



Private development to begin at Tiger Hill

After extensive work adding a soldier pile wall at Tiger Hill, on the southwest corner of Kenosha and 9th Streets, the City of Broken Arrow completed the sale of the adjacent land to a developer for \$2.6 million.

The new wall was needed so the developer could lower the elevation of the land for a new shopping center. The total cost of both walls was less than \$2.3 million.

After initial meetings with the Community Development Department, the developer's proposed plans for the property has two development areas. The first development could be a two-building shopping center connected by a central plaza. The shopping center would contain roughly 33,000 square feet and possibly up to 16 storefronts.

The second development area could be a 45,000 square foot parcel that

would allow for the construction of an independent restaurant or retail store.

No formal plans have been submitted to the City, although an amendment to the existing Planned Unit Development will be going before the Planning Commission on Nov. 7.

The City does not expect any construction to begin until the Spring of 2020.

Utility rate increase takes effect on November bills

As part of a multi-year, utility infrastructure reinvestment plan approved by the City Council, the City of Broken Arrow will implement a fourth rate increase for water, sewer and stormwater services. A similar rate increase was approved last year.

Beginning with bills received in November 2019, a typical residential customer in the City limits that uses 7,000 gallons of water per month will see the water fee increase about \$2.38, the sewer fee increase about \$2.37 and the stormwater fee increase by \$0.62. These changes will make the bill

Annual Water Quality Report now available

The City of Broken Arrow 2018 Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) is now available online at BrokenArrowOK.gov/2018waterreport. Those who prefer a paper copy may pick up the report at City Hall, 220 S. First St.

for a typical household using 7,000 gallons increase about \$5.37 per month. The rate increases are necessary to continue providing utility services in Broken Arrow and pay both operational costs and debt service payments on \$90 million worth of capital projects for the utility infrastructure.

"Aging utility systems that

experience significant growth always face challenges. With the addition of new environmental regulations and emerging technologies, these challenges can be expensive," said Assistant City Manager of Operations Kenneth Schwab. "These rate increases will continue to pay for projects like the complete replacement of nearly five miles of the

County Line Trunk Sewer."

Some projects completed, or nearing completion, since 2016 include:

- Lynn Lane Wastewater Treatment Plant – Replacement of the malfunctioning headworks with an enclosed system that will reduce odors.
- Haikey Creek WWTP – Construction of a second flow equalization basin to offset peak flows at the plant when it rains.
- Verdigris River Water Treatment Plant – Expansion of plate settlers that will increase water production capacity at the plant.

Holiday Trash Schedule

City offices will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24 and Wednesday, Dec. 25, for the Christmas holiday and Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020, for New Year's Day.

There will be no trash service on Tuesday, Dec. 24. Service will resume on the next regular trash day.

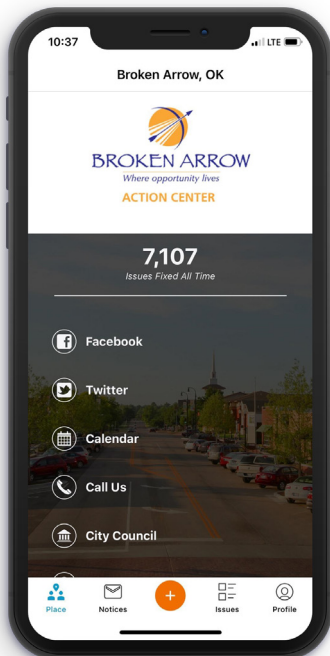
The Police and Fire Departments will remain open. If an emergency call requires the services of Public Works crews in water or streets, employees will be brought in to fix the emergency. The after-hours emergency number is 918-259-8400.

Download the Action Center BA App

You can report potholes and other issues to the City from your smartphone! Take photos of the problem and get updates when the item has been logged, assigned to a staff member and completed. The application can be accessed online via a mobile device or a computer.

Report non-emergency issues today by downloading the mobile app for Android and iOS devices.

Available at ActionCenterBA.com.



An update on Hillside Drive

Hillside Drive between Los Cabos and Hobby Lobby has been closed since the retaining wall along it was damaged during the heavy spring rains. An underdeveloped drainage system caused the hill above to slide and the wall to move outward, buckling the street.

Since that time, the roadway has been closed to both vehicles and pedestrians as a safety

measure. The City contracted Wallace Engineering Structural Consultants in August to design a replacement wall. The design was completed in October, and the City will bid the project for construction in November.

At this time, City leaders estimate the road will reopen around Memorial Day 2020, weather and other factors permitting.

Thrive! Read the annual Financial Report

The City of Broken Arrow will be mailing out its fourth annual financial newsletter, called "THRIVE! Your Money at Work." The report illustrates how the City generates revenue and how your tax dollars are spent. It also details projects the City will be working on in Fiscal Year 2020, along with updates on Fiscal Year 2019 projects.

It's important for citizens to know where their tax dollars are going. The financial newsletter includes several detailed graphs explaining how the City gets its revenue, how it spends it and the breakdown where sales and



property taxes go.

If you missed the report in your mailbox, it will also be available online at BrokenArrowOK.gov/YourMoney.

Permit required for open burning

It's fall, and for a lot of people that means bonfires and leaf burnings. In order to burn within city limits, residents are required to obtain a burn permit.

The permit can be filled out at the Public Safety Complex, 1101 N. 6th St.

The burn site will need

to be inspected and a \$56 fee will need to be paid before burning is allowed. For the complete process of obtaining a burn permit, visit BrokenArrowOK.gov/BurnPermit.

You may also contact the Broken Arrow Fire Marshal's office at 918-259-8360.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Ongoing through Dec. 14 — "Big Spirit, Little Trees" Exhibit Museum Broken Arrow, 400 S. Main St. Visit brokenarrowmuseum.org for details.

Ongoing through Jan. 18 — BA Soccer Spring registration Visit bascok.com for details.

Dec. 3 — Broken Arrow City Council 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Dec. 5 — Planning Commission 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Dec. 5 — Broken Arrow Wine Walk 6-10 p.m., Rose District. \$35. Visit brokenarrowchamber.com for details.

Dec. 7 — Broken Arrow Civitans Christmas Parade 10 a.m., Main Street.

Dec. 14 — Rudolph Run 8:30 a.m. Rose District. Visit FleetFeet.com for race info.

Dec. 17 — Broken Arrow City Council 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Dec. 19 — Planning Commission 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Dec. 20 — Santa Workshop 6-7:30 p.m., Central Park Community Center, 1500 S. Main St. Free, pre-registration required. 918-259-8437

Dec. 21 — Cookies With Santa 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Nienhuis Park Community Center, 3201 N. 9th St. Free.

Dec. 24-25 — Christmas holiday City offices closed. No trash service Dec. 24.

Jan. 1, 2020 — New Year's Day City offices closed.

Jan. 7 — Broken Arrow City Council 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Jan. 9 — Planning Commission 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.