**YOUR ALDERMEN’S CORNER**

Hello Vinita Park residents

Happy Mother’s Day

Happy Mother’s Day to all of the Mothers out there whether you are a past, present or soon to be a Mother. May your day be filled with peace, love, and happiness.

Words are never enough to thank your Mother for all she has done for you, her encouragement, support, and love.

Election Day

I would like to take this time out to thank all of you for your support on April 5, 2016 Election Day. Word can’t express how I feel about you the residents of the great city. Thanks again and may God bless Vinita Park.

Youth Day

Save this date: Attention All youth the City of Vinita Park will be having its Annual Youth Day right after the 4thof July parade. Time 11:30am- 1:00pm behind Vinita Park City Hall. Games Prizes, Basketball, Clown, Face painting, Pony rides and Refreshment

Busting in Blooming Garden Contest

The City of Vinita Park will be having its Busting in Blooming Garden Contest on Saturday June 25, 2016. The last day to register is on Friday June 24, 2016.

Contest Rule

The Judges will be judging on neatest, style, creativity and color combination.
(1) Your home must be neat and clean of debris;
(2) Any shape, size, and style of color flowers;
(3) Rock garden is acceptable.
(4) Your home must be free of preexisting decoration. (No Christmas Light, Halloween, Easter, 4th of July are any other decoration will be judged.)

For more information call City Hall.

**PUBLIC WORKS NEWS**

Permits

Please come to City Hall to secure the proper permits PRIOR to having any work done to your property. Doing so will prevent unnecessary delays and fines. If you are not sure if you need a permit PLEASE call City Hall at 314-428-7373 to inquire.

Occupancy Inspection and Permit Required

It shall be unlawful for any person or family to occupy or to permit the occupant of any building or dwelling of a unit, until the inspection is complete and an occupancy permit has been issued. The occupancy permit shall not be issued until all violations on the property have been

Street Sweeper

Street sweeping will be the first Wednesday and Thursday of each month. Street sweeper will operate from April 1st through November 1st.

Tall Weeds & Grass Prohibited

Chapter 215. Nuisances Article III. Weeds, High Grass, Noxious Plants, Rank Weeds, Thickets or Other Vegetation

Section 215.110. Weeds, High Grass, Noxious Plants, Rank Weeds, Thickets or Other Vegetation Failure To Keep Weeds, High Grass, Noxious Plants, Rank Weeds, Thickets And Other Vegetation Cut And Removed, A Nuisance. All persons owning or occupying any lot or tract of land in the City shall keep the weeds, high grass and other vegetation growing on such property cut and removed. Whenever such weeds, high grass or other vegetation shall attain the height of seven (7) inches, it shall be deemed a public nuisance.

It is important to keep front and rear yards cut because tall grass and weeds:

- Reduce adjacent property values and prevent neighbors from having full enjoyment of their property during spring and summer months.
- Attract vermin and insects creating a potential health hazard.
- Cause hay fever and other allergy problems.
- Create a potential fire hazard.
- Detract from the overall beauty and desirability of the City.

The City is authorized enter upon property to cut tall grass and weeds on property and change the owner for the cost of cutting as well as an escalating fine. The inspector will only send one notice; all subsequent notices will lead to the city to cut without further notice.

Yard Waste

All Yard Waste should be placed in a designated yard waste can or brown yard bags for pickup. Yard Waste in plastic bags will NOT be picked up.

Reminder

As we strive to keep our city Clean & Beautiful please do not place trash yard waste/recycle receptacles on the curb before dusk of the evening before pick-up. Once the trash/yard waste/ recycle receptacles have been emptied they should be removed from the curb the same day it was picked up. Failure to comply with the above could result in the resident receiving a summons to appear in court.

Grass Cutting

Please remember to clean up after cutting grass. Do NOT leave grass in the street.

Thank you for helping to keep OUR city Clean & Beautiful.