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Zoning Changes Establish a Recreational Vehicle Registration Program

Jersey Village, Texas — The City Council passed amendments to the City's Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance at its Monday, May 18, 2009 meeting that will affect resident owners of recreational vehicles. The current zoning ordinance which, for the most part, permits residents to park recreational vehicles in side and back yards without screening from public view has been changed.

Effective January 1, 2010, recreational vehicles (manufactured or home-made) including, but not limited to, motor homes, mini-motor homes, travel trailers, 5th wheel trailers, camping trailers, boat trailers, other trailers used for recreational purposes only, truck campers, all terrain vehicles and all types of watercraft including boats (motorized or propelled by any other means) shall not be parked or stored in front or side yards in zoning districts A, C, or C-2, except for temporary periods of time not exceeding seven (7) days within a 30-day period. And recreational vehicles shall not be parked or stored in rear yards in these same zoning districts unless screened from public view by a solid wood or opaque fence.

In order to implement these changes in an orderly fashion and to give residents time to plan, Council set a January 1, 2010 effective date for owners of recreational vehicles less than eight feet in height who must comply with the ordinance. The amendments also provide for a ten year "phasing out period" for owners of recreational vehicles that are over eight feet in height who register their vehicles with the City Secretary. The registration process for these vehicles begins June 1 and continues through July 15, 2009 at City Hall, 16327 Lakeview Drive, Jersey Village, Texas. Successful registration of a recreational vehicle provides that resident owners may continue parking/storing vehicles on their property until July 1, 2019 provided that certain requirements are met.

A summary of the registration process is as follows:

- Resident owners must complete an application accompanied by photographs of vehicle.
- Vehicles being registered must be greater than 8 feet in height and must be physically presented at 16327 Lakeview Drive for measurement.
- Vehicles must have been lawfully parked in zoning districts A, C, or C2 on May 1, 2009.
- Applicants must be the vehicle owner and owner of the lot where the vehicle will be stored.
- Applicants must present proof of ownership as outlined in the procedures document.

The details of the registration process are outlined in the Recreational Vehicle Registration Procedures adopted by Council on May 28, 2009 and can be viewed on the City's web site at: http://www.jerseyvillage.info/city_council/secretarys_office/index.html. An application form for the program can be found using this link as well. For program information not found in this newsletter or on the City's web site, please contact Lorri Coody, the City Secretary at 713-466-2102.