



Monthly

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June 2026 - CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS

Calendar of Events

June:

- No Planning Commission Meeting
- June 16, 2026, Johnson County FIFA Watch Parties Begin
- June 19, 2026, Juneteenth -City Offices Closed
- June 30, 2026, NEJC Chamber Blood Drive

July:

- July 3, 2026, Independence Day Observance - City Offices Closed
- July 4, 2026, 4th of July Parade
- July 13, 2026, City Council Meeting
- July 16, 2026, Planning Commission Meeting



Boxwood Leafminer Disease

The leafminer is the most serious pest of the boxwood plant. It occurs everywhere in the USA from the East to the West Coast. All varieties of boxwood are susceptible, but the slower-growing English varieties are less susceptible than the American cultivars. The leafminer feeds between the upper and lower sides of the leaf.



A Note from the Community Association - 4th of July Parade

Please join your friends and neighbors on Saturday, July 4th, at 10:00 AM for the 2026 Westwood Hills 4th of July parade. The Westwood Hills Community Association sponsors this event.

Please line up at the corner of 49th St. and Rainbow by 9:45 am. The parade begins at 10:00 AM at the corner of 49th Street and Rainbow and will proceed to Flag Island via Glendale. Both 49th Street and Glendale Road will be closed to traffic during the parade.

Everyone is encouraged to dress patriotically and decorate their bikes, scooters, strollers, and pets for the parade.

After the parade, the Westwood Hills Community Association will provide sweet treats at The Flying Cow Gelato Shop. Hope to see you there!



Water Main Replacement - 47th Street & Rainbow Blvd.

WaterOne began work to replace the water main at the corner of 47th Street & Rainbow Boulevard at the end of May. The project is expected to take approximately three weeks to complete.



NEJC Chamber Blood Drive

The Northeast Johnson County Chamber (NEJC) will host a community Blood Drive at Westwood City Hall on Tuesday, June 30, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Find more information [here](#).

To register, visit savealifenow.org and enter group code EH3C, or sign up through the [event registration page](#). Donating blood is a simple way to make a meaningful difference and help save lives in our community.



World Cup Information

If you live, work, or travel near the FIFA Fan Festival™ or Kansas City Stadium (Arrowhead), [sign up](#) to receive weekly transportation updates delivered straight to your inbox! These updates will help you plan for tournament activities happening between June 11, 2026, and July 13, 2026.

Information on World Cup Events happening around the area can be found below. FIFA Fan Festival™ - kc2026.com. The Fan Festival is free to attend, but passes are required.

FIFA KC [Transportation](#). Download the KC 2026 Transit App. [here](#).

FIFA KC [Traffic Management Plan](#) (Includes Road Closures).

Johnson County United - johnsoncountyunited.com.

There is a FREE bus running from Overland Park and Lenexa straight to KCI. The bus runs every 30 minutes (during the World Cup) from early morning to late evening. Drop and Ride service will operate free of charge. This service is a drop-off service only. No long-term parking is available at Lenexa City Center or Overland Park Convention Center.

Riders may board at any designated stop along the route. Service generally operates every 30 minutes from June 1 to July 16 and every 60 minutes starting July 17 (and running as long as funding is available).

Theatre in the Park will host [watch parties](#) on select dates between June 16 and July 19, 2026.

Text JCWATCHPARTY to 88877 for all watch party updates at Theatre in the Park. The watch party is free to attend, but tickets are required. Registration for watch party tickets opens on Wednesday, May 20, 2026. Find more information [here](#).



Contain the Rain Program

Help us contain the rain! The Johnson County Stormwater Management Program offers a cost-share opportunity for residents who install sustainable landscaping solutions such as rain gardens, rain barrels, and native plants.



JUNETEENTH FREEDOM DAY

City of Westwood Hills Juneteenth Observance

These features help reduce stormwater runoff and protect local waterways by keeping rain where it falls. Approved applicants can be reimbursed for up to 50% of eligible project costs (up to program limits). Make a positive impact on water quality—right from your own yard! Get more details and apply [here](#).

City offices will be closed on Friday, June 19, 2026, in observance of Juneteenth. If you need police assistance, dial 9-1-1 for emergencies and (913) 782-0720 for non-emergency matters. City offices will resume regular business hours on Monday, June 22, 2026.

June Yard of the Month - Congratulations to 2021 West 50th Street!



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The 2021 Stormwater Management Plan and the 2025 SMP Annual Report, filed in February 2026, are available on the City's [website](#). Also, the City received its new MS4 permit, effective January 1, 2026, and it is available on the City's website.

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