

OCTOBER 2021





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 has developed a Business Retention Expansion (BR&E) program that endeavors to foster the retention and expansion of existing Sanger businesses. Our goal is to learn about the needs and concerns of existing businesses as they relate to conducting business in our community, and work to address those needs and concerns to encourage continued growth. One of the most important elements in our BRE program is visits to area businesses. We want to get to know you and your business as well as keep you informed about what’s going on in the business community and serve any business assistance needs you may have. To request a visit, please contact 940-458-2059 or email sbradshaw@sangertexas.org.

Staff attended the annual Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC) that took place October 13-15, in Fort Worth. The TEDC Conference is a great resource for learning from economic development experts on issues and trends, as well as from fellow peers through group roundtables and other networking sessions.

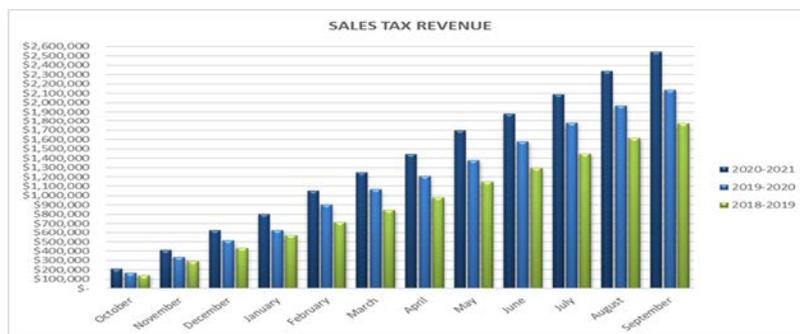
City staff is working on several economic development projects that are in different stages of planning. More information about these projects will be released at the appropriate time.

Sales Tax Report:

September sales allocations is up 25% over same month last year and YTD sales tax through September is up 19% over Fiscal YTD September 2020 (the September allocation represents sales tax activity for the month of July).

DID YOU KNOW...

Shop Small is a nationwide movement that celebrates small businesses everyday and helps communities thrive and stay vibrant. Small Business Saturday is a day dedicated to supporting small businesses and communities across the country. Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 27, 2021 and make plans to shop local and support our community!





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Building Permits

Residential	New	Alteration	Total
# Permits	2	5	7
# Inspections	143	9	152
Fees	\$13,668.65	\$1,179.30	\$14,847.95

Commercial	New	Alteration	Total
# Permits	0	0	0
# Inspections	25	13	38
Fees	\$1,239.48	\$0	\$1,239.48

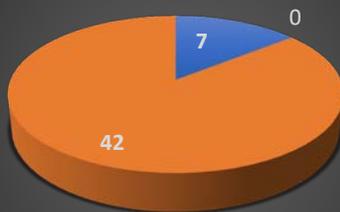
Miscellaneous /One Stop	
# Permits	42
# Inspections	57
Fees	\$3,375.00

DID YOU KNOW...

Did you know rain gutters help to funnel water away from your house? Rain flow from the roof creates erosion at the foundation which could cause settlement. Rain gutters also help prevent your fascia boards from rotting.

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 21-22



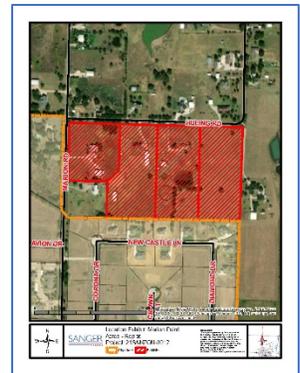


Planning & Zoning

Case #21SANZON-0019

Conduct a public hearing and consider a Replat of Block A Lot 1, Lot 2, Lot 3, Lot 4 of the Marion Point Acres, within the City of Sanger’s Extraterritorial Jurisdiction, being approximately 26.444 acres, reclaiming unused right-of-way and increasing acreage to 27.36.

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Check out the Development Services GIS Interactive Map for zoning and land use information at <https://sangertexas.maps.arcgis.com/home/index.html>



POLICE & ANIMAL CONTROL

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Police & Animal Control

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During the month of October 2021, Officers of the Sanger Police Department responded to a total of 484 calls for service having an average response time of 11 minutes per call. The department issued a total of 63 citations and 52 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 1
- Robbery 0
- Assault 4
- Burglary 0
- Larceny/Theft 2
- Motor Vehicle Theft 1
- Officer Assault 0



It is unlawful to cross property to avoid an intersection.

Texas Transportation Code - TRANSP § 545.423. Crossing Property

(a) An operator may not cross a sidewalk or drive through a driveway, parking lot, or business or residential entrance without stopping the vehicle.

(b) An operator may not cross or drive in or on a sidewalk, driveway, parking lot, or business or residential entrance at an intersection to turn right or left from one highway to another highway.





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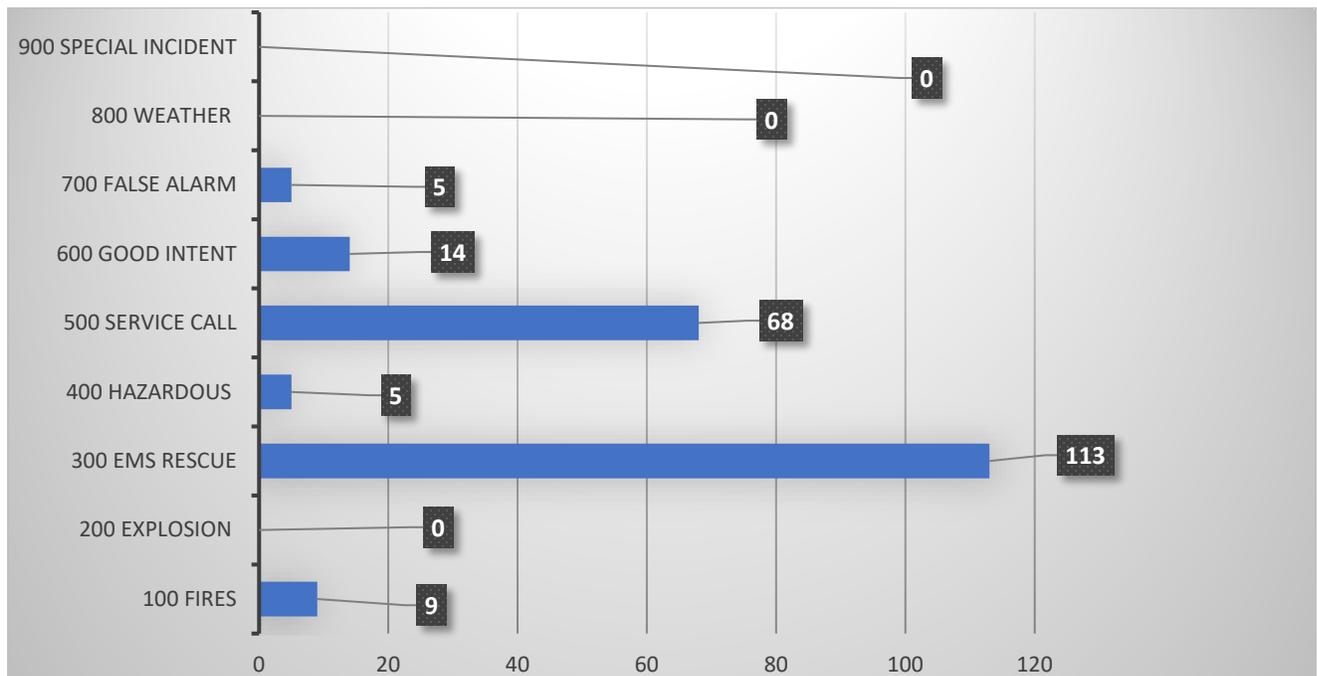
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Fire

Emergency Responses for October 2021

The Sanger Fire Department responded to 217 emergency incidents during the month of October. The top four busiest incident types:

- 113 Emergency Medical Incident
- 68 Service calls
- 14 Good Intent
- Nine Fires
- The busiest time of the day was at 17:00 – 17:59 for the month of October.
- The busiest day of the week for EMS transports was Saturday, with 21 transports during the month.
- Emergency Medical calls accounted for 52.07 % of the total call volume.

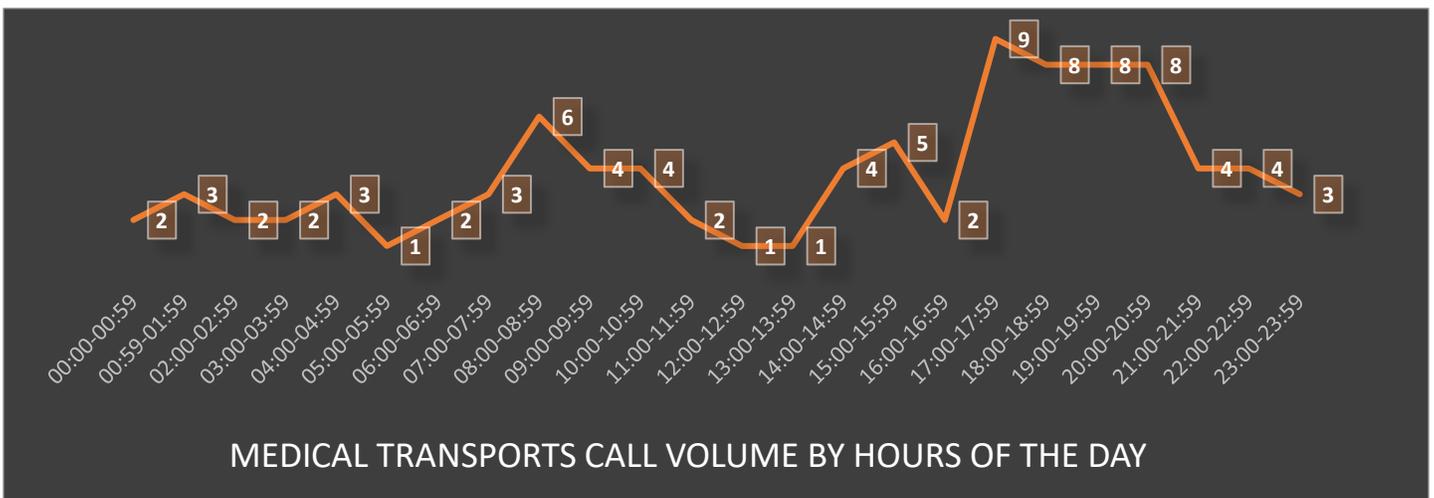
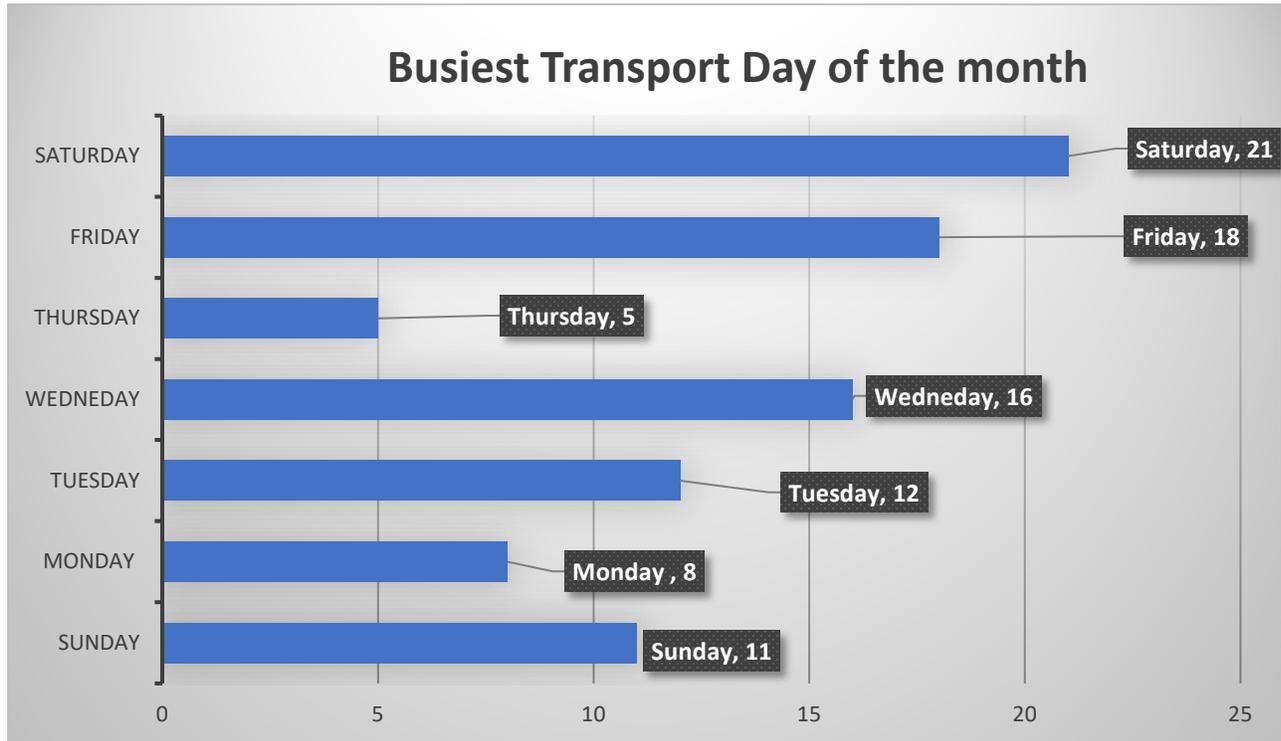




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MOBILE APPS WITH LOCAL ALERT FUNCTIONS

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.



MUNICIPAL COURT

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Municipal Court

Court Activity:

- For the month of October, 2021, the Municipal Court filed 64 citations.
- There were seven requests for a deferred disposition.
- There were five requests for a driver safety course.
- There were six cases successfully closed by a deferred disposition and two cases successfully closed by a driver safety course.
- The court closed 38 cases by payment in full or time served.
- The total fines, court costs and other fees collected were \$13,047.93 with \$4,348.40 of that being remitted to the State.

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Effective 09.01.2021

You may be entitled to a credit toward any fine or costs owed, if you were confined in jail or prison after the commission date of the offense.



FINANCE

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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 October 2021, Finance Department staff worked with the external auditors on interim work, prepared for the annual audit in November, and worked on year-end closing procedures.

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 has had 3 different names.

The city was originally named "Huling" in honor of Mrs. Elizabeth Huling, who owned the land which would become Sanger. Shortly after, the name was changed to "New Bolivar" for a brief period of time.

The Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railroad officially named the city "Sanger" after railroad customers the Sanger Brothers (owners of the Sanger Brothers Department Stores) in 1887.

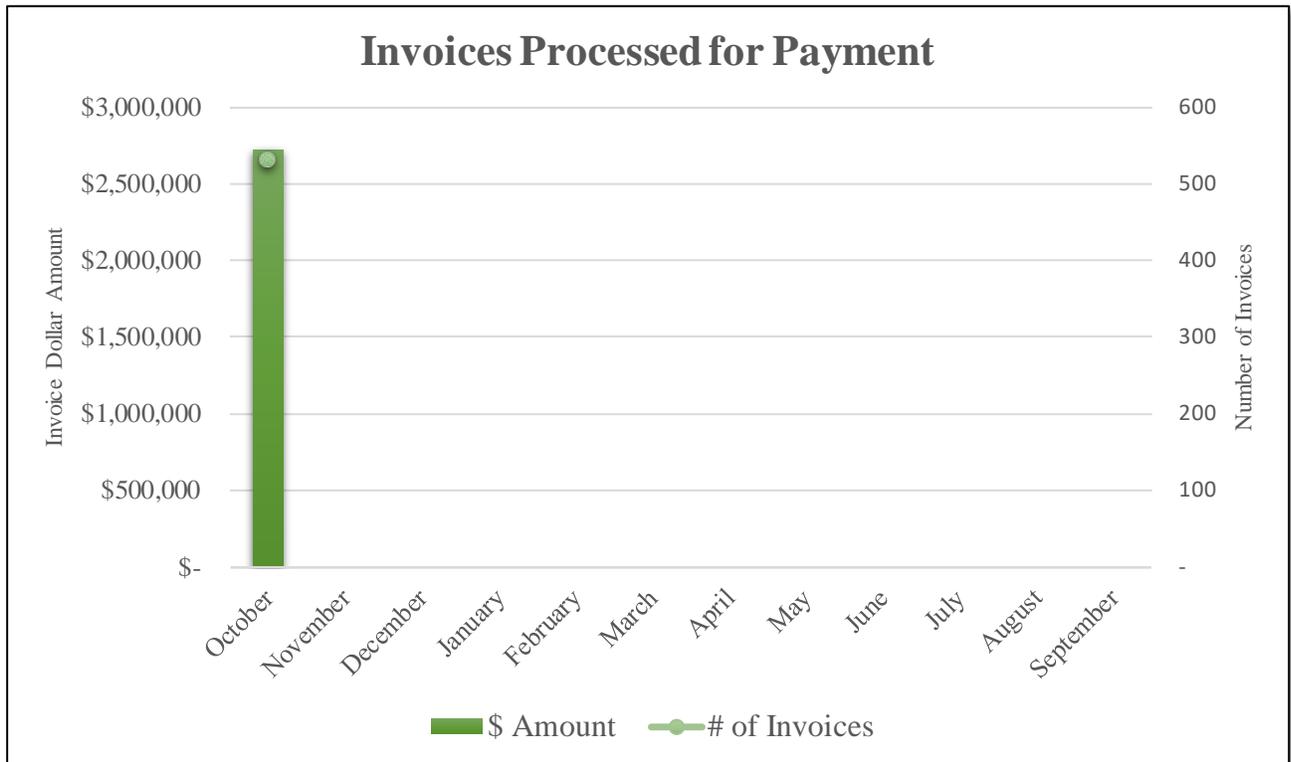


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Accounts Payable Function

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
2021-2022	530	\$ 2,723,189
2020-2021	7,211	17,822,882
2019-2020	6,560	20,025,263





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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
2021-2022	28	\$ 628,032
2020-2021	201	3,459,354
2019-2020	197	6,225,121



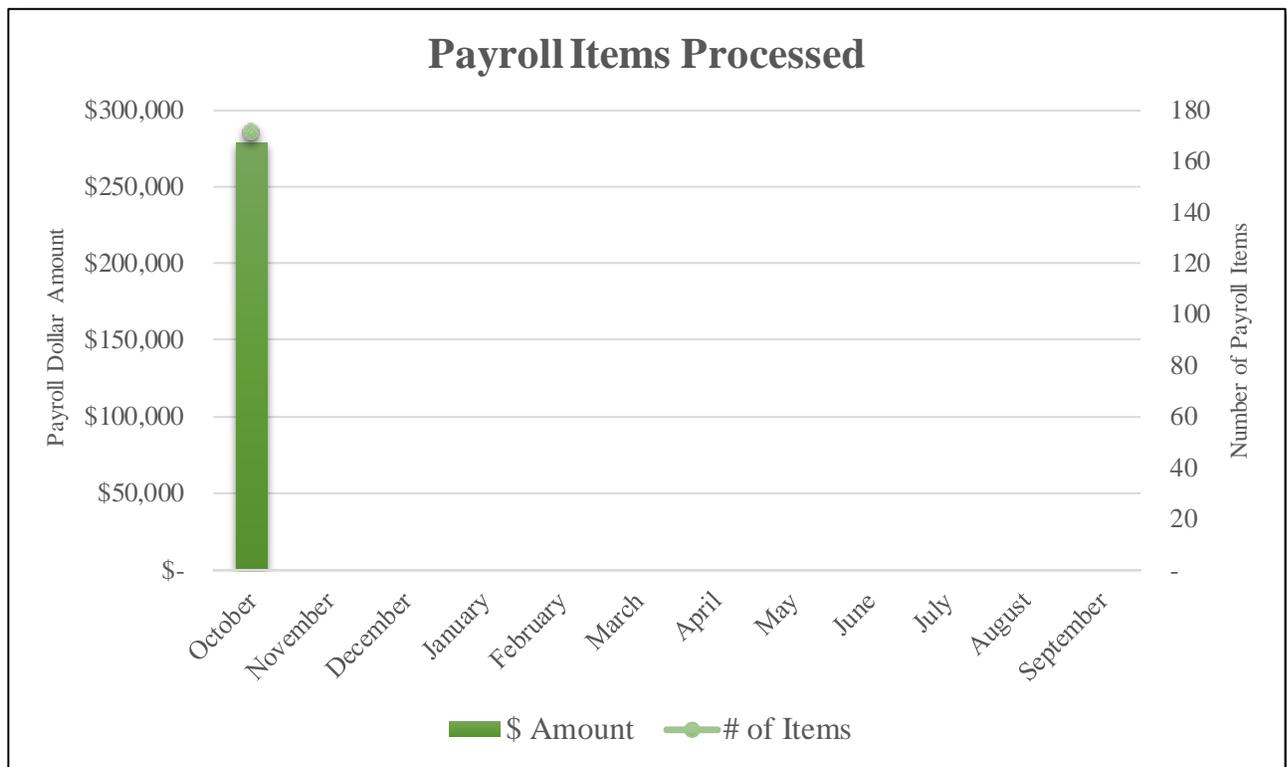


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Payroll Function

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
2021-2022	171	\$ 278,011
2020-2021	2,328	3,378,891
2019-2020	2,342	3,221,366





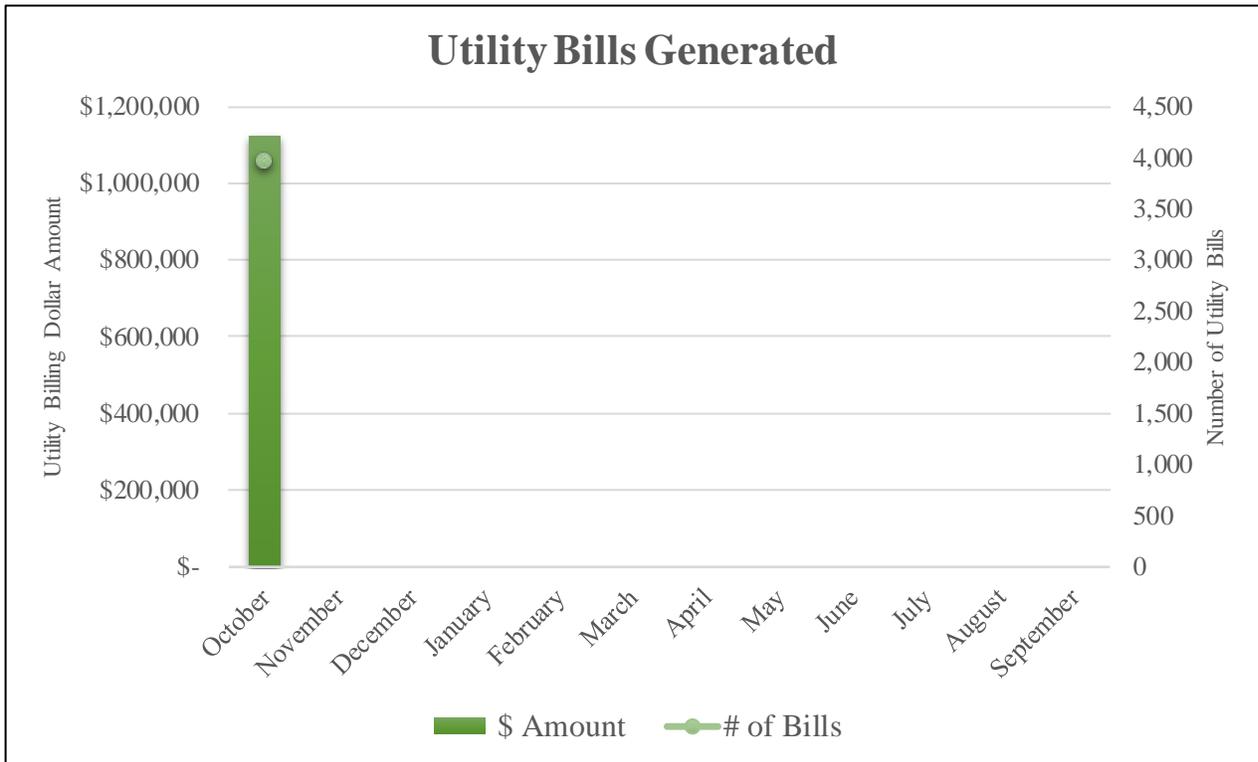
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Utility Customer Service Function

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
2018-2019	3,965	\$ 1,121,656
2020-2021	46,807	\$ 13,232,590
2021-2022	45,385	\$ 12,948,464



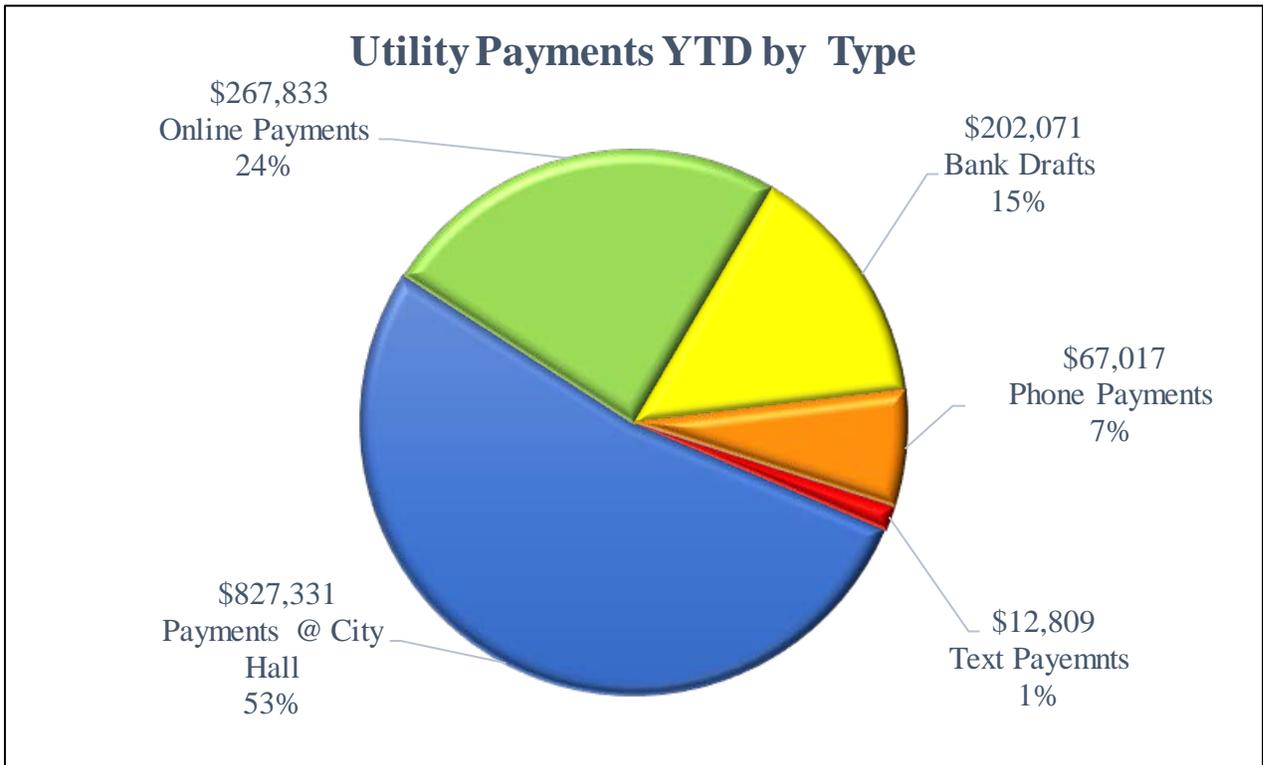


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Payment Processing Activity

Utility Payments Processed		
Year	Number	Amount
2021-2022	3,909	\$ 1,377,061
2020-2021	45,137	\$ 13,054,979
2019-2020	42,942	\$ 12,858,831





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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
2021-2022	1	2
2020-2021	1	2
2019-2020	1	2



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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

Construction:

- Installed secondary services in Willowood Subdivision
- Installed new secondary service at 804 S. 8th Street
- Helped Service Truck with temp to perms in Willowood Subdivision
- Helped Service Truck fix street lights on Indian Lane
- Worked on storm outages
- Replaced primary pole on Wood Street
- Replaced floor in the Sellabration burn box for the Fire Department
- Installed electric boxes for Sanger Sellabration
- Removed Sellabration banners

Service Truck/After Hours Combined:

- Reinstates – 14
- Cutoff – 14
- Connects – 18
- Disconnects – 17
- Occupant change – 32
- Rereads – 7
- Meter Changeouts – 11
- New Meters – 8
- T-Pole – 1
- Temp to Perm – 5
- Solar – 2
- Voltage Recorder – 1
- Line Locates – 179

DID YOU KNOW...

Electric eels can produce strong electric shocks of around 500 volts for both self-defense and hunting.



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. No activity.
- Sanger Meadow Addn. Phase 3: ETJ 119 Single Family Residential Lot development
Grading. Nearing completion of Public Improvements.
- 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.
- 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
- Stephens Towne Crossing – New PD document submittal under staff review.
- Sanger (Bella) Mansion under review

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 revised to 6/2022
- 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 9/2024
- Utility Clear Date ~ 5/2024

COWLING BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

- TXDOT and County design under review
- USGS Monitoring Station relocation required
- Adjacent city livestock fencing to be relocated/replaced.



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Street Review

When reviewing development as well as Capital Improvement Program projects there are a number of roadway impacts to evaluate during plan reviews.

The municipality needs to evaluate

- any environmental impacts (jurisdictional waters, floodplain, hydraulic studies, erosion & sedimentation control),
- drainage design,
- traffic impacts (capacity, safety, lighting, signalization)
- Aesthetics
- Materials
- Any other regulatory agency permitting required

Design conforms to

- City requirements: geometric (vertical and horizontal) dimensional, geotechnical
- State and County requirements
- American State Highway and Transportation Officials design guidelines (geometric design, traffic capacity, pedestrian safety lighting, signage, etc.)



STREETS

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Streets

Asphalt:

- Road rehabilitation project – Melinda Myrl
- Road rehabilitation project- Plum Street and 4th Street
- Milled and rolled Kathryn Street
- Milled and rolled South Highland Drive
- Inspect Melinda Myrl progress
- Hot mix at Elm Street and 10th Street
- Patchwork at 3rd Street and Bolivar Street

Operations:

- Road rehabilitation project – Steve Court
- Inspect Steve Court progress

Miscellaneous:

- Clear storm damage
- Clear fallen trees from ROW
- Check metal plates at Ranger Creek
- Distribute letters about road repairs in neighborhood
- Interviews for current job opening
- Repair fallen fence at Street's yard

Potholes:

- Repair potholes – Belz Road

Road Hazards:

- Clear low hanging limbs – Duck Creek Road

Sidewalk Repairs:

- Get quotes for Sandpipe sidewalk repairs

Road Signs:

- Replace speed limit sign at Lois Road
- Replace stop signs at Bluebird Lane and South Highland Drive
- Put out and then pick up barricades and cones for Homecoming Parade
- Put out and then pick up barricades and cones out for Police Festival

DID YOU KNOW...

In the fall as temperatures drop, frost often forms on the roadway, causing hazardous driving conditions. Drive slowly and break gently at overpasses and bridges as these areas frost over more quickly than other roadway surfaces.



WATER

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Water

The Water Department completed the following tasks:

- Made repairs to 11 water service lines.
- Made repairs to three water main lines.
- Patterson Professional Services replaced the sewer line at 720 Dove Ridge.
- The Water Department team installed a new vacuum hose on the Vacuum trailer.
- Cleaned five sewer service lines.
- Made repairs to one sewer main line and added a clean out to the line.
- Installed 10 new water meters.
- Visually read 946 water meters that were not read by the mobile collector.
- Completed 208 water and sewer service orders.
- There are 3,210 active water connections and 3,190 active sewer connections during the month October.
- The Water Department performed 200 line locates.

DID YOU KNOW...

The vast majority of the 80% of Americans who don't use septic tanks are served by municipal water-treatment plants. Waste from their homes is whisked immediately off the premises, never to be seen, smelled, or considered again. Pipes carry waste from these homes to wastewater-treatment plants that, in some ways, work like a septic tank on a very large scales.



Parks and Recreation

Operations:

Over 250 acres were mowed in the month of October. We also had 130 brush orders called in during the month of October 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.

Our Parks Crew continues to maintain fields, all city facilities, and also decorated the Downtown Park for fall.



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 six pavilion rentals, seven rentals for the Community Center before it became the location for early elections during most of the month of October, and the church was used 11 times during the month of October. Our baseball and softball fields are now under contract with the associations for fall ball. Facilities include our Community Center and Historical Presbyterian Church as well as park pavilions.



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Recreation:

The Recreation Department was very busy month during the month of October not only planning for the annual Christmas parade but hosting three separate events on three separate weekends.

We held our biannual trash off in October and it concluded with another great success. Ten full size roll-offs were filled to overflowing and two metal roll-offs were also full. This event is held the second Saturday of March and October and preparations have already begun for the next event in March!



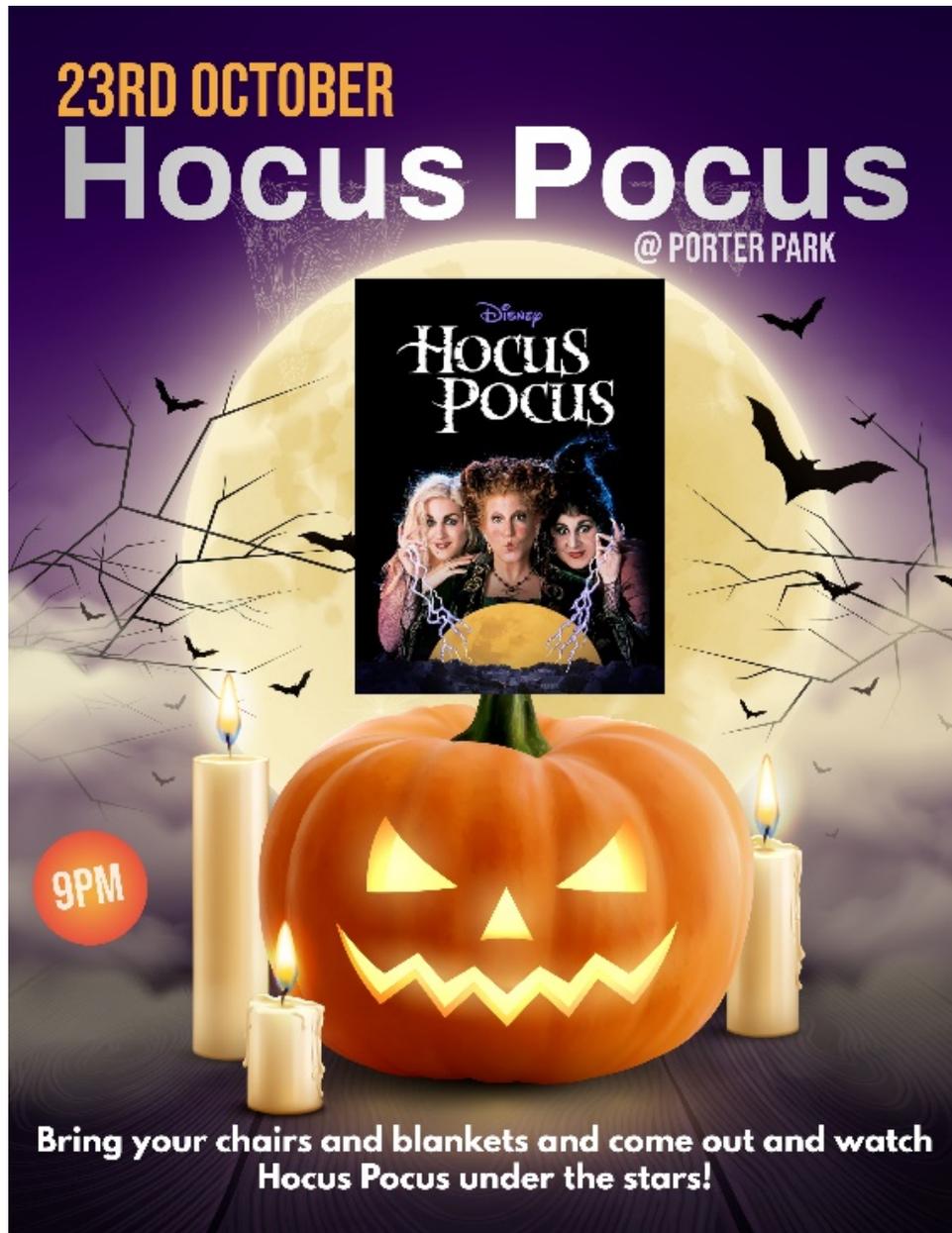


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The next event was the annual showing of Hocus Pocus at Porter Park. The weather was perfect and a beautiful moon was able to be seen. There were lots of people out to enjoy the movie!



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The month of October also saw our second of three Sanger Sounds. The City of Sanger Parks and Recreation Department along with the Sanger Area Chamber of Commerce and Evia Music are holding three live music events at our downtown park and both the first and second concerts were a huge success! Music was played from all genres of music and there was a lot of singing along and dancing. We are all already looking forward to our next Sanger Sounds in November!



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Our Facebook page is still experiencing a steady growth up to 3,546 likes at the end of September with 3,728 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 – Open

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.

Sanger Solutions

Download Today!





LIBRARY

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Library

Highlights:

- The annual Pumpkin Decorating program was held on October 18th. Families were encouraged to work together to decorate pumpkins as book characters. Pumpkins were provided, and 18 people participated. As in previous years, a contest was held for decorated pumpkins, with the voting occurring during Safe Spook. This year the library staff took the pumpkins to the gazebo, where the Children's Book Sale was held, and continued the tradition in that prime location.



- The Friends of the Library had the annual Book Sale during Sanger Sellabration and a preview night on October 29th. For the first time, they also had a Silent Auction with an assortment of gift baskets, hand-made necklaces, and a Game Day wagon with stadium cushions and other goodies. The auction was set up in the library several days before the book sale when the library closed on October 30th.





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- A series of weekly craft programs for children, tweens, and teens was offered on Thursdays after school, beginning with making paper flowers and maracas in observance of Hispanic Heritage Month. Attendance increased in the second-fourth weeks, with 13 participating each week. Other crafts included button making, googly-eyed leaf people, and Zombie Barbies.



Statistics at a Glance:

- 1,321 physical items were checked out.
- 37 new cardholders and a total of 3,978.
- 1,372 visits to the library.
- 29 reference questions answered.
- 48 computer-related questions answered.

DID YOU KNOW...

The library has an advisory board that aids in setting policies and planning for the future. It is composed of five members appointed by the City Council for terms of two years. There is currently a vacancy on the board. The main requirement is that one live within the city limits. Applications can be downloaded from the city's website.

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