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2017 Budget and 2017-2021 CIP Approved

The 2017 budget was approved by the Fairway City Council on August 8, 2016. The 2017 budget funds all department budgets, while maintaining reserves at 19% of the General Fund budget. The Finance Committee recommended and the 2017 budget includes a transfer into the Equipment Reserve Fund, the purpose of which is to build reserves for future equipment needs. Also included is the new Shawnee Indian Mission Fund pertaining to the City's operational responsibilities as established with the execution of an MOA with the State and MOU with the Shawnee Indian Mission Foundation.

The City Council approved the 2017-2021 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP).

The 2017 Budget includes a one mill increase to provide dedicated funding for the Capital Improvements Plan.

One mill will generate \$87,466, which equates to an additional \$42.51 per year on the median home value of \$369,629.

The 2017 CIP includes "Priority 1 Projects" totaling \$726,232. "Priority 1 Projects" include:

- ◆ Street Maintenance – State Park Rd., Canterbury, and Lockton Lane
- ◆ Sidewalk Replacement – Mission Rd.(53rd St. - SMP)
- ◆ Public Works Department Street Sweeper Replacement
- ◆ Police Department Vehicle Replacements
- ◆ All-Department Speed/Sign Trailer
- ◆ Park Irrigation System

The City again used a **modified, zero-based budget process** for the 2017 Budget. This process requires each Department to identify annually the services and functions it performs; justify the services and functions at the Department level, Committee level, and Finance Committee level; and then build a budget for each line item, starting at zero. This method allows for a detailed look at both the services that are provided and their efficiency. It is a comprehensive, labor-intensive process that requires each committee to review every activity based on its own *merit* as opposed to a budget process that determines funding based only on *previous cost* history.

The City incorporates opportunities for citizen involvement in the budget process:

- Citizens were encouraged to attend committee meetings this past Spring and Summer during which individual department's developed their budgets. Citizens were also encouraged to attend the monthly Finance Committee meetings where committee recommended department budgets were reviewed and discussed.
- A Public Forum specifically dedicated to the 2017 budget discussion was held on July 18th.
- The budget process concluded with a Public Hearing on August 8th.

To view the full 2017 Budget documents, visit the City website: www.fairwaykansas.org under the Finance tab.

CIP UPDATE

2015  2016

The 2016 CIP program is well underway! The concrete work is expected to be completed by the end of August and the mill and overlay will begin in the beginning of September. All work is expected to be completed by the middle of September, ahead of schedule.

This year's project combined 2015 & 2016 CIP programs to take advantage of better unit pricing. Once this project is complete the streets will bring additional value to the community for years to come.

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From the Mayor's Desk



On July 1, 2016 the City of Fairway formally assumed managerial responsibilities of the Shawnee Indian Mission (SIM). These new responsibilities are broadly outlined in two separate agreements: 1) A **Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)** between the City of Fairway and the Kansas State Historical Society (KSHS); and, 2) A **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** between the City of Fairway and the Shawnee Indian Mission Foundation (SIMF).

These agreements constitute a dynamic framework that will hopefully be refined over the next several years into a long term fully-funded perpetual agreement and together with a not-for-profit "Endowment" will mark the beginning of collaborative efforts to operate the SIM independent of state funding.

The State of Kansas will retain exclusive ownership of the SIM and the major repair responsibilities for the preservation of the historic buildings and artifacts as outlined in these agreements.

The City of Fairway, in collaboration with metropolitan Kansas City residents and volunteers, now has a unique opportunity to help restore and preserve the SIM as a state and national historical site and chart a vision that will help the SIM once again "COME ALIVE."

Together we will embark on this endeavor in concert with all of you who choose to help us succeed in the restoration and preservation of this revered historic site.

I thank you all in advance!

Respectfully,

Jerry Wiley - Mayor



STAY INFORMED



Electronic communication is an efficient way to alert residents about important issues. Visit www.fairwaykansas.org to register your email for targeted City information. Also, find us on Facebook. Simply log on to Facebook and do a search for "City of Fairway, KS" and "like" us.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Jordan Swoyer Recreation Supervisor—Aquatics

Jordan came from Oak Park, Michigan in the Detroit area, where he served as a Recreation Coordinator, and later as the Interim Director of the city recreation department.

Jordan grew up in Shawnee, KS. He graduated from Shawnee Mission Northwest, and later attended Kansas State University, where he received a degree in Park Management and Conservation.

The return to the Kansas City area brings Jordan back closer to family. His parents still reside in Shawnee, and both siblings (one sister and one brother) are in Manhattan as an employee and student of Kansas State, respectively. Outside of work, Jordan enjoys playing and watching basketball, drinking craft beer with KC BBQ, and spending time with his lab/border collie mix, Stella.

Officer Kassie Westhoff

Officer Westhoff grew up in Lee's Summit, Missouri and graduated from Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, Missouri with a B.S. in Criminal Justice in 2006 and from the Johnson County Regional Police Academy later that same year. Prior to joining the Fairway Police Department in

2014 Officer Westhoff served with the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, the Roeland Park Police Department, and St. Petersburg (FL) Police Department. Among her many duties with Fairway, Officer Westhoff is a Combat Application Tourniquet Instructor, CPR and First Aid Instructor, and will be attending accident investigation school in the near future. On her days off she enjoys spending time with friends and family in the Kansas City area.

UPDATE: WCA/TOWN & COUNTRY DISPOSAL TRASH, RECYCLING & YARD WASTE COLLECTIONS



WCA/Town & Country is still in the process of hiring and training drivers to address the delayed collections in our area.

While the new drivers are learning the routes there are a few things that residents can do to help collections go smoothly:

- 1) If parking on the street be sure to leave room for the large collection trucks to pass by unobstructed. The City encourages residents to park in their driveways on Monday, collection day.
- 2) If parking on the street DO NOT block access to the carts and yard waste that are at the curb.
- 3) DO NOT place carts or yard waste in the gutter/street as this creates obstacles for traffic.
- 4) Review and follow the collection guidelines available on the City website www.fairwaykansas.org.

If your items have not been collected by Tuesday morning you may report the issue directly to WCA/Town & Country at (816)380-5595 or KCCustomerCare@wcamerica.com.



ATTENTION DOG WALKERS

When walking your dog, please remember to take a plastic bag to pick up your dog's poop and **dispose of it properly, at home, in your trash**. Those who fail to clean up and dispose of their dog's poop are not only leaving a smelly nuisance for their neighbors but a possible health hazard for other dogs and humans. Dog poop may contain harmful parasites that can be transmitted to other animals. Stormwater will also carry pet waste directly into the local waterways contaminating the water. If you find that picking up your pet's waste is unpleasant, just imagine how offensive it is to other residents and people who don't own pets. Please remember to do your part to keep Fairway clean.

Fairway Top Dog Contest

Hey Fairway, time to brag about some of our canine residents. Tell us why your dog is number one and deserves some recognition. Post on Fairway's Facebook page (search for "City of Fairway, KS") the following information about your dog:



Name and Photo

Age

Breed (or best guesstimate)

Why your dog is number one!

Entries must be posted to Facebook by November 1st. The winner will receive a feature blurb in the January 2017 Focus on Fairway newsletter, the Fairway 2017-001 dog license and waiver to the 2017 license fee (with proof of valid rabies certificate).

Chief's Corner



In 2016 America witnessed a microscope on law enforcement due to social media, the 24 hour news cycle, the race to be the first to air anything about the story and, in some cases, report first and fact check later. I wrote in the fall of 2014 that Fairway was the polar opposite of Ferguson, Missouri in regards to public trust, ensuring the public safety of those who live, visit, or work here, and reflecting the values of its residents. The officers who work in Fairway are the best of the best and will continue to go the extra mile for our folks because that is who they are. As the tragedies in Dallas and Baton Rouge played out, the men and women of the

Fairway Police Department were humbled and appreciative of the support and encouragement we received from residents, businesses, and visitors. I lost count of the number times I was stopped while driving the residential streets in Fairway and asked, "are you ok, are the officers ok?" I cannot express in words my feelings about that simple gesture. Thank you very much.

The summer of road construction on Mission Road will soon come to an end. As traffic returns to normal on Mission Road and summer concludes be aware of the posted speed limit, pedestrians, bicyclists, and other traffic around you. I want to thank all the residents and businesses in Fairway, especially the ones on Mission Road and nearby neighborhoods, for their patience and cooperation during construction. The project was long, dusty, loud at times, and certainly inconvenient to a lot of people; but, at the end of the day Fairway is a better place.

This would not be a fall/winter Chief's Corner without mentioning to not leave motor vehicles unlocked, unattended, and running. I am happy to report that in the last two years the number of incidents has dramatically dropped.

Public Works crews do an excellent job of keeping Fairway streets clear but they need your help. Be aware of on street parking issues during inclement weather and do not park across from another vehicle; the narrow streets are difficult enough to plow at times. In the event of an anticipated snow event please do not park on the streets in the immediate hours after the snowfall. I would also encourage residents to use the same precautions and practices on trash collection day. Anything residents are able to do to facilitate passage benefits all.

Thank you
Chief Mike Fleming



Know what's below.
Call before you dig.

While doing outdoor projects in your yard please be cognizant that there are utility lines (gas, electric, plumbing, sewer, phone/cable, etc.) that run through your yard, especially in the public Right of Way (typically from the curb to about 15 feet back). If your project requires any type of digging we strongly suggest logging on to www.kansasonecall.com or calling 811 before starting so you will know of any potential dangers.

A quick internet search or phone call might save you headaches, heartaches and \$\$\$.



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