

“Dogs Under Control” at Amberley Green

Frequently, residents ask, “What does dogs ‘under control’ mean?”

Dogs (and their caretakers) are welcome at Amberley Green, provided they are “under control.” For everyone’s safety, it’s important to know what this rule means for you and your four-legged pets. Giving your dog the freedom to run around off-leash and get more exercise must be in sync with dogs under control, as safety is paramount. Here are some questions to ask yourself to ascertain if your dog is under control at Amberley Green.



1. Is your dog visible to you?
2. Will your dog come to your side when called?
3. Will your dog stay by your side under any circumstances?
4. Does your dog chase wildlife against your command?
5. Does your dog jump on others who might be walking on the paths?
6. Will your dog run up to other dogs against your command?

“Dogs under control” is meant to keep both dogs and people using Amberley Green safe. You never know how another dog or trail user will react to your dog, so you must have your dog under control to keep everyone (dogs included) safe. The most important aspect is that your dog should return to you if it is called. Always carry a leash in case your dog isn’t under control or to harness your dog as others pass by. Not everyone is a dog lover. (Not every dog is a dog lover!)

Please adhere to these guidelines so everyone can be safe while enjoying Amberley Green and remember, “dogs under control” applies throughout the Village, whether in your yard or when you’re out walking in the neighborhood.

Community Room Rental

Residents looking for a meeting room or planning a gathering may want to consider the Community Room located on the lower level of the Amberley Village Municipal Building. The Community Room boasts a kitchen, restroom access and seats 40 people with table seating. It may be used for family celebrations and other private gatherings. For more information and reservation requirements, go to www.amberleyvillage.org or call the Village offices at 531-8675.

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Amberley Village NEWS

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Amberley Green Update: JCC Plan and Opportunities for Input

For over two years, Amberley Village and the Mayerson Jewish Community Center (JCC) have been working together to examine options for a JCC expansion on a portion of the Amberley Green property. The objective is to allow the JCC to provide additional and improved services for its members as well as recreational amenities to Amberley residents.

The JCC has arrived at a concept plan and the design is meant to create something that looks and feels like a park, with attractive landscaping and facilities. Village Council believes that such a development will enhance the value of the remainder of the property and the Village as a whole. The diagram below shows the JCC’s preliminary plan and although the plan may adjust as it progresses, it currently includes:

- Two outdoor swimming pools (competition and recreation)
- Day camp facilities
- Amphitheater
- Multipurpose playing fields
- Playground Space
- Walking paths

JCC / AMBERLEY GREEN CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN



Council's next step is to provide more information to residents and receive input from the community on the types of facilities and their placement on the property.

Stop by the Amberley Village Community Room (lower level entrance) anytime during one of the six open house sessions to learn more about this proposed partnership.

Tuesday, May 14 from 3 till 5 p.m.

Wednesday, May 15 from 4:30 till 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 16 from 7 till 9 p.m.

Monday, May 20 from 1 till 3 p.m.

Tuesday, May 21 from 7 till 9 p.m.

Thursday, May 23 from 5 till 7 p.m.

Going forward, many more steps will need to be completed in order to implement the project. The first of these are:

- Analysis and discussion of the economics of the arrangement for both Amberley Village and the JCC.
- Identification of any roadway/traffic improvements that may be needed.
- Development of operational agreements to specify usage and access to certain amenities by Amberley residents and JCC members.
- Creating appropriate zoning for the property.

Residents will be kept informed, with further opportunities for input as the JCC project continues. You are always welcome to contact Council members with questions or concerns via AmberleyVillage.org. You are also welcome to attend meetings of Council committees or the full Council. To receive meeting notifications, click on "Subscriptions" at AmberleyVillage.org.

Village Focus Areas for 2019

Amberley Village is known as a serene and beautiful community, with various cultures and an emphasis on the natural environment. We are also known as a community with homes of varied architectural styles, including mid-century modern, contemporary, and traditional, all of which add to the unique ambience of the Village.

Village Council's primary focus continues to be ensuring that the Village remains a vibrant community for our residents. In addition to safeguarding the Village via our Police, Fire, Maintenance, and Administration departments, Council has identified four focus areas to be considered in all Village operations and activities for 2019:

The Picture of Revenues vs. Expenses

The three most significant revenue streams for Amberley Village are the earnings (income) tax, the police levy, and property taxes. The amounts generated in 2018 from each of these sources, along with the fund in which the money is placed, are:

Earnings tax: General Fund \$2.5 million

Police levy: Police Fund \$1.3 million

Property tax: General Fund \$1.0 million

Each of these sources of revenue is critical to the Village. Other smaller sources of revenue include interest on investments, cell tower rent, grants, JEDZ (Joint Economic Development Zone) funds and other miscellaneous revenue. Our total revenue in the General Fund for 2018 was \$4.8 million, an amount similar to 2017.

In 2018, the Village spent \$5.1 million from the General Fund, about \$230,000 more than the Village received in revenue. This deficit spending was anticipated as this was the first year for collection of a 20% reduced police levy approved by voters in 2017.

For 2019, a similar deficit exists where expenditures are expected to exceed revenues by approximately \$400,000. Village Council adopted a 2019 Budget of \$5.28 million, anticipating only \$4.93 million in revenue.



Can You See Your Home Address?

During any emergency response, time is critical. Knowing or finding your exact location is paramount for emergency responders, especially at night. Emergency responders look for a specific building address as they approach any scene. Being able to easily spot addresses can decrease response times substantially. Unfortunately, many times you can experience significant delays simply because your address is nearly invisible or sometimes even unknowingly camouflaged.



The Amberley Village Police/Fire Department suggests you take a minute to evaluate your own home address. Imagine you are the emergency responder who has been dispatched to help. While standing at the curb, ask yourself some simple questions.

1. Can I read the house number easily?
2. Is it in an obvious location? Numbers in an unusual place are easy to miss.
3. Does it contrast with its background and not blend in?
4. Is it large enough?
5. Is it reflective or illuminated and visible at night?
6. It is free from obstructions by a flag or other type of decoration, or by vegetation?
7. Can it be seen as you approach from either direction?
8. Is it in more than one location or more confusing than helpful?

Please take a few minutes to evaluate your own house address using these simple tips. You should be able to answer "yes" to all the questions above except the last one. Correct any issues you find to help us help you much faster!

1. Property development within the Village

Work with Cincinnati Port Authority and REDI Cincinnati (the Regional Economic Development Initiative) regarding industrial development of 2100 Section Road (the former Gibson Greeting Card site)

Continue to work with the Jewish Community Center and others to move forward with some development on Amberley Green

Explore options for additional development of the North Site (Village property north of Ronald Reagan Highway)

2. Continue communication with residents, stakeholders, and businesses

3. Continue to look for ways to reduce costs and increase revenues

4. Continue efforts to update Village codes related to property maintenance

Our high level of Village services are provided by an incredible staff that strives every day to provide customer service that is second to none. In support of these services and the 2019 Village focus areas, Village Council has adopted a \$5.28 million General Fund Budget for 2019.

For more information about the Village, please visit our website at AmberleyVillage.org.

