

Citizen Advisory Council Meeting

MAY 7, 2025 | 6:00 PM

Citizen
Advisory
Council

Citizen Advisory Council Vision Statement:

“A community of neighborhoods illuminating collaborative models to foster harmonious and balanced neighborhood communities.”

Citizen Advisory Council Mission Statement:

“The Citizen Advisory Council is a community of neighborhoods organized to forge available resources to empower, rebuild, and revitalize areas within the city of Topeka.”

6:00 PM
Call to Order
(1 minute)

Please sign your name on the sign-in sheet

or

use the chat feature in Zoom to enter your name and the neighborhood or organization that you represent.

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READY TO SPEAK (BOTH ZOOM & IN PERSON)**

Citizen Advisory Council Agenda Overview

6:00 PM CALL TO ORDER (5 minutes)

- A. Approval of **April 2025** [Meeting Minutes](#) (2 min)
- B. Adopt **May 2025** [Agenda](#) (2 min)

6:05 PM PRESENTATION (30 minutes)

- A. City Goals and Ways the Public Can Provide Feedback, Dr. Robert Perez, City Manager

6:15 PM STAFF UPDATES(15 minutes)

- A. [Office of Inclusive Communities Program Updates](#), Bianca Burnett, Community Programs Administrator

6:05 PM DISCUSSION ITEMS (15 minutes)

- A. Recommendations for the Citizens Government Review Committee
- B. [NIA Requests for Community Events Funding](#)
- C. Event Planning (Any NIAs having events planned that are open to the community?) (Any events that the CAC wants to complete this year? Example: Recognize past neighborhood leaders for their volunteerism with plaque or certificate.)

6:25 PM ACTION ITEMS (10 minutes)

- A. [NIA Requests for Community Events Funding](#), Bianca Burnett, Community Programs Administrator

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6:35 PM ANNOUNCEMENTS (0 minutes)

- A. What to do if you missed the DREAMS Consult Meetings for Alley Projects, Sidewalks Projects, and Street Projects?
- B. DREAMS Consult Meeting for Other Special Projects, May 8 from 9:30 AM to noon, Cyrus K. Holliday Building, 1st Floor Conference Room, 620 SE Madison ST
- C. Invite to Valley Park NIA Wendy's Fundraiser on Thursday, May 15, 1820 SW Wanamaker RD, from 5 to 8 PM. Bring your receipt to the Sports Center on May 15th to play a free game of Putt-Putt Golf.
- D. DREAMS Consult Meeting for Parks, May 23 from 10 AM to noon, Cyrus K. Holliday Building, 1st Floor Conference Room, 620 SE Madison ST
- E. Community Resource Expo, June 24 from 3-7 PM at Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library
- F. EmpowerHER program (Additional Information will be available soon)
- G. Wednesday, June 11th –2026 DREAMS 3 Application Workshop – 6:00 PM
- H. National Night Out Save-the-Date, Saturday, August 9th – Exciting updates are on the way!
- I. Saturday, June 12 – Free confidential paper shred at Crestview Park Shelter, 4901 SW Shunga from 10 AM to noon
- J. Saturday, June 19 – Free landfill day at Rolling Meadows Recycling and Disposal Facility, 7451 NW Highway 75 from 7 AM to noon. All loads must be covered, contain no tires, hazardous waste items or appliances that contain Freon, no e-waste or PCB containing items. One load per Shawnee County resident only, no businesses. In the event of inclement weather, June 27th will be the rain date. Please call 785-246-0305 to verify.
- K. KTuesday, July 1st – Preliminary applications for 2026 DREAMS 3 Program funding are due by 5 PM
- L. Saturday, July 17 – Free yard waste disposal for Shawnee County residents at Forestry Products Recycling, 3431 SE 21st, from 8 AM to 5 PM. They accept trees, limbs, leaves, and grass. All loads should be covered or secured. For more information, contact 785-478-9805.

6:40 PM ADJOURNMENT (1 minute)

Next Meeting – June 4, 2025 – DREAMS Housing Rehab Program Discussion

THANK YOU!!!

GOOD NIGHT EVERYONE!