



# Jersey Village Star



January 2011

## Planning & Zoning Committee Reports

The City's Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Committee submitted its final report to city council regarding the creation of a new business district, J1, that will allow for pawn shops to operate within the district. The new J1 district is located along the U.S. 290 feeder, west of Jones Road. The newly created J1 district is the only district within the city where pawn shops may operate. State law requires all Texas cities to designate at least one district for the operation of pawn shops. At its Dec 13 meeting, city council approved the creation of the J1 district as proposed by P&Z.

The P&Z Committee also recommended changes for the automobile sales overlay district. The committee

recommended that the city amortize existing used car/ auto sales businesses that were not included within the auto sales overlay district. Also, the P&Z committee recommended that the new overlay district be expanded to include Five Star Auto Sales. City council did not approve the amortization provisions as recommended by P&Z. Council did amend the boundaries of the overlay district to include Five Star Auto Sales.

The final report and recommendations were submitted by the P&Z Committee after several meetings, workshops, and public hearings extending over a period of several months. The adopted ordinances and revised zoning maps are available for viewing on the city's web site.

### Statistics for November 2010

#### JV Police Department

Calls for Service	613
Vehicle Theft	2
Aggravated Assault	4
Burglary, Business	2
Burglary, Residence	3
Burglary, Vehicle	5
Disturbance	21
Narcotics, felony	1
Minor accidents	53
Major accidents	11
Alarms	45
Suspicious person	82
Traffic control	1
Traffic hazard	18

#### JV Fire Department

Building Fires	2
Auto Fires	0
Other Fires	2
Rescue/EMS incidents	44
Hazardous Conditions	1
Service Calls	11
Smoke or odor calls	1
False alarms/cancelled enroute	19
Total Ambulance Transports	28

### Important City Phone Numbers

Emergency Call	911
Main Number	713-466-2100
City Manager	713-466-2108
City Secretary	713-466-2102
Fire Dept.	713-466-2130
Police Dept.	713-466-2123
Permits	713-466-2110
Public Works	713-466-2133
Code Enforcement & Animal Control	713-466-2129
Water Billing	713-466-2111
Municipal Court	713-466-2124
Golf Course	713-896-0900
City Pool	832-467-1032
JV STAR	713-466-2108

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## Sgt. Sandy's Corner

### What is the Big Blue Box?

#### SECURITY

By: Sgt. S. Joachim

The holiday season is over and the prime time for Identity Theft to take place. So what does this have to do with the Big Blue Box you ask? Well...if you don't use it for all your outgoing mail, your personal mailbox will become what fraud investigators call the, 'point of compromise.' From the novice to the professional, the mail box in front of your home presents a target of opportunity.

Another way a thief gets your information is from you. If you've ever had your wallet or purse stolen, it can make for a truly dreadful day. Unfortunately, the money inside is not all the thieves want to take from you. The thieves want your name and social security number. The thieves want your IDENTITY!

The following are ways thieves get your personal information according to [www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov):

- ★They steal wallets and purses containing identification, credit and bank cards.
- ★They steal your mail, including bank and credit card statements, pre-approved credit offers, new checks and tax information.
- ★They complete a "change of address form" to divert mail to another location.

★They rummage through trash, or the trash of businesses, for personal data in a practice known as "dumpster diving".

★They fraudulently obtain credit reports by posing as a landlord, employer or someone else who may have a legitimate need for, and legal right to, the information.

★They find personal information in homes.

★They use personal information shared on the Internet.

★They scam people, often through e-mail, by posing as a legitimate company or government agency.

★They get information from the workplace in a practice known as "business record theft" by stealing files out of offices where someone is a customer, employee, patient, or student; bribing an employee who has access to files; or "hacking" into electronic files.

#### Preventative measures against identity theft:

★Use the "big blue mail box" instead of the one at your home.

★Place passwords on credit cards, bank and phone accounts. Avoid using easily available information like a mother's maiden name, birth date, the last four digits of the social security number or phone number, or a series of consecutive numbers.

★Secure personal information in the home, especially for those who have roommates,

employ outside help, or are having service work done in the home.

★Ask about information security procedures at the workplace. Find out who has access to personal information and verify that records are kept in a secure location. Ask about the disposal procedures for those records as well.

**Help us keep you safe!**

## Slab Elevation Review

At the December 13th, city council meeting Claunch & Miller presented City Council with proposed ordinance recommendations that will affect regulations regarding storm drainage, building in the city's flood plains, and storm water management. The presentation suggested changes to building ordinances such as no fill in the floodplain, elevated finished floors, new criteria for plan review, and creation of a floodplain development permit. New requirements for public improvements and design criteria were also discussed.

The recommendations from Claunch & Miller and the presentation itself can be seen by visiting the city's web site. [www.jerseyvillage.info](http://www.jerseyvillage.info)

## 2011 City Elections

The City's general election will be held May 14, 2011. City Council positions to be elected this year are Mayor, currently held by Russell Hamley, Council member for Place 2, currently held by Rod Erskine; and Council member for Place 3, currently held by Curtis Haverty. The term for each elected Council member is two years.

Any person qualified to serve under the provisions of the Charter may be a candidate for election to a position on council. The dates for filing an application for a place on the ballot are from **February 12, 2011 through March 14, 2011 at 5:00 P.M.** Application packets may be picked up from the City Secretary's office. Contact Lorri Coody, City Secretary, at 713-466-2102 or by e-mail at [lcoody@ci.jersey-village.tx.us](mailto:lcoody@ci.jersey-village.tx.us) if you are interested or have any questions.

## Jersey Village Police Department Open House

*Monday, January 17, 2011 5:00pm - 7:00pm*

The new expansion project for the police department has been completed. We are opening the facility to the public on January 17th, 2011 from 5:00pm through 7:00pm (refreshments will be served). This open house will allow the public to view our newly expanded police department.

In 2000 the police department had 21 employees. In 2010 the police department has 30 employees and space inside the department was lacking. There was not enough storage space and the officers and staff were cramped inside small offices. The lack of space made the building age at a more rapid pace than usual. The only solution to the spacing problem was

to increase the size of the department. The police department expansion was first brought to light by the Municipal Facilities Review Committee. The project was then approved and construction began. This project was completed on schedule and on budget. This project is being completed just in time to welcome our new Chief of Police, Eric Foerster. Chief Foerster arrived just as the finishing touches were being applied to the building.

Please be sure and join us to meet the new Chief of Police and tour the newly completed expansion project at the Jersey Village Police Department.

# 2011 Citizens Fire Academy

## Thurs. 06 Jan. 7-10 pm

Introduction, fire service history, fire department organization, CERT overview and station tour.

## Thurs. 13 Jan. 7-10 pm

Adult CPR

## Thurs. 20 Jan. 7-10 pm

Basic first aid, JVES EMS overview and ambulance tour.

## Thurs. 27 Jan. 7-10 pm

Communications, incident command, dispatch and police department tour.

## Thurs. 03 Feb. 7-10 pm

Protective clothing and self contained breathing apparatus.

## Thurs. 10 Feb. 7-10 pm

Fire science and fire extinguisher use.

## Thurs. 17 Feb. 7-10 pm

Fire prevention, fire inspections and disaster preparedness.

## Thurs. 24 Feb. 7-10 pm

Rescue overview, simple shoring and hazardous materials.

## Sat. 26 Feb. 8 am- 5 pm

CERT exercise and car extrication practical.

## Thurs. 03 Mar. 7-10 pm

Ladders, forced entry, utility control and search techniques.

## Thurs. 10 Mar. 7-10 pm

Water supply, hose loads, fire streams and pump operations.

## Thurs. 17 Mar. 7-10 pm

Protective clothing review, ventilation and salvage operations.

## Sat. 19 Mar. 8 am- 5 pm

CERT final exercise, live fire exercise and rope operations.

## Thurs. 24 Mar. N/A

No class this week

## Thurs. 31 Mar. 6pm to end

Graduation

The Jersey Village Citizens' Fire Academy is open to anyone over the age of 18. This program is designed to give the citizens of Jersey Village an opportunity to learn about their emergency services provider and gain valuable safety and health education. Participants will be put through training similar to that of a beginning firefighter, as well as skills needed for CERT (Community Emergency Response Team). There will be no cost for this course and all materials necessary will be provided to the student.

Participation in any section of the class is voluntary; students will not be asked to do anything that will make them feel uncomfortable. Two Saturday training sessions will be scheduled; one for vehicle rescue, with the Jaws of Life, and the second is a live fire exercise at a local fire training field. Classes will be taught by members of the Jersey Village Emergency Services.

All classes will begin at the Jersey Village Emergency Services station located at 16501 Jersey Drive, in the training room.

**Contact Rob Missall to sign up or for further details:**  
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## CITY OF JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS



### Council Action Report – Special Session Meeting – December 13, 2010

ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION, OR ACTION ITEM	PASS/FAIL
1. Consider Resolution No. 2010-76, authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with Harris County for housing City prisoners	PASS
2. Consider Ordinance No. 2010-52, amending the City's budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2010 and ending September 30, 2011, to cover increases in the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Public Health Service Fee.	PASS
3. Consider Resolution No. 2010-77, authorizing the City Manager to engage Uretex USA, Inc. to perform street raising work throughout various locations in the City of Jersey Village.	PASS
4. Consider Resolution No. 2010-78, declaring surplus equipment and authorizing disposition by the City Manager in accordance with the City's Administrative Procedures.	PASS
5. Consider Resolution No. 2010-79, appointing Lawrence Paul Rex, III as Municipal Court Clerk for the City of Jersey Village to complete the unexpired term that began on January 1, 2010 and will expire on December 31, 2011, a term that runs concurrently with that of the Municipal Court Judges.	PASS
6. Consider Ordinance No. 2010-53, amending the Technology Court Fund budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2010 and ending September 30, 2011, allowing for the allocation of \$5,000.00 from the Court Technology Fund Balance to purchase and install a projector permanently to be used for trials and arraignments by the Municipal Court.	PASS
7. Consider Ordinance No. 2010-54, amending Section 70-77 of the Code of Ordinances establishing rates for water service; providing for severability; providing for repeal; and providing an effective date.	PASS
8. Consider on Second Reading Ordinance No. 2010-51, declaring a 90-day moratorium on commercial property development for property located south of the U.S. Highway 290 right-of-way and within the corporate city limits of the City of Jersey Village; making findings related to the subject; providing for a waiver method; and providing that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage.	PASS
9. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding possible ordinance changes recommended by Consultants Claunch & Miller associated with the City's Floodplain and Drainage Ordinance Review Process.	PRESENTED
10. Consider Resolution No. 2010-80, receiving the Planning and Zoning Commission's Final Report recommending amendments to the Jersey Village comprehensive zoning ordinance, to provide for the placement of pawnshops in a newly created district J1.	PASS
11. Consider Ordinance No. 2010-55, amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jersey Village, Texas, Chapter 14, Building and Development, by adding to Section 14-5 new definitions of "retail shops and trade" and "pawnshop"; amending Section 14-81 to create a new district J-1; adding to Article IV a new Section 14-109.1 establishing regulations for the new district J-1 to permit the operation of pawnshops in that district; authorizing amendment of the official zoning map of the City of Jersey Village, Texas, to show the boundaries of the new district J-1; containing other findings and provisions relating to the subject; providing a severability clause; providing for repeal; providing a penalty as provided by section 1-8 of the code; and providing an effective date.	PASS
12. Receive comments from Council Member Klein pertaining to the Recreation and Events Committee's recent Holiday in the Park event.	RECEIVED
13. Consider Resolution No. 2010-81, receiving the Planning and Zoning Commission's Final Report recommending amendments to the Jersey Village comprehensive zoning ordinance, making amendments to the motor vehicle sales overlay district to increase its boundaries.	PASS



ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION, OR ACTION ITEM – December 13, 2010 Continued	PASS/FAIL
14. Consider Ordinance No. 2010-56, amending Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jersey Village, Texas, the Jersey Village Development Code, by authorizing revision of the official zoning map as set out in Section 14-82 relating to the boundaries of the Motor Vehicle Sales Overlay District; containing other findings and provisions relating to the subject; providing a severability clause; providing for repeal; Providing a penalty as provided by section 1-8 of the code; and providing an effective date.	PASS
15. Consider Resolution No. 2010-82, authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with CenterPoint Energy for the installation of street lighting along the Jones Road Extension.	TABLED
16. Consider Resolution No. 2010-83, receiving the Planning and Zoning Commission's Final Report recommending no elimination of the amortization requirements for the Motor Vehicle Sales Overlay District. (AMENDED VERSION)	PASS AS AMENDED
17. Consider Ordinance No. 2010-57, amending Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jersey Village, Texas, the Jersey Village Development Code, by amending Section 14.111 relating to the Motor Vehicle Sales Overlay District to delete subsections (e) and (f) to delete an amortization period for nonconforming uses; amending section 14-22 to delete Subsection (c)(3) to delete appeal to the board of adjustment; containing other findings and provisions relating to the subject; providing a severability clause; providing for repeal; providing a penalty as provided by section 1-8 of the code; and providing an effective date.	PASS
18. Consider Resolution No. 2010-84, receiving the recommendation of the Proposal Evaluation Committee, and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and enter into a contract to provide Food, Beverage, and Alcoholic Beverage Services and related Concessions and Catering Services to patrons at the Jersey Meadow Golf Course.	PASS

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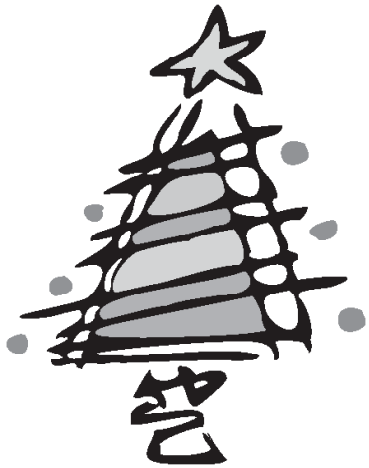
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## Christmas Tree Recycling

The City of Jersey Village will be accepting Christmas trees at the drop off site located outside of the Jersey Meadow Golf Course, at the dead end of Jersey Meadow Drive, near the bridge. Christmas trees may be dropped for recycling December 26, 2010 through January 15, 2011. Any resident not wishing to recycle their tree may place it curbside on a regular trash collection day.

## City of Jersey Village 2010 Christmas Decorating Contest

### CONGRATULATIONS!

The Christmas light displays at the following homes have been named winners of the

#### Grand Prize Winner

16413 Delozier

#### Children's Choice Winner

15618 Singapore

#### Judges Special Recognition

16105 Lakeview

#### Section Winners

16304 Lewis · 15721 Elwood · 16121 St. Helier  
15601 Congo · 16025 Seattle · 15345 Clevedon

**Thank you for helping to bring the Christmas spirit to Jersey Village!**

The Christmas Decorating event is sponsored by the Recreation & Events Committee (staffed by volunteers) and the dedicated employees of the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Jersey Village.