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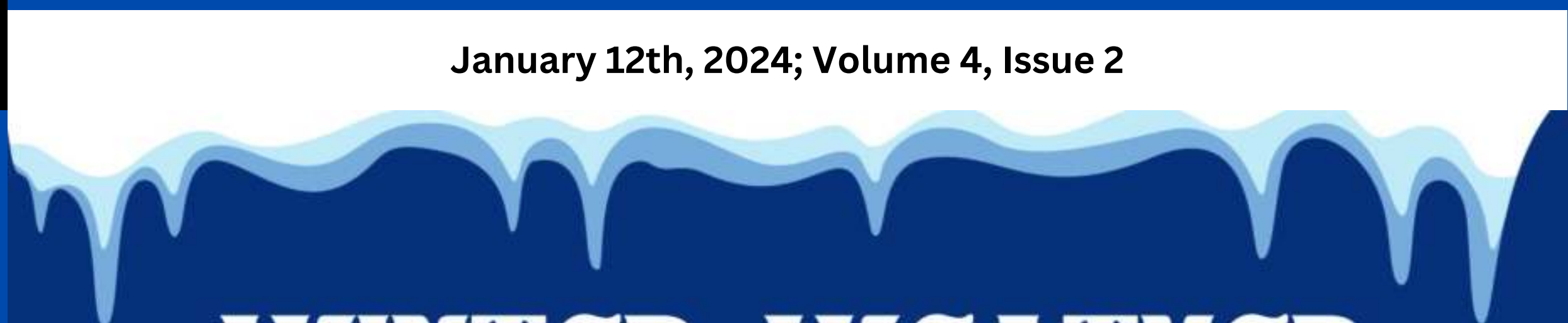
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# WINTER WEATHER

## PREPARATION TIPS:

- DISCONNECT ALL HOSES AND INSULATE OUTSIDE FAUCETS. FOAM FAUCET COVERS ARE INEXPENSIVE AND VERY EASY TO INSTALL. THEY COME FULLY ASSEMBLED AND CAN BE REUSED EACH SEASON.
- INSULATE WATER PIPES. CHECK AREAS OF THE HOME WHERE PIPES ARE PRONE TO FREEZING SUCH AS A BATHROOM THAT HAS AN OUTSIDE WALL, CRAWL SPACES, ATTICS, AND GARAGES. USE FOAM PIPE INSULATION OR INSULATING TAPE TO COVER THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE EXPOSED PIPE.
- KEEP THE COLD OUT. BOOST YOUR HOME'S ABILITY TO HOLD IN HEAT BY APPLYING WEATHER STRIPPING AROUND DOORS AND WINDOWS OR INSTALL A PLASTIC WINDOW INSULATION KIT.
- OPEN KITCHEN AND BATHROOM CABINET DOORS TO ALLOW WARM AIR TO CIRCULATE AROUND THE PLUMBING.
- IT IS SUGGESTED TO LEAVE YOUR FAUCETS ON A SLIGHT DRIP TO AVOID FROZEN PIPES AND WHEN GOING OUT OF TOWN, SET YOUR THERMOSTAT NO LOWER THAN 55 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT.
- TAKE CARE OF OUTDOOR PETS BY BUYING A HEATED WATER BOWL FOR DOGS OR INSTALLING A HEATING ELEMENT IN YOUR CERAMIC BIRDBATH. BRING OUTSIDE PETS IN WHEN TEMPERATURES DROP BELOW FREEZING.
- STOCK UP. PURCHASE IN ADVANCE ALL THE NECESSARY TOOLS TO CLEAR SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS SUCH AS SNOW SHOVELS, SALT OR SAND, AND WINDSHIELD DEICER.
- CREATE AN EMERGENCY KIT. IN CASE THE POWER GOES OUT, OR YOU ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE YOUR HOME, PREPARE AN EMERGENCY KIT WITH ITEMS SUCH AS A BATTERY-POWERED RADIO, CELL PHONE CHARGING BRICK, FLASHLIGHTS, EXTRA BATTERIES, CANDLES, AND MATCHES.



# WINTER IS HERE!



As the forecast calls for extreme winter weather to arrive in the coming days, Atmos Energy is closely monitoring the weather and staging our employees across our system. Atmos Energy prepares all year for winter weather. Here are tips to help you stay safe and conserve energy so you can be ready for winter too.

## Stay Safe

Please follow these steps to stay safe during winter weather:

- Never use an oven or a gas stovetop to heat your home.
- Protect natural gas meters. Natural gas meters are weather-proof; however, to ensure that the meter keeps working smoothly, remove snow and ice from natural gas meters with a broom or brush. Never kick or chip snow and ice away with a hard object. Call Atmos Energy's Emergency Number, 866.322.8667, if you have concerns about your meter.
- Make sure external vents for dryers and other natural gas equipment are clear. Blocked vents for dryers and other gas appliances can lead to a dangerous buildup of carbon monoxide gas. If you have questions for proper venting, contact a licensed plumber or qualified contractor.
- Minimize the risk of frozen pipes. Leave faucets running at a trickle, leave cabinet doors open, and close all doors and windows to keep heat inside.
- If you think you smell gas, act fast! Leave the area immediately and from a safe distance call 911 and the Atmos Energy emergency number, 866.322.8667.

## Use Energy Wisely

Cold weather may impact the amount of natural gas you use. To save energy and money please consider these energy-saving tips where safe to do so:

- Lower your thermostat to 68 degrees during the day and 58 degrees when you are away from home.
- Reduce your shower and bath time. Showering and bathing can account for 40 percent of your home's hot water use.
- Lower your water heater temperature to 120 degrees. Water heating accounts for as much as 25 percent of the energy consumed in your home.
- Do not use a pool heater. Instead, run your pool pump during the coldest part of the day to circulate the water and prevent freezing.
- Operate your clothes washer, dryer, and dishwasher only when fully loaded.
- Unless a fire is burning, close your fireplace damper to prevent warm air from escaping up the chimney.

Visit our Storm Center at [atmosenergy.com/stormcenter](https://atmosenergy.com/stormcenter) for current weather and service updates, including restoration instructions for customers who experience an outage. We may also communicate via text, email, phone call, or social media with further information as needed.

If you experience loss of natural gas service or low gas pressure, contact the Atmos Energy emergency line at 866.322.8667.

**Smell gas? Act fast!** If you suspect a natural gas leak, leave the area immediately and from a safe distance call 911 and the 24/7 Atmos Energy emergency number at 866.322.8667.



# ¡Llegó el Invierno!



Se esperan condiciones climáticas extremas en los próximos días, por lo tanto, Atmos Energy está monitoreando el clima con atención y preparando personal por todo nuestro sistema. Atmos Energy prepara durante todo el año para el invierno y le ofrecemos unos tips para ayudarlo a conservar energía de manera segura y prepararse también para el invierno.

## Para Su Seguridad.

Por favor siga las siguientes instrucciones para mantenerse seguro durante el invierno:

- Nunca use el horno o cocina de gas para calentar su hogar.
- Proteja los medidores de gas natural. Aunque los medidores de gas natural son impermeables, para asegurar que su medidor siga funcionando bien, es importante que quite nieve y hielo del medidor de gas natural con una escoba o cepillo. Nunca trate de quitar nieve y hielo con el pie u objeto duro. Si tiene cualquier duda sobre su medidor, llame al 866.322.8667, el número de Atmos Energy para emergencias.
- Asegúrese que los ventiladores exteriores de secadoras y otros equipos de gas natural estén libres de cualquier obstrucción. Ventilación bloqueada de secadoras y otros equipos de gas puede llevar a una acumulación peligrosa de monóxido de carbono. Si tiene cualquier pregunta sobre ventilación adecuada, consulte con un plomero con licencia o contratista cualificado.
- Reduzca el riesgo de tuberías congeladas. Abra un poco los grifos interiores, abra las puertas de alacenas y armarios y cierre todas las puertas y ventanas del hogar para conservar el calor.
- Si cree que huele gas, ¡actúe rápido! Abandone el área inmediatamente y, desde una distancia segura, llame al 911 y al 866.322.8667, el número de Atmos Energy para emergencias.

## Use la Energía de Manera Prudente.

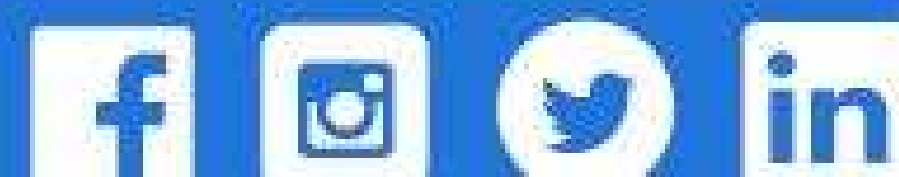
Las temperaturas bajas pueden afectar su consumo de gas natural. Para ahorrar energía y dinero, considere los siguientes tips, siempre que pueda seguirlos de manera segura:

- Baje el termostato a 68 grados durante el día y 58 grados cuando está fuera de casa.
- Reduzca el tiempo de duchas y baños. Ducharse y bañarse pueden representar hasta el 40% del consumo de agua caliente en su hogar.
- Baje la temperatura del calentador de agua a 120 grados. Calentar agua puede representar hasta el 25% de la energía consumida en su hogar.
- No use el calentador de alberca. En cambio, encienda la bomba de su alberca durante el período más frío del día para circular el agua y así impedir que se hiele.
- Opere su lavadora, secadora y lavaplatos únicamente con cargas completas.
- Cierre el regulador de tiro de la chimenea cuando no está en uso para que no escape el aire cálido.

Visite nuestro Centro de Tormentas en [atmosenergy.com/stormcenter](https://atmosenergy.com/stormcenter) para actualizaciones sobre el clima y su servicio de gas, incluyendo instrucciones para la restauración de servicio para los clientes que han sufrido una interrupción de servicio. Podríamos también comunicar por texto, email, teléfono o a través de las redes sociales con información adicional cuando sea necesario.

Para reportar una interrupción de servicio de gas natural o baja presión de gas, llame al número de Atmos Energy para emergencias, 866.322.8667.

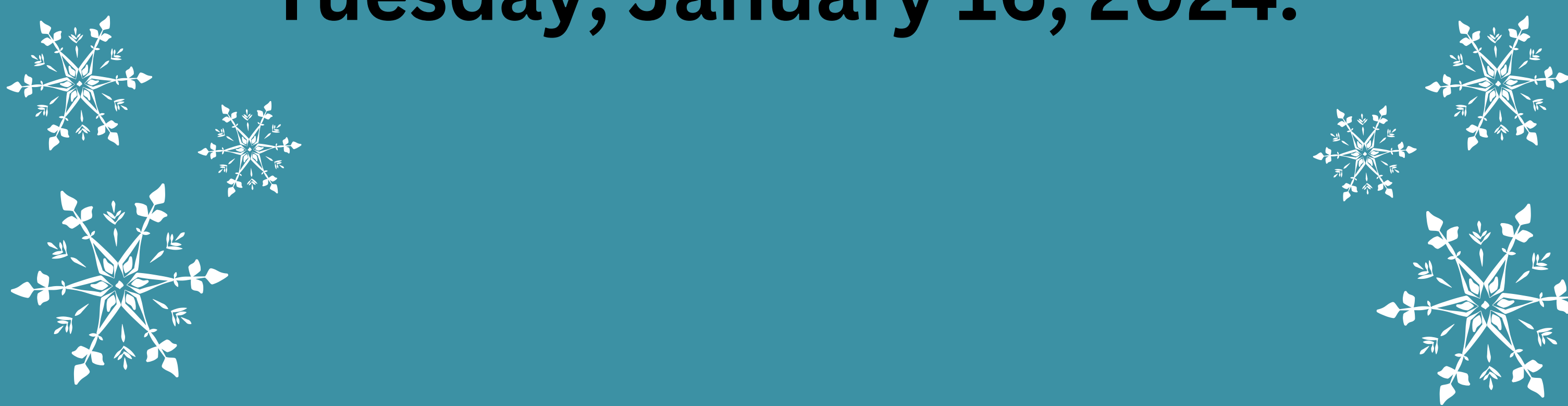
**¿Huele Gas? ¡Actúe Rápido!** Si sospecha una fuga de gas natural, abandone el área inmediatamente y, desde una distancia segura, llame al 911 y al 866.322.8667, el número de Atmos Energy para emergencias, disponible las 24 horas.





# City Council Meeting Days

**Regular City Council  
Meeting days will change  
from the 2nd and 4th  
Tuesdays of the month to  
the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of  
the month beginning  
Tuesday, January 16, 2024.**



**NOTICE OF DEADLINE TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR  
PLACE ON THE MAY 4, 2024 BALLOT  
(AVISO DE FECHA LÍMITE PARA PRESENTAR UNA SOLICITUD PARA UN  
LUGAR EN LA BOLETA DEL 4 DE MAYO DEL 2024)  
(THÔNG BÁO VỀ HẠN CHỐT NỘP ĐƠN  
XIN GHI DANH TRÊN LÁ PHIẾU NGÀY 4 THÁNG 5 NĂM 2024)**

Notice is hereby given that an application for a place on the **City of River Oaks** Regular Election ballot may be filed as indicated below:

*(Se da aviso por la presente que una solicitud para un lugar en la boleta de Elección Regular de **La Ciudad de River Oaks** puede ser presentada como se indica a continuación:)*

*(Chúng tôi xin thông báo quý vị có thể nộp đơn xin ghi danh trên lá phiếu của Cuộc bầu cử Thường lệ của **City of River Oaks** theo cách được nêu dưới đây:)*

**Filing Dates and Times:**

*(Fechas y Horario para Entregar Solicitudes)*

*(Ngày và Giờ Nộp đơn)*

**Start Date:** Wednesday, January 17, 2024

**End Date:** Friday, February 16, 2024

**Comenzando:** Miércoles, 17 de Enero del 2024

**Terminando:** Viernes 16 de Febrero del 2024

*(Fecha Inicio)*

*(Fecha Límite)*

**Ngày Bắt Đầu:** Thứ Tư, ngày 17/1/2024

**Ngày Kết Thúc:** Thứ Sáu, ngày 16/2/2024

*(Ngày Bắt Đầu)*

*(Ngày Kết Thúc)*

**Office Hours:** 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. (Monday – Thursday) / 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (Friday)

7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Friday, February 16, 2024)

*(Horario de la Oficina):* 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Lunes - Jueves) / 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (Viernes) / 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Viernes 16 de Febrero del 2024)

*(Giờ làm việc):* 7:30 giờ sáng - 5:30 giờ chiều (Thứ hai - thứ năm) / 7:30 giờ sáng - 11:30 giờ sáng (Thứ Sáu) / 7:30 giờ sáng - 5:00 giờ chiều (Thứ Sáu, ngày 16/2/2024)

Physical address for filing an application in person for place on the ballot:

*(Dirección física para presentar una solicitud en persona para un lugar en la boleta)*

*(Địa chỉ chính thức để nộp đơn xin ghi danh trên lá phiếu trực tiếp)*

**4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114**

Address to mail an application for place on the ballot (if filing by mail):

*(Dirección a donde enviar una solicitud para un lugar en la boleta (en caso de presentar por correo)*

*(Địa chỉ nộp đơn xin ghi danh trên lá phiếu qua thư (nếu gửi bằng thư))*

**4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114**

Email or Fax Number to send an application for place on the ballot; If a filing fee is submitted, the application may not be faxed or emailed

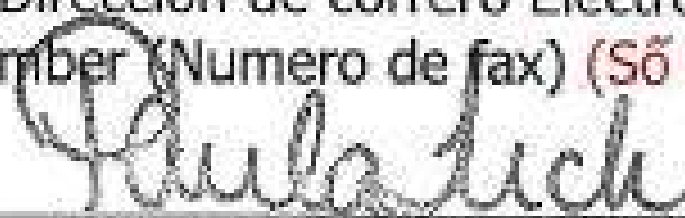
*(Dirección de correo electrónico o número de fax para enviar una solicitud para un lugar en la boleta);*

*(Si un pago de inscripción es presentada, la solicitud no puede ser enviada por correo electrónico o fax.)*

*(Email hoặc Số Fax để gửi đơn đăng ký có tên trên lá phiếu; Nếu đã nộp lệ phí nộp đơn, đơn đăng ký sẽ không được gửi qua fax hoặc email)*

Email (Dirección de correo Electrónico) (e-mail): [pluck@riveroakstx.com](mailto:pluck@riveroakstx.com)

Fax Number (Número de fax) (Số fax): 817-625-2790



Signature of Filing Officer

*(Nombre en letra de molde del Oficial de Archivos)*

*(Chữ ký của Nhân viên Tiếp nhận đơn)*

Paula Luck

Printed Name of Filing Officer

*(Firma del Oficial de Archivos)*

*(Tên viết hoa của Nhân viên Tiếp nhận đơn)*

December 18, 2023 (18 de Diciembre de 2023) (Ngày 16 tháng 12 năm 2023)

Date Posted

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# YARD SALES

You may have 2 yard sales in a row, skip a week, then have 2 more for a total of 4 yard sales per year.

Yard sale permits are \$10 each. This allows you 1 permit sign and 2 directional signs.

You must have an active water account, in good standing, at the yard sale address.

You must also provide a valid United States-issued photo ID with the yard sale address on it.

**Yard Sale Applications  
Accepted**  
**Monday - Thursday**  
**7:30 AM to 5:30 PM**  
**Friday**  
**7:30 AM to 11:30 AM**



**YOU CAN REPORT UTILITY EMERGENCIES AFTER-HOURS BY CONTACTING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT DISPATCH AT 817-626-1991.**



# January



Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
				Staff Meeting 9:00 AM  Storm Water 4:00 PM  CCPD 5:45 PM  Council Meeting 6:00 PM		Court 5:30 PM