

McAlester City Council **NOTICE OF MEETING**



Regular Meeting Agenda **Tuesday, July 28, 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	City Manager
Cora M. Middleton	City Clerk
John T. Hammons	City Attorney

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Official action can only be taken on items which appear on the agenda. The public body may adopt, approve, ratify, deny, defer, recommend, amend, strike, or continue any agenda item. When the public body desires more information on an item, the public body may refer the matter to City staff or back to a committee. Under certain circumstances, items may be deferred to a specific date or stricken from the agenda entirely.

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 July 14, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester City Council. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- B. Approval of Minutes from the July 21, 2026, Special Meeting of the McAlester City Council. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- C. Approval of Claims for 07/08/2026 through 07/21/2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
- D. Indefinitely postpone Tort Claim No. 218952-1-AW, filed by the City of McAlester. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- E. Concur with the Mayor's reappointment of Adam Gronwald to the McAlester Personnel Board, for a term to expire July 1, 2032. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- F. Concur with the Mayor's reappointment of Julie Horton to the McAlester Personnel Board, for a term to expire July 1, 2032. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- G. Approve agreement with Mustang Equipment for copier equipment. *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
- H. Approve an agreement with Velocity EHS for renewal of SDS/chemical management services for FY 26/27. *(Wendy Knight, Human Resources Director)*
- I. Concur with the Mayor's appointment of Tammy Maynard to the McAlester Tourism Board, for a term to expire May 31, 2029. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- J. Concur with the Mayor's appointment of Cliff House to the McAlester Board of Adjustment, for a term to expire March 2029. *(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.

- A. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF McALESTER, OKLAHOMA, to the McAlester Board of Adjustment WHICH ESTABLISHED THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
- B. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF McALESTER, AMENDING THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN FOR THE City Manager FOR THE City of McAlester, OKLAHOMA; PROVIDING RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES OF THE City of McAlester, OKLAHOMA; PERTAINING TO CONTRIBUTIONS BY PARTICIPANTS; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER AND SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

1. Presentation by Lindsay Alexander, Chairperson McAlester Library Advisory Board. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
2. Discussion and possible action to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Friendship Agreement between the Municipality of Marciano della Chiana, Tuscany Italy and the City of McAlester, Oklahoma. *(Adrian O'Hanlon III, Public Information Officer)*
3. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of three firefighting helmets with leather front from Casco Industries in the amount of \$1,540.00 with the funds to be used from the City of McAlester Fire Department's portion of the county quarter excise tax for services. *(Benny Brooks, Assistant Fire Chief)*
4. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of Vevor Ice Machine from McAlester Mechanical LLC, in the amount of \$2,780.00 with the funds to be used from the City of McAlester Fire Department's portion of the county quarter excise tax for fire service. *(Benny Brooks, Assistant Fire Chief)*
5. Discussion and possible action to accept the McAlester Airport Stormwater Improvements Phase 1 Project as complete and approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Affidavit Certifying Project Completion and Final Pay Application #1 in the amount of \$213,936.65 for Mayer Specialty Services, LLC. *(Sophia West, Environmental Resources Manager)*
6. Discussion and possible action to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign Change Order #1 in the amount of \$8,910.00 for the TH Rogers Canal Repair Project to Drake Construction, LLC. *(Sophia West, Environmental Resources Manager)*
7. 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)*

8. Discussion and possible action to approve an Ordinance of the City of McAlester, amending the Employee Retirement System, Defined Contribution Plan for the City Manager for the City of McAlester, Oklahoma; Providing Retirement Benefits for eligible employees of the City of McAlester, Oklahoma; Pertaining to contributions by Participants; Providing for Repealer and Severability; and Declaring an Emergency. *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*

9. Discussion on Financial Update for June 2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*

10. Discussion on enforcement of City requirement on Rural Water Districts managed by the Management Company in accordance with Title 11-22-112.5 to assist in collection of delinquent sewer bills from rural water customers. *(Ken Wimer, City Manager)*

11. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of Real Property between Union Iron Works DBA Bemac Supply and the City of McAlester (326 E Carl Albert Parkway) in the amount of \$365,000.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign all required documents. *(Jared Cottle, P.E., Interim Utilities Director)*

12. Discussion and possible action to approve the final plat for the Wallace Shops Subdivision. *(Jayme Clifton, Community Development Director)*

13. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of Real Property (Lot 14, Block 5, Green Meadows #2) 2227 Green Meadows Circle in the amount of \$169,155.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign all required documents. *(Jared Cottle, P.E., Interim Utilities Director)*

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

A. Update to City Council on the McAlester Regional Airport. *(Eric Suski, Airport Manager)*

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 July 14, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Airport Authority. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*

B. Concur with action taken on City Council Consent Agenda Item C, regarding Claims for 07/08/2026 through 07/21/2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*

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CONVENE AS MCALESTER PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the July 14, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Public Works Authority. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- B. Concur with action taken on City Council Consent Agenda Item C, regarding Claims for 07/08/2026 through 07/21/2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*
- C. Concur with action taken on City Council Agenda Item No. 10, discussion on enforcement of City requirement on Rural Water Districts managed by the Management Company in accordance with Title 11-22-112.5 to assist in collection of delinquent sewer bills from rural water customers. *(Ken Wimer, City Manager)*
- D. Concur with action taken on City Council Agenda Item No. 11, regarding the purchase of Real Property between Union Iron Works DBA Bemac Supply and the City of McAlester (326 E Carl Albert Parkway) in the amount of \$365,000.00 and authorization of the Mayor to sign all required documents. *(Jared Cottle, P.E., Interim Utilities Director)*
- E. Concur with action taken on City Council Agenda Item No. 13, regarding the purchase of Real Property (Lot 14, Block 5, Green Meadows #2) 2227 Green Meadows Circle in the amount of \$169,155.00 and authorization of the Mayor to sign all required documents. *(Jared Cottle, P.E., Interim Utilities Director)*

ADJOURN

CONVENE AS MCALESTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the July 14, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Economic Development Authority. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- B. Concur with action taken on City Council Consent Agenda Item C, regarding Claims for 07/08/2026 through 07/21/2026 *(Sherri Swift, Chief Financial Officer)*

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CONVENE AS MCALESTER RETIREMENT AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the June 23, 2026, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Retirement Trust Authority. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- B. Approval of Retirement Benefit Payment for July 1, 2026, *(Sherri Swift, CFO)*

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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:

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Take Any Action Necessary From Executive Session

ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

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Cora M. Middleton, City Clerk