

To: Honorable Mayor and City Councilors
From: Michael Spurgeon, City Manager
Date: April 8, 2016
Re: Notes to Council

1. STAFF REPORTS / ITEMS REQUIRING IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

- N/A

2. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE / NOTIFICATION

- Press Release – Rose District Farmers Market Opens April 23
- Press Release – Free Dump Day Set for April 23

3. SPECIAL EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

- N/A

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments

2. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE / NOTIFICATION



PRESS RELEASE

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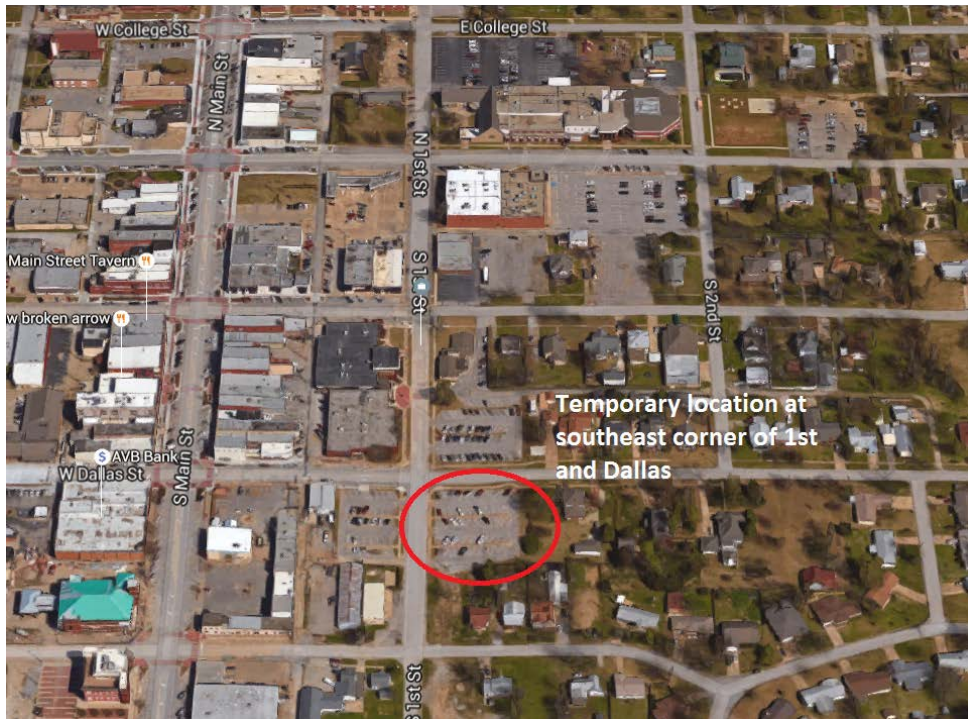
2016 Rose District Farmers Market Begins April 23 with Earth Day Festival

Broken Arrow, Okla. (4/5/2016) – The Rose District Farmers Market begins its 2016 season on April 23 by hosting an Earth Day Festival. This event will feature recycling education for children at the Kids Corner, where cooking oil recycling jugs will be given away to the first 200 families. Electronic Synergy, Shikoba Recycling and The Met will also host drive-up recycling for e-waste, aluminum, plastic, paper, glass, steel and cardboard. The Market will continue each Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. through September 24.

Early crops such as asparagus, kale, lettuce, broccoli and spinach will be available on opening day, along with chicken, beef, Amish baked goods, honey, and local cheeses. Artisans will be selling a large variety of garden, landscape, habitat and kitchen crafts; cutting boards, kitchen magnets, fur products, barn art and more. Shoppers can buy with confidence knowing this is a regulated OK made and grown market.

****Due to construction of the new water feature near the Rose District Pavilion, the Farmers Market has temporarily relocated this season to the parking lot adjacent to City Hall on the southeast corner of First and Dallas in downtown Broken Arrow. See map on next page.**

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FARMERS MARKET SPECIAL EVENTS

April 23	Earth Day Festival	Recycling made easy! Drive-up recycling for e-waste, TVs, microwaves, aluminum, plastics, glass, steel and paper and cardboard. Limited numbers of free recycle jugs for cooking oils available. Compost bins for sale.
May 21	Rose Festival	Learn how to maintain roses from the experts and choose from a huge selection of roses to take home. Market open until 3:00.
June 11	Local Food Week	Watch local Chef Barry Jarvis, founder of Edible Tulsa Magazine as he demonstrates cooking local produce.
July 16	KRMG Gardening Expert	Bring your gardening questions and speak with Alan Storjahonn live on air. Local farmers are featured on air in "Every Farmer Has a Story." Market open until 1:00.
August 13	Back to School Day	Chef Catherine from Time Passages demonstrates how to get kids involved for organic, easy packable lunch ideas.

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SNAP

Individual approved vendors can now accept payments from customers participating in the Supplemental

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Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Customers should look for signs posted at individual booths to determine which vendors are accepting SNAP. For additional assistance, questions can be directed to the on-site City Booth.

For real time posts, videos and healthy eating tips, like the market at [Facebook.com/BAFarmersmarket](https://www.facebook.com/BAFarmersmarket).

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Free Dump Day Set for Saturday, April 23

Broken Arrow, Okla. (4/1/2016) – Residents will have the opportunity to dispose of unwanted items at the City’s annual Spring Clean-Up on Saturday, April 23 from 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Waste Management Quarry Landfill, 13720 E. 46th St. North. This is easily accessible by traveling north on U.S. Highway 169 to the Eastbound exit at 46th St. North.

Residents may dump free by presenting a driver’s license with a Broken Arrow address or a recent utility bill. City employees will be on site to verify residency.

Any household waste can be dropped off *except* for the following items:

- Hazardous materials
- Liquids (such as paint in liquid form, gasoline, used oil, etc.)
- Batteries
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Untreated medical waste
- Compressed gas cylinders

Refrigerators/air conditioners/freezers/or Freon containing items will be accepted with the proper documentation that the refrigerant has been properly removed by a licensed CFC technician.

There will be a \$2 fee for each car tire, \$4 fee for each truck tire.

Motor oil, batteries, antifreeze, steel cans and scrap metal are accepted year-round at the Metropolitan Environmental Trust (MET) recycling facility located at 302 North Elm Place. The facility also accepts plastic bottles, glass bottles, newspaper, office paper, aluminum cans, cardboard and paperboard.

For additional information about eligible items, please contact the landfill at 918-439-7835.

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