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1 | Legislative Updates, Session Review Webinar

Legislative Session Ending Soon...

From all indications, the 2017 Legislative Session will wrap up in the next 24 hours. Our legislative staff are still working with legislators as they finish the final items needed before the session can be finished. We are specifically watching issues related to the State Water Plan, KPERS funding and transportation funding. When the legislature wraps up and your representatives and senators head home, please make sure to contact them and let them know you appreciate their work.

The League is offering a legislative review webinar on June 27 at 10:30 a.m. for members to join to hear about specific legislation and actions that will impact cities. Sign up today (<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7792930882081477634>); the webinar is free and limited to 100 members.

2 | Conference Registration is Now Open!

The League is excited to announce that registration for the 2017 Annual Conference has opened! Full conference details, including hotel reservation information may be found <http://www.lkm.org/page/AnnualConference> (<http://www.lkm.org/page/AnnualConference>).

Today, cities must be nimble, agile and ready to pivot quickly to address internal and external demands. Kansas cities face unprecedented challenges on many levels – financial challenges, aging infrastructure, citizen engagement, maintaining quality personnel, and the general feeling of doing more with less. That’s why this year’s theme of resilience is an exceedingly important skill for leaders of our organization. Join us in Wichita, September 16-18, to find out how cities can take steps to improve adaptability and create viable, sustainable communities that survive and thrive in today’s challenging local government environment. View our conference registration guide with session topics online (http://www.lkm.org/resource/resmgr/docs/annual_conference/2017_Conference/Interactive-PDF.pdf).

Stay tuned over the next few weeks, where we’ll highlight various workshops and our keynote session – we can’t wait to see you in Wichita!

3 | League Policy Committees Now Forming

Since our founding in 1910, advocating on behalf of the cities in Kansas has been a core function of the League of Kansas Municipalities. Our positions on key issues are guided by the Statement of Municipal Policy (<https://lkm.site-ym.com/page/SMP>) (SMP) which is amended and adopted annually by the Convention of Voting Delegates. Decisions about positions on specific pieces of legislation are made by the elected League Governing Body.

Participation by member cities is critical to our ultimate success as an advocate for municipal interests. All city officials from League member cities are invited to participate on a policy committee. Read more about our policy process and sign up for a policy committee today (<http://www.lkm.org/page/policyprocess>).

4 | League Webinar Reminders

The League is pleased to announce two new webinars. On June 20, the Johnson County Manager’s public information staff will present on Engaging & Educating Voters About Ballot Initiatives Using Social Media (register online (<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4456842178820223745>)) and on July 17 Alan Conroy, Executive Director with KPERS will co-present a webinar with League staff on KPERS and changes made this legislative session (register online

(<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5363127832154304001>)).

5 | LAST CHANCE! Personnel Management MTI – Register Today!

Our MTI on Personnel Management for June 14 and 15 is next week! The League's June Municipal Training Institute will focus on a popular subject – personnel management. This course covers the basics of personnel management in today's changing municipal workplace. Topics include: hiring and firing, discrimination and harassment, and personnel policies and guidelines. IIMC credit for those seeking their CMC or MMC certification has been requested. The June MTI is offered in two locations: Phillipsburg on June 14 and McPherson on June 15. Register online for the training (https://lkm.site-ym.com/events/event_list.asp). Cost to attend this course is \$75 for members, \$100 for nonmembers. Lunch and materials provided.

6 | KDOT Rail Service Improvement Fund

Effective July 1, 2017, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) will have up to \$5,000,000 available through the State Rail Service Improvement Fund (SRSIF) for railroad rehabilitation, capacity improvement and construction projects. Read the notice online (http://www.lkm.org/resource/resmgr/files/league_news/KDOT_Notice_May_2017.pdf).

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