



Jersey Village Star

Citizen Involvement Welcome!

City government depends on residents who volunteer their time and expertise to participate in public service as members of boards and commissions. Boards and commissions fulfill an important role by evaluating issues which affect our community and making recommendations to the Council for needed action. Although most boards and commissions are advisory in nature, a few are decision-making entities. The value of these bodies is a direct reflection of the interest and dedication of our citizens in making Jersey Village a better place to live. City Council encourages you to apply for appointment to any board or commission in which you may be interested.

Council will consider appointments to most boards and commissions at its Regular September Council Meeting. If you are interested, please complete an application. If you currently have an application on file, please contact the City Secretary to confirm your interest in serving with the City. Only new or confirmed applications will be considered.

To view an online application, visit the City of Jersey Village's website at http://www.jerseyvillage.info/city_council/secretarys_office/index.html or contact Lorri Coody, the City Secretary at 713-466-2102. ★

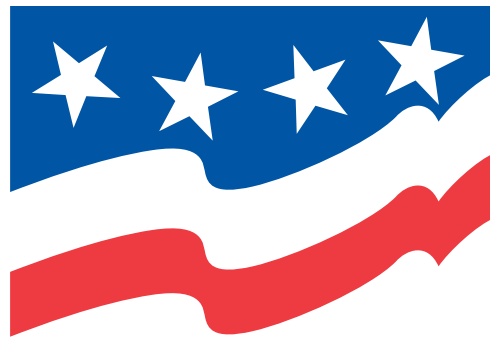


Statistics for July 2014 JV Police Department

Calls for Service	1450
Vehicle Theft	3
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, Business	10
Burglary, Residence	1
Burglary, Vehicle	0
Disturbance	58
Narcotics, Felony	3
Minor Accidents	143
Major Accidents	3
Alarms	148
Suspicious Person	236
Traffic Control	11
Traffic Hazard	40

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	9
Auto Fires	2
Other Fires	3
Rescue/EMS Incidents	58
Hazardous Conditions	4
Service Calls	28
Smoke or Odor Calls	1
False Alarms/Cancelled Enroute	5
Total Ambulance Transports	36




Emergency Call	911
Main Number	713.466.2100
City Manager	713.466.2108
City Secretary	713.466.2102
Fire Department	713.466.2130
Police Department	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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Art's Article

By: Art Pettitt

Top Ten Internet Safety Tips for Children/Parents

1. Create and enforce family digital safety rules.
2. Charge all digital devices (e.g., smartphones, tablets, gaming devices, etc.) in an adult's bedroom at bedtime.
3. Never share personal information online with anyone.
4. Discuss with your child the importance of telling a trusted adult if anything makes him or her scared or uncomfortable.
5. Evaluate blocking, filtering, and monitoring software and use it to monitor activities online.
6. REPORT suspicious persons of websites to www.cybertipline.com or 1-800-843-5678.

7. Know what other access your child may have to the internet at school, libraries, or friend's homes.
8. Be informed about social media and follow/friend/like your child's profiles.
9. Use privacy settings on social media sites to limit contact with unknown users.
10. Remember that DIGITAL is FOREVER and think before you post, especially inappropriate photos or comments.

Tips for Parents

11. To guard against identity theft, never give out your Social Security number.
12. Commit all passwords to memory.
13. When using an ATM machine, make sure no one is hovering over you.
14. When participating in an online auction, try to pay the seller directly with a credit card so you can dispute the charges later.

15. Adopt an attitude of healthy skepticism toward websites that offer prizes or giveaways.
16. Choose a commercial online service that offers parental control features.
17. Tell your children never to give out their address, telephone number, password, school name, or any other personal information. ★



Comprehensive Planning CPAC Meeting Update

On August 14, 2014 Freese and Nichols Inc. and the Comprehensive Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) held a meeting regarding the City of Jersey Village's comprehensive plan. A financial presentation was given to the CPAC committee by the City's finance director Isabel Kato. The presentation provided the committee members with an overview of the city's finances.

Shad Comeaux of Freese and Nichols Inc. provided the committee with a comprehensive plan process update. The meeting centered on information from the online surveys and the recent roundtable session that were held last month at the City's Civic Center. Mr. Comeaux navigated the committee towards goal development. All the ideas and suggestions from the surveys and roundtable session were reviewed and the committee gave Freese and Nichols its feedback and direction for obtainable goals for the plan. The CPAC will meet again on August 28, 2014 to finalize their draft goals and strategies. ★

Why is Recycling Important to us as a Community?

Keeping Garbage Out of Landfills

Recycling helps keep garbage out of landfills. Much of the waste in landfill sites is not biodegradable, meaning that it will stay in its existing form in the landfill site for many years. This means that the landfill sites become full and new sites need to be found. In addition, gases and chemicals are released as materials in landfills decompose, which causes air pollution. Reducing the amount of waste will help control gases generated, which will mean better air quality.

Save Energy

Another key reason why recycling is important is that it often saves energy. For most items, it takes less energy to process the recycled materials than it does to use new materials. For instance, it takes significantly less energy to recycle paper than it does to create paper

from new woodland. Energy from non-renewable resources is protected and saved for future generations.

Save Money

One important feature of recycling that affects us all is the fact it can save money. Processing costs incurred by waste management companies are reduced, and manufacturing costs are reduced, resulting in cost savings being passed on to the consumer.

Recycling is one of the few processes that we can all participate in as a community, that requires minimum effort, yet it has far reaching and long lasting benefits. Tascon Industries Inc. will continue to provide recycling collection for the City of Jersey Village. Recyclable materials will be collected every Wednesday, and include paper, aluminum cans and plastics. We would like to encourage all of our residents to participate in the program! ★