

THIS IS EL DORADO



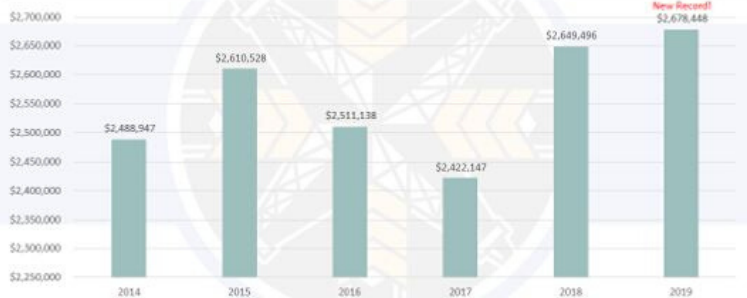
From the Desk of the City Manager

The Chamber of Commerce hosted Mayor Bill Young and I for the State of the City on February 4, 2020. We covered items that were completed in 2019 and items coming up in 2020. I also covered a few basic statistics regarding city services. For those of you unable to attend, here are a few of the items that we covered.

“Optimism” describes the current state of El Dorado. Sales tax receipts hit another record year with over \$2.67 million collected on \$267.8 million in retail sales.

Property Tax Reduction: \$1,650,000
Street Rehabilitation: \$600,000
Economic Development: \$100,000
Remainder to Excess Sales Tax Projects
Est. at \$328,448 for 2019

Annual Sales Tax Receipts



Assessed Valuation



Assessed valuation for the City has been increasing at a rate of 2.6% since 2014. A residential property valued at \$150,000 pay approximately \$1,037 in property taxes to support services provided by the City, such as police and fire protection, street maintenance, and park maintenance.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN EL DORADO

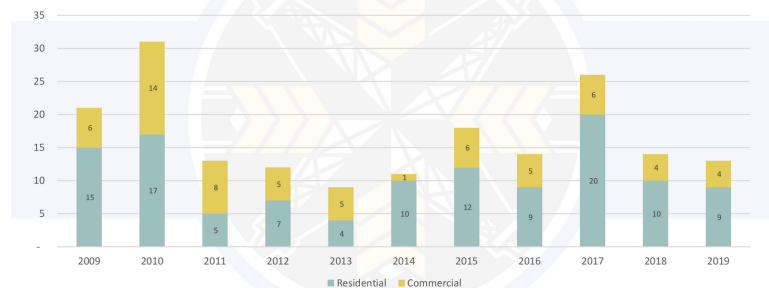
- March 2 - City Commission Meeting
- March 4 - Community Dialogue , Bradford Memorial Library 5:30 pm
- March 5 - Thankful Thursday, Shop Specials in Downtown!
- March 8 - Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 16 - City Commission Meeting
- March 16-20 - Spring Break, USD 490, USD 375, BCC

The City of El Dorado Recreation T-Ball and Machine Pitch registrations are now available. Call 316-321-9100 for more information.

FIND MORE EVENTS AT WWW.ELDOKS.COM

- Facebook: @eldokscvb
- Twitter: @visiteldoradoks
- Instagram: @whats.happening.in.eldoks
- YouTube: El Dorado, KS CVB
- Follow your City Manager on Twitter: @EldoCityMgr

New Construction



5-Year Average:
Residential: 12 permits
Commercial: 5 permits
2019 Permit Valuation:
Residential: \$1.52 million
Commercial: \$0.76 million

The City experienced \$2.3 million in new construction during 2019, although prior years demonstrate the potential for increased development activities. The City will likely see expansion in both commercial and residential construction in 2020. Orscheln's will begin construction soon and thirty residential units will be constructed in the Flint Creek Estates Addition.

We covered many other items in the presentation, which is available on the City's website at www.eldoks.com. The video is available on the City's Facebook page, @cityofeldorado. If you have questions, don't hesitate to comment on the Facebook page or e-mail the City Clerk at tsharp@eldoks.com.



Repairs to the City's drive-up window have made it impossible to fit the trash bags we sell in the new drawer. Please come inside to purchase and pickup your bags at the inside window.



Meet Pumper #1

Fire Department

Pumper 1, the newest truck to the El Dorado Fire Department's fleet, is a 2002 Stewart & Stevenson military type cargo truck that has been converted into wildland fire apparatus that will be used to combat grass fires. This truck, acquired through a grant from the Kansas Forest Service, will improve the City's ability to fight grassland fires. The grant program specifies that the department has only 180 days to convert the vehicle into a firefighting apparatus. The EDFD crews divided up the various tasks and did a great job meeting the deadline.

The process began with a fresh coat of paint, from the camouflage scheme to a bright red cab and black bed. The addition of emergency lights along with the wiring systems for the remote nozzle and fire pump was completed by department members. A "skid-unit", equipped with a low profile 750 gallon water tank, fire hose reel, and 275 GPM water pump was custom made by Weis Fire Equipment. The crews completed the installation of the skid unit by plumbing in fixed sprayers on the each side of the truck and the front bumper. All sprayers are controlled electronically from within the cab of the truck.



Nearly 500 man hours were spent by the EDFD getting Pumper 1 ready for service, and on February 1, 2020, the truck was placed into service and responded to its first grass fire. Unlike the other grass fire units within the department's fleet, Pumper 1 is designed to be operated by a single firefighter. Some of the advantages of the truck's design include it's off-road capabilities, water capacity, and mid-size body which makes it smaller and more maneuverable in the field than the average 6X6 pumper, although the vehicle is larger than the average pickup style grassfire units.

A new wildland fire apparatus would have cost the City anywhere from \$140,000 to \$300,000. Through the grant from the Forestry Service and the hard work and dedication



of our fire department members, the department was able to construct this innovative, one-of-a-kind apparatus for less than \$50,000.

Census 2020

April 1, 2020 is Census Day!! Every residence in El Dorado should receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. You have three ways you may respond: online, by phone, or by mail. This is the first time you will be able to respond to the census online.

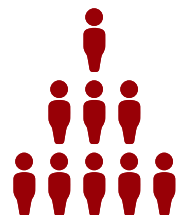
In May, a Census Bureau worker will be visiting those who households that have not responded to the census. The Census Worker will have a valid ID badge, with their photograph, a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark, and an expiration date. At the end of the year the Census Bureau will deliver apportionment counts to the President and Congress as required by law. The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, and support you and the community. Federal funding for hospitals, fire departments, schools roads, and other resources are based on census data. If 1% of the Kansas population is not counted in the 2020 Census, the State of Kansas could miss receiving approximately \$603,999,400 in federal funding over a 10-year period. Ensure you count, ensure your community counts, ensure Kansas Counts by participating in the 2020 Census!



CENSUS FUN FACTS:

- The U.S. Constitution mandates that everyone in the country be counted every 10 years. The first census was in 1790.
- It is against the law for the Census Bureau to publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you or your household. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share your answers with any other government agency.
- An under count in El Dorado means our community could miss out on approximately \$47,670.00 in federal funding (over 10 years) for each household that is missed in the 2020 Census.

Website Publisher: kansascounts.org;
www.bucoks-census2020-bucogis.opendata.arcgis.com





CITY OF EL DORADO

NEED UTILITIES?

Water, Sewer & Trash

316-321-9100 Opt. 1

Everyg - Electric

1-800-383-1183

Kansas Gas Service

1-800-794-4780

Service Line Warranties of America

1-866-922-9006



PAY YOUR CITY UTILITY BILL

Access your Utility Account Online at:
<https://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/eldoradoks>

You need to know your account number & the amount of your last payment.

Contact us at 316-321-9100
Option 1, to sign up for auto-pay
and paperless billing!

CONVENTION & VISITOR'S BUREAU

316-321-9100 ext 126

Follow us on Facebook @eldokscvb

Check out our Meeting
& Event Facilities:
Civic Center & Train Depot

EL DORADO POLICE DEPARTMENT



Department Office and Municipal Court

316-321-9120

128 N Vine Street

Non-emergency Dispatch

316-322-4398

ENGINEERING

316-321-9100 ext 153



When do I need a Permit?

Permits are required to construct, alter, repair, move, demolish or change the occupancy of a building or structure; or to erect, install enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert, or replace any electrical, gas or plumbing system.

PARKS AND RECREATION

316-321-9100 ext. 130

Call for information on youth and adult recreation leagues.
<http://eldoks.com/171/Parks-Recreation>

Park/Recreation Reservations:
Call for information on prices or
availability:



Other Important Numbers

Forest Park Pavilion &/or Bandshell
East Park Pavilion
Gordy Park Gazebo
North Main Park Pavilion or Gazebo

Activity Center 322-7400
Senior Center 321-0142
Municipal Pool 321-6911

East Park & Central Park Softball Fields
McDonald Stadium
Walnut River Softball Fields
Walnut River Soccer Fields

Rec League Rain Out
Hotline: 322-7471

Cemetery Office
321-3410

PUBLIC WORKS

222 E 2nd Ave

316-322-4481

<http://eldoks.com/155/Trash-Services>

COMPOST SITE

500 E. Locust Ave

316-322-4468

M-F 7 am - 6 pm

Weekends 8 am - 5 pm

TRASH CARTS

- Carts must be at the curb by 7 am the morning of collection and removed with 24 hours.
- Excess trash must be in orange bags or container with orange lid.
- Lids can not be tied down.
- Black and orange trash bags may be purchased for \$6.00 a roll inside City Hall.



REMODELING? CLEANING UP?

Call us about at 316-322-4481 about our dump truck program & roll-off construction dumpsters.

CITY ANIMAL SHELTER

222 E. Locust

316-322-8844

Tuesday - Friday

10a-6p

(closed from 12p-1p)

Saturday 8a-12p

CLOSED Sunday & Monday



- All animals within City Limits are **REQUIRED** to be licensed - only 4 animals allowed per household.
- Licensing period runs from January 1st thru December 31st each year. Please provide proof of vaccination and sterilization when you purchase your license by December 31st each year.
- Each sterilized dog or cat is \$5.00 per year.
- Each non-sterilized dog or cat is \$40.00 per year.
- After March 1st there will be an additional \$2 per month late fee added.



PUBLIC UTILITIES

Sewer Backup or Water Leak?

During Business Hours, call 316-322-4411 & After hours, call 316-323-4987

Questions on the Cross Connection and Back-flow Prevention Program?

Call Water Treatment at 316-322-4443

Back-flow tests must be completed on an annual basis prior to to July 1st of each year. It is the responsibility of the account owner to make sure that the paperwork is turned in by July 1st to avoid penalties.

Sewer Averaging

Winter Averaging for your annual sewer rate is computed using an average of December, January and February's water usage.

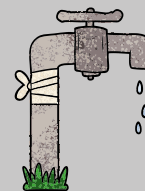


Here's an example of how to calculate sewer averaging:

6432 gallons in December

5834 gallons in January

5984 gallons in February



18,250 Total Gallons during Averaging Period

Divide that by 3 and you have your average which will be used as your sewer charge for the remainder of the year. In this example, the average would be 6083.33 gallons per month.

For more information on sewer averaging, visit: <http://eldoks.com/329/Sewer-Averaging>