

01 GET FLOOD INSURANCE

PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY FROM FLOODING

Tulsa has just passed the 30th anniversary of the October 1986 Arkansas River flood, when Keystone Lake filled to capacity. To keep from overtopping Keystone dam, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had to release water from the dam at 2.2 million gallons per second. Water rushed downstream, flooding the banks in Sand Springs, Tulsa, Jenks and Bixby. More than 1,800 homes and businesses went under water and Tulsa County damages were estimated at \$63.5 million (in '86 dollars).


Since then, flood forecasting has improved and Tulsa has invested several hundred million dollars in flood control. Yet despite the progress that has been made, some flood risk remains and thousands of homes and businesses are in or near floodplains.

Know your risk of flooding. Floodplain maps are available online at bit.ly/COT-FloodPlain or can be viewed at any Tulsa County public library. You also may request a flood zone determination for your property by calling the Customer Care Center at 311.

Flood insurance is available to all property owners in Tulsa and is required if you have a federally backed mortgage on a property in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's designated floodplain. Due to Tulsa's Class 2 rating in the FEMA Community Rating System, residents receive up to a 40-percent discount on flood insurance premiums, making our rates some of the lowest in the nation.

You can purchase flood insurance through the same insurance agent who handles your basic homeowners insurance. Homeowners insurance itself does not cover losses resulting from flooding. Renters also may purchase flood insurance to protect what they own even if the property owner does not have flood insurance.

If you know you have a drainage problem, City staff can make a site visit and recommend how to improve the drainage on your property to reduce your risk of flooding. To request a visit or for questions about flood insurance, contact Tulsa floodplain managers Bill Robison at (918) 596-9475 or Laura Hendrix at (918) 596-9685.



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NEAR A FLOODPLAIN?	PICK UP PET WASTES
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Get flood insurance. Improve your property's drainage to reduce risk.	Proper disposal of pet waste keeps it out of stormwater runoff to creeks.

+ PLUS: SALES TAX PROGRAMS	

The Sales Tax Overview Committee Summary Status Report is available. See completed projects and more.	

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02 PET WASTE DISPOSAL

HELP KEEP STORMWATER RUNOFF CLEAN

Stormwater runoff from our yards enters the city's storm sewer system, which empties into the creeks, streams and rivers in the City of Tulsa. Pet waste enters these waterways by way of stormwater runoff.

Unfortunately through this runoff, a preventable volume of fecal material is added to Tulsa's waterways. Animal wastes contain bacteria, viruses and nutrients. These constituents will lower water quality in our creeks. As a pet owner you can establish habits that will help keep our creeks free of pollutants.

Be sure to walk your pets in grassy areas, parks or undeveloped areas. Take a plastic bag or pooper scooper along on your walk and pick up your pet's waste. Picking up and disposing of pet waste properly can significantly reduce potential health hazards to our streams when you...

- **Flush it into the sanitary sewer**
- **Bury it in your yard, or**
- **Throw it in the trash**

Disposal of anything other than stormwater to the storm sewer system is a violation of city ordinances. Report the illegal disposal of pet wastes and other pollutants to the storm sewer system by calling the City's Customer Care Center at 311.

SALES TAX OVERVIEW COMMITTEE SUMMARY STATUS REPORT

PROGRAMS MONITORED BY THE STOC COMMITTEE

As of the close of City's Fiscal Year 2015-2016
(June 30, 2016)

Prepared by the City of Tulsa Finance Department
Approved by the Committee September 2016

SALES TAX PROGRAMS

2006 Sales Tax Program: On May 9, 2006, voters approved the extension of the Third Penny Sales Tax Program authorizing \$463.5 million for capital projects in the City of Tulsa. The tax will fund 130 projects in six major categories, including public safety, culture and recreation, economic and neighborhood development, sanitary sewer, flood control, streets and transportation, facilities renovation, and capital equipment.

<i>Appropriated:</i>	\$450.1 million
<i>Spent:</i>	\$409.8 million
<i>Under Contract:</i>	\$7.6 million

2008 Sales Tax Program (Fix Our Streets): In November of 2008, voters authorized a temporary increase in the sales tax levy of one and two-twelfths percent (1.167%); to remain effective until June 30, 2014, with the expectation of collecting \$166.6 million to be used for the repair, construction, and reconstruction of streets, bridges, and related infrastructure.

<i>Appropriated:</i>	\$145.5 million
<i>Spent:</i>	\$91.6 million
<i>Under Contract:</i>	\$24.9 million

2014 Sales Tax Program (Improve Our Tulsa): In November 2013, voters approved a temporary sales tax increase of one and one-tenth percent (1.1%), effective until June 30, 2021, with the expectation of collecting \$565 million for infrastructure projects, public safety, culture and recreation, and economic and neighborhood development.

<i>Appropriated:</i>	\$153.4 million
<i>Spent:</i>	\$59.1 million
<i>Under Contract:</i>	\$23.6 million

Major Sales Tax Projects Completed in FY 15-16

Project	District
1. Franklin Park Playground Improvements	District 1
2. Gilcrease Museum – Roof Replacement	Citywide
3. Lower Bird Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion	Districts 3 and 6

GENERAL OBLIGATION (GO) BOND PROGRAMS

Approximately \$898 million has been appropriated from previous GO Bond Issues since the Sales Tax Overview Committee has been in existence. These GO Bond Issues have financed projects for water, parks, streets, sewer, stormwater, and public facilities.

2005 General Obligation Bond Issues: In May 2005, voters approved a \$250 million GO Bond.

<i>Appropriated:</i>	\$273.8 million*
<i>Spent:</i>	\$269.9 million
<i>Under Contract:</i>	\$194,000

*Includes \$23.8 million from Oklahoma State University for their share of the construction costs for the Forensics Lab project

2008 General Obligation Bond Issues (Citywide Streets Package): In November 2008, voters approved a \$285 million GO Bond.

<i>Appropriated:</i>	\$285 million
<i>Spent:</i>	\$226.4 million
<i>Under Contract:</i>	\$18.8 million

2014 General Obligation Bond Issues (Citywide Streets Package): In November 2013, voters approved a \$355 million GO Bond.

<i>Appropriated:</i>	\$127 million
<i>Spent:</i>	\$19.9 million
<i>Under Contract:</i>	\$16 million

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Major GO Bond Projects Completed in FY 15-16

Project	District
1. WaterWorks Art Center – Roof Replacement	Citywide
2. Sheridan Rd. – 61st St. South to 51st St. South	Districts 7 and 9
3. Mingo Rd. – 41st St. South to 31st St. South	District 3

Summary: The STOC reports that voted projects have either been completed as promised, are in the process of completion, or are awaiting funding to begin the project. A few of the voted projects have been eliminated or materially changed. The Committee is satisfied that the changes were prompted by engineering, budgetary or regulatory reasons not known at the time of the election, and in each case, the monies were appropriated to a similar project. All such changes have been approved by the Mayor and/or City Council.

SALES TAX OVERVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

(As of: June 30, 2015)

Chair: Ashley Webb
Vice-Chair: Steven Roerman
Secretary: Gregory Vosberg

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Rhonda Hinrichs
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