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## City seeks input on trolley service

The City of Broken Arrow Tourism and Economic Development office is surveying community stakeholders for their interest in a potential trolley service in Broken Arrow. The goal of the trolley is to provide transportation services to and from our hotels, shopping districts, and entertainment venues.

We are in the initial phase of gathering information to provide a service for our visitors and residents to help promote events, dining, and retail.

Visit [BrokenArrowOK.gov/survey](https://BrokenArrowOK.gov/survey) to respond. The survey is open until July 31.



New Orleans Square received its new logo during the Block Party celebration on July 1. The logo was created with the help of Brander Marketing. The Block Party featured vendors, a car show, a steak cook-off, a kids zone, and the evening ended with an exciting fireworks display.

## Full Taste of Summer event returns July 24

Taste of Summer returns Saturday, July 24. The festival takes place at Central Park, 1500 S. Main St., and will feature summertime fun for the entire family, including:

- Unlimited Blue Bell ice cream
- All new, fun, 'Get Active' zone for all ages
- Live entertainment from local performers
- Large kids' crafts area
- Marketplace with local vendors
- Food vendors



Advanced tickets are \$5 per person. Children two and under are free. More information and tickets can be purchased at [www.tasteofsummerba.com](https://www.tasteofsummerba.com).

## August marks LifeRide enrollment option period



The annual enrollment period for LifeRide and the Fire/Rescue Subscription Program is Aug 1-31. How does it work?

For \$5.45 per month or \$65.40 annually (\$7.50 per month or \$90 annually outside City limits) LifeRide customers transported by a Broken Arrow Fire Department ambulance save significant amounts on ambulance bills. Monthly charges are paid as a line item on your utility bill.

After a transport, the City files with your medical insurance and any remaining balance is taken care of by your LifeRide subscription. Patients without medical insurance receive a 40 percent discount on their ambulance bill.

LifeRide does NOT cover bills for transports by other ambulance services. Visit [LifeRideBA.org](https://LifeRideBA.org) for more information.

BAFD also offers a Fire/Rescue Subscription Program for residents outside City limits but in the Fire Department's response area. These calls for service are normally charged \$700 per hour per truck for fire/rescue services. However, with the \$90 annual subscription (\$150 if combined with LifeRide), these charges are not billed after filing with insurance.

Visit [BrokenArrowOK.gov/FireRescueSub](https://BrokenArrowOK.gov/FireRescueSub) for more information.

For additional assistance on LifeRide or the Fire/Rescue Subscription Program, call 918-259-6595 or email [liferide@brokenarrowok.gov](mailto:liferide@brokenarrowok.gov). This enrollment period only applies to residents wishing to change their enrollment status.

## Don't leave kids or pets in parked vehicles

With summer temperatures here, the Broken Arrow Police Department wants to remind everyone to never leave pets or children unattended in a parked vehicle.

BAPD Public Information Officer Chris Walker released a short video reminding people of the dangers.

A car with the windows rolled up on a 100-degree day can reach 140 degrees inside in just 15 minutes!

## Creek 51 certified by OK Department of Commerce

Creek 51 Business Park in Broken Arrow has received its Site Ready Certification from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce.

Creek 51 Business Park is a 90-acre business park located on the West side of Broken Arrow in Wagoner County and is adjacent to Highway 51.

The Site Ready Program guarantees prospective buyers that sites are ready for sale or lease and are considered "shovel ready". To qualify for the certification, sites must meet specific requirements for the available workforce, access to utilities, and the site is properly zoned. The certification tells companies and consultants that development can occur with an expedited timeline. There are eight site categories for certification, each with unique requirements. Creek 51 Business Park has been certified as meeting all requirements for Light-Industrial uses.

City of Broken Arrow and Wagoner County officials broke ground on the development in October 2019, after working with developer Rex Robertson, president of Dallas-based Ford Development, to implement a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District to help reimburse the cost of developing the land. Utilization of the TIF as a financing tool made the project possible. Taxing entities including Wagoner County, Broken Arrow Public Schools, Tulsa Tech and the Wagoner County Health Department consenting to the district which made infrastructure improvements possible for the development.

## Public meeting July 13 to discuss north BA road improvements

The City of Broken Arrow, in conjunction with Tulsa County, will hold a public meeting from 6-8 p.m., July 13, at Broken Arrow High School, 1901 E. Albany St., to discuss current and upcoming City transportation projects north of the Broken Arrow Expressway, and some Tulsa County projects in the same vicinity that are scheduled over the next six years.

To handle the growth this part of our community is currently experiencing, as well as to support economic development opportunities, some improvements the City will make include

- Albany (61st) Street, from 23rd (County Line Road/193rd East Avenue) to 37th (209th East Avenue)
- 23rd Street, from Houston (81st) to Kenosha (71st), and
- 37th Street, from Kenosha Street to Albany Street.

Some of the roads that needed widening in and near Broken Arrow are maintained by Tulsa County, who has been planning for several improvements, including implementing some roundabouts along County Line Road.

City and County representatives will give a short presentation regarding their respective projects, and officials will be available to discuss the projects and answer questions following the presentations.

## No solicitation ordinance update

The City Council was required to take action at the June 21, 2021, City Council Meeting to help bring our Door-to-door peddlers solicitation ordinance in compliance with recent case law. Specifically the permitted hours of solicitation were rescinded. All other sections of the ordinance remain in place.

The City is actively working with Home Owners Associations to ensure compliance with their "No Soliciting" registration, and the current changes in the law. While this process is going on, the Broken Arrow Police Department may not be able to respond to a solicitation complaint within a HOA neighborhood.

Whether you're in an HOA neighborhood or not, if your residence has a "No Soliciting" sign on your property and you still receive solicitations, please contact the Broken Arrow Police Department's non-emergency line at 918-259-8400.

## BAPD now recruiting

The Broken Arrow Police Department is now recruiting for its next academy.

Anyone interested in a career in law enforcement can visit [JoinBAPD.com](https://JoinBAPD.com) for more information about the department, job requirements and hiring process.

Applications are being accepted through Aug. 6. You can also contact a recruiter at [pdtrainingstaff@brokenarrowok.gov](mailto:pdtrainingstaff@brokenarrowok.gov).

## Annual Consumer Confidence report now available

The City's Consumer Confidence Report regarding water quality is now available online. Visit [BrokenArrowOK.gov/waterquality](https://BrokenArrowOK.gov/waterquality) to read it.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Events are subject to change. Visit [BrokenArrowOK.gov/calendar](https://BrokenArrowOK.gov/calendar) for updated events.

**Ongoing thru October — Rose District Farmers Market** 8 a.m.-noon, Saturdays, Rose District Plaza, 418 S. Main St.

**July 10 — Tie-Dye Party** 10 a.m.-noon Ray Haral Nature Park, 7101 S. 3rd St.

**July 13 — Sensory Sensitive Superhero and Princess Storytime** 11 a.m.- 1 p.m., Rose District Plaza, 418 S. Main St.

**July 13 — Roadway Project Open House** 6-8 p.m., Broken Arrow High School, 1901 E. Albany St.

**July 14 — Coffee With a Cop** 3-5 p.m., Starbucks, 1546 N. 9th St.

**July 15 — Color With a Cop** 6-8 p.m., McDonald's 3800 S. Elm Pl.

**July 19-22 — Splash Pad Week** 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

- Monday, July 19: Sieling Park
- Tuesday, July 20: Leisure Park
- Wednesday, July 21: Rockwood West Park
- Thursday, July 22: Haskell Park

**July 20 — Take Me to the Park** 10-11 a.m., Aspen Creek Park, 320 S. Oak Ave.

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

**July 22 — Take Me to the Park** 10-11 a.m., Country Aire Park, 100 N. Fir Ave.

**July 22 — Planning Commission** 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

**July 24 — Taste of Summer** 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Central Park, 1500 S. Main St.

**July 29 — Take Me to the Park** 10-11 a.m., Urbana Park, 400 W. Urbana St.

**Aug. 2 — Broken Arrow City Council** 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

**Aug. 12 — Planning Commission** 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

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