

Stoney Creek Hotel and Conference Center Update *Building Begins to Take Shape*

Anticipation is building for Broken Arrow's first conference center, located off the Broken Arrow Expressway and across from Bass Pro Shops. The Stoney Creek Hotel and Conference Center, 200 W. Albany Street, is scheduled to open in the fall of 2017. The project broke ground in June 2015. More than a year later, the groundwork and public utility infrastructure (water, sewer, electric, gas) has been completed and foundation work on the facility itself is well underway.

New Facility Features:

- 187 rooms
- Executive suites
- Presidential suite
- Indoor/outdoor swimming pool
- 40,000 square feet of meeting space
- 10,000 square foot ballroom
- 9 meeting rooms
- State-of-the-art Audio/Visual system

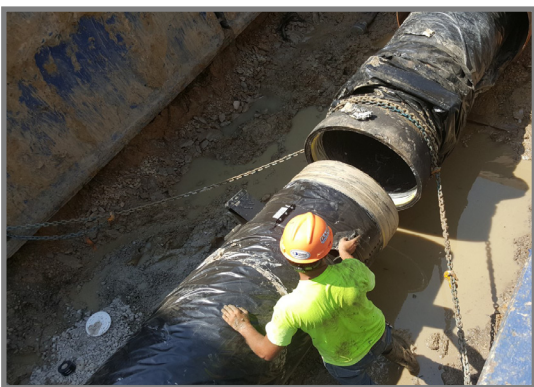


Crews work on the \$23.5 million hotel/convention center, expected to open in late 2017.

Broken Arrow has long needed a large event facility that the entire community can use to host conferences, conventions, expositions and other events. The new hotel and conference center helps fill that void. It's estimated the new project will attract 5,000 to 10,000 out-of-state visitors each year. Visitors have a tremendously positive impact on Broken Arrow's economy, as they book hotel rooms, eat out and shop in our stores.

Stoney Creek Hospitality, the company building the hotel/conference center, is leasing the land from the City of Broken Arrow, which used 2014 General Obligation Bond and surplus Vision 2025 funds to purchase and make improvements to the property. Additionally, the City will improve signalization on Albany Street from Elm Place to Hillside Drive to accommodate the increased vehicular and pedestrian traffic that will result from activities at the new facility. To follow the progress, visit [YouTube.com/CityofBrokenArrow](https://www.youtube.com/CityofBrokenArrow).

Supplemental Water Connection with Tulsa Completed



In order to ensure an adequate supply of water for our community, the City of Broken Arrow recently completed construction of a supplemental water connection with the City of Tulsa. The new connection, when needed, will provide Broken Arrow with an additional five million gallons of water a day (MGD). Broken Arrow now has two water connections with Tulsa. Water supply is especially critical in the summer months, as our usage doubles from about 12 MGD to over 24 MGD. Broken Arrow's main water supply comes from its municipal water treatment plant, which draws raw water from the Verdigris River. The water plant produces approximately 19 MGD. In addition, our primary water connection with Tulsa is capable of providing up to four MGD. The total combined water delivery from all three sources is 28 MGD.

Did you Know?

The highest monthly water usage in BA over a three-month period occurs in July, August and September. Naturally, our water demand increases during the hot summer months. The City of Broken Arrow does have a water conservation plan in place if our water supply happens to get low, but you can still take some steps now to reduce water usage before we reach that point.

Here are some things you can do:

- Use an alternate-day watering system for your lawn or garden
- Water during the evening, nighttime, or early morning hours to reduce evaporation
- Use a hand-hose or soaker hose instead of a sprinkler system

Read the City's Water Conservation Plan at Brokenarrowok.gov/WATERCONSERVATION.

Aspen Avenue Road Work Underway

In July, Ellsworth Construction began a months-long resurfacing project that will greatly improve Aspen Avenue from Washington Street to Kenosha Street. The two-mile stretch of construction is scheduled to be finished in late December, weather pending. Contractors are working their way from Washington Street north to Kenosha. The Aspen Avenue mill and overlay project involves removing the old roadway surface and installing a new asphalt overlay. During this project, the contractor is also patching failed pavements down to the subgrade, re-marking the roadway and making some pedestrian signal modifications at the intersections of Aspen/Kenosha and Aspen/Detroit. Due to the extensive construction activity that's taking place, drivers need to be alert and cautious of workers on the roadway.

"We appreciate drivers' patience while we improve this major arterial road in our community," said City Manager Michael Spurgeon. "The finished product will offer a much smoother and safer drive for everyone, but we need to get through construction first. The end result will be worth the short-lived inconvenience."

The project costs \$1.6 million and is being paid for through 2011 General Obligation Bond and Sales Tax Capital Improvement funds.

Be Prepared for Emergencies

September is National Preparedness Month. During this time, citizens are encouraged to take simple steps to prepare for and respond to potential emergencies. There are three key things you can do: get an emergency supply kit, make a family emergency plan, and be informed about the different types of emergencies that could occur and their appropriate responses. Everyone should have some basic supplies on hand in order to survive for at least three days, if an emergency occurs. The following lists some basic items recommended for an emergency supply kit:

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger

For complete details, visit Ready.gov.

Sept. 30 is Renewal Deadline for Intrusion Alarm, Pet Permits

Reminder: September 30 is the renewal deadline for intrusion alarm permits and pet permits. Intrusion alarm renewals may be submitted online at Brokenarrowok.gov/ALARMPERMIT. Pet permits must be submitted in person or mailed to the One-Stop Center at City Hall, 220 South First Street. Download a pet registration form at Brokenarrowok.gov/PETLICENSE.

Cox Community Concert

For the first time in Broken Arrow, Cox Communications will host a free outdoor concert at Chisholm Trail South Park on Friday, September 23. There will be live music and local food vendors. Gates will open at 6:00 p.m.; the show starts at 7:00 p.m.

Free tickets are available at any area Cox Solutions stores (recommended donation of a non-perishable food item for each ticket). Stay tuned for more information!

Last Month for Farmers Market

September is the last month to shop at the Rose District Farmers Market in 2016. You will find a variety of produce; potatoes, squash, beans, and peaches, along with several other fall crops. Find a variety of unique garden, landscape and agricultural crafts. Sample cheese, cinnamon rolls, paleo desserts, coffee and more.

First and Dallas, each Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. through September 24.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturdays — Rose District Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Corner of First Street and Dallas (see related story).

September 5 — City Offices closed for Labor Day Holiday. Monday and Tuesday trash service will be one day later.

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

September 8 — Planning Commission 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

September 9-10 — Chalk it Up! Art Festival Artists begin working Friday night on Main Street, and the festival runs from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday. There will be food trucks, street performers, and activities for the whole family.

September 10 — Night at the Museum 6:30 p.m., Rose District Pavilion. Annual fundraiser for BA Historical Society. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. Call 258-2616 for more information.

September 20 — Broken Arrow City Council 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

September 23 — Cox Community Concert 7:00 p.m., Chisholm Trail South Park (see related story).

September 24 — Red, White, and Brew in partnership with Green Country Mustang Club 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Main Street. Live music, kids zone, food trucks, and craft beer garden. Benefits *A Soldier's Wish*.

September 30 — Deadline for Annual intrusion alarm, pet permits (see related story).

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

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October 14-15 — Grilles and Grills Annual classic car show and champion BBQ cooking event on Main Street.