



City of Topeka

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From the City Manager's Desk

April 23, 2018

State of the Community



Mayor De La Isla, City Manager
Trout, Police Chief Cochran and
Fire Chief Duke all participated at



the State of the Community luncheon on April 19th.

Mayor De La Isla spoke at the event while City Manager Trout, Chief Cochran and Chief Duke sat on a panel to answer questions about Topeka.

You can watch the entire State of the Community program here: <https://www.facebook.com/cityoftopeka/videos/10156162299686236/>

Road Construction Update

 ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATES 

- o SW 10th and Wanamaker – pavement placed on southwest corner.



- o Working on N. Topeka West and Cherokee bridge improvements.
- o Pre-construction meeting held for 21st and Kansas improvements.
- o Work continuing on 6th Street between Gage and Fairlawn.
- o Full depth pavement patching and 2018 curb replacement underway.

Projected Start Dates for projects:

- o 21st and Kansas Intersection Improvements – April 23rd.
- o 29th and Burlingame Intersection Improvements – April 30th.

You can find updates to all street projects on the Open Data Portal of the city website

here: <https://projects.topeka.org/projects?categoryId=Streets:Alley%7CBridges%7CCurb%20%26%20Gutter%7CDistribution%7CRoad%7CSidewalks%252FRamps&tab=projects>





Earth Day

City of Topeka staff celebrated Earth Day by cleaning up our buildings. Staff cleaned up trash around City Hall, the Holiday Building and surrounding areas.

Recent Updates

- Public Works filled 750 potholes.
- Planning released the March, 2018 edition of the City's Development and Growth Management (DGM) Report which can be found at www.topeka.org/planning
- Kansas Ave & 21st Waterline project construction starts 4/23/18.
- TFD Training Division staff continued to facilitate hands on classes at the training tower facility on hose advancement and pumping hand line skills.



Severe Weather Wednesday's Facebook Video Series

Every Wednesday in April the City of Topeka's Fire Department and Shawnee County Emergency Management will be going on Facebook live to bring you advice and tips on how to handle severe weather this spring.

This week Fire Marshal Mike Martin went to the Emergency Operations Center for a tour and to show how outdoor warning sirens are activated.

Tune in every Wednesday for a different severe weather topic.

<https://www.facebook.com/cityoftopeka/videos/10156160171181236/>



Budget Priorities Survey

The Budget office is requesting input on priorities for the 2019 Budget. Take the budget priorities survey at <https://www.topeka.org/finance/budget/> to make your voice heard! The survey will be open for the next few months leading up to Council discussions on March 20th, April 3rd and 24th.



Budget Public Meeting

The public is invited to comment on the 2019 Operating Budget Process on Tuesday, April 24th at 6:00 pm at the Law Enforcement Center (320 S Kansas Ave). City leaders will be present to listen to input on the budget before it is presented to the Governing Body and the public in early June. Residents can also share input on priorities for the 2019 budget by completing a brief three question



survey at

<https://www.topeka.org/finance/budget/>.

Coming up

- Weather Wednesday Facebook Live video on 4/25.
 - A public open house for the Arvonja/Huntoon/I-470 Project is scheduled from 4:30 to 6 p.m., Monday, April 23, Washburn Tech, 5724 SW Huntoon, Bldg. A
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Brent Trout

This weekly report is presented to you from the office of City Manager Brent Trout.

[For other weekly reports, visit the City's website.](#)

This report was produced through our [open data portal](#). We have several other open data portals to help connect you with the work we do, including portals that let you:

- [Visualize Topeka's \\$270M budget](#)
- [See Topeka's expenses, one check at a time](#)
- [Navigate our major infrastructure projects](#)
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