

Local Records Retention Schedules

Missouri Revised Statutes Chapter 109 (Public and Business Records) Section 255 authorizes the Local Records Board to establish minimum retention periods for the administrative, fiscal and legal records created by local governments.

Retention and disposition of records that are common to many offices are included in the General Schedule. Records unique to particular offices are addressed in individual office schedules.

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Removed Animal Control Section: 0101, 0102, 0104, 0105, 0107, 0108—Animal Control now has independent schedule

Municipal Records Retention Schedule

See also the General Records Retention Schedule, Ambulance District Records Retention Schedule, Fire District Records Retention Schedule, Hospital and Health District Records Retention Schedule, Library Records Retention Schedule; Police Clerk Records Retention Schedule, County Clerk-Election Authority Records Retention Schedule.

Using this Records Retention Schedule

Every day local government offices throughout Missouri produce records that document the rights of citizens, the actions of the government that serves them and the history of the community in which they live. It is the responsibility of local government to effectively maintain and manage these records and to ensure the continued preservation of those records of essential evidence that have enduring and permanent value.

The introduction to this retention schedule provides local government officials with basic information on records and the application of retention schedules.

What is a Record?

A "**record**" is defined as any "document, book, paper, photograph, map, sound recording or other material, regardless of physical form or characteristics, made or received pursuant to law or in connection with the transaction of official business" (109.210(5) RSMo). This definition includes those records created, used and maintained in electronic form.

Non-Records

Even though records include a broad spectrum of recorded information, not all recorded information is a record. According to Section 109.210(5) RSMo, the following are not records: "...Library and museum material made or acquired and preserved solely for reference or exhibition purposes, extra copies of documents preserved only for convenience of reference, and stocks of publications and of processed documents are not included within the definition of records..."

Other examples of non-records include the following materials:

- Identical copies of documents maintained in the same file.
- Extra copies of printed or processed materials (official copies of which are retained by the office of record).
- Superseded manuals and other directives (maintained outside the office of record).
- Materials documenting employee fringe activities (blood donors, charitable funds, social and professional meetings, etc.)
- Work papers and drafts of reports or correspondence. Transcribed stenographic materials.
- Blank forms.
- Materials received from other activities that require no action (official copies of which are retained by the office of record).
- Catalogs, trade journals and other publications or papers received from government agencies, commercial firms or private institutions that require no action and are not part of an action case record.
- Survey Forms.

Non-records do not require retention scheduling or destruction authorization or reporting. To control excessive accumulation, it is necessary to keep only current, useful materials and to destroy non-records immediately after needs have been satisfied. Avoid filing non-record material with records.

The Value of Local Government Records

Some records, because of their enduring administrative, fiscal, legal or historical value, should be permanently retained. These records require that special care and consideration be given to their storage conditions and the feasibility of preservation microfilming. Examples of permanent records include year-end reports; minutes; property records such as deeds; and birth, death and marriage records. Most records do not have values that warrant their permanent preservation. Those records with short-term value should, upon reaching end of the retention period, be destroyed.

Statutory Authority for Establishing Records Retention Requirements

In 1965, the Missouri General Assembly established a State Records Commission to approve retentions for records produced by state agencies. In 1972, Missouri's Business and Public Records Law (Chapter 109) was expanded to include local government. Thus, the Missouri Local Records Board was established to set retention times for local government records. The 16-member board, chaired by the Secretary of State, consists of local government officials from all classes of counties and cities, elementary and secondary education, higher education and a person active in historical society groups.

Supplemental to the Local Records Board, the Records Management and Archives Service of the Secretary of State's office provides assistance to local governments and implements board policy.

Application of the Records Retention Schedule

This schedule establishes minimum retention periods and authorizes dispositions for many of the administrative, fiscal and legal records common to most local governments. Retention periods are based upon federal and state mandates, record surveys, business needs, and general knowledge as to how long records should be kept. Using the schedule as a guide and without seeking further approval from the Local Records Board, any local government may regularly dispose of any of its records that appear on this schedule. The schedule is subject to the following exceptions and limitations:

- A. Local government offices may retain any of their records beyond the retention periods set by the schedule, as they deem necessary. The schedule establishes only a minimum period of retention. Before retaining a record longer than the minimum time required, however, the office should be certain that it has good reason to do so. Unnecessary retention of records can be expensive in space and filing equipment and may expose the office to costly litigation and discovery requirements.
- B. This schedule does not relieve local governments of retention requirements mandated by other state and federal statutes and regulations. When such an obligation does exist, then the longer retention period takes precedence.
- C. This schedule generally reflects audit requirements in its prescribed retention periods, but audits are not always completed in a timely fashion. Therefore, any record required for an audit must be retained until completion of that audit, regardless of its stated retention period in the schedule.
- D. This schedule does not authorize destruction of records that could be deemed relevant to current or pending litigation.

Retention and disposition of records that are common to many offices are included in the General Schedule.

Records unique to particular offices are addressed in individual office schedules. All schedules are available on the Secretary of State's website at <http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/localrecs/schedules>

Destruction of Records

The records classification and retention periods in this manual constitute legal authority for retention and disposal of official records. No records can be destroyed until they meet the minimum retention period listed in this manual. In cases where there is no schedule for a particular record series, the Local Records Board must grant permission for the destruction.

The disposition of records should be recorded in a document such as the minutes of the city council or other legally constituted authority that has permanent record status. The record should include the description and quantity of each record series disposed of, manner of destruction, inclusive dates covered and the date on which destruction was accomplished.

The retention schedule does not prescribe the method of destruction (shredding, burning, landfills, etc.), however, record series with a disposition of *Destroy securely* contain confidential data. These records should be destroyed under the supervision of a competent person(s) designated (or appointed) to ensure that no records fall into unauthorized hands and that the data cannot be reconstructed.

When records, open or confidential, have been destroyed by decay, vermin, fire, water or other means making their remains illegible, the custodian of records may dispose of the remains after verification and documentation by the Local Records Program, Office of the Secretary of State.

Preservation of Permanent Records

A fundamental, yet often neglected obligation of local government is to care for the permanent records it generates and receives regardless of format. The records, both electronic and physical, that have been identified as permanent require special handling and storage if they are to be preserved. The continuous interaction between a physical record's medium: paper, magnetic tape, film, etc. -and the quality of the environment in which it is kept-temperature, humidity, light, and air-determines the severity and rate of its deterioration. For electronic records the concerns include media decay, hardware/software obsolescence, and migration of data into the current standard: PDF-A, TIF, etc.

By imaging permanently valuable records, local governments can generate durable microfilm for preservation and disaster recovery, while also maintaining an electronic version for access. When microfilmed, processed, and maintained to archival specifications, a master negative will ensure that permanently valuable records are preserved for generations to come (microfilm has an estimated shelf life of over 500 years). Microfilm that meets the standards outlined here is eligible to be stored by the Missouri State Archives at no cost.

The Missouri Local Records Grant program can provide financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid to supplement local funds for preservation initiatives, such as archival supplies, shelving and preservation microfilming.

Reformatting Standards

In accordance with RSMo 109.241.4, the Local Records Board has adopted the following standards for microfilm and digitized records. To be in compliance for image permanence, microfilm must conform to the technical standards outlined in the *Guidelines for Microfilming Public Records*, drafted by the Local Records Program and available on the Secretary of State's website at: <http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/pubs/mfmg>. To ensure the permanence of electronic records and digitized records, electronic records management systems must meet the standards outlined in the most current version of ISO 15489. Certification that records have been reformatted in accordance with these standards should be maintained locally and classified under *General Records Retention Schedule* "GS 018 Records Management Records."

Essential Records

Certain records are so important to the continued operations of a government or to the protection of the rights and property of citizens that the records are considered vital. Essential records require special safeguards to ensure that the information and evidence in the records will survive a disaster.

The best method to safeguard essential records is to store a duplicate copy in another location (i.e., bank vault, off-site private storage, or Secretary of State's Office). In many instances, duplicate copies are created as part of the regular operating routine of the office—security copies on computer tapes, microfilm, or paper copies distributed to other offices or agencies. If these copies and the originals are stored in separate buildings, these essential records are adequately protected.

A Note about Retention Periods

This schedule provides minimum retentions. Local authorities may choose to keep a particular series or record for a longer period of time. It should be kept in mind, however, that a record kept beyond its listed retention must be made available for inspection upon request.

The point at which a retention period begins is termed a cutoff, or trigger. Typically this is on a regular cycle—the end of the calendar year, the end of the fiscal year, etc. This is the period of the inactive record. A traditional example of this would be the period when records are boxed and removed from active file cabinets and work areas.

When determining cutoffs, a good rubric is outlined in DoD 5015.02 "Electronic Records Management Software Applications Design Criteria Standard":

- A. retention periods of less than 1 Year, the cutoff is equal to the retention period;

- B. retention periods of 1 Year, or more, the cutoff is at the end of the fiscal or calendar year;
- C. for records with a retention period based on an event or action, the cutoff is the date the action is completed;
- D. for records with a retention period based on a specific time period after an event or action, apply the retention period after the action is complete.

Retention Definitions:

COA=Completion of Audit. Note that COA is coupled with a lot of 5-year entries to help encourage regular audits. Not all jurisdictions are required to have audits by statute. Audits for some municipalities are governed by the level of federal financing for bonds and public improvements, and thus are governed by federal retentions. Most municipalities are governed by their local authority (alderman, council, mayor, etc.) for auditing policy. Local jurisdictions may consult RSMo 29 to review the State Auditor's chapter for petition audits (see RSMo 250 for large capital projects such as bonds for water and sewer). For general auditing explanations and advice we recommend that clerks contact the State Auditor's office at 573.751.4213.

DCA=Destroy in Current Area/Reference. Series with these retentions are considered "reference" records and may be destroyed when they are no longer of use.

Modifications and Additions

Because records reflect activities that are constantly changing, the retention requirements for them sometimes require revision as well. Consequently, records retention and disposition schedules often need modification or additions in order to be realistic and effective. Furthermore, because local governments are so large, it is impractical to consult with every office regarding specific schedule entries. There may be some retention periods and disposition requirements within this schedule that fail to account for all relevant factors and there may be some important record series not addressed here which need to be added. The Local Records Program welcomes all comments and suggestions concerned with improvement of record retention schedules through modifications and additions.

For further information on any records management or preservation issue, please contact:

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 Local Records Preservation Program
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Municipal Records Retention Schedule

Administrative Records

0001

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Accident Report Files

Reports describing accidents involving city employees resulting in personal injury

May include copies of Workers' Compensation claims

5 years after case concluded

Destroy securely

0003

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Annexation Records

Records used to annex property into city boundaries

May include correspondence, petitions, maps, surveys, and official annexation action.

6 years after recorded in minutes

Destroy

0008.2

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Budget Adjustments

Records documenting the transfer of or supplemental appropriation to departmental monies during the fiscal year

5 years

Destroy

0012

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

City Seal

Records documenting the current and past city seals

Permanent

Archive; microfilm for preservation

0015.1

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Maintenance Guarantee Bonds (Private Development)

Term of contract plus term of bond plus 4 years

Destroy

0020

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Employee Suggestion Forms

Records for suggestions by employees for programs, awards, or administrative action

Destroy when no longer of administrative value

Destroy

0022

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Franchises: Utilities, Cable TV, etc.

Records regarding franchises granted by the city to utility companies or other non-public organizations permitting them to provide services within the city. NOTE: ESSENTIAL RECORDS: see introduction for further guidance

Expiration/cancellation of franchise plus 5 years

Destroy

0024

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Historic Preservation Files

Records relating to historical preservation programs and projects in the city, be it individual historical structures or a district of the city

May include correspondence, plans, studies, progress reports, and grant records

Permanent for historical purposes

Archive; microfilm for preservation

0028

Note:

Land Trust Property Record

Removed, see General Records Retention Schedule, GS 103 Land Trust Property Records

0029

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Landfill Files

City Dump Records

Records dealing with the conception, implementation, and running of the city landfill

May include studies, costs, appraisals, testing, regulations, applications and reports of local, state, or federal agencies

Permanent

Archive; microfilm for preservation

0029a

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Landfill Files Certificate of Insurance

Records to verify that a hauler has insurance coverage and indicates the amount of coverage; submitted annually by the company and have an annual expiration date

5 years

Destroy

0030

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Landfill Fee Records

Daily Solid Waste Record; Solid Waste Tonnage Fee Form

Documents the quantity of waste material subject to fees, the dollar amount of fees collection, the collection costs incurred and the total dollar amount of waste tonnage fees.

May include: time shipment received or sent, name of individual or company transporting, type of waste, name and address of disposal area to which waste is transported, payment received or due.

3 Years

Destroy

See RSMo 260.330; 10 CSR 80-2.80

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0039

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Petitions

Petitions signed by citizens requesting action by the city on issues of concern

May include petitions of initiative, referendum, recall, vacation of public rights of way, etc.

5 years, retain vacation of public rights of way with ordinances

Destroy

0043

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Proclamations

All official proclamations issued by the mayor, board, or council

1 year after recorded in official minutes, if not in minutes, retain permanently

Destroy those records not permanent, archive and microfilm those that are permanent

0048

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Index of Files

Index relating to all city files, often organized by major categories of records

Permanent

Archive

0054

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

County Recording (official): Plats, Ordinances, Contracts, etc.

Register of official recording activity with County Recorder and Secretary of State. NOTE: ESSENTIAL RECORDS - see introduction for further guidance

Permanent

Archive

0057

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Lost and Found

List of articles turned into the office

Date found, date released or other disposition

5 years, including audit

Destroy

Candidacy Records

Also Called: Declaration of Candidate for Nomination; Declaration of Intent of Write-in Candidate; Candidate Withdrawal; Filing Fee Receipt
Note: Located on the Election Authority Schedule, 028.009

Animal Control Records

0101

Also Called:
Function:
Content:

Animal Bite Records

Records documenting any animal biting incident
May include type of animal inflicting the bite, animal's owner, animal's history, name and address of patient, date bitten, location of wound, attending physician, treatment and results of observation of animal for signs of rabies
Note: See Animal Control Schedule
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0102

Also Called:
Function:
Content:

Animal Control Cards

Records documenting the history of every animal received at the shelter
May include record of capture, identifying information, animal's condition, whether animal is claimed or unclaimed, and disposition of the case
Note: See Animal Control Schedule
Approval Date: Removed August 28, 2024

0104

Also Called:
Function:

Investigation Logs and Reports

Content:
Note:
Approval Date:

Chronological record of investigations of incidents and cases handled by animal control officers
May include location of capture, action taken, case number, and by who case was initiated
Note: See Animal Control Schedule
Approval Date: Removed August 28, 2024

0105

Also Called:
Function:
Content:
Note:
Approval Date:

Pet and Animal Licenses or Permits

Dog License
Records documenting all licensed animals in the city
Note: See Animal Control Schedule
Approval Date: Removed August 28, 2024

0107

Also Called:
Function:
Content:
Note:
Approval Date:

Animal Control Enumeration Records

Periodic count and registration of all animals and pets in the city subject to immunization and licensing
Note: See Animal Control Schedule
Approval Date: Removed August 28, 2024

0108

Also Called:
Function:
Content:
Note:
Approval Date:

Ownership Verification Records, Animals

Records necessary to reclaim an animal when a summons has been issued
Note: See Animal Control Schedule
Approval Date: Removed August 28, 2024

Building Codes Records

0205

Note:
Approval Date:

Certificates of Occupancy File

Removed to General Records Retention Schedule GS 120
August 24, 2022

0207

Note:
Approval Date:

Dangerous Building File

Removed to General Records Retention Schedule GS 121
August 24, 2022

0208

Note:
Approval Date:

Monthly Reports of Building Permits Issued File

Removed to General Records Retention Schedule GS 122
August 24, 2022

0210

Also Called:
Function:

Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Standardized Building Codes

Printed code books containing standard codes used in the enforcement of building construction by city building inspectors

Permanently as revised and updated - for administrative, legal, and historical purposes
Destroy

0211

Also Called:
Function:
Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Street Address Log

Street Information Card; Street Number Locator Book
Master list of current streets and house numbers
May include street number and lot number
Until superseded or no longer needed for reference
Destroy

0215

Note:
Approval Date:

Certificate of Compliance: Building Codes

Removed to General Records Retention Schedule GS 124
August 24, 2022

0217

Note:
Approval Date:

Building Code Inspection and Enforcement File

Removed to General Records Retention Schedule GS 123
August 24, 2022

Cemetery Records

0303

Note:
Approval Date:

Cemetery Register

Removed to General Records Retention Schedule GS 109
August 21, 2018

0304

Note:
Approval Date:

Deed Books

Removed to General Records Retention Schedule GS 110
August 21, 2018

0305

Note:
Approval Date:

Interment Record Cards

Removed to General Records Retention Schedule GS 111
August 21, 2018

Financial and Accounting Records**0704**

Also Called:
Function:

Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Bank Loans Files

Records documenting outstanding financial obligations incurred by the city in the form of bank loans

Until cancellation of loan plus 5 years
Destroy

0706

Also Called:
Function:

Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Bonds and Coupons

Records documenting retired individual bonds and their coupons

5 years after cancellation date, plus completion of an outside audit
Destroy

0706.1

Also Called:
Function:

Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Bonds and Coupons: City Reconciliation Files

For registered and non-registered bonds, records of individual issue statements from the bank, combined with municipal working papers used to reconcile the payment of bonds to the general ledger

10 years after final maturity of bond issue
Destroy

0707

Also Called:
Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Bonds Issued

Records relating to the financing of municipal projects through bonded indebtedness;
NOTE: ESSENTIAL RECORDS: see Introduction for further guidance

May include proposals, audits, correspondence, signed contracts pertaining to the project, and the original financial instruments or copies of them including bond transcripts, affidavits of publications, and ordinances authorizing the sale of the bonds
10 years after final maturity; Rejected Proposals, 5 years
Destroy

0713

Also Called:
Function:

Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Depreciation Schedules File

Records that document the useful life of city-owned equipment and property for capital equipment budgeting and other financial planning and control purposes

Life of equipment plus 3 years
Destroy

0714a

Note:
Approval Date:

Financial Disclosure (non campaign)

Removed to General Schedule GS 129 Financial Interest Statement Records
August 23, 2023

0717

Also Called:
Function:

Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Journal Entries, Journal Vouchers

Records of adjustments to financial accounts and created in order to balance the city's books; NOTE: ESSENTIAL RECORDS: see Introduction for further guidance
May include debits, credits, reason for adjustment, date, and amount
5 years
Destroy securely

0718

Also Called:
Function:
Content:

Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Motor Fuel Usage Reports File

Documentation of gasoline, oil, and diesel fuel used by city vehicles
May include logs or other records documenting miles on city motor vehicles, gallons of fuel used, person taking fuel, department of vehicle, and bills or invoices
5 years
Destroy

0720

Also Called:
Function:

Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Street Paving File: Special Assessment Files

Records used to account for street paving funds, verifying revenue contributions from citizens
May include street, property owner's name, amount due, and date of paving
5 years after last collection
Destroy

0730a

Also Called:
Function:

Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Victory Tax Withholding Record

This was a World War II-era record and is no longer generated
5 years
Destroy
Obsolete record series

0734a

Also Called:
Function:

Content:
Minimum Retention:
Disposition:
Note:
Approval Date:

Convention and Tourism Tax Return

Records documenting all tourism tax collected from food establishments and hotel/motels covered by a municipal convention and tourism ordinance
May include quarterly, monthly, and quarterly-monthly returns showing gross receipts, gross adjustments, calculated taxable sales and penalties, interest due, amount due, and amount paid
5 years
Destroy

0742

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Ad Valorem Tax Records

Listing of merchants and manufacturers or professional establishments for purposes of collecting certain taxes; record has been discontinued

6 years

Destroy

0743

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Building Inspection Sheet File

Copies of building permits used for appraisal purposes based on property improvements

5 years

Destroy

0745

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Delinquent Tax Report Files

Record showing residents who owe delinquent real estate and personal property taxes to the city

May include name, legal description of property, amount due, amount paid, penalty, interest, and Certificate of Redemption

6 years except certificate of redemption, which need only be retained 2 years

Destroy

0746

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Earnings Tax Records

Records that document earnings taxes collected from residents and employees who work within the city limits; collected in certain cities

May include Employees Quarterly Report of Taxes withheld and information such as W-

5 years including audit

Destroy securely

0747

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Personal Property Tax Records

A record of residents who owe city taxes on personal property

May include name, property, assessed value, and amount owed

6 years; evaluate for historical purposes

Destroy

0747.1

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Intangible Property Tax

Records associated with financial institution tax or other types of intangible property taxation.

May include name, taxes levied and payments made.

6 years

Destroy securely

0747.2

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Poll/Road Tax

A list of residents in certain road districts or areas that owe taxes or labor for road improvements

May include name, address, district, and amount of tax paid or labor done

Permanent (this record is no longer generated and is a historic record)

Archive, microfilm for preservation

0748

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Real Property Transfer Slips

Records from the assessor and collector relating to the transfer of property from an individual or company to another individual or company

3 years

Destroy

0749

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Real Estate Tax Records

Records documenting the collection of real estate taxes from city residents

May include name, property description, valuation, taxes owed, date paid, amount paid, copies of building inspection and permit records which have altered the value of the property or cross-reference notations to such files, and possibly records relating to circuit breaker provisions for those who qualify

6 years; evaluate for historical purposes

Destroy

0750

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Special Tax Assessments

Records pertaining to special tax assessments for road, street, sewer connection services, etc. where the property owner may be charged for certain improvements of services

6 years after due date and final payment

Destroy

0752

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Tax Anticipation Notes

All records relating to tax anticipation

5 years

Destroy

0753

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Tax Assessment Files

Records relating to assessments for real estate taxes

May include name, property description, and working papers used to arrive at assessed valuation

6 years including audit

Destroy

0753a

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Withholding Coupons, RD 130

Vouchers used in Kansas City when taxpayers remit withholding tax payments
May include name, FID number, account number, tax period, and amount of payment;
coupons are later compiled and reconciled on other forms (RD 110 and 113) which are
kept for 5 years

1 year

Destroy

0756

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Bonds: Performance/Capital Projects

Term of bond plus 10 years

Destroy

0756.1

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Performance Bond (Private Development of Streets, Sidewalks, Sewers, etc.)

5 years

Destroy

0757

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Bonds: Maintenance Guarantee (Capital projects)

Term of contract statute of limitations

Destroy

0758.1

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Bond For Lost Checks or Warrants

Documents that support the reissuance of payment to cover lost or stolen city issued
checks or warrants

May include statements by payees that they have not received or have not cashed the
check or warrant in question, as well as a notice to stop check or payment

5 years

Destroy securely

0764

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Surplus Property

Surplus Personal Property; Surplus Real Property

Records pertaining to property owned by the city that has been declared surplus

May include declarations, advertisements, notices, and transfer papers

5 years

Destroy

0767

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Drivers Listing (Fee Office)

A daily listing of all transactions pertaining to drivers licenses; this is a copy of the original sent to the Department of Revenue

2 years

Destroy

0768

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Audit Copies (Fee Office)

Copies of title applications and license renewals; originals are a permanent record in the Department of Revenue

2 years

Destroy

0769

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Rejections (Fee Office)

Notice of correction required from the Department of Revenue concerning an error on an original transaction

2 years

Destroy

0770

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Daily Report Sheet (Fee Office)

Internal planning report combining motor vehicle and drivers information

As long as has reference value

Destroy

0772

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Refuse Rebate Application

Requests made by apartment complex owners to obtain reimbursement by the city for private refuse collections

5 years after application becomes inactive

Destroy

0773

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Data Entry Coding

Record of transactions to be entered in computer database files (used for updating files such as financial accounting maintenance)

5 years after all defects have been corrected

Destroy

0774

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Remittance Advices

5 years

Destroy

0801

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Food Handler Inspection Records

5 years after approved inspection

Destroy

Parks and Recreation Records**1001**

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Maintenance: Parks, Parkways, and Recreation Areas

5 years

Destroy

Forestry and Landscaping Records**1010**

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Tree and Shrub Planting and Maintenance File

Records describing the planting and maintenance of trees and shrubs on city-owned property

May include tree and shrub location, type, date of planting, and maintenance

Permanent as updated or revised

Destroy outdated material

1011

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Horticulture/Greenhouse Planting and Maintenance File

Records describing short-lived annuals and perennials planted on city-owned property

May include plant location, type, date of planting, and maintenance

3 years

Destroy

Plans and Zoning**1201**

Note:

Development (Land) and Applications

Removed to General Schedule, see GS 112 Development and Zoning Requests--August 25, 2020

1202a

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Field Notes (Survey)

Written records, usually involving legal descriptions, accompanying surveys of property within the city limits

May include legal description of property, date of survey, and name of surveyor

Permanent

Archive; microfilm for preservation

1203

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Note:

Approval Date:

Rezoning Requests

Application for Zoning Determination

Applications for rezoning

May include surveys, correspondence, petitions, and meeting minutes

Removed to General Schedule, see GS 112 Development and Zoning Requests--August 25, 2020

Revised August 19, 2014

1204

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Note:

Approval Date:

Variance Requests: Building and Zoning Requirements

Applications for variance and supporting documents

May include surveys, correspondence, petitions, and meeting minutes

Removed to General Schedule, see GS 112 Development and Zoning Requests--August 25, 2020

Revised August 19, 2014

1205

Note:

Zoning Violations: Written Notice (Citation)

Removed to General Schedule, see GS 113 Zoning Violations--August 25, 2020

1206

Also Called:

Note:

Zoning Notices From County

Written Notice of Public Hearing

Removed to General Schedule, see GS 022 Public Notice Records--August 25, 2020

Public Works Records (Streets, Sewer, Refuse, Etc.)**1301**

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Engineering Drawings and Blueprint File

As-built engineering drawings and blueprints of all facilities owned or managed by the city NOTE: ESSENTIAL RECORDS: See Introduction for further guidance

May include maps of streets, highways, water lines, sewage treatment plants, utilities, and other municipal facilities

Permanent

Archive; microfilm for preservation

1302

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Laboratory Reports: Sewage, Water, Etc.

Bacteriological Reports, Bact-Ts

Results of tests done on waste water and filtered water regulated by the city

5 years

Destroy

1303

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

State and Federal Compliance Reports: Waste Water Treatment Plant

Reports filed with state and federal agencies monitoring the city's compliance with government regulations

May include applications, recycling permits and reports, water treatment permits and reports, and other permits for solid waste and sewage treatment lagoon processes

5 years

Destroy

1304

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Sewage Treatment Monitoring Reports

Records used to monitor and report on the operations of the city sewage treatment plant and sewage treatment lagoons

May include lab reports and amounts of waste processed by the system

5 years

Destroy

1306

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Street Paving Log Book

Provides a record of street maintenance

May include a summary of streets paved listing street name, material used, cost, date, and other related information

10 years after last entry in book

Destroy

1317

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

City-owned Buildings Plan

May include plans and specifications for city buildings

Life of structure; evaluate for historical value

Destroy

1317a

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Structure Inventory and Appraisal Sheet

Permanent and update for the life of the inventory

Destroy

1318

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Equipment, Public Works Check In/Out Cards

Record of municipal public works equipment temporarily removed on a regular or periodic basis from its authorized place of storage

Possibly may include type of vehicle or equipment, name of person checking it out, time of check-out, time returned, and any problems experienced

2 years

Destroy

1322

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Street Design Improvement Files

Reports used to assess cause of accidents on city streets and make street design improvements in order to reduce accidents

May include collision diagrams showing time, direction of approach, weather, type of accident, pavement, accident severity, time of year, type of vehicle, and related documents

5 years

Destroy

1323

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Backflow Prevention Testing Records

Documents tests to check for water contamination

5 years

Destroy

Department of Natural Resources mandated test, see 10 CSR 60-11

August 28, 2012

Special Facilities Records**1401**

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Event Files

Records relating to the leasing of municipal facilities to various groups

May include scheduling, license checklist, equipment rental requests and invoices, contracts, licenses, seating charts, floor plans, work orders, and sales and service reports

5 years after expiration or cancellation of lease

Destroy

1402

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Special Facilities Regulations

City, state, and federal regulations unique to the operation of a municipally owned facility

5 years

Destroy

1403/1404

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Facility Event and Recreation Program Scheduling and Reservation File

5 years

Destroy

1405

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Schedule of Admission and Use Fees and Charges

5 years after superseded

Destroy

1406

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Trust Fund and Event Control Card

Record of total projected amount of rental fee paid by lessee of city-owned facilities, which is held in a trust fund until completion of contract; account is closed after funds are transferred to the city

5 years

Destroy

Transportation and Transit Records**1501**

Note:

Approval Date:

Bus Route Planning File

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 200

August 21, 2019

1502

Note:

Approval Date:

Charter Bus Service Files

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 201

August 21, 2019

1503

Note:

Approval Date:

Daily Bus Passenger Reports / Drivers Daily Checklist

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 202

August 21, 2019

1504

Note:

Approval Date:

Transit Operation Receipts Summary Reports

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 203

August 21, 2019

1506

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Traffic Signals Intersection File

Records related to traffic planning

May include studies, drawings of traffic controllers and intersections, signal permits, timing progressions, and turning count totals used for traffic control

10 years

Destroy

Airport Records**1507**

Note:

Approval Date:

Airports and Aviation Regulations

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 100

August 21, 2019

1508*Note:**Approval Date:***Airports: Crash Rescue Operations**

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 101

August 21, 2019

1509*Note:**Approval Date:***Airport Safety Officer's Reports and Logs**

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 102

August 21, 2019

1510*Note:**Approval Date:***Security Gate Entrance Application and Card File**

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 103

August 21, 2019

1511*Note:**Approval Date:***Screening Activities Report**

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 104

August 21, 2019

1512*Note:**Approval Date:***Airport Condition and Inspection Reports**

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT105

August 21, 2019

1513*Note:**Approval Date:***Airport Pavement Maintenance Survey Records**

Removed to Multimodal and Transit Schedule—MMT 106

August 24, 2010; Moved August 21, 2019

Utilities (Gas, Electric, Water, Steam)**1601***Also Called:**Function:**Content:**Minimum Retention:**Disposition:**Note:**Approval Date:***Cathode Protection File**

Records created and used in maintaining metal pipes

May include installation documents of anodes, test stations, rectifiers, and ground beds

Until superseded or obsolete

Destroy

Cathodic protection is a technique used to control surface corrosion for water and gas pipelines

Revised, August 20, 2013

1602*Also Called:**Function:**Content:**Minimum Retention:**Disposition:**Note:**Approval Date:***Customer Account File**

Account Card File

Records showing a billing and payment history of all customers using city utilities

May include customer name and address, date account was opened, consumption, billing and payment history, date of account closure

5 years after last entry

Destroy securely

Revised August 24, 2022

1603

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Customer Service Deposit File

A record of whether a resident paid a utility deposit, and amount
May include customer name, address, account number, amount of deposit for connection, bills owed, cash stubs, book listings, and refunds of deposits for service terminations

2 years after deposit is refunded

Destroy

1604

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Electricity Purchase Reports

Transportation Charge; Wheeling Charge

Records showing daily and monthly electricity purchased to meet demand

May include invoice for transportation charge, capacity charge and total energy charge in megawatts, kilowatts and dollars

5 years

Destroy

Revised, August 20, 2013

1605

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Filter Plant Files

Monitoring data relating to the operation of the city filtration plant

May include daily logs, reports, lab and test reports, test results, quality control procedures, etc.

3 years

Destroy

1606

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Federal Reports: Gas System

Reports filed with the U. S. Department of Transportation documenting the number of miles of gas mains in the system

May include description of pipe system, extent of cathodically protected system, number of leaks in mains, and services performed during the year

20 years

Destroy

1607

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Gas Leak File

Leak Repair Records; Line Break Records; Leakage Survey; Line Patrol Record; Gas Line Inspection Record

Records documenting any leaks and repairs made to the gas line; report required for federal reporting compliance purposes

For records relating to leaks, inspections and repairs of transmission lines, Service Life of Line; For feeder lines, mains, service lines and other records, 6 Years

Destroy

See 4 CSR 240-40 (13)(F)

Revised, August 20, 2013

1608

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Gas Purchase Reports

Records documenting the quantity of natural gas purchased from distributors and used in the municipal gas system

5 years

Destroy

1609

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Gas Tap Records

Gas Work Orders

Work orders used to initiate gas service with new customers

Until superseded

Destroy

1610

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Meter Books

Record documenting consumption statistics gathered when meters are read

May include make of meter, size, number, street, customer's name and address, readings, etc.

5 years

Destroy

1611

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Meter Reading Summary Reports

Monthly summary of meter readings by customer account number for utility consumption

May include old and new readings and actual consumption

5 years

Destroy

1612

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Odorant Usage Reports

A compliance report filed with the Department of Transportation tracking odorants added to natural gas

May include odor level sampling reports, rectifier readings, and inspections which record levels of odorant

5 years

Destroy

1614

Also Called:

Function:

Content:

Minimum Retention:

Disposition:

Note:

Approval Date:

Service Interruption Records

Service Interruption Log Book

Records documenting the interruption of utility services

May include date of incident, name of person reporting, location, actions taken, and result

3 Years

Destroy

Revised, August 20, 2013

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