

Citizen Advisory Council Meeting

September 3, 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.

ZOOM RECORDING WILL BEGIN NOW

**PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR MIC UNTIL YOU ARE
READY TO SPEAK (BOTH ZOOM & IN PERSON)**

Citizen Advisory Council Agenda Overview

6:00 PM CALL TO ORDER (5 minutes)

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

6:05 PM PRESENTATION (30 minutes)

- A. [Coffee With Code](#), John Schardine, Property Maintenance Director (15 minutes, 15 minutes for Q&A)

6:40 PM STAFF UPDATES (10 minutes)

- A. [Office of Inclusive Communities Program Updates](#), Bianca Burnett, Community Programs Administrator
- B. [City of Topeka Conflict of Interest Waiver for Boards & Commissions](#), Bianca Burnett, Community Programs Administrator

6:50 PM DISCUSSION ITEMS (15 minutes)

- A. NIA Requests for Community Events Funding
- B. NIA Support Funding Requests
- C. DREAMS Project Budget Increase Requests

7:05 PM ACTION ITEMS (15 minutes)

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7:20 PM ANNOUNCEMENTS (0 minutes)

- A. **UPDATE Extension Date: Friday, September 19, Final 2026 DREAMS Applications due to Office of Inclusive Communities**
- B. Saturday, September 6 from 11 AM-2 PM, Full Circle Clothing Swap, 2303 SW College AVE (Clothing donations accepted September 1-5 from 9 AM-5 PM)
- C. Monday, September 8 from 5:30-7 PM is Meet Recruit Academy Class 69 at West Ridge Mall Food Court, 1801 SW Wanamaker
- D. Sunday, September 14, Hi-Crest Serve Day outside from 9 AM-noon with NNO following from noon-2 PM inside. Hot dogs, BINGO, and ice cream at 455 SE Golf Park, Avondale East Grade School.
- E. Wednesday, September 17 from 5:30-7 PM, Topeka Public Schools 15th Annual Family Fitness Fun Night at Hummer Sports Park (Rain date is Wednesday, October 1st.)
- F. Saturday, September 20 – Coffee with Code Community from 10 AM-noon at Oakland Community Center, 801 NE Poplar ST
- G. Saturday, October 4, 2025 CAC 2026 DREAMS Application Review & Scoring Workshop (**more information to come**)
- H. Sunday, October 5 from 2-4 PM, Welcome Baby Jubilee at Pozez Education Center at Stormont Vail Hospital
- I. Saturday, October 25th – Historic North Topeka East's Annual Trunk or Treat in the NOTO arts district.
- J. Saturday, October 25 from 10 AM-noon, Coffee with Code Community at Hillcrest Community Center, 1800 SE 21st ST
- K. Saturday, November 15 from 10 AM-noon, Coffee with Code Community at Crestview Community Center, 4801 SW Shunga DR
- L. Saturday, November 22nd -- Historic North Topeka East is partnering with the NOTO Art Center for a Celebration of Lights event.

7:25 PM ADJOURNMENT (1 minute)

Next Meeting – October 1, 2025

THANK YOU!!!

GOOD NIGHT EVERYONE!