



# Joshua News

## Mayor’s Message

If you have not seen the progress of our new park, please drive by, or look on the city’s web site for an aerial photo that was taken recently. Listed below are updates of some projects that are in progress and some reminders:

1. The land for the new Fire Station has been cleared and the design phase will start soon.
2. Some of the streets, that were approved in the bond election, are completed
3. Schools have started so watch out for the children and remember that school zones are “cell-phone use” prohibited
4. Prior to doing any construction on your property please contact the Building/Permit Department to inquire if a permit is required or what regulations there may be.
5. An ordinance regulating the sale of K-2 has been adopted and is now in effect.
6. The City and the Chamber have been meeting with community business owners to get input how to make the City of Joshua better serve the citizens as a whole
7. There is a program in progress that will allow businesses, that are members of the Joshua Area Chamber of Commerce, to advertise their business on the city web page
8. Remember “Shop Joshua First”

Joe Hollarn, Mayor  
City of Joshua

## City Manager’s Message

Your growing City is alive with activity! The first street projects approved in the November bond election were completed in June. The second phase of street projects will get underway in late September. The Central Fire Station, also approved in the November bond election, is being designed, and construction is expected to begin by late 2011. The first Joshua City Park is under construction and is expected to be complete by November. The Joshua Area Chamber of Commerce has launched several new programs to assist your local businesses including a monthly lunch and learns, quarterly networking events, and a 12 @ 12 luncheon to bring business and community leaders together every other month. The 12 @ 12 lunch is by invitation only. This is in addition to the quarterly luncheons, annual banquet, City map, and business directory that the Chamber already provides. Contact the Chamber at 817-558-2821 for information about any of these programs..

Make this Fall the time you get involved in your community by attending meetings, joining a City board, getting involved with the Chamber of Commerce, supporting local schools or joining any local civic group.

Paulette A. Hartman  
City Manager

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**Summer Time = Budget Time**

Summer time is not vacation time for cities. Summer time for cities is about preparing and presenting the proposed budget and tax rate for the coming fiscal year to the City Council because the City’s fiscal year begins October 1st. This includes weeks of discussion and decision making by the Council as well as public hearings to get the public’s input about the proposed budget and tax rate. The Joshua City staff began preparing the coming fiscal year’s budget in March. The City Council had its first look at the proposed budget August 5th, and has met every week since to continue budget discussions and hold public hearings. Public hearings were held August 19th and August 26th. All of this meeting and discussing will culminate in adoption of the final budget and tax rate during the September 16th regular City Council meeting.

As of the writing of this article, the proposed General Fund Budget can be briefly summarized as follows:

- Total budget of \$3,141,337, which is 3% more than the current year budget
- Proposed Tax Rate of \$0.68527 per \$100 valuation which higher than the current rate of \$0.634331 and is the 3rd lowest city tax rate in Johnson County
- 50% of total revenues come from property taxes, the remaining 50% comes from other sources such as sales tax, permit fees, court fines, etc.
- 59% of expenditures fund public safety services including Police, Animal Control, Fire, Building Inspections, Code Enforcement and Municipal Court

The entire budget is available at [www.cityofjoshuatx.us](http://www.cityofjoshuatx.us)

**Promote A Positive  
City Image**

**Provide  
Professional,  
Responsive And  
Financially  
Responsible City  
Services**

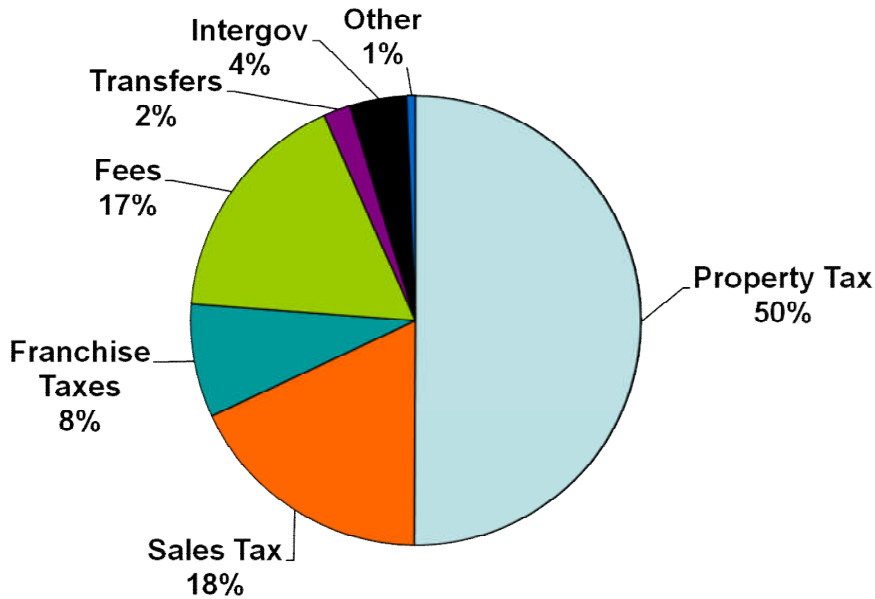
**Enhance Public  
Safety and  
Infrastructure**

**Promote Family  
Oriented, Planned  
Community Growth**

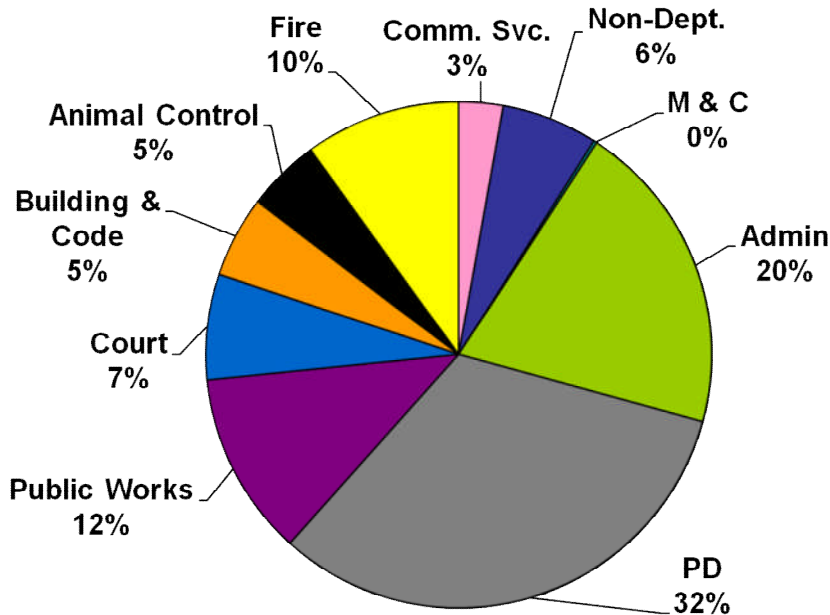
**Plan For Quality  
Development,  
Economic  
Diversity, and  
Revitalization**

**Enhance Internal/  
External  
Communications,  
Education and  
Involvement**

**FY 2010/2011 General Fund Revenues**



**FY 2010/2011 General Fund Expenditures (Proposed)**



**City of Joshua**

**Mission Statement**

**Vision Statement**

**Values**

**The caring City that goes the extra mile!**

**We have:**

**Consistent**

**Attitudes of**

**Resourcefulness**

**&**

**Empathy**

***WE CARE***

***Honesty***

***Integrity***

***Respect***

***Ethics***

***Commitment***

***Care***

***Accountability***

## Upcoming Meetings and Events

<i>Date</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Beginning Time</i>
Sept. 6, 2010	City Hall Closed—Labor Day		
Sept. 7, 2010	Planning & Zoning Meeting	City Hall	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 13, 2010	Type A EDC Meeting	City Hall	6:30 p.m.
Sept 14, 2010	Type B EDC & Parks Board Meeting	City Hall	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 16, 2010	City Council Meeting	City Hall	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 4, 2010	Planning & Zoning Meeting	City Hall	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 11, 2010	Type A EDC	City Hall	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 12, 2010	Type B EDC & Parks Board Meeting	City Hall	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 16, 2010	JACC Fall Festival & Health Fair	Owl Stadium	10:00 a.m. —4:00 p.m.
Oct. 21, 2010	City Council Meeting	City Hall	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 1, 2010	Planning & Zoning Meeting	City Hall	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 8, 2010	Type A EDC Meeting	City Hall	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 9, 2010	Type B EDC and Parks Board Meeting	City Hall	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 18, 2010	City Council Meeting	City Hall	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 25 & 26, 2010	City Hall Closed—Thanksgiving		
Dec. 4, 2010	Tree Lighting Parade	Downtown	6:00 p.m.

### List of Boards/Commissions

#### Planning & Zoning Commission

#### Type A Economic Development Corporation Board

#### Type B Economic Development Corporation & Parks Board

#### Zoning Board of Adjustments

If you are interested in serving , please contact the

City Secretary at 817-558-7447