

# THE CITIZEN

ISSUE TWENTY • SUMMER 2017

Your official source of information about the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas



**2** *Healthy Campus*

**5** *Public Safety Careers*

**7** *Amazon Bus Schedule*

## Budget Cuts KCK Taxes and Increases Public Safety

BY MIKE TAYLOR  
*Unified Government Staff*

As the community celebrates the 20th anniversary of voters approving the consolidation of the city and county governments to form the Unified Government, Mayor Mark Holland and the UG Commission are looking to a 2018 budget which maintains community momentum and again reduces property taxes.

The 2018 budget recommends cutting the KCK property tax rate by 4.8%. That's on top of a 4.6% reduction last year. In 1996, as the movement to form the Unified Government was underway, the owner of a \$100,000 house paid \$1,115 in city/county property tax. 20 years later in 2018, the owner of a \$100,000 house will pay \$905 in Unified Government property tax. That's a reduction of \$210, or nearly 19% less.

The budget uses \$4.1-million of the \$12.4-million in STAR Bond

revenues to accomplish the property tax reduction. The STAR Bond revenues, generated by the bonds used to build Village West paying off five years early, also allow the Unified Government to increase public safety spending, launch the Stabilize, Occupy and Revitalize (SOAR) blight reduction effort, and pay for a number of other community services.

The 2018 Budget is built on the Strategic Plan and Goals set by the Commission as determined through retreats, the Citizen Survey, listening tours with thousands of citizens and operational studies.

The budget moves the KCK property tax rate from 41.8 mills to 39.8 mills. KCK ranks 13th out of the 25 largest cities in Kansas, meaning 12 of those cities have higher property taxes than KCK. In 1997, KCK had the highest tax rate of the biggest cities in the state. The Wyandotte County property

tax rate is 95th out 105 counties, meaning 94 Kansas counties have a higher tax rate than Wyandotte. For a majority of KCK residents, the UG property tax is less than half of the total tax bill at 47%.

Reduction of the property tax mill levies by four mills during 2017 and 2018 combined with the additional \$9.4- million in STAR revenue allocated to the City and County General Funds, has resulted in shifting the tax base towards a greater reliance on sales tax revenues. Sales tax revenue in 2018 is 25% of total General Fund revenues compared with 20% in 2016. Real estate and personal property tax revenue in 2018 declined to 33% of the total compared with 35% in 2016. This tax base shift is a direct result of the impact of economic development activity first undertaken during the early years of the UG

See **TAX CUTS** Page 6 ►

## KCK Police Department Launches Project ACT

BY MELISSA SIEBEN  
*Unified Government Staff*

The Kansas City Kansas Police Department is launching a new program to fight crime. Project ACT (Addressing Crime Together) uses data to approach crime and

in an area that has shown through a five-year data analysis to have crime, crash and traffic-related hot spots. The initiative is looking for community partnerships fight crime and unsafe traffic conditions in the area identified in the map.

The goal of Project ACT is to work very closely with this area of the community to address crime along the Central Avenue corridor. The Police Department's goal is to alter bad behaviors in this area to reduce traffic accidents and violent crimes which often go hand-in-hand in an area where police are less visible. To make a change and enhance the safety of the corridor KCKPD will deploy more officers into this area during peak hours of crime and traffic accidents – a proven method to alter behaviors. Officers will have the option to issue warning citations with this project for the first time.

Officers will be encouraged to cite if necessary but give warnings when it's more effective. Certain behaviors cannot be overlooked with a warning such as a DUI, Hit and Run, driving while suspended, eluding police. Those behaviors fall into a different category known as a traffic offense which require police actions.

The other key component of ACT Program for the KCKPD is partnering with community stakeholders (residents, business owners and regular visitors) to identify and work issues that can bring back a sense of overall safety to the neighborhoods. By providing this area with a long-term and intensified police presence and support, it will help the community and the Police Department reduce bad behaviors and restore safety. The



traffic safety in the area from 7th Street to 18th Street and Grandview to Pacific.

Project ACT is being conducted

See **PROJECT ACT** Page 4 ►



## Stay Connected with the UG

### Website

More than 2.7-million people a year use the Unified Government Website to stay informed and do business with their local government. Check it out at [www.wycokck.org](http://www.wycokck.org)

### UG ENews Source

Every week the Unified Government sends an informative electronic newsletter to your email inbox. Sign-up by going to the UG Website and click on the "I Want To" drop down box.

### UGTV

UG Commission meetings, Standing Committee meetings and Budget workshops are broadcast on UGTV, along with lots of other information and programs about the community. Tune to Channel 2 on Time Warner cable and Channel 141 on Google TV.



### Facebook

The Unified Government is officially on Facebook with its Kansas City, Kansas Unified Government page. It's easy to take part. Just go to [www.Facebook.com/cityofkck](http://www.Facebook.com/cityofkck). Click the "Like" icon and you'll be a member of the Kansas City, Kansas Official FB Page of the Unified Government.



### YouTube

The Unified Government's efforts to communicate with citizens and promote the community don't stop there. The Unified Government Channel on YouTube displays a number of videos about interesting and important issues and events as well. Just go to [www.YouTube.com/officialwycokck](http://www.YouTube.com/officialwycokck) to see our videos.



### Social Media

In addition to the UG Website, Facebook, UG ENews, UGTV, YouTube and The Citizen Newsletter, the Unified Government also helps you stay connected through Next Door and Twitter.

**The Citizen Newsletter is published by the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, 66101. It is mailed to every residential address in Wyandotte County. Due to postage costs, copies are not mailed outside Wyandotte County. An electronic version is posted on the official Unified Government website at [www.wycokck.org](http://www.wycokck.org). Comments or questions can be sent to Mike Taylor, Public Relations Director at [mtaylor@wycokck.org](mailto:mtaylor@wycokck.org).**

*In accordance with the Department of Justice regulations, the Unified Government's Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (EEO), is available on the Unified Government website at [www.wycokck.org](http://www.wycokck.org).*

WYANDOTTE COUNTY • KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

## Memo from the Mayor:

By MARK R. HOLLAND, MAYOR/CEO

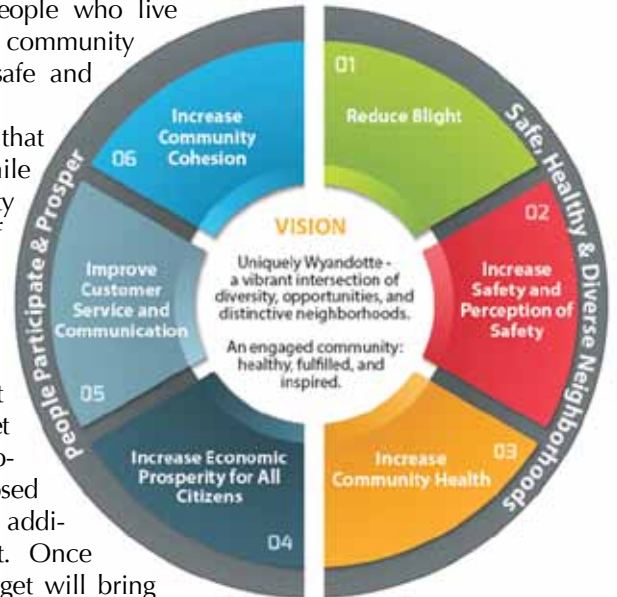
Nothing is more important to our community, and to me, than public safety. Throughout this issue of The Citizen you will see a number of stories that demonstrate what the Unified Government is doing to make public safety our top priority.

In these pages, you will see that the UG has made a significant investment in shoring up its public safety infrastructure so that all of our first responders have the tools they need to do their jobs: 24 new fire trucks, ambulances and other support vehicles; 80 new Police vehicles, and 9 new Sheriff's vehicles; a new Juvenile Justice; improvements to the Wyandotte County Jail; and Police body and vehicle cameras.

You will also see that KCK Police have adopted a data-driven approach, called Project ACT, to reduce crime and promote traffic safety in a targeted northeast KCK neighborhood. Police will be using crime data to identify the best times and places to deploy more officers.

And you will see how our new SOAR program (Stabilization, Occupation, and Revitalization) is well on its way toward eliminating blight in our community. In addition to working aggressively to identify structures that need improvements, our staff has adopted a strategic and data-drive approach to mow overgrown lots and remove junk vehicles from the streets. Over time, efforts like these will help increase property values and create a safer environment for the people who live there. Everyone in our community deserves to live in a safe and attractive environment.

Finally, please note that we are doing all this while reducing KCK's property tax rate with some of the revenue from the retirement of STAR bonds at Village West. The Unified Government Commission last year approved a budget with a 4.6 percent property tax cut. Our proposed 2018 budget calls for an additional 4.8 percent cut. Once adopted, the 2018 budget will bring KCK's property tax rate to its lowest level in 50 years! That's something worth celebrating.



## Healthy Campus Closer to Reality

Four years ago, Mayor Mark Holland launched a campaign to bring a grocery store and community center to our urban core.

Fundraising has secured commitments for \$12 million of the \$16 million needed for the community center, which will be operated by the YMCA of Greater Kansas City. The UG is also on a path to apply for tax credits that would fund a significant portion of the gap. The facility will be located next to the grocery store downtown.

"Our residents in northeast KCK are closer to getting several amenities they can be proud of," says Holland. "A full-service grocery store, a state-of-the-art community center, and, possibly, an innovative mixed-income housing development."

The Unified Government is currently in conversations with two operators of quality,

full-service grocery stores.

"I am confident that we will have an announcement this summer of who the operator will be. To date, 6 urban grocery stores have been built in the last 8 years, and it is time to build one downtown," Holland says.

Earlier this year, Prairie Fire Development brought to the Unified Government a proposal to build a 92-unit, mixed-income apartment project that would be flanked by an urban agriculture center. The complex would be located at 8th St. and Washington Blvd., near the Healthy Campus. Although many steps remain before this is a done deal, Holland says he is encouraged that developers are interested in building new housing downtown.

Holland went on to say, "I am convening an "access team" to discuss strategies for making sure all of our residents, no matter their income




level, can use the community center.

There have been several donors that have pledged \$500,000 or more to this project: Wyandotte Health Foundation, Hall Family Foundation, Illig Family Foundation, Sunderland Foundation, Capitol Federal Foundation, William T. Kemper Foundation, and the Unified Government.



## Grant to Reduce Lead Hazards

The Community Development Department, in partnership with the Wyandotte County Public Health Department received a \$1,500,000 grant award from HUD for the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program (LBPHC), as well as \$150,000 in Healthy Homes Supplemental Grant funds totaling \$1,650,000. The LBPHC grant required a 10% match which was met with in-kind support from Community Development and the Health Department. Over the 36 month

grant period, the program would seek to reduce lead and provide Healthy Homes intervention in 75 housing units in the target area, to increase awareness of lead poisoning and prevention through community outreach and education targeted to 2000 parents, children, and community residents annually (6000 total), and to build capacity for lead abatement through training of 20 low income residents in lead hazard controls. 

## UG Increases Mowing Effort




The UG is responsible for mowing parks, property owned by the Land Bank, and the properties of negligent owners who have codes violations.

Mowing crews began the season with roughly 6,000 lots to keep track of—more than 700 acres of grass.

Until this year, the UG was having a difficult time keeping up with the demand placed on the staff and contractors. Complaints about overgrown lots were on the rise.

Through the SOAR blight reduction program, UG staff created a strategy that makes it easier to identify what properties need to be mowed and what level of attention they need.

The results so far are very encouraging. Of the 6,000 properties that had been in the inventory to mow, 2,500 are privately owned.

“We had fallen into the practice of mowing many of the privately-owned properties without holding the owners accountable,” said Mayor Mark Holland. “Our system now allows us to more easily identify the owners of those properties (who are often absentee owners). The owners of privately owned lots will be billed if the UG has to mow them. If that bill is not paid, liens will be placed on the properties.” 


## Public Safety Investment at Record Levels

Public Safety... Police, Fire/EMS, Sheriff, District Attorney and the Wyandotte County Jail make up 55% of the total Unified Government general fund budget. That’s means more than half of the UG tax bill property owners pay goes to pay for public safety. That’s \$127-million a year.

The proposed 2018 UG Budget has \$35-million worth of new public safety initiatives, including a new Juvenile Center, Wyandotte County Jail improvements, Police body camera and vehicle cameras and other equipment.

Spending on Public Safety equipment is at its highest level in five years, increasing by 30%.

In the past two years, the KCK Fire Department has gotten 24 new fire trucks, ambulances and other support vehicles. The KCK Police Department upgraded its fleet with 80 new Police cars and the Sheriff has gotten nine new vehicles.

The UG has also launched increased efforts to hire more Police, Fire and Sheriff personnel. 



## WYANDOTTE COUNTY LAND BANK (WCLB) REHAB PROGRAM

Calling all Rehabbers, Contractors, and Investors



WCLB’s mission is to return tax delinquent and distressed property to productive use that benefits the community.

As a contribution to the SOAR Program, the WCLB is now adding houses and commercial properties to its inventory, which will be available for rehabilitation. If you own a company that has a history of rehabbing or are a general contractor that can put a team together, please join us for a short presentation and Q&A about how to join our program.

**Date:** Tuesday, August 15, 2017

**Time:** 9:00 am

**Place:** Unified Government Commission Chambers\*  
701 N 7th St, Lobby  
Kansas City, KS 66101

\* Refreshments will be provided • Spanish interpreter available



*WyCo has experienced a 4% increase in population since 2010 adding 6,326 new residents.*

*WyCo wages rank 67th out of the 344 largest counties in the country. The average weekly wage earned in WyCo \$1,035.*

## \$23-Million Juvenile Center Planned

The Unified Government is planning to build a \$23-million Youth and Family Services Center in the next year which focuses on services for juveniles and their families.

Currently, juvenile offenders are housed in a portion of the Wyandotte County Jail, which also holds adult offenders.

The detention portion of the new Juvenile Center will feature classrooms, a gym, an outdoor courtyard, and lots of natural light. The non-detention portion will have more space for classes and programs, volunteers, and a drug testing lab.

“These features represent a big step forward for the community,” said Mayor Mark Holland. “If we’re going to break the cycle of crime and poverty, we need to have the right tools to help juvenile offenders turn their lives around.”

The recommendation to build a separate Juvenile Center came from an extensive jail study, one of four public safety related studies the UG has conducted in recent years. The cost of the Juvenile Center is already planned for and taxes will not have to be increased to build it.

### PROJECT ACT

cont. from page 1

Police Department envision that through this initiative and partnership the residents will feel safe to come out of their homes again, go on a walk to the park and safely commute to and from work.

The KCKPD says neighborhood should not accept hearing gunshots, seeing gang activity and presence of the criminal element that has plagued the area. Residents and business are encouraged to report these issues to 911. In addition, KCKPD wants area residents and business to report graffiti, drugs sales, prostitution, trash, and loose animals that blight the neighborhood and take away from the feeling of safety for Kansas City Kansas families.

## KCK Police Pursuit Policy Changes

### PURSUIT PROTOCOL

- Probable Cause to believe the violator has committed:
  - A Felony
  - Misdemeanor
  - Traffic Violation
- Can pursue into Missouri on **VIOLENT FELONIES ONLY.**
- Can pursue into another Kansas jurisdiction on **FELONIES ONLY.**
- Supervisors/Commanders control all pursuits and can terminate at any time.

The KCK Police Department has changed its procedures for Police pursuits. Police will chase people who refuse to stop when they are pulled over. During the past several years when Police did not pursue, the number of drive-by shootings and other crimes increased. The change to again pursue people is intended to lower crimes, particularly drug and gun crimes.

## KCKPD “Animal Cruelty Investigator” Program – Pet Detective!

The Animal Cruelty Investigator in the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department began in April 2016 and is an integral part of the Detective Bureau. The Detective is responsible for investigations of animal cruelty and work directly with Animal Services staff to help Kansas City Kansas pets have a safe and loving home environment through enforcement. In 2017, the first full year of the program, to date there are a total of 16 cases being investigated and already two individuals charged with animal cruelty and one case referred to federal authorities related to a patrol violation. KCKPD is stepping up to help our community SOAR and keeping our pets safe is one part of Police Department efforts to enhance safety for all our community, including our pets!!

### Call 311 to report stray dogs and cats

The Interim Director at Animal Services, Jennifer Stewart, would like residents and business to help UG reduce the number of stray dogs and cats. Report stray pets to 311. Stewart states, calling 311 is much easier number to remember when seeing a stray animal than the direct line of 913-321-1445. By reporting these animals to 311, Animal Services can come a locate the animal and take it to the shelter where it will safe and taken care of by professionals. If the pet parents can be found, the pet can be picked up at the shelter located off Park Drive. If the pet parent cannot be found, Animal Services has strong partnerships with area pet agencies and not for profits to help get pets adopted into a new forever home.



*KCK has issued nearly 200 new home permits in the first 6 months of 2017, more than in every full year from 2011-2015.*

*WyCo employment ranks have grown 2.2% in the past year with nearly 92,000 jobs.*



# UG Targets Junk Cars

The Unified Government has stepped up its efforts to eliminate unlicensed, inoperable, junk vehicles that are hurting the appearance of Kansas City, KS neighborhoods. The Residents Survey taken in 2016, in addition, to resident complaints about these unsightly vehicles has resulted in a concerted effort to address these types of violation of City ordinances or the last few years.

Beginning in 2014 and continuing into 2017, Unified Government Code Enforcement Staff has worked to remove over 5,600 unsightly or unlicensed vehicles from the City. Owners of these vehicles were fined and had to address the vehicles conditions and get them back into compliance or remove them from the City.

With the new SOAR program that is working to increase satisfaction with the overall appearance and safety of the community, Code Enforcement is adjusting its 2017 vehicle enforcement actions to strategically to align with the SOAR program and concentrate on areas determined by the SOAR program to have the greatest need. To help the community SOAR please note the following:

- Vehicles that are in violation of City ordinances are:
  - Inoperable vehicles - flat tires, vehicles that don't run and vehicles so damaged they



would not be safe to operate on a public street.

- Not properly registered or not registered to Wyandotte County -all vehicles for Wyandotte County residents, must be registered in Wyandotte County and must have current WyCo/Kansas tags applied to the vehicle.
- Parked on an unimproved surface - vehicles must be parked on concrete, asphalt or four inches of gravel\*.

\*Please note, the application of new gravel drives and parking areas are not allowed in most cases. Contact Urban Planning before putting in new parking driving areas, especially gravel, as they must be permitted prior to installation.

Neighborhood Resource Center Codes Enforcement Division can be contact with complaints about unlicensed, inoperable and junked vehicles by contacting 311 online or by phone. ☎️



## KCK Fire Department

Each and every day in our community, the Kansas City Kansas Fire Department (KCKFD) responds to a number of calls ranging from medical emergencies, structure fires, automobile accidents, hazardous materials incidents, specialized rescue operations and more. It takes special people to fill these boots and it takes teamwork to get the job done. The KCKFD is looking for applicants with a strong desire to make a difference in the community. Someone who is motivated, of good character and who cares about people and helping others during times when they may need you the most. If you are interested in a rewarding career, where you take part in impacting the community and the lives of others in a positive way, then a career with the KCKFD may be right for you! Firefighter applicants must first obtain their EMT certification or advanced EMT-P (Paramedic certification) in order to apply. After being hired, new recruits receive advanced training through the KCKFD Fire Academy. Pursue a career as a Firefighter today and make a difference tomorrow!



— Integrity —



## KCK Police Department

The Kansas City, Kansas Police Department is looking for the best and brightest individuals - those who want to help their community and make a difference. A career with the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department offers challenge, excitement, variety, teamwork and job satisfaction. The desired applicant has the belief that effective policing is accomplished through a genuine partnership between the community and the police. They have the ability to communicate in a tactful, articulate and respectful manner, while showing sensitivity and understanding for the ethnically and racially diverse members of the community. They process information and act appropriately while maintaining high standards of personal conduct including honesty and impartiality. They will have the ability to take control of situations in a calm and appropriately assertive manner, even under dangerous and adverse conditions. If you believe in "Safety First and Courtesy Always," then we want you! Apply today!



— Honor —



## Wyandotte County Sheriffs Office

For more than 100 years, the Sheriff's Office has been committed to serving the Wyandotte County, Kansas area and seeking out new and innovative ways to provide the best quality service to the citizens and visitors to Wyandotte County. The Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office is a full service law enforcement agency that consists of an Administration Office, an Adult and Juvenile Detention Centers, Training, Reserve Unit, Patrol & Judicial Services Division, Sheriff's Emergency Response Team (SERT) and Investigations Unit. The Sheriff's Office operates out of the Wyandotte County Courthouse and is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the county jail and provides charge and custody of the Adult and Juvenile Detention facilities. We are looking for leaders, committed to being fair and honest, with the ability to maintain a safe and secure environment for inmates, as well as fellow Sheriff's Office staff. If this describes you, apply today!



— Service —

# TAX CUTS

cont. from page 1

consolidation. This tax base shift provides property tax relief to residents.

“The strong support of the community for creating the Unified Government, building Village West and implementing the dedicated Public Safety and Infrastructure Sales Tax, are important reasons the community is positioned to provide the high quality services citizens expect and improve them in the future,” said County Administrator Doug Bach.

The Proposed 2018 Budget funds a number of important initiatives and improvements in services.

**Public Safety initiatives (\$35-million) include:**

- Police Body and Vehicle Cameras
- 30 new Police Vehicles
- Upgraded 911 communications consoles
- New fire station construction and renovation of existing stations
- 9 new fire trucks and other vehicles
- Construction of a modern Juvenile Justice Center
- Completion of jail improvements including double bunking of inmates

**SOAR Blight Reduction initiatives (\$1.6million) include:**

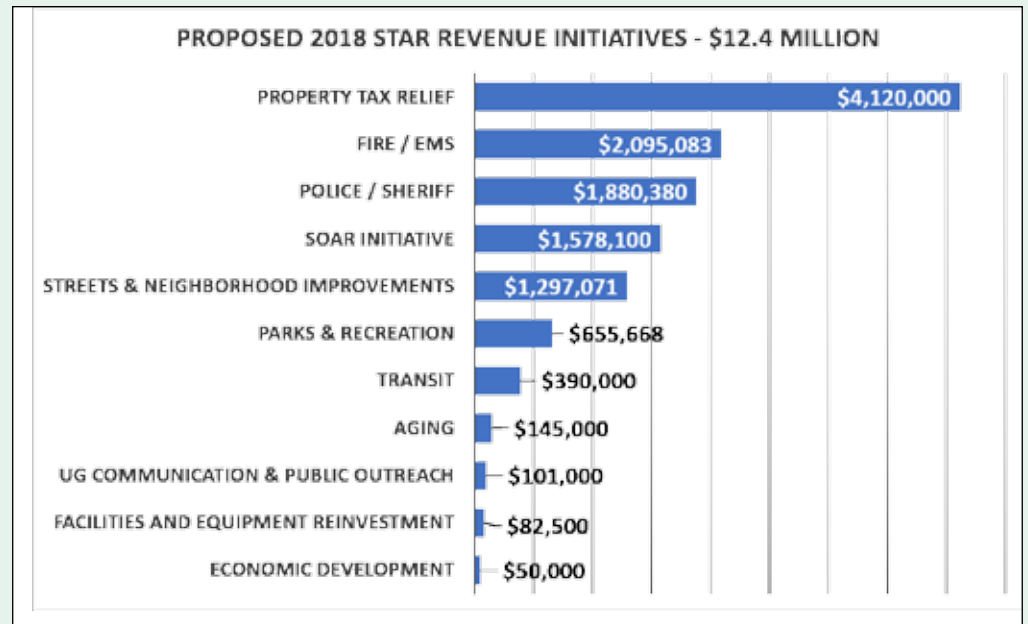
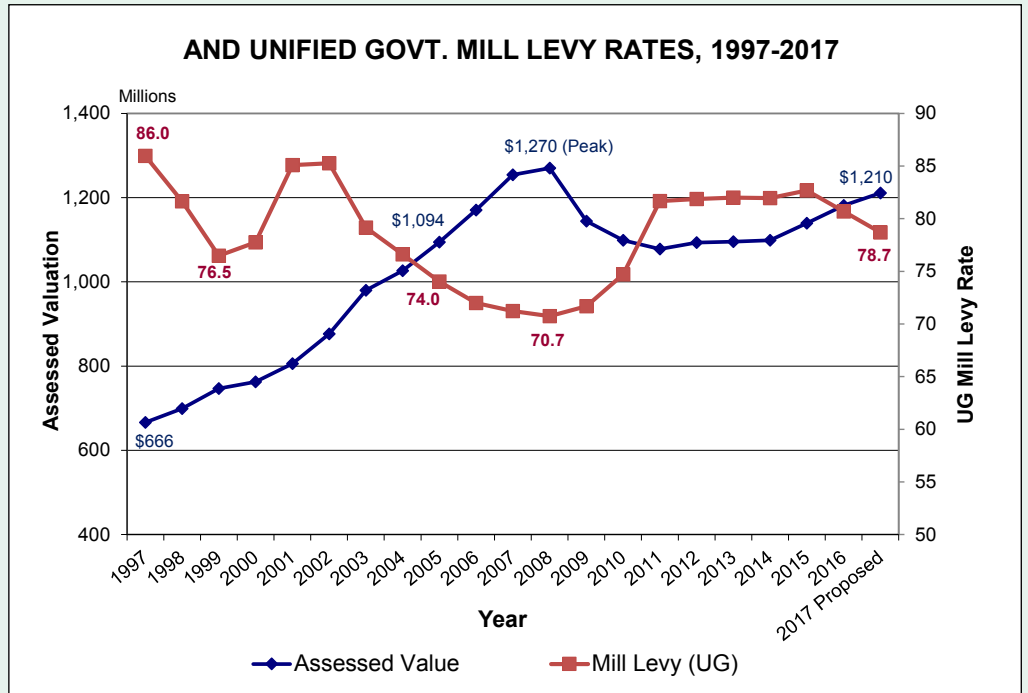
- Increased spending for demolition of abandoned and unsafe structure
- Increased spending to increase mowing and property maintenance
- Stronger enforcement of building and safety codes

**Innovation and Technology initiatives (\$1-million) include:**

- A new 311 Customer Service application
- Launch of an upgraded, more user-friendly Unified Government website
- Advancements in computer software and programs

**Community Infrastructure initiatives (\$35-million) include:**

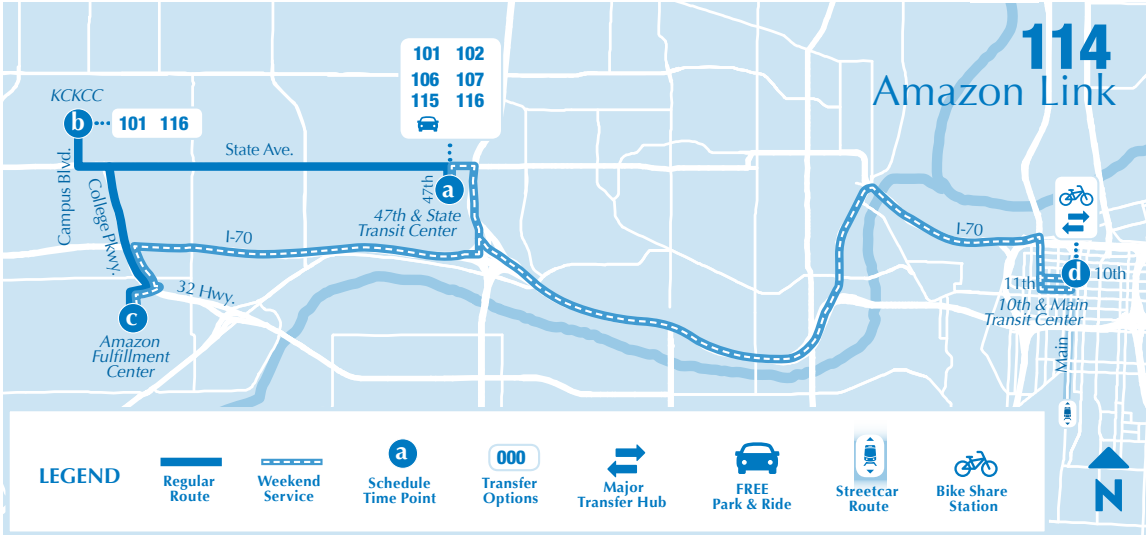
- Improvements to the sewer system
- ADA curb and sidewalk replacements
- New equipment to improve pothole and street repairs
- Several important street improvement projects including Leavenworth and Hutton Roads



*KCK has issued nearly 200 new home permits in the first 6 months of 2017, more than in every full year from 2011-2015.*



# NEW ROUTE



## 114 Amazon Link

Service to Amazon Fulfillment Center in Kansas City, KS beginning July 30, 2017.

Weekday round trips between 5-7 a.m. and 4:30-7 p.m. traveling from 47th and State Transit Center, with a stop at Kansas City, KS Community College, to the Amazon Fulfillment Center, located at Turner Diagonal and Riverview Avenue.

Weekend round trips via limited direct service between 5-7 a.m. and 4:30-7 p.m. traveling from 10th and Main Transit Center, with a stop at 47th and State Transit Center, to Amazon.

Monday–Friday Schedule				Saturday–Sunday Schedule			
MAP	47th and State Transit Center (a)	KCKCC (b)	Amazon (c)	MAP	10th and Main Kansas City, MO (d)	47th and State Transit Center (a)	Amazon (c)
	WESTBOUND				WESTBOUND		
A.M.	5:00	5:10	5:15	A.M.	4:49	5:02	5:15
	5:30	5:40	5:45		5:49	6:02	6:15
	6:00	6:10	6:15		6:49	7:02	7:15
	6:30	6:40	6:45		7:16	7:28	7:41
	7:00	7:10	7:15	P.M.	4:20	4:33	4:45
P.M.	4:30	4:40	4:45		5:20	5:33	5:45
	5:00	5:10	5:15		6:20	6:33	6:45
	5:30	5:40	5:45				
	6:00	6:10	6:15				
	6:30	6:40	6:45				
	7:00	7:10	7:15				
	EASTBOUND				EASTBOUND		
A.M.	5:15	5:25		A.M.	5:16	5:28	5:41
	5:45	5:55			6:16	6:28	6:41
	6:15	6:25			7:16	7:28	7:41
	6:45	6:55		P.M.	4:47	4:49	5:12
	7:15	7:25			5:47	5:59	6:12
P.M.	4:45	4:55			6:47	6:59	7:12
	5:15	5:25					
	5:45	5:55					
	6:15	6:25					
	6:45	6:55					
	7:15	7:25					

## Appraiser's Office Annual Re-inspections

The Wyandotte County Appraiser's Office has begun its annual re-inspection of real estate properties. This process will continue throughout the summer and into the fall.

Kansas counties are on a six-year cycle of re-inspecting all parcels within the county. This work is required by state law, K.S.A. 79-1476. Personnel will be driving vehicles identified with the Wyandotte County Appraiser's Office logo and will be working in teams. The employees will have a personal identification badge. They will check the listings, measurements and characteristics of all buildings on each property. The listings of vacant land will also be reviewed. They will interview the property owner or resident, if available. If no one is home, a yellow questionnaire card will be left pertaining to information about the house. If you find one of these cards left on your door,

please answer the questions and return it to the County Appraiser's Office.

This work is in addition to other routine work such as the review of recent sale properties, parcels having new construction, torn down or destroyed buildings, as well as neighborhood reviews throughout the entire county.

We appreciate the cooperation of the residents as we proceed with our work. If any property owner has questions or wishes to inquire about the inventory of their property, they may contact the County Appraiser's Office by calling (913) 573-8400.



Unemployment in KCK is at 4.9%, down from 6.6% at the beginning of 2017.

Housing foreclosures have dropped from 1,664 in 2008 to 398 in 2016. That's a 28% decrease.



UNIFIED GOVERNMENT  
Wyandotte County • Kansas City, Kansas  
701 North 7th Street  
Kansas City, KS 66101

Presorted  
Standard  
U.S. Postage  
PAID  
Mail-Sort, Inc



*Police Chief Terry Ziegler and Unified Government Commissioners cut the ribbon for the KCK South Patrol Building in Argentine. The 6,000 plus square feet of space will house about 45 officers. There will also be a report desk for citizens open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm. The modern new building replaces an outdated building from the 1950's.*

Website: [www.wycokck.org](http://www.wycokck.org)



## UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OFFICE NUMBERS

**For general information and numbers not listed, please call 3-1-1**

Animal Control.....321-1445  
Appraiser, Personal Property.....573-8400  
Appraiser, Vehicle Property.....573-8400  
Area Agency on Aging.....573-8531  
Auto Licensing.....573-2821  
Base Mapping .....573-2942  
Building Inspection .....573-8620  
Business License.....573-8780  
Code Enforcement.....573-8600

Commissioners Office .....573-5040  
Community Development .....573-5100  
Community Policing.....573-8720  
County Administrator .....573-5030  
County Clerk's Office .....573-5260  
Delinquent Tax .....573-2817  
Dept. of Technology .....573-2885  
Dispute Resolutions.....573-5225  
District Court Clerk .....573-2901  
District Attorney .....573-2851  
Election Commissioner.....573-8500  
Emergency Management .....573-6300  
Fire Department .....573-5550

Health Department.....573-8855  
Human Resources .....573-5660  
Legal Department.....573-5060  
Livable Neighborhoods .....573-8737  
Mayor's Office.....573-5010  
Municipal Court.....573-5200  
Operation Brightside .....573-8734  
Parks Department .....573-8327  
Planning and Zoning.....573-5750  
Police Chief's Office .....573-6010  
Police (non-emergency).....596-3000  
Public Relations .....573-5565  
Public Works.....573-5400

Purchasing.....573-5440  
Recreation.....573-8327  
Regional Transit.....(816) 221-0660  
Register of Deeds .....573-2841  
Rental Licensing.....573-8649  
Service Requests, Info.....573-8790  
Sheriff.....573-2861  
Solid Waste Coordinator.....573-5400  
Street Department .....573-8307  
Treasurer .....573-2821  
UG Transit.....573-8351  
Water Pollution Control.....573-5400  
Wyandotte County Museum.....573-5002

## 2017 Unified Government Commission



**MARK HOLLAND**  
Mayor/CEO  
[mayorholland@wycokck.org](mailto:mayorholland@wycokck.org)



**MELISSA BYNUM**  
District 1 At-Large  
[mbynum@wycokck.org](mailto:mbynum@wycokck.org)



**HAROLD T. WALKER**  
District 2 At-Large  
[hwalker@wycokck.org](mailto:hwalker@wycokck.org)



**GAYLE E. TOWNSEND**  
District 1  
[gtownsend@wycokck.org](mailto:gtownsend@wycokck.org)



**BRIAN MCKIERNAN**  
District 2  
[bmckiernan@wycokck.org](mailto:bmckiernan@wycokck.org)



**ANN BRANDAU-MURGUIA**  
District 3  
[amurguia@wycokck.org](mailto:amurguia@wycokck.org)



**HAROLD L. JOHNSON**  
District 4  
[hjohnson@wycokck.org](mailto:hjohnson@wycokck.org)



**MIKE KANE**  
District 5  
[mkane@wycokck.org](mailto:mkane@wycokck.org)



**ANGELA MARKLEY**  
District 6  
[amarkley@wycokck.org](mailto:amarkley@wycokck.org)



**JAMES F. WALTERS**  
District 7  
[jwalters@wycokck.org](mailto:jwalters@wycokck.org)



**DR. JANE WINKLER PHILBROOK**  
District 8  
[jphilbrook@wycokck.org](mailto:jphilbrook@wycokck.org)