

DE SOTO

KANSAS

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News for Residents

UPCOMING DATES

August 29th - 31st:
De Soto Days

Monday, September 2nd:
City Hall Closed for Labor Day

Monday, Sept. 2nd, 10am - noon:
Doggie Plunge | \$3/ dog

Saturday, September 7th, 8am - noon:
Brush Site Open

Saturday, September 14th, 7:45pm:
Movie @ Miller: Teenage Mutant Ninja
Turtles - Mutant Mayhem

Thursday, September 19th, 7pm:
Revenue Neutral Rate &
Budget Public Hearings

Saturday, September 21st, 8am - noon:
Brush Site Open

Saturday, September 21st, 7pm:
Latin Night Concert @ Riverfest

October 14th:
Halloween at the 'Fest

PARKS & RECREATION

bit.ly/DeSotoKSRecRegistration

Paper Quilling Workshop

Date: August 28th

Time: 6-7:30pm

Ages: Teens and up

Fee: \$10/ person

Register By: August 25th

All Things Apple Demo Workshop

Date: September 23rd

Time: 6-7:30pm

Fee: \$25/ person

Register By: September 20th

Yoga Classes

Date: Tuesday or Thursday
nights in September

Fee: \$9/ 3 classes



ESTIMATED TAX NOTICE & LOWER TAXES

It's budget season for all jurisdictions (i.e. the city, county, school district, state, fire district) which means you should have already received your Johnson County Estimated Tax Notice.

What you need to know:

The Johnson County Estimated Tax Notice is not a bill. It is a personalized estimate for your property, showing the proposed tax rates from all the different taxing entities. To help explain this document, we've created a graphic called "Understanding Your Estimated Tax Notice."

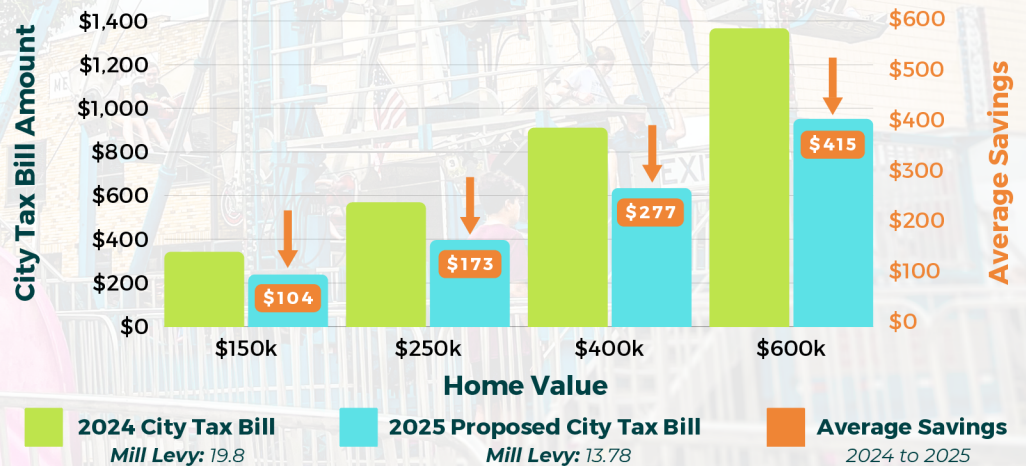
When the estimated tax notices were published, the City "declared an intent to exceed revenue neutral" with a 2025 mill rate of 16.11 - a decrease from last year's 19.80 mills. **This 16.11 mill rate is reflected on your estimated tax notice.** Since this rate was above the revenue neutral rate of 13.78, it triggered a public hearing.

Our 2025 Budget Hearing and Revenue Neutral Rate (RNR) Hearing are on Thursday, September 19th, at 7pm in City Hall.

The initial 16.11 rate already would have lowered the average homeowner's City property taxes by around \$150, but now there's even better news: after refining our 2025 budget projections, the City is now considering a 2025 mill rate of 13.78 mills, which would meet the revenue neutral rate and **result in a savings of \$180 for the average residential property in De Soto!**

The City intends to reduce the City mill rate from 19.71 To 13.78 mills - essentially a **one-third reduction in City property taxes.** This is all possible due to the ongoing economic development in De Soto.

2025 RESIDENTIAL TAXPAYER SAVINGS



Home Value	2024 City Tax Bill	2025 Proposed City Tax Bill	Average Savings
\$150,000	\$342	\$238	\$104
\$250,000	\$569	\$396	\$173
\$400,000	\$911	\$634	\$277
\$600,000	\$1,366	\$951	\$415