

**To:** Honorable Mayor and City Councilors

From: Michael Spurgeon, City Manager

**Date:** May 14, 2021

**Re:** Notes to Council

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Respectfully submitted

Michael Spurgeon

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Attachments



# **SECTION 1 - STAFF REPORTS**



# **SECTION 2 - GENERAL**





For Immediate Release

Date: 5/13/21

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CBA Release No. 21-28

### **Artists/Sponsors Sought for Public Art Program**

Local artists' work beautifies Broken Arrow utility boxes

BROKEN ARROW, Okla. – In 2017, the City of Broken Arrow launched a new program to support public art and to enhance the community and neighborhoods through the use of decorated utility boxes. So far, four utility boxes have been decorated in the Rose District with custom rose-themed vinyl wraps.

The City is seeking new applications from sponsors and artists to expand the program and wrap more utility boxes in beautiful artwork. Utility boxes eligible for beautification are available throughout the City of Broken Arrow. All approved artwork must have a rose-theme, chosen because of Broken Arrow's important history as the "City of Roses." All art must follow the guidelines outlined in the artist's agreement and must be pre-approved by the city's selection committee.

Sponsors are valuable in that they contribute to the program's goal of community pride and beautification. Sponsors may choose to work with an artist of their choice or a pre-approved artist that has provided artwork directly to the City. Sponsors may add their logo to the bottom of the utility box if desired and as specified in the sponsor agreement.

Applications for sponsors and artists can be found at: <u>BrokenArrowOK.gov/our-city/community-programs</u>.

This project is open to all local and regional artists, but Broken Arrow applicants will be given preference. The City of Broken Arrow encourages applications from both new and established artists. Submissions will be reviewed by a selection committee. Once approved by the sponsor and the committee, the artwork will be photographed and converted to a vinyl wrap to be installed on a utility box.

Utility boxes are a standard part of the scenery in any large city. These boxes house important electrical components that power traffic signals, streetlights, and other infrastructure around Broken Arrow.



## PRESS RELEASE

This public-private partnership enhances the aesthetics of the city, promotes community pride, and extends public art to new areas and unexpected places while creating an attractive environment and allowing art to be introduced to the public in a creative and inventive way.

For more information regarding this public art program, please contact Makala Barton, Community Relations Liaison, <u>mbarton@brokenarrowok.gov</u> or 918-259-2400 x 5386.

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## City of Broken Arrow pools opening Memorial Day Weekend

Higher than average paid lifeguard positions still available

**Broken Arrow, Okla.**– The City of Broken Arrow's Family Aquatic Center and Nienhuis Aquatic Facility will be opening for the summer on Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. This year, Country Aire Pool will be open for swim lessons and private party rentals only.

The City is still looking to hire seasonal lifeguards. We offer the highest lifeguard pay in the metro area. For more information, job description, applications and for other seasonal opportunities please visit our website at <a href="https://www.BrokenArrowOK.gov/jobs">www.BrokenArrowOK.gov/jobs</a>.

The City's six public splash pads will also begin operating Memorial Day weekend.

Hours and fees for the City's pools are as follows:

#### Nienhuis Aquatic Facility, 3201 N. 9th St.

Hours:

Monday Noon-8pm (public swim)

Tuesday 11 a.m.-1 p.m. (rentals only) 1:30 p.m.-8 p.m. (public swim)

Wednesday 11 a.m.-1 p.m. (rentals only) 1:30 p.m.-8 p.m.

Thursday 12 p.m.-6 p.m. (public swim) 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (rentals only)

Friday Noon-8 p.m. Saturday Noon-8 p.m. Sunday Noon-5 p.m.

### Family Aquatic Center, 1400 S. Main St.

Hours:

Monday Noon-8 p.m.

Tuesday 11 a.m.-1 p.m. (rental only) 1:30 p.m.-6 p.m. (public swim) 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

(rental only)

Wednesday Noon-8 p.m.
Thursday Noon-8 p.m.
Friday Noon-8 p.m.
Sunday Noon-5 p.m.



#### **2021 Pool Fees:**

\$5 for entrance, children under 2 are free \$0 for entrance to splash pads

The City's splash pads will be on daily from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Splash pads are located at:

- Camino Villa Park, 2812 E. Madison Pl.
- Haskell Park, 601 E. Dallas St.
- Jackson Park, 4800 W. Washington St.
- Leisure Park, 801 W. Charleston St.
- Sieling Park, 525 W. Iola St.
- Rockwood West Park, 1301 N. Redbud Ave.

Broken Arrow residents can purchase a Swim Punch Pass, good for 10 punches, for \$40. Each punch is good for one person. Punch passes can be purchased now at either Central Park Community Center, 1500 S. Main St., or Nienhuis Park Community Center, 3201 N. 9<sup>th</sup> St.

The City of Broken Arrow will be offering swim lessons for infants and children 6 months- 6+ years old beginning June 1. Parent-Child Aquatics, Preschool Aquatics and Learn to Swim courses will be offered weekday mornings throughout the summer. Please visit **BAParks.org** for more information.

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# **SECTION 3 - SPECIAL EVENTS**



What you learn could save a life

Camp Bandage 2021 will take place May 15, 2021 from Noon-4:00 pm at Events Park in Broken Arrow. Camp Bandage is a free showcase of local safety professionals and exhibitors that will teach you tips and tricks to keep your family safe, all in a fun, carnival type atmosphere. As always, Camp Bandage is free to attend with free hotdogs and a free kids fun-zone! For more information visit <a href="https://www.campbandage.org/brokenarrow">www.campbandage.org/brokenarrow</a>