

## Water-Wise Tips

Don't leave the water running when you are brushing your teeth or shaving.

Make sure all outdoor spigots are winterized before it gets too cold.

Insulate hot water pipes to reduce the amount of water that must run in order to get hot water to the faucet.

## Upcoming Events

City Council Meeting  
November 4<sup>th</sup>

Community Thanksgiving  
Feast  
November 14<sup>th</sup>

City Council Meeting  
November 18<sup>th</sup>

Thanksgiving  
November 28<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Tree Lighting  
December 7<sup>th</sup>

Visit the Goddard Library  
website for more events  
[www.goddardlibrary.com](http://www.goddardlibrary.com)



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## Mayor's Message



Hello Friends and Neighbors:

With the holidays fast approaching I know schedules will become hectic, but I want to take one more opportunity to encourage you to get involved with the Goddard Community Plan. Focus group meetings conducted by the Hugo Wall School of Wichita State University will take place in early December (times will be listed on channel 7 and on the city web site). This great city belongs to all of us, and it is important that your thoughts and ideas about the future of this community be heard. Please find a time that works for you, and come share what you think. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to give me a call.

Warmest wishes!! *Marcey*

## City Compost Site- 1206 South 199<sup>th</sup>

Goddard recently received approval from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to open a new yard waste compost site. The site will be free of charge to any resident who wants to dispose of excess grass, leaves, twigs, pine needles, or plants.

Call (316-794-2441) before you drop off yard waste so staff can be prepared to review your load. Please do not leave any trash at the compost site. Site hours are from 8am-3pm on weekdays and on the second Saturday of the month from 9am-12pm.



**YARD WASTE  
ONLY**

## Contact Information

In the Event of an  
Emergency  
Dial 911

City of Goddard  
Hours 8am-4:30pm  
118 North Main  
316-794-2441

Police Non-  
Emergency  
316-794-2051

Goddard Public  
Library  
316-794-8771

Goddard City Pool  
316-794-2644

Chamber of  
Commerce  
316-833-8385

## Government Websites

City of Goddard  
[www.goddardks.gov](http://www.goddardks.gov)

USD 265  
[www.goddardusd.com](http://www.goddardusd.com)

Sedgwick County  
[sedgwickcounty.org](http://sedgwickcounty.org)

State of Kansas  
[www.state.ks.us](http://www.state.ks.us)



# What is the STAR Bond Project?

The City's is excited to participate in the new STAR Bond Project

[www.goddardks.gov/starbond](http://www.goddardks.gov/starbond)

### What is a STAR Bond?

- A STAR (Sales Tax And Revenue) Bond uses the sales tax collected in a defined area to pay for improvements within the area.
- Unlike other types of tax financing such as Transportation Development Districts no additional tax is levied in a STAR Bond District.
- The bonds are paid solely from the sales tax generated within the district.
- The city, county and state forgo collecting the sales tax within the STAR Bond District for use until that time the bonds are paid.
- STAR Bond projects do not require a vote of the citizens.

**It is important to note that the City keeps its portion of any current and new sales tax revenue generated outside of the district within Goddard.**

STAR Bonds are reserved for large-scale projects that are "characterized as a statewide and regional destination, and include a high quality innovative entertainment and tourism attraction.

For a STAR Bond to be approved in the City, Sedgwick County, the Goddard School District, and the Kansas Department of Commerce must approve the project or find that it will not raise your property taxes.

**It is important to note that all taxing jurisdictions continue to collect property taxes on the improvements within the district at their full value.**

STAR Bonds must generate at least \$50 million in taxable sales revenue, and a minimum \$50 million in improvements such as buildings and facilities.

\$50 million in New Appraised Valuation =

- \$875,900 in new property tax revenue for the school district
- \$597,812 in new property tax revenue for the county
- \$351,425 in new property tax revenue for the city
- \$18,750 in new property tax revenue for the state

### The Goddard STAR BOND PLAN INCLUDES:

- Olympic Quality Swimming Complex Operated by the International Swimming Hall of Fame
- 150 Room Class A Hotel with Conference Facility and Water Park
- 8 Lighted Baseball / Softball Fields
- 8 Lighted Soccer / Football Fields
- A Family Entertainment Center
- A Dinosaur Themed Attraction and Education Park
- Retail, Commercial, Dining and More

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND FACTS GO TO:  
[WWW.GODDARDKS.GOV/STARBOND](http://WWW.GODDARDKS.GOV/STARBOND)**