

JORDAN

CITY NEWS

Mission Statement

The foundation of Jordan is built on a small town historic presence that supports quality services, collaboration, leadership, and a well-planned future.

**January
2018**

Rental Ordinance Passes

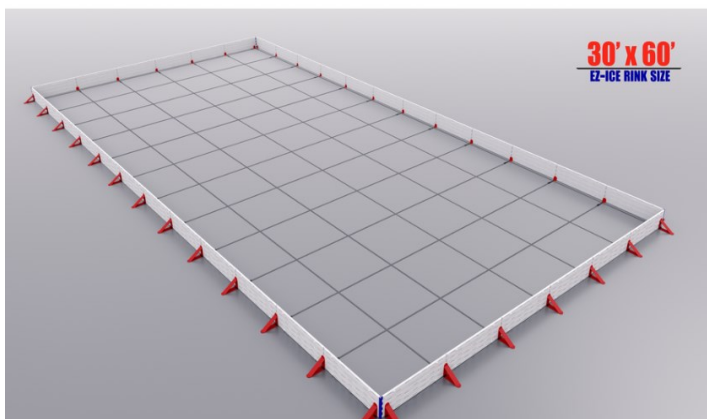
On January 2, 2018 the Jordan City Council passed Ordinance 2017-07 amending Jordan, MN Code of Ordinances Chapter 124. It has been a long arduous process but with input from landlords, residents, and Councilmembers alike a final ordinance has been arrived at.

The purpose of this Chapter is to provide minimum standards to promote public safety, to safeguard life, limb, health, property and public welfare by regulating and controlling the use and occupancy, construction, and maintenance of all Rental Dwellings within the City. Licenses are renewed annually. Each rental dwelling unit is required to be inspected except a hotel, motel, hospital, or nursing home, assisted living, group home, or independent living facility, or board lodging home licensed and inspected by the State of Minnesota for compliance with state building and/or fire codes.

An Owner or property manager who owns or manages one or more Rental Dwellings in the City must complete a Crime Free Training program approved by the City's Police Department. An Owner or property manager shall perform a Criminal Record Check as defined in Section 32.21 of the City Code prior to entering into a lease, written or verbal, with a Tenant.

This Chapter shall be reviewed and evaluated by the City Council on or prior to April 19, 2021. If you own rental property and have not registered, please contact Planner Lucinda Meyers at 952-492-2535.

EZ Ice Rinks



Residents will soon have additional skating opportunities. The Jordan City Council recently approved the purchase of two 30 x 60 EZ Ice Rinks to be installed over the basketball courts in Timberline Park and Bridle Creek Park. The rinks will be installed by Public Works but residents will be asked to clear the rinks off themselves.

The Park and Recreation Commission (PRAC) are researching various improvements for the hockey rink in 2018. Improvements they are considering include: replacing the boards, installing an open-air shelter, re-leveling the cement base, refrigeration, and researching a possible different location. Currently the ice on the north end of the rink melts before the rest which necessitates closing the rink quite often for safety reasons.

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Code Red Notification System / Snow Removal Ordinance

Effective October 1, 2015, an amendment to City of Jordan Code 73.09 governing snow removal and street parking during snowfall events takes effect. Amended City of Jordan Code 73.09 shall read:

It is unlawful for any person to park a vehicle on any street after a continuous or intermittent snowfall during which there has been an accumulation of one (1) inch or more of snow, or when a Snow Emergency is declared, until all snow, ice and similar debris has been plowed or removed from the paved portion of the street. Except that on First Street and Water Street, from Mill Street to Varner Street, parking shall be allowed on even-numbered days for vehicles parked on the even-numbered side of the street and, on odd-numbered days for vehicles parked on the odd-numbered side of the street until the street is plowed curb to curb.

Snow Emergencies will be declared by the City solely by text message and email through the Code Red Notification System provided by Scott County. City of Jordan residents can register free of charge for the Code Red Notifications System to receive alerts for various notification types including Emergencies, General, and Severe Weather. The geographical alert area is based on the home address you provide, thus you will only receive alerts that may directly affect you.

To receive snow emergency declarations from the City of Jordan, it is very important to register for the Code Red Notification System by visiting <https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/EA5343CC0ED6> or by visiting Scott County's main website and selecting the CODE RED icon. Please be sure to check GENERAL NOTIFICATIONS in the alert types section to ensure you receive snow emergency alerts from our City.

******If you reside within the ODD / EVEN PARKING AREA please park on the odd or even side of the street corresponding to what the date will change to after midnight as our public works department generally begins curb to curb snow removal between 4 a.m. and 6 a.m. Example – It's 6 p.m. on Dec. 1 and you park your vehicle for the night, the correct side of the street to park on is the EVEN side as at midnight the date will change to Dec. 2.******

2018 Water and Sewer Rates

The City Council recently adopted the new water and sewer rates for 2018:

Water Usage Charges:

\$5.63 Per 1,000 gallons up to 15k/month
\$7.20 Per 1,000 gallons from 15k to 30k
\$8.77 Per 1,000 gallons over 30k
Water monthly availability charge

Sewer Usage Charges:

\$6.87 Per 1,000 gallons
Sewer monthly availability charge \$14.14
Storm sewer residential per month \$6.28

Street Lighting Fee:

\$1.89 Per month

These new rates will go into effect January 1, 2018 and will show a minor increase to the water bills of \$2.18 a month on average. This represents approximately a 3.2% increase from 2017. A utility bill comparison was done recently which indicated that Jordan's bill is the 3rd lowest out of the following communities: Montgomery, Lonsdale, Belle Plaine, New Prague, Elko New Market, LeSueur, and St. Peter.

UTV Ordinance Passed



The Jordan City Council recently adopted a Utility Task Vehicle (UTV) Ordinance which will allow these vehicles to be used within City limits if all conditions of the ordinance are met. A UTV is a side by side, four-wheel drive, off-road vehicle that has

four wheels, is capable of carrying at least 2 and up to 6 people, is equipped with a steering wheel and rollover protection. They shall also be equipped with working headlights, taillights, turn signals, and a rear-view mirror. An application to operate a UTV in city limits is required and the cost is \$50 annually. Hours of operation are sunrise to sunset. Applicants must possess a valid MN driver's license, the UTV must be registered with the State of Minnesota, and applicants must provide current proof of insurance for their UTV. Questions, please contact the Police Department at 952-492-2009.

Things You Should Know

JOB OPENING

Long-time city employee Sandy Dault is retiring at the end of April. Sandy was the Administrative Assistant for the City. If you are interested in applying for the position, check out the City's website at jordanmn.gov for more information.

DOG TAGS



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

SNOWMOBILE REGULATIONS

Listed below are the snowmobile regulations for the 2016-2017 season:

- ◇ The speed limit citywide is 10 miles per hour.
- ◇ Operation prohibited within city limits from 11:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m.
- ◇ Operation is prohibited on all sidewalks and boulevards.
- ◇ Operation on private property is prohibited unless permission has been given by the owner of the property.
- ◇ Operation on city streets is only allowed by residents who are traveling from their residence to the nearest designated trail. The operator must then take the most direct route from the city trail system to city limits, state trail or county trail.
- ◇ Persons 14 or 15 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- ◇ Operation by a person under the age of 13 is prohibited in city limits.
- ◇ Operators born after December 31, 1976 must have in their possession a valid safety certificate issued by the State of Minnesota.
- ◇ Operation is prohibited on any lands owned by a public body or on frozen waters, including, but not limited to: school grounds, park property, playgrounds, recreational areas, private roads, platted but unimproved roads, utility easements, public trails and golf courses.
- ◇ An operator may not operate a snowmobile in a manner so as to create a loud, unnecessary or unusual noise which disturbs, annoys or interferes with the peace and quiet of other persons.
- ◇ Operators must make a complete stop at all uncontrolled intersections and yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and automobile traffic.

PAVER PURCHASES

There are still pavers available for purchase for installation at Veteran's Park. Cost is \$200 and forms are available at City Hall. Honor your loved ones by purchasing a paver.

BURNING PERMITS

Recreational Burning Permits expired on December 31st. Permits are \$20 for the calendar year.

SKATING HOURS

The hockey rink and Lagoon Park are open for skating.

Hours are noon until 10:00 p.m.



CITY HALL LOT-ODD/EVEN PARKING

The City of Jordan's Municipal Parking Lot located at 210 E. First Street will now be enforcing odd/even parking during snow emergencies. Signs were installed recently informing residents. This change was necessary to allow public works the ability to plow the entire lot in a timely fashion.

ORGANICS

The City of Jordan now has a residential organic waste pickup grant available thanks to Scott County. The grant will be used to help promote organics and recycling for our residents. We have started a new program to reduce costs for new residential accounts that sign up for weekly organics pickup with our city-wide residential hauler Dick's Sanitation Inc. If you already have a weekly yard waste service cart, you can add organics for the entire year at no cost.

Yard waste pickup alone is seasonal, however, if you want to go green year-round you can sign up for organic waste pickup and use the same cart for the entire year. The grant will pay \$60/year for the first year. It costs \$90/year for yard waste or \$150/year for yard waste and organics together. If you are interested in starting a new organics pickup account, it is \$110 year, and you can also use the cart for yard waste during the summer months. If you reduce your solid waste cart size with the added organics service, that savings can reduce your cost even further. Call City Hall at (952) 492-2535 if you are interested in learning more about the new grant program or have questions.

SIDEWALK REQUIREMENTS



Residential property owners are required to remove snow from their sidewalks within 24 hours of a snowfall. Commercial properties have 12 hours to remove the snow from their commercial properties.

CITY OF JORDAN

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City Hall Hours
Monday-Friday
8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

www.jordanmn.gov

City Council Meetings- 116 E. 1st Street
1st Monday—6:30 P.M.
3rd Monday—6:30 P.M.

City Council Members:
Mayor Tanya Vellshek
Jeremy Goebel
Terry Stier
Jeff Will
Brenda Lieske
Mike Franklin
Robert Whlpps

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Calendar of Events



Commercial Club Ice Golf
Celebrate Jordan
Spring Cleanup Day
City-Wide Garage Sale
Scott County Fair
Fire Department Open House
Scott Carver Threshers
Night to Unite
Primary Election
Flag Retirement Ceremony
Fire Department Golf
Tournament
Car Cruise
Heimatfest
St. John's Fall Festival
Yard Waste Pickup Day
General Election

February 17
April 8
May 19
TBD
July 25-July 29
TBD
August 3-August 5
August 7
August 14
August 16
TBD
September 7
September 8
September 16
TBD
November 6

Recycling calendar 2018

We pick up your recycling bi weekly on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

January	February	March
SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS
1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3	1 2 3
7 8 9 10 11 12 13	4 5 6 7 8 9 10	4 5 6 7 8 9 10
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	11 12 13 14 15 16 17	11 12 13 14 15 16 17
21 22 23 24 25 26 27	18 19 20 21 22 23 24	18 19 20 21 22 23 24
28 29 30 31	25 26 27 28	25 26 27 28 29 30 31

April	May	June
SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	1 2 3 4 5	1 2
8 9 10 11 12 13 14	6 7 8 9 10 11 12	3 4 5 6 7 8 9
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	13 14 15 16 17 18 19	10 11 12 13 14 15 16
22 23 24 25 26 27 28	20 21 22 23 24 25 26	17 18 19 20 21 22 23
29 30	27 28 29 30 31	24 25 26 27 28 29 30

July	August	September
SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	1 2 3 4	1
8 9 10 11 12 13 14	5 6 7 8 9 10 11	2 3 4 5 6 7 8
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	12 13 14 15 16 17 18	9 10 11 12 13 14 15
22 23 24 25 26 27 28	19 20 21 22 23 24 25	16 17 18 19 20 21 22
29 30 31	26 27 28 29 30 31	23 24 25 26 27 28 29

October	November	December
SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS
1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3	1
7 8 9 10 11 12 13	4 5 6 7 8 9 10	2 3 4 5 6 7 8
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	11 12 13 14 15 16 17	9 10 11 12 13 14 15
21 22 23 24 25 26 27	18 19 20 21 22 23 24	16 17 18 19 20 21 22
28 29 30 31	25 26 27 28 29 30	23 24 25 26 27 28 29

Holiday schedule

DSI is closed on these 6 holidays: New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. For more information, go to www.dickssanitation.com.



Single sort recycling is easy. Place all loose items in your cart. Please **DO NOT BAG** these items. Roll cart to the end of your driveway **EVERY OTHER WEEK** on your service day.

Glass: rinse, remove caps, all colors, don't break.

Cans: food & beverage cans, rinse, labels do not need to be removed, no bags, please.
Plastics 1-7: beverage bottles, food packaging, food containers.

Paper and Cardboard: mail, white & colored paper, magazines, newspapers, telephone books, paperbacks.