

# RAY LOPEZ

Councilman District 6



## THE DISTRICT 6 REPORT

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### CITY OF SAN ANTONIO



**Ray Lopez**  
City Council District 6

Dear friends,

As we approach the half way mark of the year and reflect back, it has no doubt been an exciting first six months of 2012. We have come together to celebrate many events, from groundbreaking and ribbon cuttings, to holiday dances and open houses. However as we examine the national economic climate, it is difficult to imagine similar events occurring across the rest of the country without the presence and approval of bonds such as our recent 2012 bond program election.

While some may come to a different conclusion, I believe this to be directly contributable to the trust you as residents have given to the elected officials of our city and county in the form of bond approvals. In the last five years alone, over \$1.1 billion in bonds have been approved for the City to improve infrastructure such as streets, bridges, sidewalks, parks, drainage, and related facilities.

Because of these investments our city has been able to fare better than most. While the national economy continues to slowly show signs of improvement, San Antonio has enjoyed better than average economic indicators such as higher levels of growth and lower unemployment rates. As other governmental agencies pass similar bonds, a cycle of investment occurs that has lead to a positive economic climate for our city.

In closing, I would like to once again acknowledge and thank you for approving the 2012 bond program and for those who served on the committee. Its passing is vital to the continued economic growth of our city. As projects are planned, designed and constructed I will continue to ensure that the process is transparent by maintaining an open door policy between my office and the community.

Sincerely,

Ray Lopez  
CITY COUNCILMAN, District 6

### IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- Emergency ..... 911
- SAPD Non-Emergency ..... 207-7273
- Fire Non-Emergency ..... 207-7744
- Park Police ..... 207-8590
- Municipal Court ..... 207-8970
- Senior Services ..... 207-7172
- Parks & Recreation ..... 207-8480
- Animal Care Services ..... 207-4738
- Graffiti Abatement Program ..... 207-5430
- City Customer Service ..... 311
- Public Works ..... 207-8022
- Solid Waste Management ..... 207-6470
- Library ..... 207-2500
- City of San Antonio Job Line ..... 207-7280
- United Way Help Line ..... 211
- San Antonio Food Bank ..... 337-3663
- CPS Energy ..... 353-2222
- SAWS ..... 704-7297

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# IN THE COMMUNITY

## Reed Road Construction

Reed Road construction continues to widen the roadway to three lanes and add bicycle lanes, curbs, sidewalks, driveway approaches, necessary drainage and traffic signal improvements. Estimated construction completion is slated for late 2012. Capital Improvements Management System (CIMS) has been working closely with the Home Owner Associations and schools in the area to provide access and safety outlets for students.



## Westwood Village Drainage

Box culverts have been installed and concrete poured for the closure at the ends of the boxes, for the 6" gap. The project once completed will alleviate flooding in the Westwood Village area.

## Brownfield Program

Under the advocacy and leadership of Councilman Lopez during the 2012 budget, the city created a Brownfield Senior Planner position within the Center City Development Office. Primarily tasked with identifying and facilitating the redevelopment of brownfield properties, the city's Brownfield program has also allowed the city to focus on repurposing land that otherwise would continue to be a blight to our community.



## Joe Newton Construction

Construction continues at Joe Newton with curbs, sidewalks and other additional street improvements that have been long overdue in the Pipers Meadow Neighborhood Association.



## Leon Creek Trailhead

The Leon Creek Greenway Southern Segment at Levi Strauss Park is well under way with the construction of hike and bike trails including all associated trailheads, trails and amenities for a stretch of creek approximately 2.3 miles in length.



# IN THE COMMUNITY

## Tom Slick Dog Park

Part of the City's 2007-2012 Bond Program included a new children's play area and equipment, gazebo with seating in the children's play area, retainer wall, irrigation, park benches, and 8-foot wide concrete sidewalk, bike rack and kiosks, an a stainless-steel art component called "Nessie" located in the pond. In addition, the project constructed two dog parks with pet showers, trash receptacles, drinking fountains for pets and people, and 5-foot high metal fence with gates for both dog parks. The project will also include five new solar panel light fixtures. Two light fixtures will be installed within the dog park to allow for use after dark. The dog park will also have two new shade structures. New shade canvases will be installed on existing structures located at the old children's play area. Landscaping and improved signage for the park entrance on Texas 151 will also be provided.



## Valentine's Day Dance

The Seniors at the Alice Trevino Lopez Senior Center nominated and voted on members for the Valentine's Royal Court. The Coronation for the Royal Court took place on Tuesday, February 14th during the beginning portion of The Valentine's Day Reception. King and Queen Jose and Amelia Dominquez represented the Center in the Parade at the Citywide Sweetheart Dance at the Convention Center on February 17th.

## Small Business Fair

The City of San Antonio hosted a Small Business Resource Fair in District 6. Small business owners were invited to meet various City department staff, and learn about technical assistance resources, procurement opportunities, and the certification process with the South Central Texas Regional Certification Agency. Small businesses were also able to register on site to do business with the City of San Antonio.



## Mini Graffiti Wipeout

On May 26th, Councilman Lopez thanked students, parents and teachers from Passmore Elementary who took time to volunteer and to paint over graffiti in their neighborhood. Students from the After School Program voted graffiti as their biggest concern and coordinated with city staff to schedule a mini-graffiti wipeout.





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## DISTRICT 6 CITY COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### District 6 Fitness Field Day

Saturday, June 30, 2012  
Northside Stadium, 7001 Culebra  
8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

- Sign up at [www.FitFamilyChallenge.com](http://www.FitFamilyChallenge.com)
- First 1,000 who sign up get a free t-shirt!

#### Alicia Trevino Lopez Senior One Stop Center One Year Anniversary

Friday, July 6, 2012  
Alicia Trevino Lopez Senior One Stop Center, 8353 Culebra  
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

#### “Lopez Live: Community Empowerment” TV Show

Show will air on Channel 21 at the following times:

- Mondays at 4:00 p.m.
- Tuesdays at 9:30 p.m.
- Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.

### DISTRICT 6 STAFF / OFFICE INFORMATION

#### Field Office Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Walk-in appointments welcomed, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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