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CHANGES TO DOG LICENSING FEES EFFECTIVE 2019


License your dog by March 31st to avoid late fees!


Beginning on Wednesday, January 2nd residents may renew their dog's tag in person or by mail with a **current rabies certificate** from a licensed veterinarian. If renewing by mail, include a **self-addressed stamped envelope** with the rabies certificate and appropriate fee.

Make checks payable to the City of Fairway.

Mail to: Fairway City Hall
 5240 Belinder Road
 Fairway, KS 66205

All dogs, including foster dogs, over the age of 6 months are required to be licensed annually with the City. If you no longer have a previously licensed pet or have questions, please contact City Hall at 913-262-0350 so that we may update your record.

Licensing your dog will provide the City and Animal Control with accurate contact information in case your dog is ever lost. If you ever lose your dog, or find a lost dog, please call Animal Control at 913-782-0720.

NEW LICENSING FEES are as follows:

- Neutered males & spayed females \$10.00
- Unaltered males & unaltered females \$ 25.00

NEW DELINQUENT FEES are as follows:

Licensing Fee + Delinquent Fee = Total Due

- 1st month late fee: (beginning April 1).....\$10.00
- 2nd month late fee: (beginning May 1).....\$20.00
- June 1st \$30.00 late fee + citation + \$58.00 court costs

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



Fairway's 2019 TOP DOG!

Daisy Thurmond (Cairn terrier)

Daisy celebrated her 17th birthday in September. She has lots of friends in Fairway and is a life long resident. She is blind now but still spunky and loves walkies in her own circular way.



NEW ANIMAL CONTROL PROVIDER

Throughout 2018, the Northeast Animal Control Commission, or NEACC, spent considerable time discussing its operations and viability for the future. Some of the participating cities were exploring the idea of leaving the group, which was established in 1983. In the end, the Commission voted in favor of dissolution of the agreement and the City of Mission agreed to provide similar services to each of the former members. The transition should be seamless from NEACC to the City of Mission with Mission providing substantially the same service. The only noticeable change will be a new animal control vehicle with the City of Mission's logo. If you have animal control needs, please call 913-782-0720 and request animal control.

Staff/Staff

Your City Council

Mayor	Melanie Hepperly
Ward I	Kelly-Ann Buszek Jim Poplinger
Ward II	Dan Bailey Gail Gregory
Ward III	Joseph Levin David Watkins
Ward IV	Adam Dolski Tanya Keys

Phone Numbers

City Hall	262-0350 FAX: 262-4607
Police	911 (Off.) 262-2364
Municipal Court	262-2364
Fire	911 (Off.) 432-1105
Public Works	722-2822
Animal Control	782-0720
Fairway Swimming Pool	722-3161
Parks & Recreation	262-0350 x3
Shawnee Indian Mission	262-0867

Committee Chairpersons

Administration	Jim Poplinger
Police	Gail Gregory
Finance	Joseph Levin
Public Works	David Watkins
Parks & Rec	Tanya Keys
Animal Control	Adam Dolski

City Departments

City Administrator	Nathan Nogelmeier
Chief of Police	David Brown
Director of Public Works	Bill Stogsdill
Director of Parks & Rec.	Brice Soeken

Fairway City Hall is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you have inquiries pertaining to any City government issues, call 913-262-0350.

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From the Mayor's Desk



This year the City of Fairway experienced some staffing changes so we have hired three new employees - Chief of Police David Brown, Police Officer Penny Teddy and Court Clerk Debra Brownlee. All three individuals are featured in this newsletter. Please take a few moments to read about their experience. If you have time, stop by City Hall or the Police Department and meet them. We welcome them to our City and are pleased they have joined us.

As you read this issue, I will have completed my first year serving as your Mayor. It has been an honor to serve you. The challenges have been many but the opportunities to find solutions and continue the traditions and forward thinking of our City remind me often of why my commitment to Fairway is so strong. There is a big difference in the interaction with City Staff between serving on the Council and serving as Mayor. My contact with staff is almost daily in varying amounts of time. I knew before but I can say now, without any doubt, we have an outstanding group of individuals working for our City. They are dedicated to providing their service and expertise to each and every one of us. I say "thank you" to all of them. I also want to thank the many volunteer residents who give of their time. We couldn't do it without you.

You will be receiving, if you haven't already, a Citizen's survey. The survey will be mailed to all households so everyone will have an opportunity to respond. It's been almost 10 years since we have done one. Most cities send surveys every 5 years. Now that we have completed the pool renovation project, the purchase of a new Public Works facility, the purchase of a permanent City Hall and the replacement of the playground equipment at the Park, we would like to know your thoughts and ideas as to the next steps for our City. The survey will be conducted by ETC INSTITUTE, a local company used by surrounding cities. Watch for it in the mail. PLEASE COMPLETE THE SURVEY. YOUR RESPONSE IS IMPORTANT.

Respectfully,
Melanie J. Hepperly
Mayor, City of Fairway



Happy Holidays

From the City of Fairway Staff

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



David Brown
Police Chief

Chief David Brown has been in law enforcement since 1987. He was named Interim Chief in April and appointed Chief of Police in September 2018. He has a bachelor's degree from Park University and a master's degree from the University of Kansas. He is a graduate of the 243rd Session of the FBI National Academy, 2010 graduate of the Lenexa Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Lenexa program, incoming Chair for the Drug and Alcoholism Council of Johnson County, Principal Instructor for KU Public Management Center's Law Enforcement Leadership Academy, a licensed financial advisor and served as a law enforcement representative on various community and professional boards. He is married 28 years now and has 3 wonderful adult children.



Penny Teddy
Police Officer

Officer Teddy grew up in Remsen, Iowa and graduated from Benedictine College in Atchison, KS with a B.S. in Criminal Justice in 2004. Officer Teddy began her career investigating child abuse and neglect for the Children's Division in Kansas City, MO, then became a police officer in 2008 working for Roeland Park Police Department. In 2012 Officer Teddy moved to the Westwood Police Department and served Westwood until 2018 when she joined Fairway. Among her many duties with Fairway, Officer Teddy helps to teach the Explorer program and is a member of the Peer Support team. On her off days she enjoys spending time with her daughter and husband who are awaiting the arrival of their newest family member, a baby boy in March 2019.



Debra Brownlee
Court Clerk /
Administrative
Clerk

Debra comes from Kansas City, Kansas where she has lived most of her life. She received her AA from the Kansas City Kansas Community College and then her BA from Friend's University majoring in Organizational Management and Leadership; minoring in Criminal Justice. Prior to coming to Fairway, Debra worked with the Unified Government of Wyandotte County Kansas City, Kansas Municipal Court Services for 24 years. She started with the Court Clerk's Office as a Court Clerk for 8 years, Domestic Violence Advocate with the Prosecutor's Office for 3 years, Probation Officer for 9 years and ending with Administrative Coordinator for Municipal Court for the remaining 4 years. Outside of her Municipal Court work, Debra enjoys working at the Kansas City, Kansas Public Library in the Children's Department and loves spending cherished time with her family.

SNOW & ICE STORM REMINDERS

AVOID ANY ON-STREET PARKING:

Parked cars create hazards for the snow plows and delay snow removal efforts on your street. During significant snow events, the Mayor may issue a "Snow Emergency" that prohibits any on-street parking and allows the police to tow cars parked on the street at the owner's expense.

STORM DAMAGE BRUSH COLLECTION:

The Public Works Department will collect brush when City-wide storm damage is declared. This collection is for large storm debris that does not meet the regular yard waste collection guidelines.

"Snow Emergency" or "City-wide Brush Collection" will be communicated via the City E-mail Program and Facebook.

CITY COUNCIL ELECTION 2019



If you are considering running for office in Fairway the Filing and Withdrawal Deadline is June 1, 2019 (12 NOON).

Positions Open for Filing:

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.

Not ready to run for office but want to serve your community? Consider serving on a Board or Committee. Contact City Hall (913) 262-0350 for an Indication of Interest Form.



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Visit www.fairwaykansas.org to register your email for targeted City information. The City E-mail Program also posts communications on the City of Fairway Facebook page. To follow the City simply log on to Facebook and do a search for "City of Fairway, KS" and "like" us. Facebook is a great way for you to keep up with the City.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact City Hall at 913-262-0350.



Chief's Corner

Police Chief : David Brown

Well, it's cold outside – obvious right! And as this note reaches you we are either in the middle of or have just wrapped up the holidays. I hope the holidays have been good and enjoyable for you and your families! We have been a little busy as of late due to a couple officers restricted to light duty, but we are managing well and have recently hired a part-time officer to help. Fairway has not had a part-time officer in many years and we are excited to bring this role back to the Police Department.

As winter settles in there is a temptation to start our cars to let them warm up a bit, or leave them running while stopping in briefly at a convenience store. Well, to be obvious again, when a car is left running it becomes a

welcome target for someone looking for a quick ride to another part of the metro area. You lose your car and any belongings in it and, in some cases, anyone who may be waiting in the car for you. I know it is not convenient, but the few cold seconds you spend warming the car up while waiting inside is not near the angst you will experience if it gets stolen. From the few cases I have worked over the years, the distress and grief caused when someone takes a car with a little one inside will forever cure you of leaving your car running while you stop in the store 'just for a second.' Please, please, please take your little one in with you no matter how brief a stop you make.

Best Regards,

David