

## **1st Quarter Issues (Jan-March) / Program List / KCPT 2024**

**KCPT (Kansas City PBS) has decided that the top 6 topics that best address the needs of our community are health, education, entrepreneurship, culture, science, and local news & politics.**

**Program: Kansas City Week in Review**

**Air Date: Friday @7 January 5, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

Nick Haines, Mary Sanchez, Brian Ellison, Eric Wesson and Dave Helling discuss Kansas City's homicide epidemic which set a new record in 2023 and has no end in sight as police and elected leaders struggle to find solutions, the lingering questions about location and financing for a new stadium deal, new laws in Kansas and Missouri and Parson's push for restrictions on Missouri farmland purchases.

**Program: Kansas City Week in Review**

**Air Date: Friday @7 January 12, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

Nick Haines, Dia Wall, Kris Ketz, Eric Wesson and Dave Helling discuss lingering questions about the stadiums for the Royals and Chiefs ahead of April's vote to extend a sales tax for the teams, Missouri's push to remove Biden from the presidential ballot if any state removes Trump, Governor Laura Kelly's State of the State address and Jackson County considering a move to an elected tax assessor.

**Program: Kansas City Week in Review**

**Air Date: Friday @7 January 19, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

Nick Haines, Mary Sanchez, Brian Ellison, Pete Mundo and Dave Helling discuss the process and relevancy of selecting presidential candidates in Kansas and Missouri, the response to the Crown Center shooting, Missouri lawmakers pushing to eliminate the earnings tax, proposed limits on landfills, debate over tax rates in Kansas, new Kansas abortion bill, Mike Parson's legacy and World Cup questions.

**Program: Kansas City Week in Review**

**Air Date: Friday @7 January 26, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

Nick Haines, Mary Sanchez, Micheal Mahoney, Eric Wesson and Dave Helling discuss the stadium tax veto and override and the long list of lingering questions that need answers before voters decide, reconsidering the free bus and the pros and cons of bringing back fares, reaction to final State of the State address by Gov. Mike Parson and the College Baseball Hall of Fame announcing its move to OP.

**Program: Kansas City Week in Review**

**Air Date: Friday @7 February 2, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

Nick Haines, Lisa Rodriguez, Eric Wesson, Brian Ellison and Dave Helling discuss the Chiefs return to the Super Bowl and resulting celebratory gunfire, the World Cup news, the response to a particularly bad pothole season, Mayor Lucas' State of the City address, the passing of Operation Breakthrough's Sister Berta and former U.S Senator Jean Carnahan & MO's Amendment to restrict petition process.

**Program: Kansas City Week in Review**

**Air Date: Friday @7 February 9, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

Nick Haines, Dana Wright, Scott Parks, Kevin Holmes, and Dave Helling discuss Kansas City's Super Bowl mania, the record-breaking Bobby Witt Jr. contract, the latest updates and lingering questions in the stadium tax discussion, the 2026 World Cup prep, how sports impact local businesses, the State of the City address by Mayor Quinton Lucas and the border crisis response in Missouri and Kansas.

**Program: Flatland**

**Air Date: Thursday @7 February 15, 2024**

**Duration: 30 Minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion/Documentary**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: D Rashaan Gilmore**

In 2025, the prolonged KC Streetcar expansion from Union Station to the Plaza is expected to begin moving passengers. KC's midtown businesses and residents may see associated cost of living increases as

new development concludes and ridership begins on the extension. This month, Flatland in Focus analyzes the costs and examines the benefits and drawbacks for developers and the midtown community.

**Program: Kansas City Week in Review**

**Air Date: Friday @7 February 16, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

Nick Haines, Mary Sanchez, Brian Ellison, Pete Mundo and Dave Helling discuss the mass shooting at the Chiefs championship parade and how it could have lasting implications for future KC events and developments, the absence of political will to address gun violence in a meaningful way, the announcement about the location for a new Royals stadium and Independence's bid for stadium if tax fails.

**Program: Kansas City Week in Review**

**Air Date: Friday @7 March 15, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

Nick Haines, Betsy Webster, Kevin Collison, Eric Wesson and Brian Ellison discuss the historic opening of CPKC Stadium and complaints about limited and expensive parking, Crossroads business owners voicing concerns about the impact of the proposed downtown stadium, why Johnson County GOP is under fire for a fundraiser and questions about the St. Patrick's Day parade in wake of Super Bowl shooting.

**Program: Flatland**

**Air Date: Thursday @7 March 21, 2024**

**Duration: 30 Minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion/Documentary**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: D Rashaan Gilmore**

The Truman Sports Complex, home to KC's Royals and Chiefs, opened to the public 50 years ago. Now the teams have a new vision for their future and voters must decide whether to support that vision with tax dollars. Flatland in Focus takes a look at the likely impact this plan will have on the locations proposed by the Royals and what current residents and businesses would like to see come with it.

**Program: The Stadium Tax Debate | Kansas City Royals and Chiefs**

**Air Date: Friday @7 March 22, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

In partnership with Kansas City Public Library and American Public Square, this Week in Review special, moderated by Nick Haines, explores the pros, cons and potential impact of passing or rejecting the 3/8-cent sales tax for the Chiefs and Royals stadiums. Jackson County residents cast their votes on April 2, shaping the future of downtown, the Crossroads district and major league sports in KC.

**Program: Kansas City Week in Review**

**Air Date: Friday @7 March 29, 2024**

**Duration: 30 minutes**

**Style: Panel Discussion**

**Source: KCPT PBS 19**

**Host: Nick Haines**

Nick Haines, Dana Wright, Brian Ellison, Eric Wesson and Dave Helling discuss the stadium tax campaign and the remaining questions and hurdles before election day, low voter turnout in the Kansas Presidential Primary, long lines to pay property taxes in Jackson County, the rise in deadly car crashes, the Google data center in the Northland and Mattel eyeing Village West in KCK for new theme park.