

## PUBLIC NOTICES

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### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WABAUNSEE COUNTY, KANSAS

Case No. WB-2025-PR-000036

**In the Matter of the Estate of Richard B. Michaelis, deceased**  
(Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Trevor C. Michaelis, son and one of the heirs of Richard B. Michaelis, deceased, requesting that descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Wabaunsee County, Kansas:

**Lot Eleven (11), Block 32 McElroy's Addition to the City of Alma, Kansas.**

**Lot Twelve (12), Block Thirty-two (32), McElroy's Addition to the City of Alma**

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death; and that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before December 22nd, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the city of Alma in Wabaunsee County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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## Looking Back At History . . . Greg Hoots

Continued by the Staff of the Wabaunsee County Museum



Our supply of Gus Meier photos never seems to run out, and this one portrays Otto Drebings, a Spanish-American War veteran (circa 1898). He was born in 1875 to William and Mary Drebings who homesteaded a mile and a half northwest of Hessdale. In 1902, Otto married Margaret Kraus (another source says Degenhardt), and he farmed the homeplace until moving to Topeka to work at the Santa Fe shops. Later they moved to Banning, California, where Otto died in a car wreck in 1937. Otto and Margaret now lay at rest in the Holy Family Cemetery in Alma.

Photo courtesy of the Wabaunsee County Historical Society.

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### Eskridge City Park Design (2025)

#### REQUEST FOR BIDS/INVITATION FOR BIDS

##### CITY OF ESKRIDGE, KANSAS CDBG PROJECT 24-PF-003

Sealed bids will be received by the Owner, the **City of Eskridge, Kansas**, at the offices of (110 S Main St. Eskridge KS, 66423) until **3:00 p.m.** local time, on **Wednesday, the 7th of January, 2026** and then publicly opened and read aloud, for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment, and performing all work necessary for completing the **Eskridge Park Improvements**.

In general, the improvements on which bids are requested will require the following **major** construction items:

- Creek Bed Improvements
- Public Bathroom Improvements
- Playground Improvements
- Tennis Court Improvements

Copies of the bid documents including project drawings and technical specifications are on file and may be inspected at the following locations:

- **City of Eskridge City Clerk's Office, 110 S Main St. Eskridge KS, 66423 (785-449-2621).**
- **Alfred Benesch & Company, 2627 KFB Plaza Suite 102W, Manhattan, KS 66503 (785-320-4820)**

A complete set of bid documents can be seen or purchased for a non-refundable fee on-line at [www.drexeltech.com](http://www.drexeltech.com) in their eDistribution plan room. Information regarding this project can be found in the "Public Jobs" link on the [www.drexeltech.com](http://www.drexeltech.com) website. Additional Assistance is available at [distribution@drexeltech.com](mailto:distribution@drexeltech.com). Contractors desiring paper copies of the contract documents may also obtain a set of such documents from Drexel Technologies: 10840 West 86th Street – Lenexa, KS 66214 or @ (913) 371-4430. Bid documents will be shipped only if the requesting party assumes responsibility for all related charges. Corporate, certified or cashier's checks shall be made payable to Drexel Technologies, Inc.

Award of contract will be based on the lowest aggregate sum proposal (for the award option that is in the Owner's best interest based on available Federal Funding) submitted from those bidders that are confirmed as being responsive and responsible. **Contractors bidding shall bid all items.** The right is reserved, by the Owner, to reject any and all bids and to waive any or all irregularities, technicalities, informality or any information in the bids received.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularities therein.

All persons awarded and/or entering into contracts with the Owner shall be subject to and required to comply with applicable county, state and federal provisions pertaining to nondiscrimination, labor standards, equal employment opportunity and affirmative action on public contracts.

The project is being partially funded by Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program managed by the Kansas Department of Commerce. The contractor and their subcontractors on this project will be required to comply with the federal Davis-Bacon Act; Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act; and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. Wage rates paid for construction work shall be at least equal to the prevailing wage rates as determined by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor. The Labor Standards and Wage Rates Determination are included in the Contract Documents. All persons awarded and/or entering into contracts with the Owner shall be subject to and required to comply with applicable county, state and federal provisions pertaining to nondiscrimination, labor standards, equal employment opportunity and affirmative action on public contracts.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and Federal prevailing wage rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3 of the 1968 Housing and Urban Development Act, Segregated Facility, Section 109 of the 1974 Housing and Community Development Act, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 11246 and Buy America Build America Act. Minority Business Enterprises (MBE), Women Business Enterprises (WBE), and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) are encouraged to submit bids for this work.

This project is subject to the Build America, Buy America (BABA) Act, 41 USC 8301 note, and all applicable rules and notices, as may be amended. Absent an approved waiver, all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in this project must be produced in the United States, as further outlined by the Office of Management and Budget's Memorandum M-24-02, "Implementation Guidance on Application of Buy America Preference in Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure."

Contractor shall include Manufacturer's Certification for BABA requirements for all BABA-covered items to be incorporated into the infrastructure project. Contractor shall comply with BABA requirements, including coordination with manufacturers, distributors, and suppliers to correct deficiencies in any BABA documentation.

For any change orders, Contractor shall provide BABA documentation for any new products or materials required by the change.

Contractor shall designate the responsible parties for determining the final categorizations for all project items.

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#### Notice of Budget Hearing for Amending the

##### 2025 Budget

The governing body of

**City of Alma, Kansas**

will meet on the day of December 16, 2025 at 5:45 PM at City Hall for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed amended use of funds.

Detailed budget information is available at City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

#### Summary of Amendments

Fund	2025 Adopted Budget			2025 Proposed Amended Expenditures
	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of Tax that was Levied	Expenditures	
General	24.308	185,992	541,538	591,544
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0

Sherry Smith

Official Title: City Clerk

