



# City of Kyle e-Newsletter

Reminder: Yarrington Rd. closures begin Feb. 7 as TxDOT contractors demolish the old bridge. North and southbound I-35 traffic will be detoured. Learn more at [www.cityofkyle.com](http://www.cityofkyle.com).

This weekly e-Newsletter contains useful information about events and happenings in the City of Kyle. To subscribe, simply [click here](#) and put "Kyle Newsletter" in the subject line to be added to the distribution list.

## Clearing up compost confusion

Kyle offers composting as part of its trash pickup program with Texas Disposal Systems (TDS).

As a result of its efforts, TDS has prevented tons of waste from getting into landfills through recycling and composting efforts.

Recently, some items that aren't compostable have shown up in Kyle customer's bins. What kinds



of things? Cardboard, plastic, milk jugs – all items that don't belong in your City of Kyle compost bin.

Having noncompostable items in the bins could cause TDS to begin charging customers more money. It's also not great for the environment since that material has to go in the landfill.

Another issue is some compost-approved items are showing up at TDS inside plastic bags. But once items are placed in a plastic bag, they are considered trash and therefore no longer compostable.

Compost items should be placed directly in your TDS bin and set at the curb as always.



Some uncompostable items are ending up in compost bins. Check the list above for do's and don'ts of what to put in the bins.

## Compost Tips

### DO compost these items:

- Lawn /grass clippings
- Leaves, tree limbs
- Paper towels, napkins
- Pizza boxes

### DON'T compost these items:

- Food items of any kind
- Cardboard (e.g., used for shipping)
- Plastic bags

The next logical question is, of course, what is compostable through Texas Disposal Systems?

Great question, we're glad you asked! See Compost Tips above for items that are – and are not – meant to be in your compost bin.

With a few simple changes around your home, you can help ID trash, recycling and compost like a pro. That will help TDS protect our environment and keep costs down.



Packing/shipping cardboard is not allowed in TDS compost bins. Pizza boxes are okay.

Learn more about the TDS compost program for the City of Kyle's at [www.cityofkyle.com/utilitybilling/](http://www.cityofkyle.com/utilitybilling/)

## Upcoming Public Meetings at City Hall

**Kyle City Council Meeting**  
Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2016, at 7 p.m.

[Watch live or later](#). You can also read the [recap](#).

### Stay Connected:

Find meetings, events and news at [www.cityofkyle.com](http://www.cityofkyle.com)

Don't forget to like us on [Facebook](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#) for the most accurate, up-to-date information about Kyle. We now have pics on Instagram, too!



## Kyle Road Bond Updates

Wonder what's happening with the 2013 road bond projects? Lots – even if you can't see it yet. Easements, utilities and engineering plans are just a few examples.

For more information about the 2013 road bond, visit

[www.cityofkyle.com](http://www.cityofkyle.com).

## Coming up

### Kyle Market Days April-Sept.

Don't miss this year's line up of Market Days. Local vendors, arts & crafts, farm to market items, live music and MORE! Takes place from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at City Square Park.

### 2016 Schedule:

- April 9 - "Backyard Fun"  
Partner: H-E-B Plus! Kyle
- May 14 - "Keeping it Kyle"  
Partner: with Kyle Chamber of Commerce
- June 11 - "Summer Time"  
Partner: Home Depot Kyle
- July 9 - "Good Health Good Life"  
Partner: Seton Medical Center Hays
- August 13 - "Back to School"  
Partner: Hope and Love 4 Kids
- September 10 - "Fiesta Time"  
Partner: Lehman Lobo Band Booster Club
- October 15 - Encore event, "Founders' Parade"  
Partner: H-E-B Plus! Kyle

Want to be a vendor? [Apply here](#).

## Meet new staff

Kyle has a new civil engineer on board. Keshav Gnawali, originally from Nepal, joined the team in January. His expertise is in designing drainage plans, wastewater pipe networks, water networks and more.

He worked for an engineering firm in a small town in Wyoming for several years. That firm did quite a bit of work for municipal entities.

He and his wife, along with their young son, wanted to move to a more temperate climate.

"I had enough of snow," he said.

This was after also having spent two years in South Dakota attending

graduate school. He earned his degree in 2008.

"We thought about Texas and North Carolina," he said in a recent interview. "I have some extended family in Virginia and North Carolina."



Keshav Gnawali

The family moved to Houston for a short time. He could deal with the heavy traffic but the high crime rate was a deterrent. Gnawali started looking for jobs elsewhere.

"I had an offer in Plano and one here in Kyle," he said.

In the end, the Hill Country won. He lives in south Austin now.

What will Gnawali do for Kyle?

"I will help create design standards for the city's drainage systems," he said. "I will also design a wastewater pipe network to upgrade Kyle's wastewater system."

Gnawali believes his skills and experience are a good fit with Kyle and he looks forward to working here long into the future.

## N. Burlson Street to remain closed

N. Burlson Street between Spring Branch Parkway and the IH-35 access road remains closed while Capital Excavation completes work on the intersection of Burlson and the new Marketplace extension. Traffic will be detoured from the north and south ends of the closure. Only local resident/business traffic will be allowed.

Travelers are advised to find alternate routes and allow extra time.



## Get Fido and Fluffy registered

Not everyone knows, but Kyle ordinance says pets have to be registered. Why? It helps with rabies control and is a good way to help get pets back if they are lost.

The next Kyle Pet Registration event takes place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Feb. 27, 2016, at the Kyle Petco. For more details, visit [www.cityofkyle.com/police/animal-control](http://www.cityofkyle.com/police/animal-control).

