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1 | Veto Session begins Monday

The Kansas Legislature returns on Monday, May 1 for the veto session. While there are issues several groups would like tackled during this period, three issues are going to receive most of the legislature's attention: the budget, a K-12 funding system that passes muster with the Kansas Supreme Court, and a package of taxes to pay for those things. Our legislative team will be working early mornings and late nights to keep on top of issues affecting Kansas cities.

2 | Important Election Filing Changes for 2017

The 2015 changes to the election laws for cities made changes, other than just moving elections from April to November. The following deadlines are fast approaching:

May 1—The City Clerk must certify to the County Election Officer a list of all city offices to be voted upon in the next election. (KSA 25-205)

By 12 noon on June 1 –Deadline for candidates to file with county election officer as a candidate for city officer. (KSA 25-2110)

A full election calendar can be found in the 2017 City Clerk’s Manual on Form 13, page 10-14.

3 | Budget Tips 2017

Look for the 2017 edition of Budget Tips on the League website Tuesday, May 2. City and County budgets for 2018 are subject to the tax lid and will require municipalities to start the budget process earlier than in the past. The 2017 edition will have helpful information concerning the tax lid as well as other budget related material. We will send communication out next week with the Budget Tips and other important figures for creating municipal budgets. Eric Smith (mailto:esmith@lkm.org) is the League’s contact on the Budget Tips document for 2017.

4 | Conference Topic Ideas

The League is developing our sessions for the Annual Conference in Wichita on **September 16 and 17**. Please let us know if you have ideas for the conference or speakers you've seen that would be beneficial to elected or appointed leaders in the state. Submit comments online (http://www.lkm.org/surveys/?id=Conference_Topics).

5 | Last Chance to Register for Emergency Management MTI

Wildfires. Tornadoes. Chemical plant explosions. Emergency planners often say that the question is not IF a crisis will occur in your city - it is a question of WHEN a crisis will occur. Are you prepared as an elected or appointed official to respond to a crisis WHEN it happens in your city? Our **May 5** and **May 12** Municipal Training Institute (MTI) classes will provide the information necessary for a city to review their preparations for executing pre-disaster and response/recovery operations in a natural disaster. Topics include state and federal requirements and points of contact, local procedures for implementation and planning, and management tools to be able to assess a city to determine if they are prepared to execute recovery operations. Attendees will also receive source documents for the development of template recovery plans and operations, and have a chance to review the Kansas Response Plan. May’s MTI is offered in Lyons and Pratt in May. Register today (https://lkm.site-ym.com/events/event_list.asp (https://lkm.site-ym.com/events/event_list.asp))!

6 | Service Award Deadline

You still have time to get your Service Award certificates and names in the book by filling out the City Employee Template form. The City Employee Template must be submitted no later than May 10. Once the employee list is received and uploaded you will receive a confirming E-Mail from the Green Co., that you may begin ordering Service Awards for your employees. Gift orders must be placed no later than May 17. Orders received after May 17 will be assessed a late fee. Please return the City Employee Template by email to Anna DeBusk (<mailto:adebusk@lkm.org>) at your convenience.

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