

McAlester City Council **NOTICE OF MEETING**



Regular Meeting Agenda **Tuesday, February 24, 2026 - 6:00 PM** **McAlester City Hall – Council Chambers** **28 E. Washington**

Attending in Person

Justin Few	Mayor
Levi Gilmore	Ward One
Robin Woodley	Ward Two
Chris Stone	Ward Three
Randy Roden	Ward Four
Billy J. Boatright	Ward Five
Kevin Beaty-Vice Mayor	Ward Six
Ken Wimer	Interim City Manager
Cora M. Middleton	City Clerk
John T. Hammons	City Attorney

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CALL TO ORDER

Announce the presence of a Quorum.

INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Choctaw Nation Reservation is located within the original homelands of the Caddo and Wichita peoples. The Pawnee and Arikara have ancestral ties here. The Shawnee and Quapaw established settlements in this region during the 1700s and early 1800s, while the Osage and Kiowa visited the area.

The Quapaw Tribe ceded this land by treaty to the United States, before it was later ceded to the Choctaw Nation. Shortly after being the first to endure the Trail of Tears and Death, the Choctaw people arrived here, followed by the Chickasaw, who lived among them before moving farther west. Through this acknowledgment, we remember those who came before us, honor the sovereignty and traditions of the Native peoples who remain connected to this land, and commit ourselves to respect and partnership with Indigenous communities — past, present, and future.

A. Pastor Michael Gentry

ROLL CALL

RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Residents may address Council regarding an item that is not listed on the Agenda. Residents must provide their name and address. Council requests that comments be limited to five (5) minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- A. Approval of Minutes from the February 10, 2026, Special Meeting of the McAlester City Council Meeting. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Approval of Minutes from the February 10, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester City Council Meeting. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- C. Approval of Minutes from the February 13, 2026, Special Meeting of the McAlester City Council Meeting. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- D. Approval of Claims 02/04/26 through 02/17/26 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
- E. Concur with Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG) recommendation to deny Tort Claim No. 217982-1-LR, filed by Casey Lemons. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- F. Accept and place on file the McAlester Planning Commission's 2024-2025 Annual Report. *(Jayme Clifton, Community Development Director)*

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

Any item pulled from the consent agenda can be discussed and considered with action and/or possible amendments.

PUBLIC HEARING

All persons interested in any ordinance listed under Scheduled Business shall have an opportunity to be heard in accordance with Article 2, Section 2.12(b) of the City Charter.

- A. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MCALESTER, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2845, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MCALESTER, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING THE MCALESTER CITY CODE, CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION; ARTICLE V, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES; BY ADDING DIVISION 8, CITIZENS STREET IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION, PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action for the Mayor and City Council of the City of McAlester, Oklahoma, to award McKenzie Asphalt Paving Services the bid in the amount of \$558,546.00 for the Street Overlay Project RTP 2025-007. *(Tommy Hill, Director, Public Works)*
2. Discussion and possible action to rescind Council Vote on February 10, 2026 of accepting DWSRF Project #8A, Stonewall Railroad Crossing, as complete and authorizing the Mayor to sign Final Pay Application #3 for Lone Hickory Cattle, LLC in the amount of \$79,211.25. *(Dale Burke, P.E., Infrastructure Solutions Group LLC)*
3. Discussion and possible action to accept DWSRF Project #8A, Stonewall Railroad Crossing, as complete and authorize the Mayor to sign Final Pay Application #3 for Lone Hickory Cattle, LLC in the amount of \$107,811.25. *(Dale Burke, P.E., Infrastructure Solutions Group, LLC)*
4. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award for Mayer Specialty Services LLC in the amount of \$213,936.65 for McAlester Airport Storm Water Improvements. *(Adam Lesso, P.E., WSB, Sophia West, Environmental Resources Manager)*
5. Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchase of a VX75 Vacuum Excavator from Vermeer Great Plains in the amount of \$202,740.00. *(Sophia West, Environmental Resources Manager)*
6. Discussion and possible action to approve an ordinance amending Ordinance 2845, which established the budget for fiscal year 2025-2026; repealing all conflicting ordinances; providing for a severability clause; and declaring an emergency. *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
7. Discussion and possible action to accept Change Order No. 2 with Lowe Construction on Mullen Park improvements for an increase of (\$4,494.00) for moving the electric service to underground. *(Douglas Basinger, Community Services Director)*
8. Discussion and possible action to accept pay application #1 from Lowe Construction for the first partial payment in the amount of (\$26,283.90) for work completed on the Mullen Park improvements. *(Douglas Basinger, Community Services Director)*
9. Discussion and possible action for use and/or support of the Softball Complex by Southeast Youth Sports. *(Douglas Basinger, Community Services Director, Harrison Emery, Southeast Youth Sports)*
10. Discussion and possible action to approve an ordinance of the City of McAlester, Oklahoma, amending the McAlester City Code, chapter 2, Administration; Article V, Boards, Commissions and Committees; by adding Division 8, Citizens Street Improvement Commission, providing for Codification, Severability, Repealer, and Declaring an Emergency. *(John T. Hammons, City Attorney)*

11. Discussion and possible action to approve Mayor's appointments of Tim Isenberg, as At-Large member; Fred Ettner, Ward 2 Representative; and Rodney Quickle, Ward 6 Representative, to the McAlester Street Improvement Commission. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*

NEW BUSINESS

Any matter not known or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting the Agenda in accordance with Sec. 311.9, Title 25, Oklahoma State Statutes.

STAFF REPORT

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

REMARKS AND INQUIRIES BY CITY COUNCIL

MAYORS COMMENTS

RECESS COUNCIL MEETING

CONVENE AS MCALESTER AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the February 10, 2026 Regular Meeting of the McAlester Airport Authority. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Concur with action taken on Consent Agenda Item D, regarding claims ending 02.17.26. *(Sherri Swift, CFO)*
- C. Confirm Action taken on City Council Agenda Item No. 4, authorizing the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award for Mayer Specialty Services LLC in the amount of \$213,936.65 for McAlester Airport Storm Water Improvements. *(Adam Lesso, P.E., WSB, Sophia West, Environmental Resources Manager)*

CONVENE AS MCALESTER PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the February 10, 2026 Regular Meeting of the McAlester Public Works Authority. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Concur with action taken on Consent Agenda Item D, regarding claims ending 02.17.26. *(Sherri Swift, CFO)*
- C. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item No. 2, rescinding Council Vote on February 10, 2026 of accepting DWSRF Project #8A, Stonewall Railroad Crossing, as complete and authorizing the Mayor to sign Final Pay Application #3 for Lone Hickory Cattle, LLC in the amount of \$79,211.25. *(Dale Burke, P.E., Infrastructure Solutions Group, LLC)*
- D. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item No. 3, accepting DWSRF Project #8A, Stonewall Railroad Crossing, as complete and authorizing the Mayor to sign Final Pay Application #3 for Lone Hickory Cattle, LLC in the amount of \$107,811.25.

CONVENE AS MCALESTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the February 10, 2026 Regular Meeting of the McAlester Economic Development Authority. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Concur with action taken on Consent Agenda Item D, regarding claims ending 02.17.26. *(Sherri Swift, CFO)*

CONVENE AS MCALESTER RETIREMENT AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the January 28, 2026, Regular McAlester Retirement Authority. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Approval of Retirement Benefit Payments for February 1, 2026. *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*

RECONVENE COUNCIL MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

I certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted on this _____ day of _____ 2026 at _____ a.m./p.m. as required by law in accordance with Section 303 of the Oklahoma Statutes and that the appropriate news media was contacted. As a courtesy, this agenda is also posted on the City of McAlester website: www.cityofmcalester.com.

Cora M. Middleton, City Clerk