



Monthly

news & updates

June 2025 - CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS

Upcoming Events:

June

- 11 Redistricting Public Engagement Session
- 19 Juneteenth
City Offices Closed
No Planning Commission Meeting
- 21 Tax Credit Workshop

July

- 3 NEJC Fireworks Display
- 4 4th of July
City offices Closed
- 5 NEJC Fireworks Display
Rain date
- 14 City Council Meeting
- 17 Planning Commission Meeting

Johnson County Resources

Did you know there are many resources available on the County's [website](#)? Some of the available resources include: Children & Family Health Programs, Safe Kids, Community Outreach Services, Wellness and Leisure, Health Clinic Services, Family Planning, and more. Check out the County's [website](#) to learn more.

Save the Date

The Westwood Hills Historic Foundation and Westwood Hills Homes Association are sponsoring a workshop on How to Qualify for Historic Tax Credits for Home Remodeling Costs in Westwood Hills. Saturday, June 21, 2025, 9:30 am – 11:30 am Westwood City Hall Community Room All residents should have received an Evite for the workshop. Please contact Karen Sexton at kls@sextonandshelor.com with any questions.

Johnson County Redistricting

Johnson County is divided into six commissioner districts. The goal is to keep the districts “as compact and equal in population as possible.”

Kansas statute requires the Board of County Commissioners to review the county's districts every three years to ensure the populations are not fluctuating too much between districts, so that representation remains fair. The county monitors census data and other sources of population information and applies legal standards to make sure districts are proportional.

Due to faster growth in some areas of the county compared to other areas, the time has come to go through a redistricting process, which hasn't been done since 2013. For more information on redistricting, please visit [this link](#).

The proposed redistricting maps can be found [here](#). There will be a Virtual Public Engagement Session on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Find the link and the feedback form [here](#).

Food Truck on The Green

Thank you to the Westwood Hills Community Association for planning and hosting this event! A good time was had by all.





Congratulations to 2108 West 49th St. for the YOTM!



JOHNSON COUNTY
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Election Office

2025 Elections

The 2025 Election for Westwood Hills City Council positions will be held on November 4, 2025.

The following have filed to run for office:

Mayor: Rosemary Podrebarac

City Council: Laura Carey, Adam England (incumbent), Dave Schmitz (incumbent), Karen Sexton (incumbent), and John Weedman (incumbent).

Stormwater Best Management Practices (Contain the Rain) Program

The City of Westwood Hills encourages homeowners and businesses to incorporate Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMP) on their property to aid in the improvement of local and regional water quality.

The city encourages planting native plants and trees to support the natural ecosystem and provide food for pollinators like bees and butterflies. The BMP Cost Share (Contain the Rain) program will reimburse applicants up to 50% of eligible expenses, not to exceed a project reimbursement cap, for the proper installation of the following best management practices:

All projects/plantings must have pre-approval

- Rain Barrel: \$75 per barrel cap, up to two
- Native Plant Garden (must receive runoff) \$1,000
- Native tree planting: \$150 per tree cap, up to two
- Rain Garden/Pollinator Garden: \$1,000 cap

The Program requirements can be found [here](#).

Go to containtherainjoco.com for the application. All projects must be installed by October 31, 2025. Requests for refunds must be received by November 30, 2025.

Find workshops and Native Plant Sales [here](#).

Start planning your garden now. Visit the [K-State Research and Extension Online Gardening Calendar to help with your planning](#).

The National Suicide Prevention Line

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 County Mental Health Emergency Services is still accessible at (913) 268-0156.



Stormwater Management Plan and Annual Report

The 2021 Stormwater Management Plan and the 2024 SMP Annual Report, filed in February 2025, may be found on the City's [website](#). In August 2024, KDHE conducted an audit of the City's stormwater program and MS4 permit and determined that the City is in compliance with the terms of its permit.

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