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Fall Community Clean Up

The next scheduled community clean up is October 3-5, 2008. Hours of operation are 7:00am – 7:00 pm. Tires and batteries will have a \$5.00 disposal fee. **Pesticides, chemicals and auto parts and any item with a compressor, will not be accepted.**

Joshua Station Development Update

The Preliminary Plat for the Joshua Station Development was approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Council a few months ago. The Final Plat for the Grocery Store site and Joshua Station Boulevard are expected to be considered by the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Council in October. You should see dirt turning in the early part of 2009 on the grocery store site and Joshua Station Boulevard. Financial projections show this development will result in an additional \$26 million in taxable value over the next 10 years, and an additional \$11 million in annual taxable sales during this same time period.

La Quinta Hotel

A La Quinta Hotel is coming to Joshua! The City Council approved the final site plan and replat for the hotel and 3 adjacent retail pad sites in September, and development of the property is expected to begin soon.

Growth and Future Development

Growth is happening in Joshua! In the last year the City Council has approved 5 residential subdivision plats which will result in 183 buildable single and multi-family lots. In addition, the Council has approved 4 mixed use and commercial development plats which will result in 16 commercial lots to be built out in the near future. On top of this, the City already has 209 vacant platted lots available for build out, and 195 vacant tracts that could be developed in the future. Despite the slumping national economy, it looks like development in Joshua will continue.

Building Inspections/Code Compliance by the Numbers

Joshua Building Official and Code Compliance Officer, Nader Jeri, submitted a report to the City Council detailing the activity his department has recorded since he was hired in January of this year. Building inspections and plan reviews from February to August

2008 total 1513, which results in a monthly average of 216 inspections per month. Mr. Jeri has responded to 107 code compliance cases in that same time period, and removed 220 illegal signs since January 2007. 93% of code compliance cases are abated within 30 days.

Garage Sale Permits now on City Website

You now can review a list of Garage Sales by checking the City website at www.cityofjoshuatx.us and click on Garage Sales.

Upcoming Events

Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting October 6, 2008 at 7:00 PM
4A Economic Development Board Meeting October 14, 2008 at 5:30 PM
4B Economic Development Board Meeting October 14, 2008 at 7:00 PM
City Council regular Meeting October 16, 2008 at 7:00 PM