



Jersey Village Star

Help Us Light Up Our City!

The City of Jersey Village would like to encourage everyone to participate in this year's Holiday Decorating Contest. For many years, the city has recognized those residents that go above and beyond in decorating their homes for the holidays with a Holiday Decorating Contest. This is a tradition that brings joy to our entire community. We encourage all

of you to go ALL OUT in decorating the outside of your homes and help us light up our city! Remember to talk to your neighbors to try to come up with a street theme. Let's make this year the best ever!

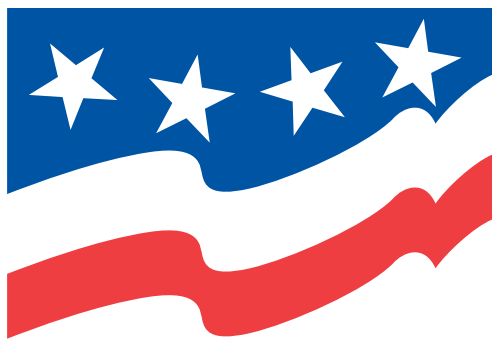
Judging will take place Wednesday and Thursday, December 16th and 17th, from 7:00-10:00 pm. ★

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**Statistics for September 2015
JV Police Department**

Calls for Service	1364
Vehicle Theft	5
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, Business	4
Burglary, Residence	2
Burglary, Vehicle	0
Disturbance	81
Narcotics, Felony	3
Minor Accidents	131
Major Accidents	0
Alarms	121
Suspicious Person	247
Traffic Control	11
Traffic Hazard	30

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	0
Auto Fires	1
Other Fires	3
Rescue/EMS Incidents	56
Hazardous Conditions	5
Service Calls	18
Smoke or Odor Calls	3
False Alarms/Cancelled Enroute	18
Total Ambulance Transports	38



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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
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www.jerseyvillage.info**

City of Jersey Village Tax Rate Adoption

After a series of public budget meetings, the Jersey Village City Council adopted the budget for fiscal year 2015-2016. A public hearing was held on September 21st to present the proposed budget and receive citizen input prior to formal adoption that evening. The budget will be effective for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 and lasting through September 30, 2016.

Commensurate with budget adoption is the adoption of the city tax rate. On October 19th, City Council approved a property tax rate of \$0.7425 per \$100 of valuation. The property taxes generated by this rate provide a majority of revenue for the city's General Fund. Property taxes also fund the city's Debt Service Fund. In all matters, the city must follow the State of Texas guidelines for proposing and adopting a tax rate. According to State guidelines, if the tax rate proposed exceeds the effective tax rate (a calculated rate that would provide the taxing unit with about the same amount of revenue it received in the year before), or rollback rate (calculated maximum rate allowed by law without voter approval), whichever is lower, the city is obligated to conduct additional public hearings.

In the case of the City of Jersey Village, the effective tax rate of \$0.633365

is lower than the proposed tax rate of \$0.7425. Accordingly, the city conducted two public hearings prior to adopting this year's tax rate. These hearings took place on Monday October 5th, 2015 and Monday October 12th.

New programs and expenditures for Fiscal year 2015-2016 (also known as supplementals) that will be funded this year include:

- Pump Room Repairs for the Pool \$30,000
- Social Media Smartphone Apps \$5,000
- ADA Path Entries to Clark Henry Park \$30,000
- Training for Volunteer Firefighters \$7,000
- Traffic Calming Study – Phase 2 \$39,165
- Pool Deck Repairs \$6,500
- City Hall repair from water damage \$25,000
- Shade Cover & Play Piece for Kiddie Pool \$10,000
- Paint Striping Machine (Streets) \$15,000

The Finance Department will be happy to assist any residents with questions relating to the city budget or tax rate. Copies of

the adopted budget are available online. A hard-copy of the budget is available for viewing at city hall. ★

Vendors Wanted for **HOLIDAY IN THE PARK 2015!**

The City of Jersey Village Recreation & Events Committee announces its annual Holiday in the Park. If you have a business, product or service you would like to showcase, please consider participating in this year's event. It will take place on Sunday, December 6, from 1:00PM-4:00PM at Clark W. Henry Park, located at the corner of Equador and Jersey Drive.

The event will feature fields of freshly blown snow as well as approximately 50 vendor booths. There is no vendor booth fee for Jersey Village residents or scout troops. Non-JV residents pay a vendor booth fee of just \$10.00.

To request an application please send an email stating what you would like to sell or promote to Robert and Rebecca at JVevents.holiday@gmail.com

City Offices Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

City offices will be closed on
Thursday, November 26, 2015 &
Friday, November 27, 2015
in observance of the
Thanksgiving Holiday.

The Police Department, Fire Department and Emergency Medical Service personnel will be on duty for emergencies and other City personnel in other departments will be on-call, if required. City offices will re-open for business at the regular time on Monday, November 30, 2015. There will be regular residential trash collection on Friday, November 27th.

please join us for ...

HOLIDAY IN THE PARK

Shopping, snow and Santa!

Sunday, December 6th

1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. at Clark Henry Park

Visit with Santa from 1:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Play in the snow! Shop from local Vendors!