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License your dog by March 31 to avoid late fees

The City would like to take this opportunity to remind residents that all dogs, including foster dogs over the age of 6 months, are required to be licensed with the City. Licensing your dog will provide the City and Animal Control with accurate contact information in case your dog is ever lost. If you lose your dog, or find a lost dog, please call Northeast Animal Control at 913-782-0720.

Residents may renew their dog’s tag in person or by mail by with a current rabies certificate from a licensed veterinarian. If renewing by mail, include a self-addressed stamped envelope with the appropriate fee and mail to:

Fairway City Hall
4210 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 100
Fairway, KS 66205

Make checks payable to the City of Fairway.

If you no longer have a previously licensed pet or have questions, please contact City Hall at 913-262-0350 or email aaldridge@fairwaykansas.org so that we may remove the pet from the database.

LICENSING FEES are as follows:
Neutered males & spayed females ................. $ 5.00
Unaltered males & unaltered females ............ $25.00

DELINQUENT FEES are in addition to the license fee above:
First month late fee: (starting April 1) ............ $ 2.00
Second month late fee: (starting May 1) .........$10.00
Third month late fee: (starting June 1) .......... $20.00

Penalties are charged for each dog. Failure to license each dog before the deadline will be treated as a separate offense.

Dog owners, please remember to do your part to keep Fairway clean. When walking your dog, remember to take a plastic bag to pick up your dog’s poop and dispose of it properly, at home, in your trash.

MEET RUGER - FAIRWAY'S 2017 TOP DOG RECIPIENT!

Ruger won Top Dog honors with his owner Tanya Keys submittal on Fairway’s Facebook page. “Fairway's cutest puggle (beagle + pug) and top dog is Ruger. He's 8 years young, loves walks up to Pizza 51 and the tennis courts, and is an expert squirrel monitor. He’s top dog in our neighborhood because he loves to meet new neighbors and their dogs while walking and wants everyone to feel welcome.” Thank you Ruger for welcoming your neighbors in Fairway. Ruger will receive the 2017-001 Fairway license tag at no charge and reign as Fairway’s Top Dog for the year 2017. Visit Fairway’s Facebook page to see the other wonderful and deserving contestants.
2017 has arrived! I hope all of you had a festive and thankful Holiday Season filled with good will and appreciation. Let’s recognize and collectively embrace the quality of life we share here in Fairway as we continue our transition into the future.

2017 arrives with the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Kansas State Historical Society (KSHS) and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Shawnee Indian Mission Foundation (SIMF) in full force. The Shawnee Indian Mission (SIM) Endowment that we have named our Legacy Fund has been formally created to accept tax-deductible charitable contributions to address our operational and fund-raising efforts that will shift into full swing.

Nathan Nogelmeier is our new City Administrator. Kim Young is now our City Clerk. Jennifer Laughlin is the new Coordinator of Museum Experience and Programs and Director of the Shawnee Indian Mission Historic Site. Brice Soeken is our new Director of Parks and Recreation. Brad Boeshaar was appointed as our City Treasurer.

We wholeheartedly welcome Jennifer, Brice, and Brad to their new positions and are most appreciative that Nathan Nogelmeier graciously accepted our offer to become City Administrator. His presence and abilities clearly secure a smooth transition.

Please visit City Hall and the SIM to welcome our new personnel.

We continue to update and refine Fairway’s Comprehensive Plan and the City Council has approved the acquisition of a new and much needed Street Sweeper scheduled for a spring delivery.

Stay tuned and stay in touch. The Governing Body, Police Department and Staff continue to embark on a host of new goals and objectives to insure we continue on course to maximize the quality of life for our residents and responsibly manage your tax dollars.

Respectfully,

Jerry Wiley
Mayor
DON’T FORGET
Fairway’s Public Tree Protection Ordinance!

When traveling through the neighborhood you may have noticed the large construction projects in Fairway with orange temporary fencing in the front yard. The Public Tree Protection Ordinance requires fencing be installed to protect the tree and it’s vital root system during the construction project.
The ordinance protects all trees located in public right-of-way (within 10 feet of the curb) along City streets, green space and parkland. Property owners and contractors must take steps to protect right-of-way trees AT ALL TIMES. If you are planning any construction on your property, trimming or removing right-of-way trees, landscaping within 10 feet of the curb, please take the time to review the ordinance in its entirety www.fairwaykansas.org or stop by City Hall. Right-of-way trees may not be trimmed or removed without permission from the Community Tree Manager. Violations of the Public Tree Protection Ordinance will result in significant fines!

Election 2017 – City of Fairway

If you are considering running for office in Fairway the Filing and Withdrawal Deadline is June 1, 2017 (12 NOON).

Positions Open for Filing: Mayor (4-year term) City Council – Wards 1, 2, 3 & 4 (4-year term)

For more information on how to file, deadline dates, and election dates, visit the Johnson County Election Office website at www.jocoelection.org or call 913-782-3441. You may also contact Fairway City Hall with questions.

Not ready to run for office but want to serve your community? Consider serving on a Board or Committee. Contact City Hall for an Indication of Interest Form.

SNOW & ICE REMOVAL

The Public Works Department is responsible for clearing snow and ice from 42 lane miles of streets in the City. The first priority is arterial/collector streets and bridges. The second priority is residential streets. Throughout the storm, known locations (hills, curves, bridges) are continually monitored and maintained. The Public Works Department would like to remind everyone how to help us maintain our reputation as being the first city in the area to have clean streets.

· Avoid any on-street parking. Parked cars (especially when two cars are parked across the street from each other) can delay snow removal efforts on your street.

· The City will remove snow from sidewalks adjacent to City property (as staffing permits and after completion of snow removal from City streets), but property owners are responsible for removing snow from their own sidewalks. (If you have a neighbor that is elderly or out of town, consider doing a good deed for them and the community.)

· City code prohibits pushing snow into the street from private property. This typically happens after the City has completed its snow removal operations. The piles of snow left behind adversely impact the traveling public and create a nuisance. If you use a snow removal service, make sure they are aware of this, because you are responsible.
Chief’s Corner

On behalf of the men and women of your Fairway Police Department we wish everyone a safe and prosperous 2017. I also want to thank every single resident and business in Fairway for something we never take for granted: your support and friendship when times are rough. In 2016 law enforcement saw ambush attacks on officers Dallas, Baton Rouge, and St. Louis. Afterwards, many of you called me offering encouragement, support, and thankfulness with one overriding message: be careful and stay safe. I also know many of you reached out to individual officers with similar messages. I thank you not only for your kindness but for your partnership with us to make Fairway a great place.

The cold weather arrived in mid-December telling us Spring is four or five months away, so with that in mind I give you my cold weather reminders. Please do not leave an unlocked car running for even for a short period of time. The need and desire to have a warm car, especially where small children are concerned, can be attained with a remote starter purchased for a very reasonable fee (compared to a deductible) and will prevent anyone from stealing the car. Do not leave valuables out in plain sight just sitting in your car advertising what you have. The overwhelming majority of thefts from autos happen when the car is unlocked so please remember to lock your car and keep garage doors closed.

The residents and businesses of Fairway have a dedicated police force and we know one asset that makes us successful is you. Never hesitate to call the police anytime, even if you are not sure what is going on. As I have said on numerous occasions - we want all the calls.

Thank you,
Chief Mike Fleming

Electronic communication is an efficient way to alert residents about important issues. Visit www.fairwaykansas.org to register your email for targeted City information. Also, find us on Facebook. Simply log on to Facebook and do a search for “City of Fairway, KS” and “like” us.

If you have any questions please contact City Hall at 913-262-0350.