

Holiday Lights

(October 2013-February 2014)



On February 17, Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department staff began removing the final strands of holiday lights from downtown. Lights were hung beginning in late October and were officially turned on during the Friday after Thanksgiving lighting ceremony. This year, Downtown Lawrence requested the lights remain up and active through the Valentine's Day holiday. (Lights are normally removed the second week of January). Feedback from the having the lights up for the longer duration seemed to be popular due to the wet and snow-filled conditions over the past two months. However, with lights remaining up for a longer duration some lights were damaged due to longer burn time, the wet conditions and/or vandalism. Staff is currently reviewing whether keeping the lights up the extended amount of time is both efficient and feasible.



Approximately, 100,000 lights were used to illuminate downtown Lawrence, create a fun, festive atmosphere throughout the holiday season.

