

McAlester City Council **NOTICE OF MEETING**



***Amended* Regular Meeting Agenda** **Tuesday, March 10, 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.

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 24, 2026, Special Meeting of the McAlester City Council Meeting. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Approval of Minutes from the February 24, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester City Council Meeting. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- C. Approval of Minutes from the March 02, 2026, Special Meeting of the McAlester City Council Meeting. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- D. Approval of Claims for February 18, 2026 through March 03, 2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
- E. Acknowledge receipt of ODEQ Permit No, WT000061251156 for Water Treatment Plant Clearwell Overflow Relocation System Improvements. *(Jared Cottle, Interim Utilities Director)*
- F. Concur with Mayor's reappointment of Chris Plunkett to the McAlester Board of Ethics for a term to expire February 28, 2030. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- G. Concur with the Mayor's appointment of Cameron Green, to the McAlester Board of Ethics for a term to expire February 28, 2028. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- H. Indefinitely postpone OMAG Notice of Tort Claim No. 218278-1-LN, filed by Rae Brown. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- I. Concur with the Mayor's appointment of Lance Yeley, as Ward 3 Representative, to the McAlester Street Improvement Commission. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- J. Concur with the Mayor's appointment of Mike Franklin, as Ward 4 Representative, to the McAlester Street Improvement Commission. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- K. Concur with the Mayor's appointment of Brian Smith, as Ward 5 Representative, to the McAlester Street Improvement Commission. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*

- L. Concur with Oklahoma Mutual Assurance Group (OMAG) recommendation to deny Tort Claim No. 217942-1-AW, filed by Rusty Smith, Smith Barkett Law Group on behalf of Lavanda Padilla. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*

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.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Mayor to sign an amended Prisoners Public Works Project Contract with the Oklahoma Department of Corrections for the use of inmate labor crews. *(Wendy Knight, Human Resources Director)*
2. Discussion and possible action to accept pay application #2 from Lowe Construction for the second partial payment in the amount of (\$52,551.00) for work completed on the Mullen Park improvements. *(Douglas Basinger, Community Services Director)*
3. Discussion and possible action to accept the Steven Taylor Industrial Park Sewer Improvements Project as complete and authorize the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion and Final Pay Application #5 to Lone Hickory Cattle, LLC in the amount of \$74,976.25. *(Robert Vaughan, P.E., Infrastructure Solutions Group, LLC)*
4. Discussion and possible action to approve a Project Management position at the Director level for city staff. *(Ken Wimer, Interim City Manager)*
5. Presentation and discussion on the FY 2026 through FY 2031 Capital Improvement Plan. *(Ken Wimer, Interim City Manager)*

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 24, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Airport

Authority. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*

- B. Approval of Minutes from the March 02, 2026, Special Meeting of the McAlester City Council Meeting. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- C. Concur with action taken on Consent Agenda Item D, regarding claims ending March 03, 2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*

CONVENE AS MCALESTER PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the February 24, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Public Works Authority. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Concur with action taken on City Council Agenda Item No. 5, accepting the Steven Taylor Industrial Park Sewer Improvements Project as complete and authorizing the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion and Final Pay Application #5 to Lone Hickory Cattle, LLC in the amount of \$74,976.25. *(Jared Cottle, Interim Utilities Director)*
- C. Concur with action taken on City Council Agenda Item E, acknowledging receipt of ODEQ Permit No. WT000061251156 for Water Treatment Plant Overflow Relocation System Improvements. *(Jared Cottle, Interim Utilities Director)*
- D. Concur with action taken on Consent Agenda Item D, regarding claims ending March 03, 2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*

CONVENE AS MCALESTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the February 24, 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 March 03, 2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*

RECONVENE COUNCIL MEETING

RECESS COUNCIL MEETING

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recess in Executive Session in compliance with Title 25 Section 307 et.seq. Oklahoma Statutes, to wit:

- A. Pursuant to 25 OS 307(B)(3); Consider convening in executive session to discuss the sale of real property in the Industrial Park and take appropriate action in open session.

RECONVENE COUNCIL MEETING

Take Any Action Necessary From Executive Session

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