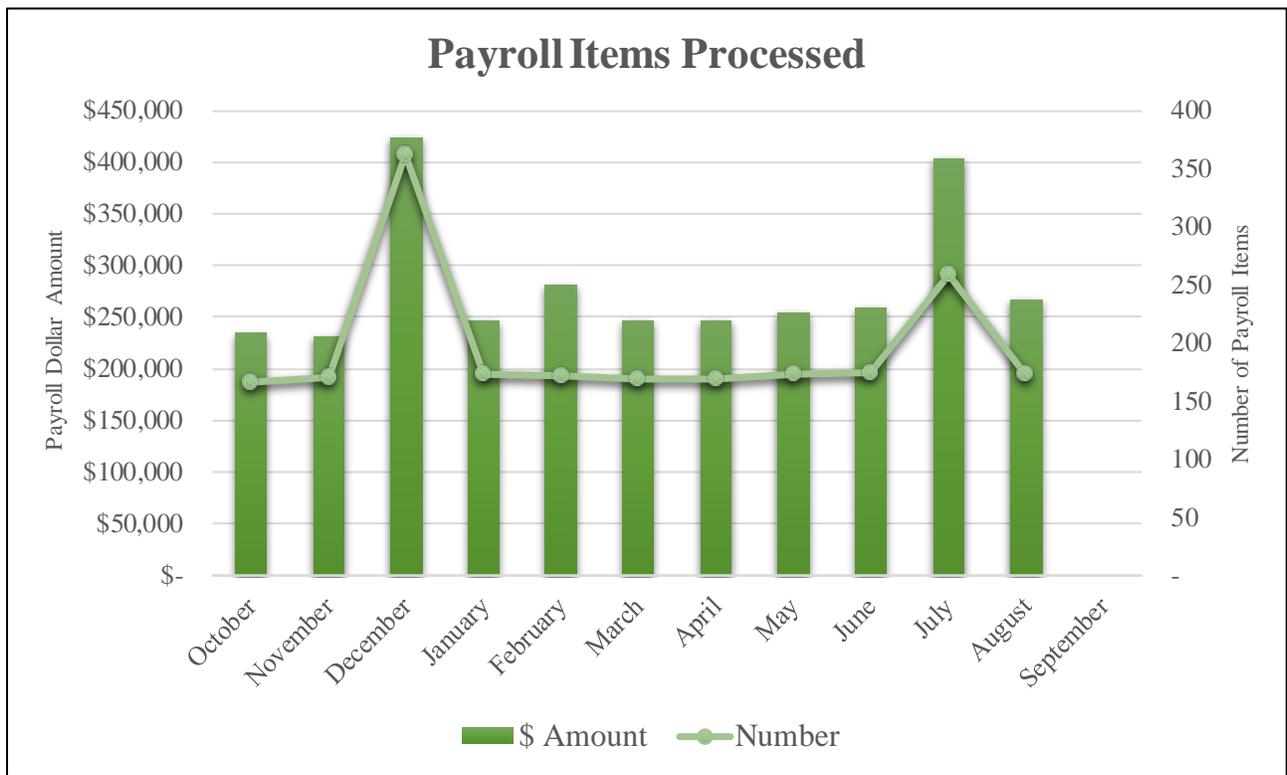


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Payroll Function

The purpose of the Payroll function is to provide timely payroll services for City departments to ensure that employees are paid timely and accurately.

Payments to Employees		
Year	Number	Amount
2020-2021 YTD	2,160	\$ 3,097,770
2019-2020 YTD	2,174	2,954,440
2018-2019 YTD	2,232	2,872,263



NOTE: The months of December 2020 and July 2021 each included three biweekly payrolls.



Purchase Order Function

The purpose of the Purchase Order function is to provide purchasing management and support to departments and suppliers so that the City has the resources available to accomplish its mission in a timely and efficient manner.

Purchase Orders Issued		
Year	Number	Amount
2020-2021 YTD	180	\$ 3,138,371
2019-2020 YTD	165	6,058,410
2018-2019 YTD	227	2,949,988





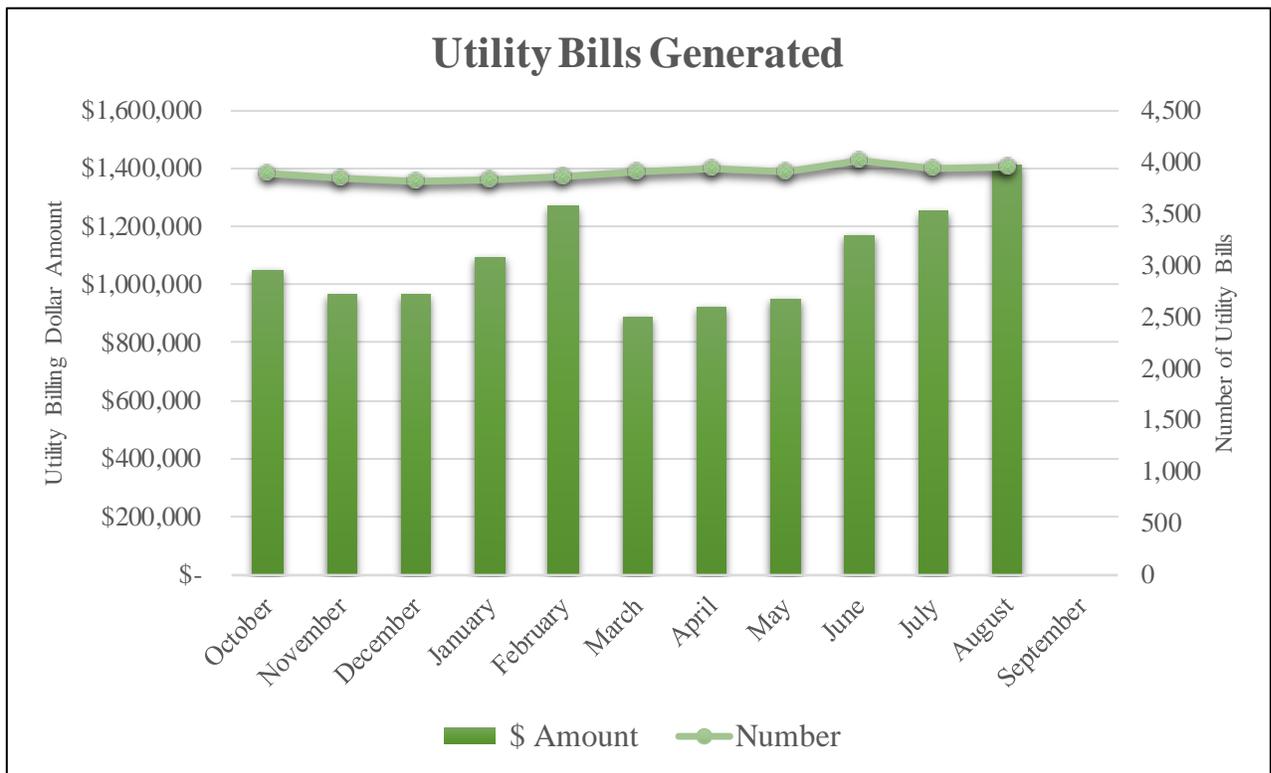
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Utility Customer Service Function

The purpose of the Utility Customer Service function is to provide billing and revenue collection services for all City of Sanger utilities and to provide excellent customer service and information to all City of Sanger utility customers.

Billing Activity

Utility Bills Generated		
Year	Number	Amount
2020-2021 YTD	42,823	\$ 11,936,407
2019-2020 YTD	37,468	\$ 10,409,075
2018-2019 YTD	35,900	\$ 10,363,988



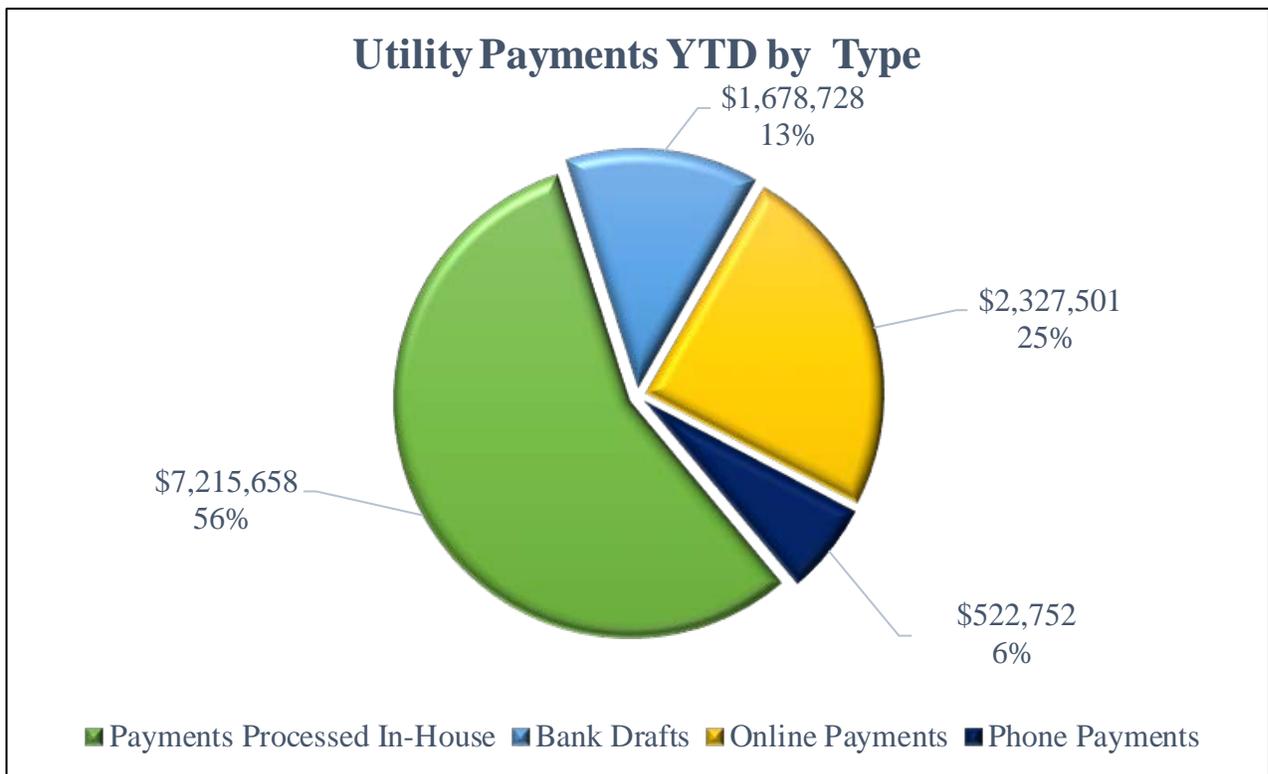


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Payment Processing Activity

Utility Payments Processed		
Year	Number	Amount
2020-2021 YTD	41,319	\$ 11,744,639
2019-2020 YTD	39,261	\$ 11,530,466
2020-2019 YTD	38,660	\$ 11,661,947





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Financial Reporting Function

The purpose of the Financial Reporting function is to provide internal controls and financial information to City Council and City departments so that they may manage operations and meet financial reporting needs.

Financial Reports Prepared		
Type	City Council Reports	Departmental Budget Reports
2020-2021 YTD	11	22
2019-2020 YTD	11	22
2018-2019 YTD	11	22



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Electric

With the widening of FM 455 and I-35 the electric department continues to perform daily inspections of Primoris Construction.

Daily Operations:

- Clean/stock trucks
- Disconnects / reconnects
- Safety meeting

Construction:

- Installed secondary services in Willowood Subdivision
- Took down transformer bank at 1605 Bolivar Street for the state
- Worked on feeder 1205/1206 air switch on Keaton Road
- Helped Street Department trim trees on Duckcreek Road
- Connected the primary conduit from Wagon Master Phase 3 to Phase 2
- Helped Primoris replace bad terminators in the Substation
- Set new primary pole on Smith Street for secondary services
- Installed new secondary services at 223 Jones Street

Service Truck/After Hours Combined:

- Reinstates – 14
- Cutoff – 10
- Connects – 17
- Disconnects – 24
- Occupant change – 35
- Rereads – 16
- Meter Changeouts – 5
- New Meters – 1
- Temp Power – 10
- T-Pole – 5
- Temp to Perm – 1
- Solar – 1
- Demolition Disconnect – 1
- Line Locates – 212

DID YOU KNOW...

The first power plant, owned by Thomas Edison, opened in New York City in 1882.



Engineering

Engineering Department Responsibilities

- Engineering Administration
- Engineering review and coordination of Residential, Commercial & Capital Improvement Construction Projects from design through the construction completion: Plat review, Construction Plan review, Building permit reviews, Construction Management Coordination, Inspections
- Management of Water, Wastewater, Drainage & Paving Capital Improvement Projects
- Stormwater Pollution Prevention Management & Inspection
- Coordinate utility relocation, easement and ROW acquisitions
- Floodplain Management
- Coordination of TXDOT Projects
- Traffic/Transportation Engineering
- Identify infrastructure improvements necessary to accommodate projected growth and development.
- Respond to public inquiries, investigate and resolve complaints, or refer to appropriate individual or department for resolution.
- Street Cut/Bore (Right-of-way), TXDOT & Environmental Permitting
- Review and update as needed the Subdivision Ordinance and other related standards.

Capital Improvement Projects

- Water & Wastewater Master Plan – Under design
- Railroad Avenue Lift Station and Wastewater Pipeline Improvements – Partial easement acquisition in discussions
- Wastewater Treatment Plant: O&M Manual and Control computer program remaining for completion.
- WWTP Intake Screen Replacement: Bar Screen ordered from manufacturer

Development

Construction

- Sanger Circle Phase 6: 250 Lot Single Family & Townhome Residential Development
No Activity, Outstanding Paving and Franchise utilities remaining. Planning to complete Phase 6A Townhome portion first. Then, Phase 6B as soon as possible after.
- Sanger Meadow Addn. Phase 3: ETJ 119 Single Family Residential Lot development
Street construction underway.
- Sportsman 2 – Fuel Station: Site work and building foundation construction underway
- Sable Creek Phase 4: 50 Lot Single Family Residential lot development – Wet Utility construction underway.



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- Sable Creek Phase 5: 26 Lot Single Family Residential lot development – Wet Utility construction underway.
- Ranger Branch Channel Improvements – Grading substantially complete. Possible sewer utility adjustment, retaining walls, and existing utility adjustment remaining.
- Lake County Estates: 78 Single Family Residential Lot Development – developer evaluating fire water supply requirements
- Country Rd Estates – 56 Residential and 1 Commercial Lot Development – Plans approved
- Sonic – Site & Utility work underway, TXDOT permit in review

Review

- Building Permits – Engineering Review
- Blue Star – 12 Lot Industrial Development

TXDOT

TXDOT I-35 Project

- Design underway by Stantec – 30% plans received 10/28/2020. To be reviewed
Aesthetic to be reviewed
- Utility Coordination with TXDOT under review

FM 455 Highway Project

- Project let date 07/2022
- Utility Clear Date 4/2022
- TXDOT ~ 95% Check Set received for review

FM 455 Utility Relocation Project

- Project awarded and construction started. Materials ordered.

TXDOT IH 35 Utility Relocation Project

- Staff determining utility relocations needed.
- Design and easement acquisition consultants to be selected and contracts prepared for utility relocations.
- Project let date 07/2022
- Utility Clear Date 4/2022



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Development Impacts on Water Resources

When reviewing development, there are a number of water features a municipality needs to evaluate during development reviews.

The municipality needs to evaluate what watercourses may be considered “Waters of the United States” and under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps. Of Engineers. There are federally regulated water bodies and wetlands. The FEMA as well as fully developed watershed flood elevations needs to be evaluated. On-site drainage detention may be required.

Additional permitting requirements may be needed and limitations on development based on impacts on these water resources.



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Streets

Concrete:

- Curb repair – Melinda Myrl

Miscellaneous:

- Maintenance on shop, trucks, and equipment
- Deliver barricades and cones to Police Station
- Vehicle inspections
- Vehicle registration

Potholes:

- Repair potholes
- Clear weeds around guardrails
- Pothole patch – Belz Road

Road Hazards:

- Culvert repair – Plum Street/4th Street
- Trim tree limbs from roadway – 7th Street
- Remove fallen tree limbs from 4th Street/Marshall Street
- Ditch cleanout – Bolivar Street
- Ditch cleanout – 8th Street/Bolivar Street
- Ditch cleanout – 4th Street/Locust Street
- Ditch cleanout – 7th Street/Bolivar Street

Sidewalk Repairs:

- Clear fallen tree limbs from sidewalk – South Keaton
- Repairs to sidewalk –Bridle Path

Road Signs:

- Repaint school crossing lines – Keaton Road
- Repaint school crossing lines – 6th Grade Center
- Repaint school crossing lines – 10th Street
- Repaint school crossing lines – Kramer Lane
- Repaint school crossing lines – Indian Lane
- Repaint turn and stop lines – Indian Lane
- Clean and maintenance to paint machine



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- Clear tree limbs from traffic and street signs
- Repaint 4-way lines and arrows at Porter Park Entrance

Road Repair from Water Leak:

- Backfill hole from water leak – Elm Street/9th Street

Department Staff:

Street Superintendent – John Henderson

Utility II – Felipe Ibarra

Utility I – Grayson Rutledge

Utility I – Open

DID YOU KNOW...

Knowing Texas school zone laws can help motorists keep students safe and avoid traffic fines.

- Follow the speed limit: Obey the posted speed limit in active school zones.
- Eliminate distractions: Do not use a cell phone while driving.
- Remain alert at intersections and crosswalks: School campuses are active at all hours with before and after school activities.



WATER

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Water

The Water Department completed the following tasks:

- Precision Pump pulled the pump #1 at Quail Run Lift Station and debris was removed from the pump impeller. In addition, Precision Pump pulled the pump #1 at Duck Creek Lift Station to reset it on the guild rails.
- IMC Waste Disposal removed settled solids from the wet well floor on August 2, 2021.
- Made repairs to 15 water service lines.
- Cleaned five sewer service lines.
- Installed 12 new water meters.
- Visually read 923 water meters that were not read by the mobile collector.
- Completed 197 water and sewer service orders.
- There are 3,181 active water connections and 3,161 active sewer connections during the month August.
- The Water Department performed 245 line locates.
- Precision Pump lifted the motor from the pedestal and replaced the motor/pump coupling on the Cowling booster pump #1.
- RLC Controls made adjustments in the wiring configuration on the Cowling booster pump #1.

DID YOU KNOW...

In 1974, Congress passed the Safe Drinking Water Act to ensure that drinking water is safe for human consumption. The Act requires public water systems to monitor and treat drinking water for safety.



PARKS AND RECREATION

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Parks and Recreation

Operations:

Over 305 acres were mowed in the month of August. We also had 78 brush orders called in during the month of August alone with the majority of those being chipped by the end of the month. The Parks Department also continues mowing and weeding on a regular cycle as well as putting out fertilizer and pre-emergent. For a reminder the brush ordinance is below and orders can be submitted via Accela (available in the app store for both Apple and Androids), by calling 940-458-2069 or by emailing parksandrecreation@sangertexas.org.

Facilities:

Reservations fill up quickly and are on a first come first serve basis. You can find our facility rental calendar as well as the reservation forms for the Community Center, Church, and all pavilions on our website at www.sangertexas.org under the Parks and Recreation tab. There were nine pavilion rentals, 12 rentals for the Community Center, and the church was used 10 times during the month of August. We also had our fields rented out for practices five times during the month. Facilities include our Community Center and Historical Presbyterian Church as well as park pavilions.

Recreation:

The Recreation Department was very busy month during the month of August planning for fall events. Fall events in the works include a Fall Sanger Sounds series, a movie in the park, and of course our annual Christmas Parade. Contracts for fall softball and baseball were also executed. August, with its heat is a great month to take off from events and use the time for preparation for events during the cooler months.

Our Facebook page is still experiencing a steady growth up to 3,478 likes at the end of August with 3,653 followers. If you have not, please go and like our page at Sanger, TX Parks, and Recreation to follow all of the fun events coming up.

Department Staff:

Public Works Director – Jim Bolz
Recreation & Event Coordinator –
Jennifer Shumate
Crew Leader – James Hunter
Maintenance Worker II – Dean Mason
Maintenance Worker I – Adrian Tostado

DID YOU KNOW...

The City of Sanger has an app that can be downloaded to report issues to the City. Issues include limbs/brush, tall grass/weeds, pot holes, and tons of other items.

The app is free to download on either iTunes or Google Play.
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LIBRARY

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Library

Highlights:

- Summer Reading Grand prizes were awarded for each of the age groups and included a combination of items purchased by the library, the Friends group and a donation from an area business.



- In previous years the library has taken a break from programs in August after the conclusion of Summer Reading, but Storytime continued throughout the month this year, as well as Book Club and Knitting & Crochet.

SANGER PUBLIC LIBRARY

August Programs

Pre School	Elementary	5th-7th Grade	Teen	Adult	All Ages
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Summer Reading Program: Redeem reading prizes through Saturday, August 7th!

<p>Tuesday, August 17th 6:30pm</p> <p>Book Club: <i>This Tender Land</i> by William Kent Krueger</p>	<p>Wednesday Mornings 10:30am</p> <p>Preschool Storytime</p>	<p>Saturday, August 21st 2:00pm</p> <p>U.F.O.'s "Un-Finished Objects" Knitting & Crochet</p>
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- A community survey was launched in August as part of the library's new Long Range Plan. A link to the survey was posted on the website and Facebook, and paper copies were made available in the library. Public input is sought regarding what types of resources, services and features in a possible facility would be preferred. The survey will be available through September 10th.



The library began circulating the Fairytale STEM kits received through a previous grant partnership with Sanger ISD. Six kits are available and include laminated student and teacher cards in addition to the design process and activity pieces. Other educational preschool kits will be offered in coming months.

Statistics at a Glance:

- 1,748 physical items were checked out.
- 236 digital items circulated.
- 61 new cardholders and a total of 3,887.
- 1,556 visits to the library.
- 48 reference questions answered.
- 55 computer-related questions answered.

DID YOU KNOW...

September is National Library Card Sign-up Month! If you don't already have a Sanger Public Library card, now would be a good time to get one! It's free, and all you need is a photo ID with your current address. If it doesn't have it, just bring in a piece of mail or other document showing your new address.