

Olathe's New Park Opportunities

Lake Olathe Has More Activities for All Ages with Major Park Renovations

Explore new amenities at Lake Olathe Park offered in the stunning natural setting of west Olathe. A marina, swimming beach, and an Aqua Park are now open. Those who want to further discover the lake can rent kayaks, canoes, pedal boats, and paddle boards.

A renovated Beaver Shelter is a perfect, rentable picnic spot. It's surrounded with a destination nature playground, designed in collaboration with Olathe children and families. The playground features trees and materials repurposed on the site. Don't miss the adjacent play areas with a meadow maze, living willow dome, and splash creek. New restrooms serve the Beaver Shelter area.

A new east side park road, extends from West Santa Fe to Dennis Avenue, and affords both familiar and unexpected lake vistas.



Lake Olathe will continue to unveil new features throughout this summer and fall,

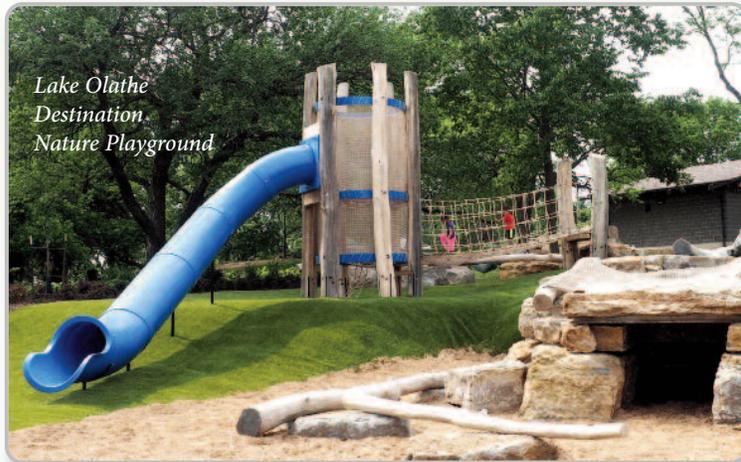
including nearly four miles of hard surface trail, an event terrace, waterfalls, and spray ground. Eagles Landing, a new rental venue will offer scenic views, and an amphitheater will provide lakeside enjoyment for

community events.

While visitors to Lake Olathe may enjoy the new park features, please remember that portions of Lake Olathe Park are still under construction and those areas should be avoided for safety reasons.

Stay updated on the opening of additional new features as well as a grand opening celebration at OlatheKS.org and

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Lake Olathe Destination Nature Playground



Eagles Landing

Lake Olathe Marina and Beach

Open seven days a week
445 S. Ward Cliff Dr.
Operating hours:
Marina – 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Beach – 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
For information call 913-971-8563.



Find additional Olathe news at OlatheKS.org. Click on NEWS.

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Mayor's Message

Our Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability to You

The City of Olathe recognizes the importance of allocating your hard-earned dollars for the City services you most value. That's why it's so important that we involve you in public decision making! We use tools like the DirectionFinder® citizen survey and processes like the Olathe 2040: Future Ready 20-year strategic plan to listen to your priorities. Together, we make stronger, strategic community decisions to prepare Olathe for the future.

Those who follow the City of Olathe budget process know that about 70 percent of General Fund revenue is dedicated to transportation and public safety in our city. This is no accident. Most residents consistently say these are community priorities.

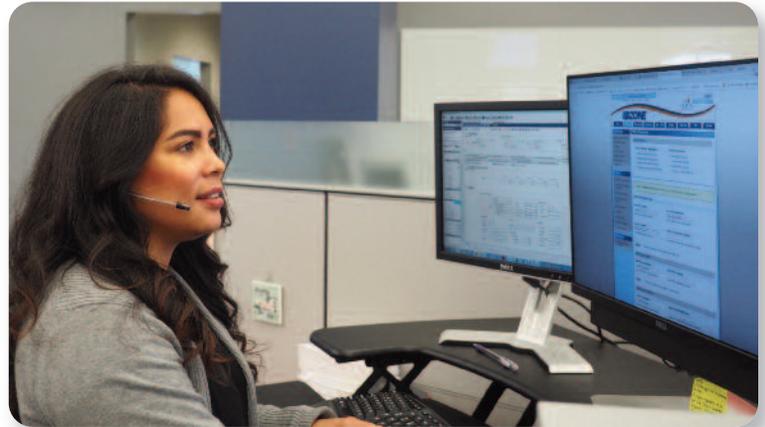
In addition to aligning funds with your priorities, the City of Olathe looks for smart ways to use tax dollars. While we have significant capital transportation projects in the budget, we don't want to miss smaller, yet effective improvements. This includes installing more turn lanes at key intersections, and monitoring and adjusting traffic signals for enhanced traffic flow. We're also stretching tax dollars for transportation improvements through a public-private partnership with Garmin and KDOT to ease traffic snarls in the 151st Street corridor.

We strive to allocate resources efficiently and effectively. This includes using police crime analysts to provide intelligence and to track and prevent crime. Similarly, using smaller teams of Squads in the Fire Department provides a more cost-effective and targeted response in the areas most needed based on data analysis.

Accountability and Transparency

As your local government, there is greater direct accountability when it comes to your elected officials. In Olathe, you have a vote for four of the seven City Councilmembers. In contrast, you have only three votes for the 565 representatives in Congress, and two votes for officials in the Kansas Legislature. If you want to reach an Olathe City Councilmember, our direct contact information is on the opposite page.

If you need to contact City of Olathe staff, we offer multiple and convenient ways to do so. During business hours, you can speak to a City representative, not an automated menu of prompts. If you prefer, requests for services can be made at OlatheConnect, or you can live eChat if you have a City of Olathe utility question.



Ludys Velasquez is among an 11-member team of customer service representatives who assist Olathe customers.

Public transparency is an obligation we take seriously as your local government officials. You should be able to access information that pertains to public funding and how we conduct business. Olathe has an abundance of information online. If you need assistance finding public information, we're just a click or phone call away!

City of Olathe Provides Financial Transparency Information at OlatheKS.org

- Comprehensive Financial Report
- Budget Documents and Presentations
- Annual Performance Report
- City Department Business Plans
- Olathe Performs Dashboard with Key Performance Indicators
- Financial Dashboard with Performance Updates

Sincerely,

Michael Copeland
Mayor



JULY 12
Liverpool

Brody Buster's
One Man Band
at Frontier Park



JULY 26
Elton John
Experience

The Who Generation
(A Tribute to The Who)
at Stagecoach Park



Part
of **CELEBRATE Olathe**

OCTOBER 11
Tallgrass Express
String Band

Kelly Hunt
featuring Stas' Heaney
and Friends
at Stagecoach Park



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Except for Emergency 911, and unless otherwise noted

EMERGENCY 911

Emergency TDD/TTY Calls 911

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Billing, Trash, Water & Sewer

FIRE ADMINISTRATION

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on the App Store
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What's Being Built in Olathe

Travane Senior Living Facility - 151st Street and I-35

A new four-story, 60-unit independent senior living facility is planned for the southwest corner of 151st Street and I-35. The site is adjacent to the existing senior living building, which was converted in 2013 from a Holiday Inn to a nursing home and personal care facility. Outdoor amenities include walking paths and seating areas.



TownePlace Suites Hotel – Strang Line Road

A new hotel is planned for Olathe Station shopping center on Strang Line Road. The four-story hotel will have 112 rooms and there will be an outdoor area with a plaza, benches, and public art. A future restaurant is also planned adjacent to the hotel.



Find more information on Olathe development at: OlatheKS.org/WhatsBeingBuilt

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More Improvements at Lone Elm Park

Popular Lone Elm Park, near 167th and Lone Elm Road, offers new amenities throughout the park with completion of phase two park improvements. A new concession and restroom building is open in the soccer complex. The central section of the softball fields features a new shelter and playground with terraced seating. In the Rendezvous area, a shelter, natural playground, and restrooms are newly installed.



New shelter at Lone Elm Park's Rendezvous area

New Park Coming to Indian Creek Library

A new City of Olathe park, nearly two acres large, is planned for the north side of the Indian Creek Library, 16100 W. 135th Street.

In addition to an open green space, the park will offer a shelter, walking path, playground, outdoor fire pit, and a water feature. Future library programs can be hosted in a 200-person capacity amphitheater.

Children will enjoy a story walk featuring a picture book story at stations along the park's path. The park will be accessible from the Library's collaborative commons patio and the exterior courtyard.

The Indian Creek Library and park are expected to open in fall 2019.

Construction updates are available at OlatheLibrary.org.



Olathe 2040: Future Ready Work Continues

The Olathe 2040: Future Ready strategic plan is designed to provide direction for Olathe's path during the next 20 years. Over the past few months, more than 70 City staff have refined strategies, goals, targets, and measures that will be used to implement Olathe's refreshed strategic plan. This effort follows months of community engagement and the Olathe Strategic Planning Advisory Committee's vision framework development.

The draft plan will be presented to stakeholders and community partners for comment this summer, then reviewed with the City Council. The Olathe 2040: Future Ready public reveal is planned for early fall 2019.



Nominations Open for Olathe Community and Accessible Community Awards

The Olathe Human Relations Commission and the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Board present the City of Olathe Community and Accessible Community Awards each year.

The awards celebrate businesses, civic organizations, and individuals who have made significant contributions to enhance human rights, equality, cultural diversity and the pursuit of disability inclusiveness.

Nominations can be made online at OlatheKS.org. Search **Olathe Community Awards**.

Award winners will be honored at the Community Awards Banquet on Thursday, Oct. 10, 2019. For more information, contact Olathe's community relations manager at 913-971-8827.

NotifyJoCo

What I need to know.
When I need to know it.

The heat and dry weather of summer can sometimes cause water main breaks. If you have signed up to receive NotifyJoCo alerts you will be informed about City of Olathe emergency water disruptions as well as other public emergency notifications.

Sign up for free emergency alerts at NotifyJoCo.org. Opt in for City updates, severe weather, road closures, and more. Or, sign up by texting NotifyJoCo (all one word) to 888777, or call 913-826-5555.

Already receiving NotifyJoCo alerts, but you've moved, or your child is attending a new school? Log in to NotifyJoCo.org and make updates to your preferred contact methods and locations for continued, potentially lifesaving emergency notifications.

Olathe Recognized for Communities for All Ages Plan



The City of Olathe received recognition for the Communities for All Ages Plan from the Mid-America Regional Council. Pictured above, from left: Kim Hollingsworth, senior planner; Aimee Nassif, chief planning and development officer; Robert Givens, MARC Communities for All Ages Advisory Board; and Dean Vakas, Olathe Planning Commission chairman.

The City of Olathe Planning Division earned a bronze recognition from the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) for extensive work on the Communities for All Ages Plan. MARC developed the Communities for All Ages recognition program to promote communities of vibrance, health, and prosperity in all cities throughout the Kansas City metropolitan area.

Olathe's population grows by about 2,000 senior citizens each year. In preparation for the increased number of senior citizens, Olathe is proactively working to ensure the community is designed for all ages. The Communities for All Ages Plan evaluates the City's current resources and identifies opportunities to promote a healthy, safe, and accessible environment for older adults. Goals of the program include:

- Engaging aging populations in the planning process
- Encouraging collaborative spaces for all generations to interact
- Strengthening connections between homes, transportation, health care, recreation, and services.

The City will partner with MARC over the coming years to learn best practices, and educate residents, City officials, the development community, and other key participants in Olathe about becoming a Community for All Ages. This partnership will lead Olathe to a stronger vision for the future and better ways to support all Olathe residents.

More information is available at OlatheKS.org. Search **Communities for All Ages**.

Earth News

from the City of Olathe, Kansas

2019 CITY OF OLATHE Water Quality Report Highlights



The City of Olathe had **no water regulation violations** in the 2018 calendar year



Save money by drinking Olathe tap water instead of bottled water



The City invested in **water project improvements** for 2018 and 2019



Customers rate **overall water quality** (including clarity, pressure, taste) **above KC metro & national averages**

The City of Olathe produces safe, quality drinking water, meeting or exceeding all state and federal health and safety measures. The City conducts more than 90,000 tests each year to detect and remedy any health safety or water quality issues.

Read the full 2019 Water Quality Report at:
OlatheKS.org/WaterQuality

^{OLATHE}TrashDay Ready, Set, Sort!

Learn about the City's waste diversion programs and have some fun with the Ready, Set, Sort! waste sorting game found within the Olathe TrashDay app. Gamers sort everyday materials into the correct disposal cart or drop-off location with the reward of creating a virtual park. Find the game on the FREE Olathe TrashDay app, where you can also find recycling and trash scheduling notifications and the What Goes Where feature.

Ready, Set, Sort! is family friendly. Download the Olathe TrashDay app available on the App Store and Google Play. For more information, visit OlatheKS.org/Recycling.

Public Works Develops Innovative Street Maintenance Tool

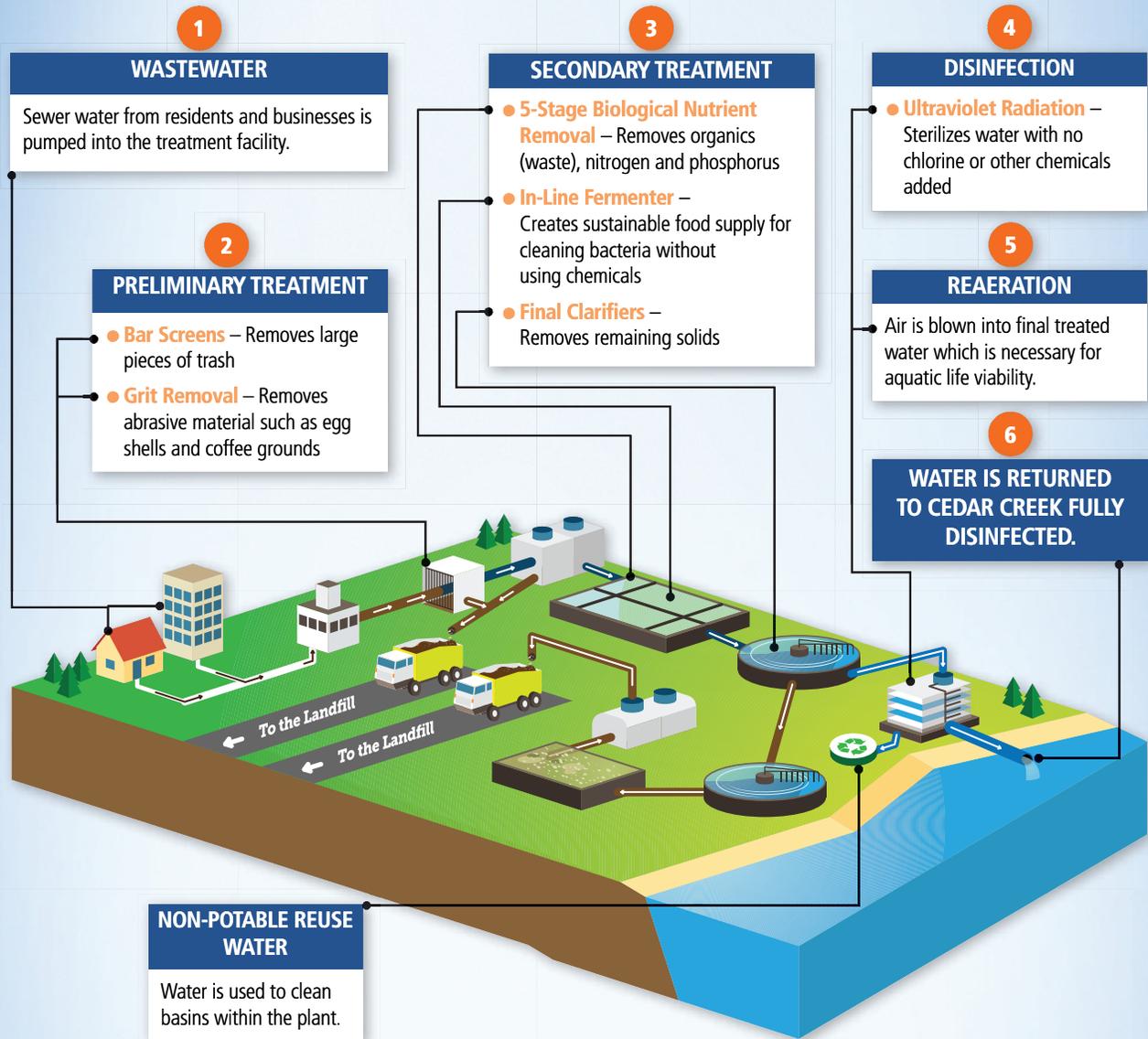


J.D. Stites applies crack sealant

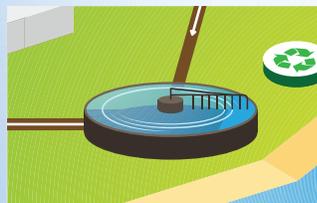
Applying sealants to cracks in streets extends pavement life until more extensive maintenance is needed. During a single year, crews can apply up to 300 miles of crack sealant, depending on weather. Olathe Public Works employees dramatically improved the sealant application in recent years by developing a unique tool that allows faster drying time, is more cost effective, and doubles the life of the application tool. The crack seal innovation was invented by Street Maintenance employees J.D. Stites and modified by Kevin Tilley and John Due. The crack sealant application tool is fabricated in Olathe.

City of Olathe Wastewater Treatment Process

At the Cedar Creek Wastewater Treatment Facility, sewer water is treated to produce clean, disinfected water that is discharged into Cedar Creek, which flows into the Kansas River.



What happens to the solids that are removed?



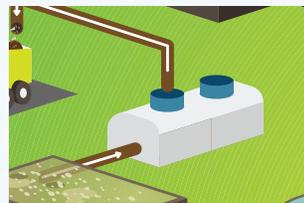
GRAVITY THICKENER

- Gathers solids together using gravity



AERATED STORAGE

- Keeps the solids fresh by adding air



CENTRIFUGE

- Spins most of the water from the solids



BIOSOLIDS DISPOSAL

- Disposed of at the landfill

Reader Feedback
Please send your comments to:
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OlatheConnect

Look for information or submit a service request 24/7.

OlatheKS.org/OlatheConnect



Receive Olathe news and updates by email or text message. Click on e-notification or the envelope icon at OlatheKS.org.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE IN OLATHE

Residents have important roles to keep Olathe a beautiful community. All property owners are expected to comply with the following codes.

For detailed information regarding property maintenance codes, visit OlatheKS.org/ResidentialCodes.



LAWN MAINTENANCE

- Grass and weeds may not exceed eight inches in height on developed lots
- Property owners must maintain adjacent right-of-way and easement areas

Olathe Municipal Code 6.09.050



VEHICLES

- Inoperable vehicles may not be stored outside
- Vehicles must be street-operable and properly registered
- Tarps may not cover a vehicle
- Vehicles may not be parked in any portion of the yard or right-of-way

Olathe Municipal Code 6.06



NUISANCE ITEMS

- Furniture, trash, auto parts, brush, etc. may not be stored outside on the property
- Schedule bulk pickups: call 913-971-9311 at least one day prior to pick up date

Olathe Municipal Code 6.06.040

