

WESTWOOD HILLS

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Monthly news & updates

January 2024 - CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS

Upcoming Events:



January

There will not be a January Planning Commission Meeting

27 Rainbow Blvd. Complete Streets Open House

February

12 City Council Meeting

15 Planning Commission Meeting

19 Presidents' Day - City Offices Closed

Representatives from Evergy joined the January City Council Meeting to provide an update on Evergy's efforts to provide quality electrical service to its customers. You can find their presentation [here](#).



Complete Streets Traffic Plan for Rainbow Blvd. Open House

Westwood, UG, and MARC are holding a public open house from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, January 27, 2024, at Westwood City Hall (4700 Rainbow Boulevard). Draft recommendations for improving transportation options along Rainbow Boulevard will be available for review and comment. No formal presentations will be given. The public is welcome to participate anytime during the meeting's timeframe. See more information [here](#) or in the article below.



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PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

COMPLETE STREETS TRAFFIC PLAN FOR RAINBOW BOULEVARD



VIEW AND COMMENT ON RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

What should improving transportation options along Rainbow Boulevard involve? Join the City of Westwood, Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas (UG), and the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) at the public open house for the **Rainbow Boulevard Complete Streets Traffic Plan** to view and comment on recommendations. The meeting will be held from **2 to 4 p.m.** on **Saturday, January 27, 2024**, at **Westwood City Hall** (4700 Rainbow Boulevard).

BACKGROUND

With the University of Kansas Medical Center/University of Kansas Health System (KUMC/UKHS) campus as its anchor, the three-mile stretch of Rainbow Boulevard from I-35 on the north to Shawnee Mission Parkway on the south is booming. Economic development and growth are expected to continue for the next decade. In response, the City of Westwood, UG, and MARC are developing the **Rainbow Boulevard Complete Streets Traffic Plan** to enhance the corridor with safe and improved transportation options for people to walk, bicycle, take transit, ride scooters, use mobility devices, and drive to destinations in the corridor.



Tax Credit Homes Remodeling Tour

The Westwood Hills Foundation is planning a tour of homes that have qualified for Historic Tax credits within the last three years. The Tour is planned to take place in June and will be open to all residents and guests. Please contact Karen Sexton at kls@sextonandshelor.com if you are interested in adding your home to the tour.



New and Improved Recycle Spot!

RecycleSpot.org is the Kansas City Metro area's one-stop spot for recycling, reuse, and waste reduction information. Now it has a new look, improved functionality, and responsive design.

The latest version of RecycleSpot launched in November and is designed to help Kansas City area residents recycle more and recycle better. The refreshed site includes a new look, responsive design, and a refreshed database that matches hundreds of recyclable items to over 1,800 service

providers and locations.

Visit the new and improved [RecycleSpot.org](https://www.recycle-spot.org) to:

[Search the database](#) to find a location to recycle just about anything.

See [what items can go in your curbside bin](#) and how to [recycle better](#).

Learn more about household [hazardous waste](#) and where you can safely dispose of it.

Find your [local recycling center](#) and explore the [services available in your community](#).

Learn more about [workplace recycling](#) and how to get started.

Discover [local events](#) and get the [latest news](#).



The National Suicide Prevention Line is reachable at 988, and the call center will direct callers to local crisis centers for assistance. The existing crisis line for Johnson Country Mental Health Emergency Services is still accessible at (913) 268-0156.



Stormwater Management Plan and Annual Report

The 2021 Stormwater Management Plan and the 2022 SMP Annual Report can be found on the City's [website](#).

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