Jones Creek

Proposed Annual Municipal Budget

October 1st, 2024 - September 30th, 2025

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Dear Board of Alderman,

This document was prepared for the Village of Jones Creek's General Fund for Fiscal Year 2024 - 2025 Operating Budget in accordance with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 102. It was filed with the City Secretary/Administrator's Office on September 11, 2024, as prescribed by LGC

BRIEF HISTORY OF JONES CREEK, TEXAS

Since this document is required by LGC §102.005(c) to be posted on the Village of Jones Creek's website, and will potentially be viewed by the general public, I have included a brief history of Jones Creek, Texas.

The Village of Jones Creek, Texas is located in Southwestern Brazoria County along Highway 36. It stretches for approximately 5 miles along Highway 36 and is about 2 miles wide. It is conveniently located close to Bryan Beach, Quintana Beach, and Surfside Beach, with excellent shopping and restaurants nearby in Lake Jackson, Freeport, and Brazoria.

With a current population of 1,985 per the 2020 census, it is home to Stephen F. Austin Elementary "The Pride of Jones Creek", several historical markers, and the original gravesite of Stephen F. Austin at the Gulf Prairie Cemetery.

Jones Creek is rich in history, which includes The Battle of Jones Creek, and the settlement of "The Old Three Hundred." What was once gorgeous plantations set among massive live oak trees, is now a quiet, picturesque community consisting of several churches, convenience stores, and other diverse businesses.

OVERVIEW

It is the goal of any government to provide detailed information to the tax payers of predicted expenses and revenues. Although, some things can be pre-determined, most items on the proposed budget are subject to vary due to unforeseen or unavoidable circumstances.

Included in the proposed budget is the adopted budget of revenues and expenses for the 2022-2023 fiscal year and the 2023-2024 fiscal year. When predicting amounts for a proposed budget three previous fiscal year's revenues and expenditures, along with other documents, are used to

make upcoming predictions. Again, these numbers are a projection and are subject to change through council consideration by a budget amendment when an emergency situation applies.

REVENUE

It is my recommendation, to propose a tax rate of \$0.32000 per \$100. This tax rate is considered under the Voter Approval Rate as calculated by the Brazoria County Tax Assessor and Collector.

All other sources of revenue are predicted to remain similar as years past and some line items are accounted to have a slight increase due to rebounding from the national COVID-19 pandemic and economic inflation. Court fines are projected to increase due to Hwy 36 expansion project.

EXPENDITURES

There are multiple key improved items to this proposed budget, along with the continual, yearly expenditures to maintain and operate the Village of Jones Creek. It is our goal to only expend funds as necessary to see to the day to day function of the City, and to stay within the guidelines set forth in the budget ordinance, once passed.

As in years past, the budget has included a line item for surplus expenses. This line item's expenditures have been eliminated due to lack of increase in revenue.

Currently the Village of Jones Creek has employed nine full-time employees and two part-time employees. This includes members of the Jones Creek Marshal's Office Police Reserve Force.

	Administration	Marshal's Dept.	Municipal Court	Street Dept.	Total
Full-time	2	5	1	1	9
Part-time	0	1	1	0	2

This budget does propose a 3% raise for all employees. This budget does not include funds for additional full-time or part-time staffing.

Also to note, the cost for retirement was decreased from a rate of 5.77% to 5.67% as indicated by the Texas Municipal Retirement System.

There are no other significate notations to the expenditures of this proposed budget. All other items are general day-to-day operation costs.

CONCLUSION

This proposed budget is shown in comparison to the current fiscal year's 2022-2023 adopted budget and fiscal year's 2023-2024 adopted budget; however, please note the current year's budget is due to change via a budget amendment.

I encourage you to review the proposed budget closely and look forward to your input at the upcoming City Council meeting. If you have any other questions please feel free to let me know.

Respectfully,

Corey Thomas, Mayor Village of Jones Creek, Texas

Village of Jones Creek

Municipal Budget for FY 2024-2025

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	
Adopted	Adopted	Proposed	
2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025	

REVENUES						
		dopted 22/2023	Adopted 2023/2024			Proposed 2024/2025
Certificate of Deposits/Investments	(\$	51,086)	(\$	53,500)	(\$	51,086)
Misc. Income						
Brazoria County Arrest Fee	(\$	10)	(\$	10)	(\$	10)
Miscellaneous Revenues	(\$	2,500)	(\$	2,500)	(\$	2,500)
Capital Surplus	(\$	40,000)	(\$)	(\$)
Total	(\$	42,510)	(\$	2,510)	15	2,510)

Outside Revenue						
Ad Valorem Tax	(\$	305,080)	(\$	334,862)	(\$	352,000)
BCCA	(\$	1,000)	(\$	1,000)	(\$	1,000)
Dividend Income	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Franchise Fees	(\$	83,000)	(\$	83,000)	(\$	83,000)
Interest Earned	(\$	1,500)	(\$	15,000)	(\$	15,000)
Sales Tax Revenues	(\$	98,000)	(\$	100,000)	(\$	175,000)
Total	(\$	488,580)	(\$	533,862)	(\$	626,000)

Permits/Fees						
Animal Registration Fees	(\$	750)	(\$	750)	(\$	750)
Annual Game Room Fees	(\$	2,600)	(\$	4,400)	(\$	4,400)
Inspection Fees	(\$	15,000)	(\$	15,000)	(\$	20,000)
Golf Cart Fees	(\$	80)	(\$	80)	(\$	80)
Vendor Fees	(\$	50)	(\$	100)	(\$	100)
Total	(\$	18,480)	(\$	20,330)	(\$	25,330)

Service Income		

Court Fines	(\$	325,000)	(\$	353,800)	(\$	460,000)
Marshal's Report Fees	(\$	25)	(\$	25)	(\$	25)
NSF Fee	(\$	100)	(\$	100)	(\$	100)
Credit Card Processing Fees	(\$	10,000)	(\$	10,000)	(\$	15,000)
Rental Income	(\$	1,000)	(\$	3,000)	(\$	5,000)
Trash Bags	(\$	500)	(\$	650)	(\$	650)
Trash Service Receipts	(\$	229,000)	(\$	275,000)	(\$	285,000)
Total	(\$	565,625)	(\$	642,575)		765,775

TOTAL REVENUE	(\$	1,115,195) (\$	1,252,777)	(\$ 1,419,615)
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EXPENDITURES			
	Adopted 2022/2023	Adopted 2023/2024	Adopted 2024/2025

PAYROLL

Salaries						
Administration	(\$	87,900)	(\$	105,247)	(\$	109,533)
Marshal's Dept.	(\$	317,587)	(\$	382,232)	(\$	398,399)
Municipal Court	(\$	80,833)	(\$	83,400)	(\$	91,277)
Street Dept.	(\$	36,400)	(\$	44,994)	(\$	46,072)
Benefits						
Administration	(\$	24,140)	(\$	28,375)	(\$	30,226)
Marshal's Dept.	(\$	53,151)	(\$	46,668)	(\$	52,840)
Municipal Court	(\$	12,070)	(\$	14,196)	(\$	16,013)
Street Dept.	(\$	12,070)	(\$	14,196)	(\$	16,013)
Retirement						
Administration	(\$	5,054)	(\$	5,279)	(\$	6,179)
Marshal's Dept.	(\$	14,524	(\$	19.304)	(\$	19,918)
Municipal Court	(\$	2,731	(\$2,778	(\$	2,709)
Street Dept.	(\$	2,093	(\$	2,272)	(\$	2,636)
Taxes						
Administration	(\$	6,724)	(\$	9,498)	(\$	9,545)
Marshal's Dept.	(\$	24,295)	(\$	25,922)	(\$	34,000)
Municipal Court	(\$	6,184)	(\$	7,027)	(\$	8,229)

Street Dept.	(\$	2,785)	(\$	2,792)	(\$	4,160)
Direct Deposit	(\$	400)	(\$	400)	(\$	400)
TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSES	(\$	688,942)	(\$	794,597)	(\$	847,249)
ADMINSTRATIVE						
Capital Expenditures						
Surplus	(\$	-)	(\$	-)	(\$	-)
Dues						
ARCI	(\$	395	(\$	395)	(\$	395)
BCCA	(\$	50)	(\$	50)	(\$	50)
Brazosport Chamber	(\$	250)	(\$	250)	(\$	250)
Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities	(\$	150	(\$	150	(\$	150)
HGAC	(\$	200)	(\$	200)	(\$	200)
International Code Council	(\$	145)	(\$	145)	(\$	145)
KBCBA	(\$	400)	(\$	400)	(\$	400)
Newpaper Notices	(\$	1,200)	(\$	1,100)	(\$	1,300)
Texas Municipal League	(\$	750)	(\$	803)	(\$	803)
Texas Municipal Clerk's Association	(\$	100)	(\$	100)	(\$	100)
Texas Muncipal Human Res. Assoc.	(\$)	()	(\$	-)
Website	(\$	2700)	(\$	2,400)	(\$	3,000)
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Equipment					27	
City Upgrades	(\$)	(\$	-)	(\$	-)
Insurance						
Liability Insurance	(\$	8,700)	(\$	7,900)	(\$	8,700)
Surety Bond	(\$	125)	(\$	125)	(\$	125)
Windstorm Insurance	(\$	4,400)	(\$	4,200)	(\$	4,400)
Worker's Compensation	(\$	10,900)	(\$	11,617)	(\$	10,819)
Professional Fees						

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Alarm System

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(\$	4,000)	(\$	4,000)	(\$	4,000)
(\$	1,800)	(\$	1,800)	(\$	1,800)
(\$	14,000)	(\$	12,000)	(\$	12,000)
(\$	9,000)	(\$	9,000)	(\$	9,000)
(\$	12,000)	(\$	15,000)	(\$	11,500)
(\$	2,000)	(\$)	(\$	-)
(\$	2,500)	(\$	2,500)	(\$	2,500)
(\$	900)	(\$	900)	(\$	900)
(\$)	(\$		(\$	-)
(\$	4,000)	(\$	4,700	(\$	7,500)
(\$	3,700)	(\$	3,500)	(\$	5,000)
(\$	50)	(\$	35)	(\$	35)
(\$)	(\$)	(\$	-)
(\$)	(\$)	(\$-)
(\$	400)	(\$	400)	(\$	400)
(\$	140)	(\$	140)	(\$	1348)
(\$	625)	(\$	625	(\$	625)
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Supplies						
Office Copier Maintenance	(\$	750)	(\$	750)	(\$	750)
Office Postage/Mailing	(\$	1,800)	(\$	1,200	(\$	2,000)
Office Supplies	(\$	1,200)	(\$	1,200)	(\$	1,329)

Travel						
Mileage	(\$	450)	(\$	600)	(\$	450)
Seminars and Training	(\$	1,500)	(\$	1,500)	(\$	850)

Utilities						
Electric	(\$	5,000)	(\$	6,000)	(\$	8,000)
Gas	(\$	450)	(\$	450)	(\$	450)
Internet)(\$	2,400	(\$	2,000)	(\$	2,000)
Telephones	(\$	4,000)	(\$	3,300)	(\$	3,300)

TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE	(\$	101,960)	(\$	182,378)	(\$	126,263)
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MARSHAL'S DEPARMENT

Equipment						
Aircards	(\$	2,300)	(\$	2,400)		2,400)
Law Enforcement Equipment	(\$	1,000)	(\$	1,000)	(\$	1,000)
Insurance						
Law Enforcement Insurance	(\$	5,000)	(\$	5,906)	(\$	5,443)
Professional Fees						
TLO	(\$	1,200)	(\$	1,200)	(\$	2,000)
Computer/Software Maintenance	(\$	500)	(\$	500)	(\$	500)
County MCT Maintenance	(\$	3,000)	(\$	3,000)	(\$	3,000)
Dispatch Service Fees	(\$	1,650)	(\$	2,000)	(\$	2,000)
Leads Online	(\$	1,600)	(\$	2,100)	(\$	2,250)
RMS MCT Maintenance	(\$	2,500)	(\$	2,500)	(\$	2,500)
TCLEDDS	(\$	350)	(\$	400	(\$	400)
Supplies						
Office Copier Maintenance	(\$	850)	(\$	750)	(\$	750)
Office Supplies	(\$	1,400)	(\$	2,200)	(\$	2,300)
Uniforms	(\$	1,200)	(\$	1,550)	(\$	1,550)
Travel						
Seminars and Training	(\$	-)	(\$	-)	(\$	1,200)
Utilities						
Internet	(\$	2,400)	(\$	-)	(\$)
Telephones	(\$	3,800)	(\$	2,700)		3,400)
Vehicle						
Fuel	(\$	25,000)	(\$	25,900)	(\$	25,000)
Maintenance	(\$	5,000)		5,000)	(\$	6,000)

MUNICIPAL COURT **Dues** 75) (\$ (\$ 75) (\$ 75) Texas Muncipal Court's Assn. **Professional Fees** 330) Computer/Software Maintenance (\$ 330) (\$ 330) (\$ 50) (\$ 50) (\$ (\$ 50) Interpreter License (\$ 350) (\$ 360) 300) (\$ Juror's Fees 1,200) (\$ 1,600) (\$ 1,600) Omnibase (\$ (\$ 500) 500) (\$ 500) (\$ Prisioner Keep (\$ 100,000) (\$ (\$ 90,000) 150,000) Taxes on Fines **Supplies** 1,000) (\$ Office Supplies (\$ 1,000) (\$ 1,000) Travel (\$ 600) (\$ 800) 800) (\$ Mileage Seminars and Training (\$ 1,488) (\$ 1,500) (\$ 2,500) 95,743) (\$ (\$ 106,015) (\$ 188,215) **TOTAL MUNICIPAL COURT EXPENSE**

STREET MANTEN	ANCE			

Maintenance						
Building Maintenance	(\$	3,000)	(\$	4,000)	(\$	5,000)
Street and Drainage Repairs	(\$		(\$)	(\$	-)
Park Maintenance	(\$)	(\$	-)	(\$	-)

Professional Fees			
Mowing	(\$ -)	(\$ -)	(\$ -)