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MAYOR'S LETTER APRIL 2011

I was going to use this opportunity to tell you about the upcoming election and why you should vote for me in May. By detailing all of my attributes and accomplishments it would have been obvious that you would want me to serve as your Mayor again. Ha Ha Ha.

Of course I am kidding. That would have been against the rules of the Texas Ethics Commission to use a newsletter paid by public funds for political purposes. As it is, only one person filed for each open position in the upcoming election and the election has been cancelled. The only candidates that filed were Harry Beckwith and Rod Erskine for Council positions and me for Mayor. Curtis Haverty decided against serving another term as a council member. That means everyone will miss the opportunity to put campaign signs in their yards.

I have always wondered about the wisdom of having a position or a job that no one else wants. Is it that bad? I know I do not have any unique abilities or talents. Certainly other people have the desire and skills to serve as Mayor or on city council. I can tell you that the job has its ups and downs. But I do have fun as the Mayor and expect that other people would find it very invigorating.

I will be term-limited after this term and I will be ready to retire from serving the city as an elected official. It will be time for another person to take up the issues of running the city. If you are interested in finding out about serving the city, I welcome you to come to the city council meetings (third Monday every month at 7:00 p.m.). Watch the different parts of the agenda, citizen's comments, reports, hearings, the issues being discussed, and the actual votes of council. You may come away being interested in the process and get elected as a council member or the next Mayor of Jersey Village.