

Curbside recycling pilots see results

After more than a month into the curbside recycling projects, City of Broken Arrow General Services Director Lee Zirk provided an update on the programs' progress to the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority (BAMA) on March 5. BAMA is comprised of the five City Council members and oversees the city's utility and sanitation services.

Zirk's presentation included data on collection as well as the results of a February survey of participants in the two pilot projects. Key points of the presentation included:

- More than 16 tons of recyclables and about 75 tons of trash had been collected at that time (about a 22 percent diversion rate).
- Recyclables collected are at about a 13 percent contamination rate. The national average is 21 percent.
- 46 percent of the two cart participants and 51 percent of the one cart participants are setting out their recycling cart weekly.
- About 93 percent of respondents said recycling is important for the community, and 89 percent said they were satisfied with the program so far.



- In the two cart area, 72 percent either prefer the carts to trash bags or were neutral.
- In the one cart area, 79 percent have a favorable opinion about the recycling cart.
- Out of all customers, 76 percent are satisfied with once per week service.

An audit of collected recyclables was conducted in March revealing cardboard, paper and glass as the bulk of collected recyclables and plastic

bags and wraps as the most common contaminants. Another survey and audit will be conducted before the pilot programs conclude in May.

Once the programs are complete, BAMA will consider the results and determine the possible direction for future refuse and recycling service in Broken Arrow. Implementation of either plan is not expected to increase trash rates for Broken Arrow residents. Learn more at RecycleBA.com.

Construction begins on Washington Street

Construction on Washington (91st) Street between Garnett Road and Olive (129th East) Avenue began in March.

This project will see the roadway widened from three lanes to five.

Approved by voters in the 2014 General Obligation Bond, the widening project will cost an estimated \$4.4 million.

Construction should be completed in the spring of 2020, weather and other conditions permitting.

Holiday Trash Schedule

City offices will be closed on Monday, May 27, for Memorial Day.

There will be no trash service that day. Monday's trash will be picked up Tuesday and Tuesday's trash will be picked up Wednesday.

Main Street Bikeway rolls along

Transportation options on Main Street expanded in March with the start of a new bikeway project that will eventually connect downtown to the Liberty Parkway Trail in south Broken Arrow.

The bulk of the project consists of restriping vehicle lanes and on street parking south of Houston (81st) Street and adding signage and shared lane markers throughout. The project should be completed by the end of May, weather permitting.

The Main Street Bikeway project is the first bikeway for Broken Arrow and is administrated by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) as part of the Indian Nations Council of Governments' (INCOG) GO Plan. The \$504,000 project is primarily funded through a \$378,000 federal Transportation Alternatives Program Grant. The remaining funding is from the Parks and Recreation Department's capital fund.

The bikeway will begin on the south side of Main Street at Washington (91st) Street and lead north past Houston, through the Rose District and turn through the adjoining neighborhood before connecting with Kenosha (71st) Street. An alternate bike route north of Houston will be established along 1st Street between Fort Worth and Midway Streets so cyclists can choose to avoid heavy vehicle and pedestrian traffic through the Rose District.

As part of the regional GO Plan, the Main Street Bikeway will eventually connect to the popular Liberty Parkway Trail, a 9 mile trail that follows the Creek Turnpike in south Broken Arrow. The City of Broken Arrow is currently designing Phase I of the new Broken Arrow Creek Trail. This trail begins at the Elm Place and Liberty Parkway trailhead and travels north for approximately 2.5 miles on South Ash Avenue and South 1st Place.

Learn life saving skills at Camp Bandage

Camp Bandage is a safety camp and community outreach project. Learn injury prevention, first aid and CPR as well as bike, water, fire and home safety. See a simulated car crash and learn how emergency responders work together in a real accident scenario. Come see fire trucks, ambulances, K-9 units, police cars, Life Flight and so much more!

This free community event will be 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, May 18, at Events Park, 21101 E. 101st St. (just east of the Northeastern State University and the Creek Turnpike).

Register your storm shelter

The City of Broken Arrow maintains a database of storm shelters and safe rooms to assist emergency responders after a storm. If you have such a facility and have not yet registered it with the City, please take time to do so. An online form is located at BrokenArrowOK.gov/StormShelter. Or call 918-451-8309.

A reinforced underground storm shelter, storm cellar, enclosed basement or safe room is usually the safest place to go during a tornado.

If you cannot get underground, remember the basic guidelines. Put as many walls between you and the outside as you can, and stay away from doors, windows and other openings to the outside.

If you are outdoors and a tornado is heading your way, do not seek shelter under a bridge or overpass. Emergency officials say it is safer to lie flat in a low spot, as far from the road as possible.

Rooster Days return May 9

Rooster Days return to Broken Arrow for its 88th year from May 9-12 at Central Park, 1500 S. Main St. As usual, Rooster Days will be packed with adventure and fun!

There is something for everyone at Rooster Days, including live entertainment, the Rooster Days Parade, carnival rides and food, wine garden and the ever-expanding Rooster Days Market Place.

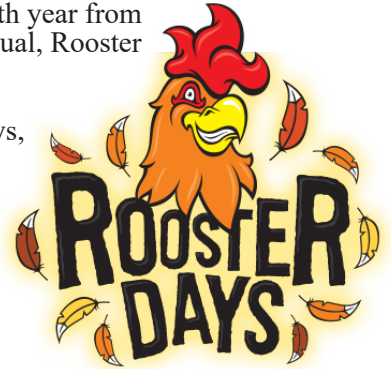
Hours for the 2019 Rooster Days Festival are:

- Thursday, May 9: 5-10 p.m.
- Friday, May 10: 5-11 p.m.
- Saturday, May 11: 10 a.m.-11 p.m.
- Sunday, May 12: noon-6 p.m.

Rides will close 1 hour before the festival closes. Admission is free.

The annual parade marches south through the Rose District beginning at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, May 11.

Interested in registering for the 5k and TTCU Fun Run? The run will be at 8 a.m., Saturday, May 11. Register at RoosterDays.com



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Ongoing through June 22 — BA Youth Football Spirit Registration** Visit bayouthfootball.com for details.
- Ongoing through July 17 — BA Youth Football Registration** Visit bayouthfootball.com for details.
- Ongoing through October — Rose District Farmers Market** 8 a.m.-noon, Saturdays, Rose District Plaza, 418 S. Main St.
- May 4 — BA Neighbors Scavenger Hunt** Visit baneighbors.org for details.
- May 7 — Broken Arrow City Council** 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- May 9 — Planning Commission** 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- May 9-12 — Rooster Days** Central Park, 1500 S. Main St.
- May 18 — Camp Bandage** 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Events Park, 21101 E. 101st St.
- May 21 — Community CPR class** 6 p.m., Police & Fire Training Center, 4205 E. Omaha St. Register at BrokenArrowOK.gov/CommunityCPR.
- May 21 — Broken Arrow City Council** 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- May 23 — Planning Commission** 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- May 27 — Memorial Day** City offices closed. No trash service.
- May 31- June 1 — Broken Arrow Rose Festival/Chalk It Up!** Rose District.
- June 1 — Take Me Fishing Day** 7 a.m-noon, Events Park, 21101 E. 101st St.
- June 2 — Kites over Broken Arrow** 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Events Park, 21101 E. 101st St.
- June 3 — Broken Arrow City Council** 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- June 9 — Share the Road Motorcycle Safety Course** 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Events Park. Visit BrokenArrowOK.gov/ShareTheRoad for details.
- June 13 — Planning Commission** 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

About the department

The Broken Arrow City Clerk's department is comprised of two divisions, the City Clerk's Office and the Municipal Court Clerk's Office. The City Clerk's department employs nine staff members who are dedicated to providing excellent service in a timely manner.

Over the years, City Clerks have become the center of municipal government, the direct connection between the citizens of their community and their government. The Clerk is the historian of the community. The City Clerk's Office serves the citizens, the Mayor, the City Council, the City Manager, and all City departments. All of them call upon it, almost daily, for service or information.

The City Clerk's Office is required by statute to perform several duties, which include:

1. Keep the journal of the proceedings of the council;
2. Enroll all ordinances and resolutions passed by the council in a book or set of books kept for that purpose;
3. Have custody of documents, records, and archives, as may be provided for by law or by ordinance, and have custody of the seal of the city;



4. Attest and affix the seal of the city to documents as required by law or by ordinance.

In addition to the duties prescribed by law, the City Clerk oversees the Office of the Court Clerk. Located at

the Broken Arrow Justice Center, 2304 S. 1st Pl., court clerks assist judges and patrons with the court docket, and scheduling conflicts. They also take payments for fines assessed by the court, process warrants, and provide reports to the State of Oklahoma.

CITY CLERK PROFILE



Curtis Green

Curtis Green was appointed City Clerk in July 2018. He brings 28 years of public sector experience to the City Clerk's Office.

Curtis graduated from Broken Arrow High School. He holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of Oklahoma and a Master's degree from Oklahoma State University.

He is a graduate of Leadership Broken Arrow, Class of 2010, and previously served on the Board of Directors of the Gatesway Foundation.

Community service pilot program

Beginning in April, the Municipal Court, Court Clerk's Office, the Streets and Stormwater Department and the Parks and Recreation Department began a pilot program to help beautify the City.

The program allows people convicted of municipal misdemeanors or traffic violations who may not be able to afford to pay a fine to instead serve community service within the City. These individuals will pick up trash along City rights of way and in parks.

Those in the program will also pick up trash along the Broken Arrow Expressway before City crews mow.

The goal of the program will be to increase beautification around the City as well as ensure the City receives compensation from people who may not be able to pay their municipal fines.

The program runs through October and if successful will be brought back in the future as an option for municipal offenses.

Frequently Asked Questions

Where can I find the dates, times and agendas for public meetings?

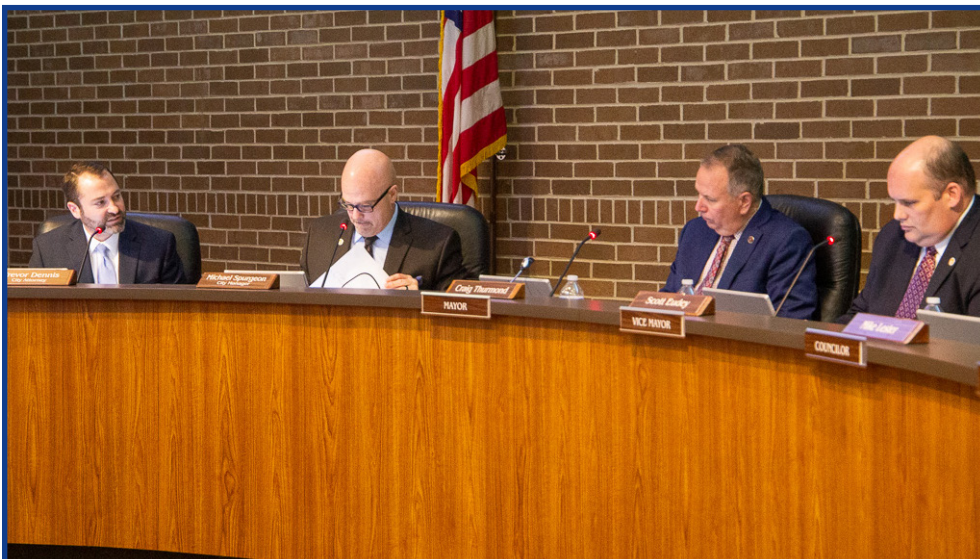
All meetings of the City Council, as well as all public boards and commissions are posted online at BrokenArrowOK.gov/Agendas. This calendar can be sorted by which type of meeting you're interested in, as well as by week, month or year.

By law, agendas for public meetings must be posted 24 hours before a regularly scheduled meeting takes place (not including weekends and State of Oklahoma declared holidays).

Can I speak at a public meeting?
Members of the public are welcome

to speak at any public meeting. To do so, please fill out a "Request to Appear Before the Board or Commission" form (there is a similar form for City Council meetings). Forms are available online at BrokenArrowOK.gov/SpeakAtAMeeting or outside the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 220 S. 1st St.

You can either speak about an item on the posted agenda or during the "Citizen's Opportunity to Address the Council, Board or Commission" portion of the agenda. Please note, state law



City Attorney Trevor Dennis, left, addresses the City Council during a meeting. The City Attorney serves as the chief legal advisor for the City Council.

CITY ATTORNEY PROFILE



Trevor Dennis

Trevor Dennis was named City Attorney in October 2018. He has been with the City since 2010 and was Deputy City Attorney from 2015-2018.

Trevor worked in private practice as a trial lawyer for seven years before coming to work for the City of Broken Arrow. He has successfully represented the City of Broken Arrow in litigation in both state and federal court and is a graduate of the 2017 class of Leadership Broken Arrow.

He holds a Bachelor's degree from Kansas State University and completed law school at the University of Tulsa in 2003.

Trevor and his wife, Krissy, have two daughters.

About the department

The mission of the Legal Department is to provide the highest quality legal advice to the City of Broken Arrow through the City Council, city manager and other administrators.

The city attorney serves as the chief legal adviser to the Broken Arrow City Council, as well as all City boards and public trusts (such as the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority).

Aside from advising City officials, the attorney also defends the city in actions filed in federal and state courts, including on the appellate level.

Other responsibilities of the city

attorney and staff include prosecuting violations of all city codes, as well as appeals in district court and the criminal court of appeals. The city attorney also represents the City in civil litigation and appeals in State and Federal courts and defends civil rights cases.

The Legal Department also drafts and reviews all contracts prior to Council approval. This protects the City as well as taxpayers' money.

The Legal Department is comprised of six attorneys, including the City Attorney and Deputy City Attorney; and three administrative assistants, one of which is part time.

Broken Arrow Municipal Court

The Broken Arrow Municipal Court, located in the Justice Center at 2304 S. 1st Pl., has jurisdiction over all traffic and misdemeanor offenses committed in violation of current city ordinances. All felonies and misdemeanors committed within the City but outside the parameters of City codes, are prosecuted in Tulsa or Wagoner County District Courts.

As in all Oklahoma courts, individuals charged in Broken Arrow Municipal Court have the right to remain silent, the right to confront witnesses against them, the right to retain an attorney and the right to a speedy and impartial trial.

The Municipal Court utilizes several dockets to decide cases. These include:

- Traffic and Class "A"

Misdemeanor Arraignment Docket where a defendant is read the charges against them and enters a plea.

- Non-Jury Docket where all cases set for non-jury trial are heard.
- Juvenile Docket for all juveniles cited for misdemeanor offenses and/or traffic violations. Parents or guardians are required to appear with their children.
- Review Docket where the court reviews individuals on payment plans or on probation.

For those appearing in Municipal Court, there is a strict dress code established by the judge. Those failing to meet this dress code will not be allowed in court. The dress code and other important Municipal Court information is available at BrokenArrowOK.gov/Court.

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prohibits the Council, Board or Commission from taking action on items presented under this section of the agenda. Each speaker is limited to three minutes and should begin by stating their name and address for the record.

How do I submit an Open Records Request?

Please fill out the form located online at BrokenArrowOK.gov/OpenRecords and mail it to:

City of Broken Arrow — Attn: City Clerk, P. O. Box 610, Broken Arrow, OK 74013. For Police records, the form can be returned to: 1101 N. 6th St. Broken Arrow, OK 74012

How can I pay a traffic fine?

Payments may be made:

- In person at the Court Clerks window at the Justice Center, 2304 S. 1st Pl., 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday excluding city holidays. For your convenience, we have a night drop box located at the front of the Justice Center. Please do not put cash in the night drop box.
- By mail make payments out to the City of Broken Arrow and send to the Court Clerks, PO Box 610, Broken Arrow, OK 74013.
- Online at BrokenArrowOK.gov/PayFine. Follow the prompts for online payments. Juvenile citations and/or warrants cannot be paid online.