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Conway Springs Community Theatre set to perform 'Rogues' Gallery'

CONWAY SPRINGS — A production of “Rogues’ Gallery” will be staged by the Conway Springs Community Theatre. The show times are Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday ay 4 p.m. Both shows are \$5 at the door at the Con-way Springs High School auditorium.

The cast members are Matthias Doffing, Mya Scott, Neal Zoglmann, Annete Berntsen, CJ Ken-nard, Cassie Hall, Sarah Koester, Darren Bishop, Molly Bender and Melissa Doffing. Tamara Salisbury is the director, Melissa Doffing did the costumes and Brandon Salisbury is

doing audiovisual. The show plot revolves around some cardboard boxes that were given to the Rogues’ Gallery. They are a new work of art by Godfrey Nameless, worth \$5 million. On their first day in the gallery, it was destroyed, and the security guards weren’t at their

post. The artist and the city’s biggest art critic are on their way to the gallery, so the guards need to figure out what happened, fast. As they review the security footage, a series of events that unfold are as ridiculous as the story the guards concoct to explain why they didn’t stop it.

Goddard raises guest tax

By Nancy D. Borst
TSnews

GODDARD – Guests staying at Goddard hotels will soon start paying a higher transient guest tax, thanks to action taken at Monday’s Goddard City Council meeting.

The council approved a charter ordinance establishing a new transient guest tax (TGT) rate of 9 percent. The previous rate was 6 percent, which was adopted in 2013. The higher tax rate will become effective 61 days after final publication in the Times-Sentinel, unless a valid protest petition is filed.

This tax is imposed by local governments on transient guests, typically on the rental or rooms or accommodations with it most often collected by hotels, motels and other lodging establishments.

Currently, the majority of this tax in Goddard is paid by guests at the Hampton Inn, which is

located in the STAR bond district. At present, 100 percent of the tax collected in the district must be used to repay STAR bond debt. Once the bonds are paid, then the city will begin seeing revenue from the tax generated by the Hampton. Guest tax collected at The Rodeway Inn Goddard already goes to the city.

The increase will accelerate the bond repayment and free up future TGT revenue for tourism and economic development, according to Craig Crossette, city administrator.

The council also took action on the infrastructure improvements previously approved for the Goddard Galleria. The city has a grant that will pay for \$2 million of improvements, with the remaining costs assessed as specials within the district. The low bidder for these improvements was Pearson Construction.

The city asked bidders for an addendum that

would allow for cement paving, instead of asphalt. Pearson’s bid that included cement paving was \$2,600,672.51. Pearson’s bid with asphalt paving was \$2,345,197.51. The council opted for the cement paving and approved that bid. Contractors would like to start this work in September, Crossette said.

In other business, the council:

- Approved a lease with Foley CAT for lease of a mini excavator and skid steer at an annual cost of \$7,096.41 and \$7,102.25, respectively. The council also approved purchase of a trailer from Sunflower Trailer Sales to haul the equipment at a cost of \$7,825.
- Accepted a bid for phase 2 sanitary sewer, water line and storm water infrastructure of the Bridger from Maple from McCullough Excavating Inc. at a cost of \$2,177,160. All of this cost will be paid via special assessments.

- Approved the sale of general obligation temporary notes to finance a \$1 million loan to a developer, which will be used to purchase property that will be annexed into the city. Due to time constraints and a hard deadline for closing on the property purchase, the council also approved an ordinance that authorizes issuance of the notes.
- Approved the final costs, proposed assessment rolls and notice of public hearing for Arbor Creek Addition/2nd Addition, Big Arm Addition and Goddard Trails End Addition/2nd Addition Phase 1. The public hearing will be held at the Sept. 2 council meeting.
- Accepted petitions for improvements and approved corresponding authorizing resolutions for Willow’s Ridge Addition.
- Approved adopting the 2025 updates to the Standard Traffic Ordinance and Uniform Public Offense Code.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 18

A CHARTER ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPEALING SECTION 3 OF CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 11, WHICH EXEMPTED THE CITY OF GODDARD, KANSAS FROM THE PROVISIONS OF K.S.A 12-1692 THROUGH K.S.A 12-1699 AND PROVIDING SUBSTITUTE AND ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS OF THE SAME SUBJECT RELATING TO THE LEVY OF A TRANSIENT GUEST TAX.

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 12-1692 to 12-1699 authorizes a levy by cities of a transient guest tax, which provisions are not uniformly applicable to all cities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 12, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, cities may exempt themselves from such provisions and provide substitute and additional provisions therefore; and

WHEREAS, the City of Goddard, Kansas adopted Charter Ordinance No. 11 ON August 5, 2013 dealing with said subject.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GODDARD, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. That Section 3 of the City of Goddard, Kansas, Charter Ordinance No. 11, as passed on August 5, 2013, is hereby repealed, effective November 1, 2025, and replaced with the following:

That a transient guest tax of nine percent (9%) shall be levied in the City of Goddard, Kansas, upon the gross rental receipts derived from or paid by transient guests for lodging or sleeping accommodations, exclusive of charges for incidental services or facilities, in any hotel, motel, or tourist court located within the City of Goddard. Such levy shall be effective from and after November 1, 2025.

SECTION 2. This Charter Ordinance shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official city newspaper.

SECTION 3. This is a Charter Ordinance and shall take effect sixty-one (61) days after final publication unless a sufficient petition for referendum held on the ordinance as provided in Article 12, Section 5, Subdivision (c)(3) of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, in which case, the ordinance shall become effective if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

PASSED by the Governing Body of the City of Goddard, Kansas, not less than two-thirds of the members elected voting in favor thereof, on this 4 day of August, 2025.

(SEAL) GEORGE W. LIEBE, MAYOR

ATTEST:
SARAH SIMON, CITY CLERK

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THE CITY OF GODDARD, KANSAS

ORDINANCE NO. 1008

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GODDARD, KANSAS; INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE "STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE FOR KANSAS CITIES," EDITION OF 2025, WITH CERTAIN CHANGES AND ADDITIONS; PRESCRIBING ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS; PROVIDING CERTAIN PENALTIES; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBER 974, AND ALL OTHER CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GODDARD, KANSAS:

Section 1. Incorporating Standard Traffic Ordinance

There is hereby incorporated by reference for the purpose of regulating traffic within the corporate limits of the City of Goddard, Kansas, that certain standard traffic ordinance known as the "Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities," Edition of 2025, prepared and published in book form by the League of Kansas Municipalities, Topeka, Kansas, save and except certain articles, sections, parts or portions as are hereafter omitted, deleted, modified or changed. No fewer than three (3) copies of said Standard Traffic Ordinance shall be marked "Official Copy as adopted by Ordinance No. 1008," with all sections or portions thereof intended to be omitted or changed clearly marked to show any such omission or change and to which shall be attached a copy of this Ordinance, and filed with the City Clerk to be open to inspection and available to the public at all reasonable hours. The Police Department, Municipal Judge and all administrative departments of the City charged with enforcement of the Ordinance shall be supplied, at the cost of the City, such number of official copies of such Standard Traffic Ordinance similarly marked, as may be deemed expedient.

Section 2. Traffic Infractions and Traffic Offenses

(a) A traffic infraction is a violation of any section of this Ordinance that prescribes or requires the same behavior as that prescribed or required by a statutory provision that is classified as a traffic infraction in K.S.A. Supp. 8-2118.

(b) All traffic violations which are included within this Ordinance, and which are not traffic infractions as defined in subsection (a) of this section, shall be considered traffic offenses.

Section 3. Penalty for Scheduled Fines

The fine for violation of an ordinance, traffic infraction or any other traffic offense for which the Municipal Judge establishes a fine in a fine schedule shall not be less than \$10.00 or more than \$500.00. A person tried and convicted for violation of an ordinance, traffic infraction or other traffic offense for which a fine has been established in a schedule of fines shall pay a fine fixed by the Court not to exceed \$500.00. A person tried and convicted for violation of an ordinance, traffic infraction or other traffic offense for which no fine has been established in a schedule of fines shall pay a fine fixed by the Court not to exceed \$2,500.00.

Section 4. Repeal

Ordinance Number 1008 is hereby repealed. All other ordinances or parts of other ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed. However, any section of an existing ordinance not in conflict herewith is not repealed and remains in full force and effect.

Section 5. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the official city newspaper.

Passed by the City Council this 4 day of August, 2025

Approved by the Mayor this 4 day of August, 2025.

/s/ MAYOR, George Liebe

SEAL

ATTEST:
/s/ CITY CLERK, Sarah Simon