



The City of Oklahoma City

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Oklahoma City recognized by Forbes.com

Oklahoma City was named America's most recession-proof city in an article posted on Forbes.com in May. While much of the nation is suffering from a sluggish economy, Oklahoma City was hailed for its falling unemployment rate, strong housing market and continued growth in the agriculture, energy and manufacturing sectors.

"One of the factors contributing to

our strong financial picture is the economic stimulation resulting from MAPS and MAPS for Kids," Mayor Cornett said. "Credit also goes to a strong oil and gas industry and our broad based business community."

Other cities on the top ten list include: San Antonio, Austin, Houston, Charlotte, Dallas, San Jose, Raleigh, Salt Lake City and Seattle.

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action center
297-2535

Call the Action Center to report code violations or find out almost anything you need to know about City government.

All problems reported to the Action Center remain confidential.

JULY EVENTS

Ford Center		235-8288
July 8	Jonas Brothers	
July 17	Foo Fighters	
July 19	Yard Dawgz vs. Tulsa Talons	
July 25	John Mellencamp with Graham Colton	
July 26	Yard Dawgz vs. Amarillo Dusters	
Civic Center Music Hall		297-2264
July 8-12	Swing!	
	Lyric Theatre	
July 22-26	Seven Brides for Seven Brothers	
	Lyric Theatre	
Stage Center		297-2264
June 20 -- July 12	Debbie Does Dallas	
	Carpenter Square Theatre	
Rose State Performing Arts Theatre		297-2264
July 12	Jim Gaffigan, comedian	
July 19	Pimps in the Pulpit	
Myriad Botanical Gardens		235-3700
July 3, 5, 10-12, 17-19, 25, 31	The Three Musketeers	
	Oklahoma Shakespeare in the Park	
July 13	Thanks for Nothing	
	Sunday Twilight Concert Series (FREE)	
July 20	Chris Hicks Band	
	Sunday Twilight Concert Series (FREE)	
July 24, 26	Much Ado About Nothing	
	Oklahoma Shakespeare in the Park	
July 27	Smilin'Vic	
	Sunday Twilight Concert Series (FREE)	



Report high weeds to the City's Action Center

Overgrown property is not only unsightly, but can also create public health and safety problems. If grass and weeds are more than 12 inches high, the City can require owners to cut their lawn. Enforcing the ordinance, however, can be a lengthy process. We must issue legal notices and give the owner an opportunity to mow the property. If the owner doesn't comply, we will hire a contractor to cut the grass. The owner will be charged for the mowing, time and paperwork needed to take care of the problem. Call the Action Center at 297-2535 or log on to www.okc.gov to report high grass and weed violations. Make sure to have the specific address in hand.

Take steps to prevent sewer backups

When a sewer backs up into a home or business, it causes a smelly mess. Here are some steps to take to prevent a backup from happening to you.

- Put meats, fats, oils and grease in the trash, not down the drain. They form fat clogs – the number one cause of sewer backups.
- Plant trees and shrubs away from sewer lines. Roots can clog the line.
- Never connect sump pumps, French drains or other flood control systems to the sewer line.
- Install a backflow valve on your private line to prevent wastewater from reversing its flow and coming into your house.
- If you have a backflow valve, clean it periodically to make sure it works properly when you need it the most.
- Most backups happen in older homes or if the lowest level of the house is downhill from the nearest manhole. Call 297-3334 to find out if you are at risk.

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