

2018 Budget and 2018-2022 CIP Approved

The 2018 budget was approved by the Fairway City Council on August 14, 2017. The 2018 budget funds all department budgets, while maintaining reserves at just over 10% of the General Fund budget. The Finance Committee recommended, and the 2018 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 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 2018 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) includes "Priority 1 Projects" totaling \$564,442 which include:

- ◇ Street Maintenance – Reinhardt, Neosho, 61st St. and Mission Road (53rd St. – SMP)
- ◇ Sheridan Road Bridge design
- ◇ Public Works Department mower
- ◇ Police Department vehicle replacements

To view the full 2018 budget documents, visit the City website: www.fairwaykansas.org under the Finance tab.

The City again used a **modified, zero-based budget process** for the 2018 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. This comprehensive, labor-intensive process 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 to discuss the budget.
- A public forum specifically dedicated to the 2018 budget discussion was held on July 13th.
- The budget process concluded with a public hearing on August 14th.

Want to stay informed of City activities? Sign-up for the City E-mail Program!

The e-mail program is utilized to disseminate relevant City information in a timely, cost effective manner. Upcoming meetings, crime alerts, street closures, activation and updates of storm damage collection, and special event announcements are just a few examples of the information communicated via e-mail. Getting with the City e-mail program is easy. Simply visit Fairway's website at www.fairwaykansas.org and click the link titled Sign Up for City E-mails on the right screen pane. There is a list of "interests" to choose from. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact City Hall at 913-262-0350 x0.



The City E-mail Program also posts communications on the City of Fairway Facebook page. To follow the City simply log on to Facebook and do a search for "City of Fairway, KS" and "like" us. Facebook is a great way for you to keep up with the City.

Staff/Staff

Your City Council

Mayor	Jerry Wiley
Ward I	Melanie Hepperly Jim Poplinger
Ward II	Gail Gregory Michael Staley
Ward III	Joseph Levin David Watkins
Ward IV	Tanya Keys Adam Dolski

Phone Numbers

City Hall	262-0350 FAX: 262-4607
Police	911 (Off.) 262-2364
Municipal Court	262-2364
Fire	911 (Off.) 432-1105
Public Works	722-2822
Animal Control	782-0720
Fairway Swimming Pool	722-3161
Parks & Recreation	262-0350 x3
Shawnee Indian Mission	262-0867

Committee Chairpersons

Administration	Jim Poplinger
Police	Gail Gregory
Finance	Melanie Hepperly
Public Works	David Watkins
Flood Plain	Michael Staley
Parks & Rec	Tanya Keys
Animal Control	Adam Dolski

City Departments

City Administrator	Nathan Nogelmeier
Chief of Police	Mike Fleming
Director of Public Works	Bill Stogsdill
Director of Parks & Rec.	Brice Soeken

Fairway City Hall is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you have inquiries pertaining to any City government issues, call 913-262-0350.

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From the Mayor's Desk



September 2017

Storms and Stormwater

Stormwater issues have long haunted our community. The three most recent storms combined power failure and intense rainfall events that resulted in unprecedented flash-flooding on July 22, 2017, August 5, 2017, and August 21, 2017.

State Park Road will continue to experience flash-floods when Fairway gets one and a half inches (1.5") of rain in a two-hour time frame. The solution hinges on a regional and collaborative approach shared by all stakeholders in the Rock Creek Watershed.

In my opinion, we have not been out in front of the Stormwater issues that date back to upstream development in the 1970s and 1980s. We must continue to recognize the prevalent risks of flash flooding, the inevitable probability that such rainfall events will continue until a regional solution is developed, accepted, and implemented.

The reality is we can't fix anything by tearing down what has already been built. I do believe we can develop structural engineering remedies to detain upstream Stormwater and regulate the flow of that Stormwater through Fairway to avoid the apparent catastrophic consequences we have intermittently experienced.

Now that we have Inter-Local Agreements in place in Northeast Johnson County and are catching our breath and licking our wounds from the storms we need to regroup and put Stormwater remedies back in the crosshairs and renew our efforts.

Respectfully,

Jerry Wiley
Mayor

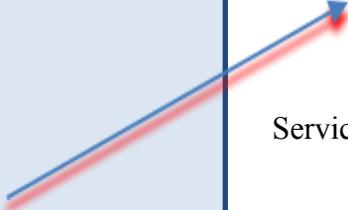


DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR TAX DOLLARS GO?

Elected officials and City staff are often asked “What does the City do with all those tax dollars I pay?” You might be surprised to hear that about 20% of your annual tax bill actually makes it back to the City of Fairway. Fairway’s portion of your tax bill includes three areas: 1) property taxes based on the County assessment of your home; 2) a stormwater utility fee; and 3) a trash and recycling fee. The stormwater utility fee can only be used on stormwater related projects. The entire trash and recycling fee is a direct pass through to the hauler. This leaves just the property taxes to cover operational costs of the City.

According to the County Appraiser’s office, Fairway’s average home value in 2016 was \$369,210, which is the number used to determine the taxes levied in 2017. So to give you an idea of where your tax dollars go, we searched county records to find a home in Fairway near that value. Here is how the property tax bill breaks down for the 2016 tax year:

Home value:	\$370,800
State of Kansas	\$63.96
Johnson County	\$835.36
Community College	\$403.94
Jo Co Park Dist.	\$132.28
City of Fairway	\$846.96
512 Unified Dist.	\$1,172.74
512 Sch. Gen.	\$806.84
512 Bond	\$317.17
Fire District	\$501.85
Library	\$166.94
FWY Stormwater	\$120.00
<u>FWY Trash/Rec</u>	<u>\$149.76</u>
Total taxes levied:	\$5,517.80



Annual Tax Liability - \$846.96
 Monthly Tax Liability - \$70.58

Services provided for \$70.58 per month include:

- Police Protection
- Snow Removal
- Street and Sidewalk Maintenance
- Parks & Recreation Programs
- Parks and Greenspace Maintenance
- Swimming Pool
- Code Enforcement
- Animal Control
- Municipal Court
- Shawnee Indian Mission

Election 2017 - City of Fairway

On Tuesday, November 7, 2017 all Fairway registered voters will have the opportunity to vote for your future mayor and four city council members. One seat in each of our four wards is up for a four-year term along with the mayor at-large.

- Mayor: Melanie Hepperly
Jim Poplinger
- Ward 1: Mathew Bowen
Kelly-Ann Buszek
- Ward 2: Dan Bailey
JD Fair
- Ward 3: David Watkins (Incumbent)
- Ward 4: Tanya Keys (Incumbent)



Registered voters in Fairway vote at Old Mission United Methodist Church at 5519 State Park Rd.

Polling stations open on Tuesday, November 7th from 7 AM to 7 PM

Voter registration closes October 17th, 21 days prior to Election Day. Advance voting by mail begins October 18th and advance voting in person will begin October 30th. For contact information for all candidates, advance voting locations, dates and hours contact the Johnson County Election Office at 913-715-6800 or www.jocoelection.org.

Candidate Filings for City Offices

The following pages contain a profile for each candidate. The questionnaire responses are presented as submitted by the candidates.



Candidate for Mayor: Melanie Hepperly

Resident of Fairway: 17 years

Education: CPA, MBA, CGMA
K-State – BS in Accounting
KU – MBA

Employment: Sosland Companies Inc. – 31 years as VP/CFO/Treasurer
Retired 2016 after 44 years as a CPA

Affiliations: Fairway City Council – 8 ½ years (President – 7years, Finance Committee Chair – 8 years, Parks and Rec Committee – 8 years, Admin Committee – 8 years, Public Works Committee – 4 years)

Thrivent Financial Regional Board – 3 years (Currently President)

Wayside Waifs Board – 12 years (President & Treasurer), Advisory Council

Atonement Lutheran Church Council – (President, VP, Treasurer, Finance & HR Committees)

NE Johnson County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Class graduate

Interests/Hobbies: Travel, Gardening, Reading, Royals/Chiefs

Goals during term:

- Continue the fiscal responsibility established during 8 years on Council which brought the City to a strong financial position while maintaining public safety and infrastructure.
- Improve City storm water issues with County and surrounding city collaboration.
- And most importantly – Keep Fairway the livable community we enjoy.

Candidates for Mayor

The Candidates are listed in alphabetical order.



Candidate for Mayor: Jim Poplinger

Resident of Fairway: 41 Years.

Family: Married – three children and three grandchildren

Education: B. S. – Business and Political Science – University of Kansas 1972
Juris Doctor – University of Tulsa School of Law 1974

Employment: President – Avlex Corporation

Affiliations:

- Fairway City Council since April 2007
- Member of The Village Presbyterian Church.
- Adult leader in Boy Scout Troop 192, sponsored by Old Mission United Methodist Church, for the past 24 years serving as an Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop Committee Chairman, and currently as Troop Treasurer.
- Member of the Saddle and Sirloin Club
- American Royal Governor

Interests/Hobbies: American history, hiking, camping, horseback riding

If elected I will perform my duties in a manner consistent with the following:

- Government must operate in an open and transparent manner.
- Any resident that wishes to speak at a City meeting must be given a full an adequate opportunity to do so.
- Communications from residents must be received in a respectful manner and given careful consideration.
- The City must operate in an efficient and fiscally responsible manner.
- The City must maintain a superior Police Department that is provided with the necessary equipment and exceptional training.
- The public infrastructure (including the roads, sidewalks, public buildings, parks, pool, and green space areas) must be maintained.
- The City must take no action that adversely effects the character of our community.
- The City must serve the needs of its residential and commercial citizens without placing unnecessary burdens upon them.

Candidates for City Council

The Candidates are listed in alphabetical order.



Ward 1: Matt Bowen

Resident of Fairway: 4 Years

Family: He resides with his wife, Lindsay, and his 3 children, Caroline (7), Annie (5) and Grady (3).

Education: Graduated from Rockhurst High School
Earned a degree in Civil Engineering from Santa Clara University

Employment: Vice President of Operations at Superior Bowen Construction Co.

Affiliations: Kansas Asphalt Pavement Association – Board member
Local 101 Operating Engineers – Board member

Interests/Hobbies: Hobbies outside of work and family include running, and following the KC Chiefs and Royals.

Goals during term: Improving safety for Fairway families and continuing and enhancing the positive growth of the city.



Ward 1: Kelly-Ann Buszek

Resident of Fairway: 14 Years

Family: Dr. Keith Buszek (husband), and dogs Scout, KC, and Jem.

Education: B.S., Animal Science, 2001, Kansas State University.

Employment: University of Kansas School of Medicine – Assistant Director of Medical Education.

Affiliations: Manhattan Kansas Kennel Club, Therapy Dogs International, Kansas State University Alumni Association.

Interests/Hobbies: Training our Labrador Retrievers for various AKC activities, and for therapy work (in schools, hospitals, nursing homes); reading; KC Symphony; KC Ballet; Royals baseball; Wildcat football; Jayhawk basketball.

Goals during term: To maintain the high quality of residential life we have come to expect in the neighborhood. Two perennial issues affect residents in Ward 1.

Street parking, particularly within the Golden Triangle. As property values rebound, many residents are remodeling, upgrading, or adding to their homes. Contractor parking makes it difficult for residents, and especially WCA collection trucks, to navigate many streets on certain days. To mitigate this problem, I will propose several options on a trial basis, one of which might be the implementation of limited, alternate side parking restrictions for Monday mornings only, until pick-up is complete.

Loss of mature shade trees (e.g., elm, ash, silver maple) to damage/disease. I will work closely with the Council/Tree Board to recommend suitable replacement trees/shrubs that are attractive and hardy (e.g., disease, drought, heat resistant). I will also implement a one-stop, web- and phone-based resource for residents with a wide range of concerns/questions about various neighborhood matters (e.g., storm pick-up).



Ward 2: Dan Bailey

Resident of Fairway: 7 Years

Family: Wife: Wendy Bailey
Daughter: Wynn Bailey

Education: B.S. Geological Engineering University of Missouri-Rolla
M.S. Engineering Management University of Missouri-Rolla

Employment: Cogent, Inc.; Director - Engineered Projects

Affiliations: Kansas City Corporate Challenge – Board of Directors
Missouri University of Science & Technology – Board of Directors
City of Fairway – Board of Zoning Appeals

Interests/Hobbies: Running, Biking, Swimming, Home Renovation

Goals during term: As a resident of Ward 2, the single issue that affects the largest number of our residents is the flooding of Rock Creek. With a background in Geological Engineering I would continue to work for solutions that manage the amount of water flowing through Fairway during peak storm events with the least impact to our residents and city.

Engage a full and updated evaluation of the city’s overhead power distribution; specifically looking at burying all or individual power lines. Fairway is consistently one of the hardest hit areas during large storms due to the number of trees in the city; while at the same time a large majority of our residents are the last to be reconnected due to the small number of customers that are on each KCP&L branch.

Continue action to implement pedestrian and bike friendly measures that connect the city. Work within the city’s comprehensive plan to develop traffic calming solutions along Shawnee Mission Parkway and Mission Road that provide a safe and neighborhood friendly route for bicyclists and pedestrians.



Ward 2: JD Fair

Resident of Fairway: 11 Years

Family: Wife Mary Anne, son David, daughter Margot

Education: Bachelor of Science in Management Information Systems, Kansas State University

Employment: Boulder Wealth Management

Affiliations: Kansas State University Executive Mentor Program - Mentor; Northeast Animal Control - Treasurer; Sigma Alpha Epsilon Alumni Association - President; Fairway Stormwater - Co-chair; St. Ann Men’s Club

Interests/Hobbies: Golf, cooking, fishing, time with friends and family.

Goals during term: In my first two terms as councilman, we completed four of five main goals set out as a city. We built a new pool complex, found a permanent home for City Hall, improved visibility and funding for the Shawnee Indian Mission, and purchased a more suitable Public Works building. The fifth goal for Fairway is improved stormwater management. This is near and dear to me as a resident on the creek side of Brookridge Drive. I believe we are nearing solutions to this major issue that affects so many residents. I want to protect our home values and tax base, which enables us to maintain a strong community with good schools and public services. This will ensure Fairway remains one of the most desirable cities in the Kansas City metro area.

Fairway is in great shape financially as well as public services. I have enjoyed my first two terms being a part of this great team and would love to serve one more term to complete our fifth goal of improved stormwater management.



Ward 3: David Watkins

Resident of Fairway: 29 years

Family: Wife – Janet; Children – Andrew, Christopher and Catherine

Education: University of Kansas (B.S. in Business Administration in 1981; J.D. in 1984)

Employment: Slagle, Bernard & Gorman, P.C.

Affiliations:

- St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
- ALS Association – Mid America Chapter

Interests/Hobbies: I enjoy a good round of golf. Fortunately, I also enjoy a bad round of golf, as those are more common than good rounds. Many of my other interests are centered around my children's activities. I also enjoy a good book and doing Sudoku puzzles. I also watch about every KU football and basketball game.

Goals during term: My primary goal is to maintain our city's superior services and improve our property values, while trying to hold the line on property tax increases. Addressing future issues that may arise may require creative and possibly interrelated solutions to keep our city budget balanced and our property tax increases to a minimum. I pledge to continue to work cooperatively and constructively with the Council and our community to find appropriate solutions to any and all significant issues that our city will be facing in the next few years.



Ward 4: Tanya Keys

Resident of Fairway: 14 years

Family: I grew up in Johnson County and my parents remain in the Kansas City metro area. My brother and his family live in Columbia, Missouri.

Education:

- Bachelors in Social Work, University of Kansas , 1990
- Master's in Public Administration, University of Kansas , 2000

Employment: Regional Director, State of Missouri Department of Social Services

Affiliations: Experienced community and public service participation.

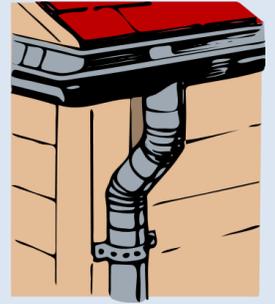
- Fairway Parks and Recreation Committee member, 2012 to present
- Volunteer, Overland Park Arboretum , 2009 to present
- Volunteer, Great Plains SPCA

Interests: I live for gardening season and spend a number of hours planning and nurturing flower beds and buds at home and the arboretum. Trail or park walking with my puggle Ruger and swimming have me in great spirits year round.

Goals during term: Gather information and learn as much as possible to represent Ward 4 and Fairway interests for a strong municipal presence.



Property Codes Reminder



With the recent heavy rainstorms Codes Administration Staff would like to remind all residents of a few items that may help ease some of the water issues experienced in Fairway:

- Be sure to keep gutters and downspouts clear of debris.
- Drainage areas should be kept clean and free of debris. Do not deposit yard waste or brush into the creek or other drainage areas.
- Water discharges from sump pumps, foundation drains, or other similar sources, excluding lawn sprinkler, shall not be discharged at a point closer than five feet (5') to any adjoining property line nor in a manner that creates a public nuisance.
- If you are installing new drain lines please note new drain lines are not allowed to daylight within the City Right-of-Way (10-12 feet from the curb).

Please contact, Building Official/Codes Administrator, Bill Sandy with any questions or concerns. 913-262-0350 ext. 5203 or bsandy@fairwaykansas.org



Chief's Corner

Police Chief Mike Fleming

The colors of autumn will soon be on full display, the cleanup from the summer storms is almost complete, schools have started back, and daylight hours are getting shorter. Please remember the change of seasons doesn't always mean a change in our daily habits. The loss of daylight hours doesn't mean the walker or jogger you saw in May and June isn't there in September and October; you just may not be able to see them like you could before. Slow down and please be aware of children walking to and from school or heading to Peterson Park for a few hours of playtime after school or on the weekends. The start of school means more traffic during the morning and evening commute, new drivers on the roads, school zones with reduced speed limits, and an increase in traffic enforcement.

The wet summer also means that bushes will need to be trimmed back sooner than later so they are not blocking a motorist view, a traffic sign, or obstructing a sidewalk. The homeowner is responsible for trimming their bushes and trees in these cases. Also, streets can be slick as leaves fall during wet weather.

Several very strong storm systems moved through Kansas City in July damaging trees, and unfortunately, several structures. Please remember to use Johnson County licensed contractors for any home repairs or roof replacements. A properly licensed and insured contractor will save you money in the end and reduce headaches in the long run. Tree services are not required to have a Johnson County License, however I encourage you to use local companies and follow a few guidelines when considering hiring anyone to do work for you including:

- Check the company out with the BBB, even local companies. I would also suggest an online search, to include the name of the person you are dealing with, for any other postings, warnings, or reviews.
- You have a right to ask for and receive proof of insurance for anyone doing work for you.
- Do not accept unsolicited bids for work on your property. If you didn't call them, don't use them.
- Do not advance anyone money for work.
- Get all estimates in writing.

If you feel that you have been the victim of a business scam do not hesitate to contact the Johnson County District Attorney's Consumer Fraud Hotline at (913) 715-3003.

Did you know?

The Audio of City Council, Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals Meetings are available on the City website!

To access meeting audio, visit www.fairwaykansas.org homepage, click on "Meetings, Minutes & Audio" and then click on "Archive of Agendas, Minutes & Audio".

Things to remember about the audio:

- The audio will be posted within one (1) week following a given meeting.
- It is user friendly! Click the meeting date and a PDF file on the agenda will open. Click the link on a specific agenda item and the audio for that item only will play. So, it is easy to find an item you are interested in hearing.

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 the following information:



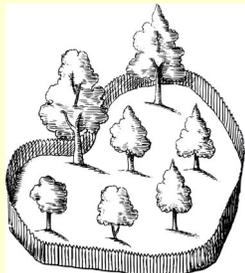
- Dog's Name and Photo
- Dog's Age
- Dog's Breed (or best guesstimate)
- Why your dog is number one!

Entries must be posted to Facebook by November 1st. The winner will receive a feature blurb in the January 2018 Focus on Fairway newsletter and the Fairway 2018-001 dog license. All entries will receive a waiver to the 2018 license fee (with proof of valid rabies certificate).

Do You Have Protected Trees in Your Front Yard?

The City of Fairway invests significantly in the protection and maintenance of right-of-way (ROW), park and greenspace trees. Generally, the ROW trees are often thought of as the street trees when you're walking or driving down the street. The City's ROW typically extends ten (10) to twelve (12) feet behind your curb. If you have trees located within this area, then you have protected trees as ALL trees located in the ROW are considered protected trees. ROW trees may not be trimmed or removed without permission from the Community Tree Manager.

Any work done in the ROW can only be done after obtaining a ROW permit from City Hall. Following the proper procedure will save you time and money! When you obtain your permit, you will be given specific instructions on how to protect your ROW tree. You've probably seen the orange snow fence around ROW trees before and this is only part of the protection process.



If you violate the tree protection ordinance you will pay a penalty of \$100 per diameter inch at breast height. This means if you have an 18-inch diameter tree and you or your contractor violate the ordinance, your fine will be \$1,800.00.



Bottom line? If you are thinking about doing any work (or having someone else do it for you) in the ROW, especially around the trees, call City Hall at 913-262-0350 x0.

Fairway has a Monarch Waystation

The Rain-Butterfly Garden located at the Shawnee Indian Mission is a registered Monarch Waystation.

The Monarch butterfly population across the US has decreased by 80%. In order to support the Monarch butterfly Fairway residents are encouraged to plant milkweed in front and back yards. Without Milkweed the migrating Monarch butterfly has no place to lay her eggs.

The following websites are helpful:

<http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/lawn-garden/agent-articles/perennials/got-milkweed.html>

<http://www.monarchwatch.org>

http://www.xerces.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/NatureServe-Xerces_monarchs_USFS-final.pdf

<http://mowildflowers.net> (Order plants for spring delivery)

For more information, please contact the Master Gardening Hotline at K-State Extension: 913-715-7050 or garden.help@jocogov.org

Community Paper Shredding & Electronics Recycling Event

Saturday, September 16, 2017 - 9:00 am - NOON

Location: 4350 Shawnee Mission Parkway



Participating Cities: Fairway, Mission, Mission Hills, Mission Woods, Roeland Park, Westwood, & Westwood Hills (Proof of residency required, i.e., driver's license, utility bill)

PROSHRED's mobile shredding trucks will be onsite to securely shred your confidential documents for **FREE**.

- Suggested materials to shred: bank statements, canceled checks, tax returns, junk mail, credit card receipts and more!
- **Maximum of 10 file storage boxes size 1'x2'** is a guideline for the estimated amount of paper you may bring in cardboard boxes, plastic bins, plastic bags, etc.)
- All 3 ring binders, containers, and boxes will be returned to you.



Secure e-Cycle will be onsite collecting electronics.

There will be a small fee for PC Monitors \$15 & TV's \$25 (cash or check).

EVERYTHING ELSE WITH A CORD IS FREE.

Complete list available at <http://secureecycle.com/items.asp>



April 2017 event was cancelled due to heavy rain and lightning. The event is able to operate in light rain but not heavy rain and lightning. If there is questionable weather please check the City website www.fairwaykansas.org. Updates also sent out via the City E-mail Program



Curbside Leaf Removal Program



The City of Fairway has arranged for Benjamin Lawn & Landscape to offer a group rate for residential curbside leaf removal for the fall of 2017. Recognizing that some residents may not be able to utilize the service for a variety of reasons, this is a **voluntary program**.

How does it work?

Step 1: See the Collection Calendar for the City of Fairway below. Benjamin Lawn & Landscape will be in these specified areas of the City doing curbside leaf removal on dates noted below. If you do not know what Ward you live in, visit the City Web site at www.fairwaykansas.org or call City Hall at 913-262-0350 x0.

For curbside leaf removal on these specified dates, the cost is \$38 for pick-up #1 only, \$50 for pick-up #2 only OR, \$71 for both pick-ups.

Collection Calendar

	Pick-up #1	Pick-up #2
Ward 1	Monday, Oct. 30	Monday, Nov. 20
Ward 2	Sunday, Nov. 19	Sunday, Dec. 3
Ward 3	Monday, Oct. 23	Monday, Nov. 27
Ward 4	Monday, Oct. 23	Monday, Nov. 27

Note: If you live in the FIELDSTON or FAIRWAY Homes Associations, do not sign-up for this program as your Homes Association has arranged curbside leaf removal for you. Your collection dates:

	Pick-up #1	Pick-up #2
Fairway HOA	Monday, Oct. 30	Monday, Nov. 20
Fieldston HOA	Sunday, Nov. 19	Sunday, Dec. 3

Step 2: Review the guidelines. For a successful curbside leaf pick-up, please remember the following:

- Benjamin Lawn & Landscape trucks are equipped with a side mount vacuum that is designed to pull alongside a long row of leaves. Please rake leaves into a pile along the curb (edge of the lawn) that is as long and narrow as possible. The machines can reach 6 feet into the yard so leaves beyond 6 feet may not be removed.
- **Leaves should be raked up to the edge of the lawn as noted above.**
It is very important that you DO NOT rake leaves into the street or gutter and DO NOT block the sidewalk.
- Leaves only. Please remove sticks, rocks, trash, and other debris.
- Do not block the leaf row with vehicles on collection day.

Step 3: SIGN-UP & PAY ONLINE at www.BenjaminLawn.com click on “Curbside Leaf Removal” and follow the instructions. If you prefer to pay by check, **complete the form and mail it with your payment to the address listed below.**

Step 4: Then, don’t forget to rake your leaves to the edge of your lawn prior to your collection day(s)!

Please cut on line and return bottom portion with payment OR sign-up and pay online at www.BenjaminLawn.com

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail _____

Please place an “X” next to the dates that you wish to participate.

	Pick-up #1	Pick-up #2
Ward 1	____ Oct. 30	____ Nov. 20
Ward 2	____ Nov. 19	____ Dec. 3
Ward 3	____ Oct. 23	____ Nov. 27
Ward 4	____ Oct. 23	____ Nov. 27

**\$38 for pick-up #1 only,
\$50 for pick-up #2 only
OR, \$71 for both pick-ups.**

Benjamin Lawn & Landscape
PO Box 8063

Your payment reserves your place on the collection list. Please make checks payable to: Prairie Village, KS 66208

Checks or payment online must be received at least 2 days prior to your given pick-up date(s).

Please contact Benjamin Lawn & Landscape with any questions or concerns. (913) 788-6089 or info@benjaminlawn.com.



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2018 Election Information & Parks and Recreation Guide

Look for Improvements to Trash Services in Coming Soon!

With the current solid waste contract coming to an end in December, the Cities of Fairway, Westwood and Roeland Park, through MARC, held a joint bid process for solid waste services for 2018 and beyond. Four firms submitted bids and the review committee decided to interview Deffenbaugh and our current hauler WCA (formerly Town & Country).

There is no question Deffenbaugh has the capacity to provide the service to the three cities, however there were questions of whether or not our residents could expect a better level of service if the cities switched, especially in light of recent publicized issues the company had in neighboring cities.

Since WCA's acquisition of Town & Country, there have been various struggles attaining the level of service residents previously received. Some residents barely noticed a transition while others experienced (or are still experiencing) inconsistent service delivery. The Cities pushed these points to WCA during the interview process, demanding an action plan to improve the customer service experience for residents.

In the end, it was determined that renewing with WCA for a 3-year term was the best available option for the cities. The decision was based on price and commitments from WCA to improve customer service. The new contract for service in 2018 includes customer service provisions and penalties for missed collections. In addition, WCA will work to create a consistent brand. Lastly, WCA will be deploying RFID technology to better plan routes and track what carts are emptied versus carts that aren't. Expect to see workers installing RFID chips in the handles of your cart this fall. At the same time, they will be placing stickers on your recycling containers. If you have questions or concerns about your trash service, please call City Hall 913-262-0350 x0.