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City of Lawrence

2014-2015 Accomplishments



Lawrence Public Library

Bioscience and Technology Business Center at the University of Kansas



Peaslee Tech

Sports Pavilion Lawrence







2016 Budget

Overview



\$207,305,104 Total Budget



A 1.057 mill increase is recommended

Additional Resources



Employee Compensation & Benefits

Mental Health (WRAP program)





GIS Analyst Position

FOCUS Area







Reinvestment in City
Employees & Deferred
Equipment Maintenance
for Current Operations &
Facilities



Focus Area



Infrastructure Reinvestment

Streets, roads, water & sewer

- \$8.7m Street Infrastructure
- \$38.3m Utilities

FOCUS Area

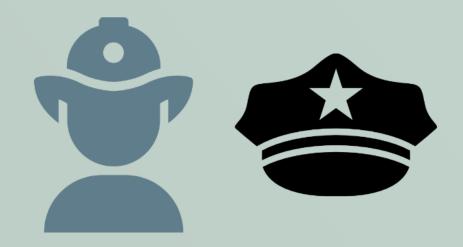


Sidewalks, Bike Lanes & Traffic Calming

- \$200,000 per year for sidewalk & bike improvements
- \$200,000 per year for traffic calming



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Public Safety

- Continued investment in training and equipment.
- Tentative agreements reached with MOU groups.

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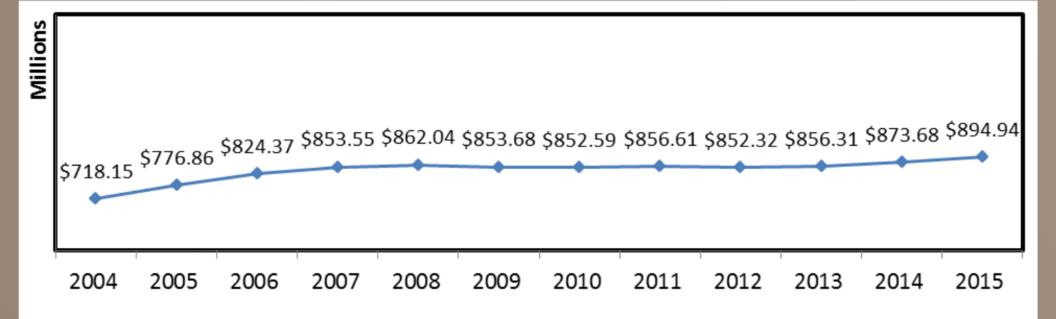
Economic Development

- Continued investments to grow and retain local businesses;
- Recruit new businesses;
- Encourage entreprenurial activities;
- Leverage university assets; and
- Provide training for quality workforce response for local employers.

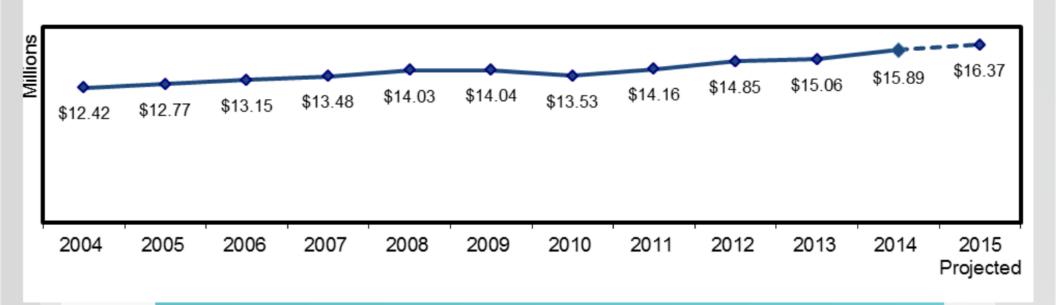


Assessed Valuation





Sales Tax City 1% Sales Tax



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Additional Positions

- Only 1 position, GIS Analyst, funded through General Fund
- Administrative Support position for Municipal Court
- Shared resources for CVB and Communications through Guest Tax support
- Utility Operators for Wastewater Treatment Plant



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Benefits & Compensation

- Reinvest in our employees
- Funding for market adjustments for specific positions
- Approximately 3% merit pool for non-MOU employees
- Funding provided for 2016 MOU agreements
- Addressing compression issue for public safety positions
- Contributions to employee healthcare increased by 4%
- City contributions for employee retirement increases modestly

Unfunded Requests

Numerous requests from departments, outside agencies, advisory boards, economic development agencies and other community groups have been left unfunded due to budget constraints.

Social Service Agency Funding

- \$513,236 provided for agencies in General Operating Fund
- \$316,617 provided for drug & alcohol education and prevention in Special Alcohol Fund

Library Fund

- Recommended budget provides the requested \$3,750,000 in funding in 2016.
- This represents an increase of \$200,000, or 5.6%



- Increase for CVB operations for additional sales staff
- Shared support for city communications and CVB
- Parks & Recreation staff to support beautification efforts
- Continued support for Watkins Museum & Theatre Lawrence
- Creates a TGT Grant program at \$150,000 for event collaboration & creation
- Merges the TGT Reserve Fund for added transparency

Transit Fund



- Includes resources for Transit operations and activities
- Community conversations about a transit hub & amenities are ongoing.
- Includes \$120,000 (flat) funding for K-10 Connector

Recreation

The Recreation Fund provides funding for a broad cross-section of recreation programs and services that meet the needs of the citizens of Lawrence.







Special Recreation Fund

- \$25,000 in Community Arts Grants for LCAC
- Art scholarships for Lawrence Arts Center
- Funding for Lawrence Alliance & the Festival of Cultures

Water & Wastewater Fund

- Continuation of funding for 2013-2017
 CIP program & operations for Utilities
- Repair & maintenance for existing infrastructure
- Continues five-year rate plan adjustments planned for 2016 & 2017
- Wakarusa Wastewater Treatment Plant approved in 2015
- Accepting credit card payments without an administrative fee

Parking Fund

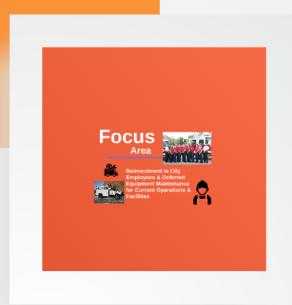


- Transferring downtown beautification efforts from Parking Fund to Guest Tax Fund
- Allows for funding of a Municipal Court position

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Multi-year plan for community:

- Street Maintenance
- Queens Road Project
- · East Ninth
- Kasold Drive (6th to Bob Billings)
- Wakarusa Drive (Inverness/Legends to 6th Street)
- Rehab of Fire Station #1
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Improvements
- Traffic Calming
- 11th & Mississippi Project
- 2016 Connecting Links (state/city funding)
- Parks and Recreation maintenance funding
- Utilities 2013-2017 Plan funding
- Police facility listed as placeholder















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