

As the Holiday Season is upon us I hope that all residents will notice the new bright lights on Vine Street. The Service Department workers trimmed the tree branches and put up new Christmas lights as they had time this past summer and fall. We wanted to showcase Vine Street and help out merchants get better sales this holiday season. Residents will also notice Christmas displays at Classic Park again to highlight one of the city's assets and some more existing lights and displays set up at City Hall.

Two major city projects have been completed the resurfacing of Route 91 and the complete makeover of Roberts Road to include new pavement, sewers cleaned and sidewalks for the children walking to school. This accomplishes one of the administrations goals and that is to improve our roads and sewer system each year. The residents on Edwards Drive and Edison Road have had major work done to help with storm water removal as these two areas were hit hard with water damage in July of 2006. Next year we are planning on replacing three 20 year old pump stations with help from State issue 2 funds. Again this is to help with our storm water and sanitary sewer systems. These are projects that the public sometimes does not notice but they are vital to keeping our city running efficiently.

In December we are working with Council on the 2008 city budget. Now is the time to talk to your councilman or the Mayor about items that you would like to see in next years budget. Until next year a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all the residents of Eastlake.