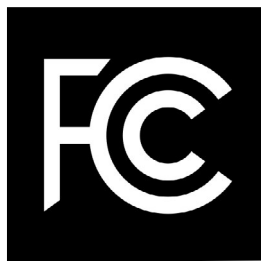




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DID YOU TAKE THE SPEED TEST?

Kansas Farm Bureau (KFB) was recently granted a waiver from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to challenge the legitimacy of coverage maps from various major cellular carriers in Kansas. Although phone carriers say nearly all of Kansas is covered with reliable, fast cell phone coverage, we know that isn't true.

We did a [FacebookLIVE video](#) to show you how to take the speed test, or check out the [Kansas Farm Bureau website](#) for step-by-step instructions. Make sure to send your speed test results to KFB at speedtest@kfb.org after each test.

The data collection period lasts through mid-August. Thank you for your help!

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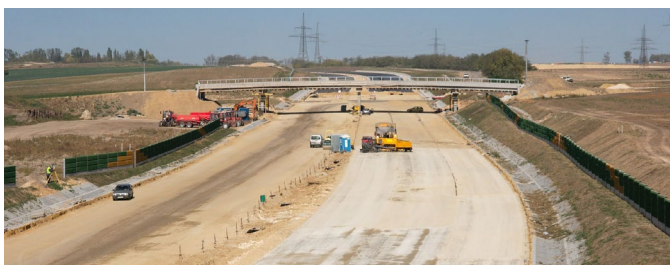
TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE UPDATE

The Joint Legislative Transportation Task Force held its first meeting this week in Topeka on August 6. The Task Force will meet several times over the next few months to discuss transportation needs and issues in Kansas. The [Task Force website](#) has the members listed and the role of the Task Force. The League has two representatives on this Task Force: Jon Daveline, Councilmember, City of Hutchinson and Donald Roberts, Mayor, City of Edgerton. The meetings of the Task Force have been set for the following dates and locations:

- September 6 – Salina
- September 12 – Wyandotte County
- September 20 – Pittsburg
- October 4 – Newton
- October 11 – Garden City
- October 18 – Wichita
- October 24- Hays
- November 8 – Johnson County
- November 9 – Manhattan
- November 28 and 29 – Topeka

Local officials must provide advanced notice if they would like to be on the agenda and provide oral testimony at any of the above meetings. If you wish to submit oral or written testimony to the Task Force, contact the Kansas Legislative Research Department at (785) 296-3181. The [guidelines for submitting testimony are online](#). We strongly encourage League members to attend the Task Force meetings in your area – local government input and discussion is going to be a critical part of this conversation and we want to make sure your insights and comments are heard by the Task Force.

A listing of [transportation publications and articles/information](#) is also available on the KLRD website. Deputy General Counsel [Eric Smith](#) and/or Deputy Director [Trey Cocking](#) are the League's contacts for this Task Force.



KOMA Training for Elected Officials

September 20
Derby | 6-8 p.m.

This 2-hour mini MTI class is tailored for elected officials and is a quick, casual way to get your KOMA basics training!



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CONFERENCE SESSIONS AT-A-GLANCE

Join us October 6-8, 2018 in Topeka for the next League Annual Conference: Ideas Worth Exploring. All conference events will be held at the Capitol Plaza Hotel/Maner Conference Center & Kansas Expocentre. Topics this year include:

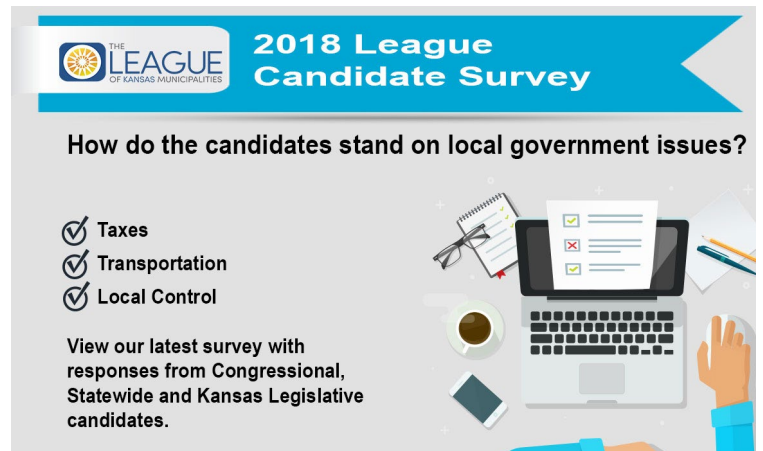
- Creating Successful Staff and Elected Official Relationships
- Why Home Rule Matters
- National League of Cities Federal Advocacy Update
- Using Parks and Recreation to Create Development
- Strategic Planning – Why, When, and How to Start
- Building Your Census 2020 Complete Count Committee
- Cybersecurity Basics for City Officials
- Effective Social Media Strategies for Local Government
- Addressing Sexual Harassment in the Workplace: Policies and Best Practices
- Salary and Workforce Trends at the Local Level



LEAGUE CANDIDATE SURVEYS

Now that the Primary Election is over (with the exception of the results of the Governor's race), attention now turns to the November General Election. After the election canvass is complete, League staff revise our website and the *posted candidate questionnaires* we received from federal and state office candidates. These questionnaires are available to the public. While the League does not endorse candidates, we do want to share this information with you so that you may form your own judgement based on candidates' policy positions to local issues.

For more information about the candidate questionnaire, please contact League Deputy Director *Trey Cocking*. Please share this survey with your colleagues and others interested in local government issues.



KOMA /KORA Training

August 10 - Oakley
August 17 - Concordia
August 24 - Lenexa

