The City of Jordan has transitioned from its old website to a new and improved site. The new web address was launched in February of 2016. The site has been upgraded to better accommodate all the new information for the City of Jordan. You can now easily find demographic data on the city, permit information and frequently asked utility questions. There is also a place to submit any concerns regarding our parks or streets that will go directly to our public works department. The old website will still be live but will have a link that directs you to the new webpage.

For the Jordanianess Lions, Garage Sale, the annual city-wide garage sale, is scheduled for Friday, May 13th and Saturday, May 14th from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. You can participate on both days or just one day. Please note which option you would prefer on your application. Deadline for signup is May 6th. If you want to be included on the map, there is a $15.00 donation required. Checks should be made payable to Jordaness Lions. Please fill out the form below and mail to Sue Quatmann, 6305 W. 190th Street, Jordan, MN 55352 along with the donation. Questions, call Sue at 952-492-3417. Maps will be available at: Radermacher’s, Broadway Market, and City Hall. The Police Department will also participate in the sale and will be selling items at the Police garage, located next to the Mini-Met Baseball Park on Rice Street.

CERC

Memberships are now available at the Jordan Community Education and Recreation Center (CERC). This new facility is located at the Jordan Middle School. The CERC is 45,000 square feet and includes a 3-gym station with multipurpose floors, walking/running track, fitness center, community locker rooms, community room and much more! Residents can enroll in a membership at a discounted rate! Call 952-492-6211 for information or visit them on Facebook “The CERC”!
Business Appreciation Week

The City of Jordan, Minnesota recognizes and values the dedication and entrepreneurial spirit of small businesses that keep the City, State and American economy growing stronger. The City is celebrating Business Appreciation Week March 7–13. It is the collaborative mission of the City working in partnership with the Jordan Chamber of Commerce, Scott County and other organizations to help our businesses grow and create new jobs within the greater region by providing exemplary workforce training, financial assistance programs, research and technical assistance. If there is anything the City can do to help your business, please let us know!! Call City Administrator Tom Nikunen or Andrew Barbes at 952-492-2535.

Thank you to all the businesses in Jordan!

Garbage and Recycling Survey Results

The City recently distributed a survey on garbage and below are the results. The City has 1,628 residential water accounts and 440 responses were received back which is 26%

- 66.59% think the current recycling is fine
- 51.49% would like a second recycling cart at no charge
- 19.22% would like weekly recycling
- 29.26% use the yard waste pickup dates
- 24.94% put out brush
- 24.94% are using the spring and fall cleanup days
- 77.86% responded that they are happy with the current services

Council will review a draft RFP document in April prior to distribution to interested haulers. The current contract with Elite Waste expires December 31, 2016.

Emerald Ash Borers

Do your trees have Emerald Ash Borers? First identify the tree! Emerald Ash Borers (EAB) are unique to Ash trees. Ash trees have opposite branches, compound leaves and 5+ leaves. There are three common symptoms of Emerald Ash Borer that you can watch for. Watch your Ash trees for woodpecker holes, bark cracks and the common S-shaped tunneling that is located under the bark. Watch for EAB in your yard and neighborhoods. This invasive species has killed millions of trees in the United States. Help prevent the spread by burning local firewood and not moving firewood out of the area. For more information, visit Jordan City Hall.

2016 Street Improvement

Upcoming Street & Utility Projects

This summer the City will be completing work in six areas as part of its street and utility improvements program. These areas include:

- Mill Pond Area (Rundle Rd, Juergens Cir, Juergens Dr, Mill Pond Dr)
- Nolden Lane & Adams Lane
- Wood St, 3rd St to 4th St

Crestview Circle

South Broadway St (across Sand Creek from the Mini Mall)

Rice Street, 4th St to the Fire Hall

Construction is anticipated to occur in these areas between June and October. Work to be completed varies by area, but as a whole includes sanitary sewer replacement, watermain replacement, drainage improvements, and pavement resurfacing or reconstruction. Residents with questions about this year’s projects can contact Mike Waltman, Asst. City Engineer and Project Manager at 612-221-6946.

The City is also in development of two other projects with potential to be constructed in 2017. The deck of the Varner Street Bridge over Sand Creek near downtown and Lagoon Park is in need of work. The City is currently developing plans to take advantage of potential State funding to make improvements to the bridge’s width, railing, and pedestrian facilities. If State funding for bridges is expanded in this year's legislative session, the City hopes to take advantage of the funds and start work on the bridge in fall, 2016 or summer, 2017.

Finally, the City is currently considering developing plans for a new sewer line called the SWInterceptor along Highway 169. The project is proposed to be timed with pavement reconstruction on Valley View Drive in 2017 and installed under that road as well. Once installed, the interceptor will serve two primary needs for the City:

1. Relieve overburdened, existing sewer lines in the downtown/downtown area to prevent backups
2. Provide sewer service to currently undeveloped areas along Highway 169, making development possible in these commercial and industrial areas

The City has secured $180,000 in grant funding from the Scott County CDA for development of the project thus far and is continuing to look for other external sources of funding. Construction of the first phase of the interceptor is proposed for 2017 from the wastewater treatment plant to Scott CR 9.

DMV IMPORTANT NOTE

Minnesota law requires all owners to provide insurance information when registering, re-registering or transferring ownership of a vehicle. Information required: insurance company’s name, policy number and policy expiration date. Tabs cannot be issued unless the insurance information is available.

NITE TO UNITE

The next Nite to Unite event is Tuesday, August 2nd. If you are interested in being a block captain for this year’s event, please contact Jordan Police Officer Angie Otto at aotto@jordanmn.gov.

YARD WASTE DATES

Elite Waste Disposal will provide yard waste and brush pickup every following Saturday: May 14th, August 13th, October 22nd, and November 5th. You must use compostable bags. Elite Waste Disposal will pick up bags of yard waste and bundles of brush curbside or in the alley. (Please ensure that all bags or bundles are out by 7:00 a.m.) Yard waste consists of grass clippings and leaves. Brush consists of limbs 6” or less in diameter and the bundles of brush can be up to five feet long and one foot wide. Valley Green yard waste is handled by a private contractor.

DOG LICENSES

Dog licenses expired on December 31st. Dog tags are available at City Hall for $10 for the calendar year. Please bring in your proof of rabies vaccination when you register your animal.

BURNING PERMITS

Recreational Burning Permits are now available for 2016. Prices remain at $20 for the calendar year. It takes a couple days to process the applications, so please plan accordingly.

GRANT PROGRAMS FOR DOWNTOWN JORDAN

Looking to update the façade of your downtown business now that the snow is gone? Did you know there’s a grant for that? Call City Hall 952-492-2535 and Staff will help you with the Facade Matching Grant Program!

DOG LICENSES

All residential rental properties are now required to be registered with the City of Jordan. Rental registration forms are available at the City’s website located at: www.jordanmn.gov or you can stop by City Hall and pick up an application. It is free to register!

FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY

American Legion Post No. 3 will be holding a Flag Retirement Ceremony on Thursday, August 18th at 6:00 p.m. at Lagoon Park. Anyone wanting to properly dispose of their flag may bring it to Lagoon Park on that date, or you can drop off your flags at Hometown Bank or call Butch Mamer at 612-209-5978.

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