



**CANDLE MEADOW HOMEOWNER'S
ASSOCIATION
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On July 7, 2005, the residents and members of the Candle Meadow Homeowner's Association and the DeSoto Police Department met to discuss behavioral issues occurring in the neighborhood that are affecting the quality of life for all residents. The issues identified are:

1. Community swimming pool and park: drug activity, noise violations, curfew violations, public lewdness
2. Pedestrians in roadway (kids)
3. Basketball goals in the street
4. Disorderly conduct – profanity
5. Dogs at large
6. Criminal trespass – private backyards
7. Traffic violations
8. Bus stop activity
9. Property damage (criminal mischief)
10. Scooters/Mini motor bikes
11. Curfew violations
12. Vacant houses (left unlocked)

It is believed that the quality of life for residents of the Candle Meadow addition is in jeopardy if these behavioral issues are not addressed immediately. At this joint meeting the Candle Meadow residents decided by a vote that several of these behavioral issues shall be addressed through “zero tolerance enforcement” by the DeSoto Police Department. *The following issues were deemed unacceptable behavior by the Candle Meadow residents and shall begin to be addressed with “zero tolerance enforcement” by the DeSoto Police Department effective **AUGUST 1, 2005:***

1. Gang activity
2. Curfew violations
3. Disorderly conduct
4. Profanity
5. Loud music
6. Animals at large
7. Basketball goals in street
8. Public lewdness

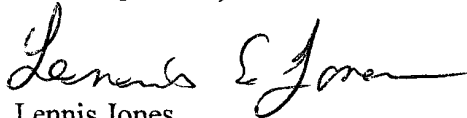
It should be noted that the definition of "zero tolerance enforcement" is when a DeSoto Police Officer makes contact with an individual or individuals violating any one of these referenced laws or ordinances, a citation at minimum shall be issued. In some instances an arrest may be made.

During this joint meeting it was readily identified by the Candle Meadow residents that the majority of the issues are centered on the disruptive and rude behavior of our youth. As adults each of us has the responsibility to teach our children the duty of being good citizens. We encourage you to discuss these issues with your children to ensure they understand the repercussions of disruptive behavior, and that it will no longer be tolerated within the community. The residents of Candle Meadow will not relinquish their community to children, or anyone, with behavioral problems.

With a united effort we will create a safe and orderly environment for our community and the residents of Candle Meadow. We believe all families in our addition want to feel safe and proud of our neighborhood. We encourage all our residents to become active in this united effort to make Candle Meadow a safe neighborhood for our families. You are encouraged to report any criminal or suspicious activity to the DeSoto Police Department by dialing 9-1-1. This is truly a community problem that requires all of us to stand united for a common cause.


In addition to the foregoing, in order to assure that only residents of Candle Meadow have access to the neighborhood recreation facility, the City of DeSoto will now allow Candle Meadow residents to obtain their neighborhood identification badge at the DeSoto Recreation Center during normal hours of operation. (Hours of operation at 6 a.m. – 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 6 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Friday and 7:45 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Saturday.) Residents must bring proof of residency (driver license, utility bill, etc.) to the recreation center proving they are a Candle Meadow resident prior to the badge being made.

Sincerely Yours,



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