California Water Tower Painting

The California Water Tower painting is in progress. The tower has been bagged to protect the surrounding businesses and homes from debris and over-spray.

The primer coat has been applied to the tower and the finish coat will be applied to the surface beginning this week.

2020 Budget

The 2020 Proposed Budget was released to the public on June 17. The Proposed Budget can be viewed at https://www.topeka.org/finance/budget/. The public can explore the budget on the City’s open budget portal (http://budget.topeka.org/). The Governing Body was presented the 2020 Proposed Budget at the June 18 City Council meeting.
followed by a public budget work session on June 19.

There will be another public work session on the budget on June 25th from 6-8 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center.

Road Construction

The City of Topeka Public Works Department is kicking off construction season. Each week, the weekly report will have updates on the road construction projects in Topeka.

You can check out the City of Topeka's pavement condition index (PCI) and street maintenance program to see how the Public Works Department fixes our streets.

Construction highlights:

- All lanes of SW Gage (25th to 29th) were opened last week.
• Work is continuing on Fairlawn between 28th and 29th. Remaining work on Fairlawn is a localized edge mill and asphalt overlay.

• Traffic signal work at 27th and Burlingame underway (80% complete).

• Work on Clarion Woods, Chesney Park, SE Adams, Arvonia/Winding Road, SW 29th/McClure and NW Vail continuing.

• The city will be replacing the traffic signal and sidewalk ramps at 17th and Topeka Blvd this fall.

Recent Updates

• There have been 6 broken water mains in July with 219 breaks year to date. At this time last year there were 331 water main breaks.

• Public Works filled 461 potholes; 26,870 so far this year.
Utilities STOP floodwall project continues to be delayed. Remobilization for critical path item (drilling shafts) requires river level to be below 13 feet.

Open Data Portal

Have you explored the City of Topeka's open data portal? You can check out how the city makes data based decisions in every city department.

Coming Up

- 2020 Operating Budget discussions began with the Governing Body on June 18. The full budget calendar can be viewed at: https://www.topeka.org/finance/budget/
- The next City Council meeting will be held on July 9th and start at 5 p.m.
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
- Track departments' progress toward our goals