City Establishes a NEW "JUST CHECKING" Safety Program

City Manager Dick Cathcart:

During the last extreme hot weather period; when the heat index was around 120 degrees, the City recognized that there may be health and safety risk. We were especially concerned about individuals that are senior citizens, handicapped or individuals that had medical issues. We used our data file that listed citizens that qualified for discounts or others that fit the above categories. We made about 135 phone calls and followed-up with home visits by our police officers to make sure everyone was safe and there were no concerns from a health perspective. As a result of a most positive response from our residents, we are implementing this procedure for all severe weather events including snow, heat and other storm events. During these events, we will establish an alternative shelter where people can go to get out of an unsafe environment. In the case of a Declaration of Emergency by the State, we will identify an Emergency shelter that will be available should you have to evacuate your home. We are naming this new program "JUST CHECKING". We realize that our list is incomplete and does not include all of those that may be at risk and we want to expand the listing.

WE NEED YOUR HELP in establishing a more complete and accurate calling list! If you would like to receive a "JUST CHECKING" phone call/visit or if you know of a family member, friend or neighbor that we should call and check upon, please call Town Hall at 834-4573 and register their name, phone number and an emergency contact number. You can also complete the form below and mail or drop it off at Town Hall. We will have more information about the "JUST CHECKING" program in the coming months as we develop more details of the program.

"JUST CHECKING" Registration Form

Please register the following individual(s) for the "JUST CHECKING" Safety Program.

Name: _____ **and** _____

Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

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Emergency Contact Information

Name: _____ **Phone:**_____

Relationship: _____