



# TOWN OF KENNETH CITY

A SAFE, FRIENDLY SMALL TOWN

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Dear Kenneth City Residents,

## ***Your Ideas, Our Action: Kenneth City's Focus for 2026***

Thank you, Kenneth City residents, for sharing your vision for our Town's future. The recent public dialogue was incredibly enlightening and inspiring. Your feedback has provided a clear, actionable focus for 2026 and beyond.

We heard you loud and clear. The top issues you identified were stormwater, traffic control, televising meetings, community events, and paving. We are excited to announce that we have plans to address all these key areas in the coming year.

### ***Managing Stormwater***

We are working with our Town Engineer to complete a Stormwater Vulnerability Assessment. Additionally, we will be performing stormwater pipe rehabilitation via cured-in-place piping, restoring pipes in specific areas that handle the largest flows during rain events.

### ***Improving Traffic & Pedestrian Safety***

Public safety is a partnership between the community and those who protect it. **We have heard your feedback regarding speeding, and we are taking direct action based on those concerns.** As requested, the radar trailer has been relocated to 58th Street, north of 54th Avenue, and we are on track to purchase a second unit in 2026.

To better serve you, **KCPD** is now utilizing advanced software to identify town-wide traffic patterns, allowing for smarter, data-driven enforcement. This forward-thinking approach by our officers, combined with the upcoming installation of traffic-calming devices in identified areas, reflects KCPD's unwavering focus on our residents' well-being. We appreciate their leadership and their responsiveness to community input as we work together to keep our neighborhoods safe.



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## ***Increasing Transparency***

Transparency is a top priority, and we've listened closely to your feedback on how to achieve it. To provide the most flexible and accessible viewing experience, we are moving forward with a project to **live-stream all Town Hall meetings**. By investing in streaming technology over traditional cable, we are ensuring our meetings are available to all residents—on their porches, in their homes, or on the go. Look for these A/V upgrades to begin early in the new year.

## ***Enhancing Community Events***

Your enthusiasm for more events was clear! In 2026, we will be adding at least two new events to our traditional calendar. Passionate residents are what make these events a success.

## ***Paving Our Roads***

Road improvements are being addressed by severity, starting with the recently approved paving of Lake Charles Drive from 49Ave to 53Ave. To ensure long-term fairness and clarity, we are developing a Pavement Management Plan. This will use LiDAR and data-driven software to score road conditions, creating an objective roadmap for all future improvements.

## ***Our Vision for the Future***

These initiatives are just the beginning. We are also exploring the many other wonderful ideas you shared, such as a walking program, health expos, more park swings, volleyball, an online newsletter, new sprinklers, more Christmas lights, and additional activities for our kids. These are vital to our long-term vision for a thriving Kenneth City.



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## ***Get Involved & Stay Connected!***

Your partnership is what makes our town great. If you would like to volunteer for community events or want to contribute constructive, proposed ideas as we work through solutions together, please reach out!

Sincerely,

**Will Herbert**

**Interim Town Manager**

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