

McAlester City Council **NOTICE OF MEETING**



Regular Meeting Agenda **Tuesday, May 26, 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
Mike Brooks	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 May 12, 2026, City Council Workshop of the McAlester City Council. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Approval of Minutes from the May 12, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester City Council. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- C. Approval of Claims for May 05, 2026, through May 19, 2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
- D. Acknowledge receipt of ODEQ Permit No. WL000011251080 for DWSRF Project #20A Phase 1, Choctaw Avenue Water Line Project. *(Jared Cottle, P.E., Interim Utilities Director)*
- E. Approval of Firing Range Memorandum of Understanding for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. *(Kevin Hearod, Chief of Police)*
- F. Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the annual engagement letter with Crawford & Associates, P.C. for the fiscal year 2026-2027. *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
- G. Indefinitely postpone Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG) Notice of Tort Claim No. 218645-1-AW, filed by the City of McAlester. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- H. Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Participation Agreement Renewal for the Association for Landfill Financial Assurance for FY 2026/2027. *(Ken Wimer, Interim City Manager)*
- I. Concur with the Mayor's reappointment of Mark Emmons to the McAlester Planning and Zoning Commission for a term to expire May 31, 2029. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- J. Concur with the Mayor's reappointment of Levenia Carey to the McAlester Planning and Zoning Commission for a term to expire May 31, 2029. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- K. Concur with the Mayor's reappointment of Robbie VanVekoven to the McAlester Planning and

Zoning Commission for a term to expire May 31, 2029. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*

- L. Concur with the Mayor's reappointment of Michael Hull to the McAlester Planning and Zoning Commission for a term to expire May 31, 2029. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- M. Concur with the Mayor's reappointment of Chris Taylor to the McAlester Planning and Zoning Commission for a term to expire May 31, 2029. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- N. Approve and Authorize the mayor to sign a renewal policy for Excess Worker's Comp insurance with Midwest Employers Casualty Co. *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
- O. Approve and authorize the Interim City Manager to sign the renewal service agreement for 2026-2027 with Johnson Controls. *(Tommy Hill, Public Works 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. **A public hearing on the FY 26-27 City of McAlester Proposed Budget. The purpose of discussing and developing the City budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026.**
- B. **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 A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action to approve the City Manager to sign the maintenance agreement with D & D Elevator for the 2026-2027 physical year. *(Tommy Hill, Public Works Director)*
2. Discussion and possible action, to approve the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Keep McAlester Beautiful agreement with the City of McAlester. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
3. Discussion and possible action to approve the final plat for the Wallace Meadows Subdivision. *(Jayme Clifton, Community Development Director)*
4. Discussion and possible action to accept pay application #5 from Lowe Construction for the fifth partial payment in the amount of (\$44,231.50) for work completed on Mullen Park improvements. *(Douglas Basinger, Community Services Director)*
5. Discussion and possible action to accept David Wright's bid of \$975.00 for hay baling. *(Douglas Basinger, Community Services Director)*

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 on Financial Update for April 2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*

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

A. Interim City Manager's Monthly 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 May 12, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Airport Authority. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Concur with action taken on City Council Agenda Item C. regarding Claims for May 05, 2026, through May 19, 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 May 12, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Public Works Authority. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Concur with action taken on City Council Agenda Item C. regarding Claims for May 05, 2026, through May 19, 2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
- C. Concur with action taken on City Council Agenda Item D, acknowledge receipt of ODEQ Permit No. WL000011251080 for DWSRF Project #20A Phase 1, Choctaw Avenue Water Line Project. *(Jared Cottle, P.E., Interim Utilities Director)*

CONVENE AS MCALESTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the May 12, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Economic Development Authority. *(Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant)*
- B. Concur with action taken on City Council Agenda Item C. regarding Claims for May 05, 2026,

through May 19, 2026 (*Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer*)

CONVENE AS MCALESTER RETIREMENT AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the April 28, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Retirement Authority. (*Elizabeth Neboyia, Chief Executive Assistant*)
- B. Approval of Retirement Benefit Payments for May 1, 2026. (*Sherri Swift, CFO*)

RECONVENE COUNCIL MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

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Cora M. Middleton, City Clerk