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HELP FIGHT CRIME

With many residents and businesses installing home security cameras, we want to give them an opportunity to share their video with law enforcement if a crime happens in their area. This no cost program tells our police what locations in the city have cameras. If something happens in your neighborhood, the police may request your video for the time period in question. The program and all video submission is voluntary. By having hundreds of virtual "eyes" watching our city, we will all be a little safer. If interested, or to register your cameras, please email pdcameras@jacintocity-tx.gov.

NO PROPERTY TAX RATE INCREASE

Despite several improvements in the city, your property tax rate is identical to last years.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

If you would like to report unhealthy or unsightly conditions, please email or call City Hall. This includes high grass, abandoned vehicles, trailers, appliances, debris, and other materials left in yards. Such violations may be cited and fined.

HERITAGE HALL SENIOR CENTER

Heritage Hall Senior Center, located in the Jacinto City Town Center, 1025 Oates Rd., is available for our citizens who are 60+. We are open Mon. – Fri. from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.. Each day at noon a balanced lunch is served. Exercise programs are offered for free. There's also Nutrition Bingo each Thursday and many other activities. For more information, call 713-675-4487 or feel free to just come by for a free cup of coffee and meet our bilingual staff. Call Heritage Hall for more information.

MARKET DAYS

Mark your calendar for the second Saturday evening of each month to enjoy Market Days at Town Center. This free event features vendors selling a variety of unique items including everything from honey to hot sauce. Email marketdays@jacintocity-tx.gov for info.

PETS MUST BE LICENSED

All pets must be vaccinated for rabies and licensed by the city. License and rabies tags must be worn at all times and renewed annually. The 2019 Dog tags are green for easy recognition of expired tags. There is no fee for dogs that have been spayed or neutered. All dogs must be secured and not allowed to run loose. Failure to comply may result in a citation and fine for the owner.

PET VACCINATION CLINIC - APRIL 27th

The annual Pet Vaccination Clinic for Jacinto City Residents will be held on Saturday, April 27th, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Public Works Facility, 12202 Market St. A veterinarian will be on site and vaccinations will be available at reduced prices. City pet licenses will also be available for purchase. Call 713-453-7411 for details.

FREE GARAGE SALES

April 6th is free garage sale day. Register your sale with city hall and we will add you to a list of locations across the city having garage sales.

FERAL CATS

The city is offering vouchers to Jacinto City residents wishing to have non – feral cats neutered or spayed. Residents can contact city hall or any city official for vouchers. For feral or wild cats please contact either city hall or public works and give us a location and description of the cat. The city will trap the cat and have it spayed or neutered. During this procedure the cat's ear will be tipped letting us identify it as being "fixed". This prevents us from catching it again.

ZIKA VIRUS PREVENTION

Mosquitoes carry disease! As we enter the warmer seasons, we all need to eliminate breeding areas for mosquitoes. Anything that holds even a small amount of water can become a source of mosquitoes. Please remove any "Mosquito Motels" such as tires, buckets, and other items that can hold water.

EASTER EGG HUNT

This Year's egg hunt will be on April 13th at 10:30. Bring your children and grandchildren out for this family friendly event.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

On rare occasions the city may need to notify you and your family about potentially dangerous situations. This could be a chemical release from a nearby petrochemical plant or other natural or manmade threat. Jacinto City uses the Harris County 911 system to accomplish this. To be sure that your family is notified you need to register all cell phones and VOIP phones with the 911 system. This includes phone service by Comcast, Vonage &

Magic Jack. Just follow these links or go to 911.org and sign up. You can even tell 911 about any medications that you take or anything else that would help police, fire or EMS to assist you when you call 911. *Just scan the code below.*





BE CAREFUL WHERE YOU PARK

As a reminder, sidewalks are not designed to carry the weight of a car. It is illegal to park on all sidewalks.

TIRE ROUND-UP - MAY 18

On Saturday, May 18, from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., city crews will pick up tires from residences. We cannot accept large truck tires, and no tires may be on wheels or rims of any sort. To insure pick-up, tires must be curbside by 8:00 a.m.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT - OCT 1

The Jacinto City Police Department is once again sponsoring the annual National Night Out. There will be block parties throughout the city. Meet your neighbors and watch out for each other. For more information or to host a party, call the Police Department at 713-672-2455.

KEEP GRASS & WEEDS MOWED

City ordinances require residents to keep grass & weeds mowed, including utility easements.

GET PERMITS <u>BEFORE</u> ALL CONSTRUCTION

City ordinances require that building permits be obtained **before** starting any building related project. This includes but is not limited to roofs, driveways, fences, HVAC, electrical and plumbing work. Permits are required for remodeling and new construction. Building Permits are issued at City Hall. Building without a **permit posted and visible** from the street could result in fines.

JCPD OFFERS VACATION WATCH

If you are going to be out of town for two days or more, call the Police Department at 713-672-2455 to have a vacation watch placed on your home. A police officer will check your home daily while you are away. This is a free service for residents.

SWIMMING POOL – SPRAY PARK

The City's new pool and spray park were a huge hit last year. The spray park is already open and available for use on warm days.

LIFEGUARDS WANTED

Applications for lifeguards are now being taken. Look under FORMS on the city website for the employment application.

TOWN CENTER AVAILABLE FOR RENT

The community building at Town Center may be rented by Jacinto City residents and businesses up to 6 months prior to your event. Call City Hall or see the "Forms" tab on the city website for more information.

TRASH SERVICE

Trash pick-up days are Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week, with Saturdays being the heavy trash pick-up day. Limbs and trimmings must be cut into lengths of no more than three feet and bound in bundles that weigh no more than thirty-five pounds. Trash may not be placed street-side more than 24 hours before pick-up and all emptied cans must be removed from street-side within 24 hours after pick-up. No building materials or hazardous waste will be picked-up.

ONLINE BILL PAYMENT

Jacinto City offers online payment for water bills and Municipal Court fines. Just go to the city website for details.

USE YOUR CITY PARKS

All City parks are free to use for our citizens. Both Smith & Wilke Parks have pavilions, picnic facilities, ball fields, and playground equipment for children. In addition, Smith Park has a basketball pavilion and Wilke Park has an outdoor sand volleyball court, tennis courts and an outdoor exercise area. Akron Park, which is located just across from the library, has soccer goals and playground equipment. The Gym, located adjacent to Wilke Park at 1022 Mercury, offers basketball, volleyball, an exercise room, aerobics, and other activities. Call 713-673-4624 for information.

ABOVE GROUND SWIMMING POOLS

Residents accept a great deal of responsibility and liability when they install a swimming pool. The city offers several free services that can reduce the chances of injuries or drownings related to swimming pools. These include safety reviews, CPR classes and pool maintenance classes. Contact City Hall to get more information.

ALWAYS BE IN THE KNOW!

Would you like to have advance knowledge of things happening in or around Jacinto City that may impact your life? Hear about everything from local utility work and road closures to free garage sale days by joining our email notification list. Just email us at notify@jacintocity-tx.gov to be added to the list. We will of course protect your privacy and never share your information.