

McAlester City Council **NOTICE OF MEETING**



Regular Meeting Agenda **Tuesday, December 9, 2025 - 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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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

- A. Wreaths Across America Day Proclamation

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 November 25, 2025, Regular Meeting of the McAlester City Council. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- B. Approval of Claims for November 19, 2025 through December 02, 2025 *(Sherri Swift, CFO)*
- C. Concur with Oklahoma Mutual Assurance Group (OMAG) recommendation to deny Tort Claim No. 217571-1-LR, filed by Deja Smith. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- D. Approval of 2026 City of McAlester City Council Regular Workshop Schedule. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- E. Approval of 2026 City of McAlester City Council and Authorities Regular Meeting Schedule. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- F. Concur with the Mayor's appointment of Tracey Sontag to the McAlester Audit & Finance Advisory Committee for a term to expire March 31, 2026. *(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; amending McAlester City Code, Chapter 106. Utilities and Chapter 48. Fee, Charges and Service Rates; repealing all conflicting ordinances and providing for severability.
- B. An Ordinance to close the public ways and easements in All that Part of Harrison Avenue lying

between the East Boundary of 9th Street and the West Boundary of 10th Street, between Block One hundred and fifty (150) and Block One hundred sixty-three (163), in the City of McAlester, formerly known as South McAlester, Pittsburg County, State of Oklahoma; subject to the special condition that a utility easement be maintained for Summit's existing gas mains within the easement to be closed.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action to approve an ordinance of the City of McAlester, Oklahoma; amending McAlester City Code, Chapter 106. Utilities and Chapter 48. Fee , Charges and Service Rates; repealing all conflicting ordinances and providing for severability. *(Tommy Hill, Public Works Director)*
2. Discussion and possible action to approve the Steven W. Taylor Industrial Park Subdivision Re-Plat of Lots C-1, C-3 and C-7. *(Jayme Clifton, Community Development Director)*
3. Discussion and possible action to approve an Ordinance to close the public ways and easements in All that Part of Harrison Avenue lying between the East Boundary of 9th Street and the West Boundary of 10th Street, between Block One hundred and fifty (150) and Block One hundred sixty-three (163), in the City of McAlester, formerly known as South McAlester, Pittsburg County, State of Oklahoma; subject to the special condition that a utility easement be maintained for Summit's existing gas mains within the easement to be closed. *(Jayme Clifton, Community Development Director)*
4. Discussion and possible action to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Red Cross Licensed Training Provider Agreement. *(Doug Basinger, Community Services Director)*
5. Discussion and possible action to approve and authorize Mayor to sign the Resolution, Interim Land Deed, and Development Agreement with American Li-Ion. *(Billy Sumner, Economic Development Dir.)*

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 November 25, 2025, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Airport Authority. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*

- B. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item B, regarding Claims ending December 2, 2025. *(Sherri Swift, CFO)*
- C. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item E, regarding the approval of the 2026 City of McAlester City Council and Authorities Regular Meeting Schedule. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*

CONVENE AS MCALESTER PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the November 25, 2025, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Public Works Authority. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- B. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item B, regarding Claims ending December 2, 2025. *(Sherri Swift, CFO)*
- C. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item E, regarding the approval of the 2026 City of McAlester City Council and Authorities Regular Meeting Schedule. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- D. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item 1, regarding an ordinance of the City of McAlester, Oklahoma; amending McAlester City Code, Chapter 106. Utilities and Chapter 48. Fee, Charges and Service Rates; repealing all conflicting ordinances and providing for severability. *(Tommy Hill, Public Works Director)*

CONVENE AS MCALESTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Majority of a Quorum required for approval

- A. Approval of Minutes from the November 25, 2025, Regular Meeting of the McAlester Economic Development Authority. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- B. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item B, regarding Claims ending December 2, 2025. *(Sherri Swift, CFO)*
- C. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item E, regarding the approval of the 2026 City of McAlester City Council and Authorities Regular Meeting Schedule. *(Cora Middleton, City Clerk)*
- D. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item 2, regarding the Steven W. Taylor Industrial Park Subdivision Re-Plat of Lots C-1, C-3 and C-7. *(Jayme Clifton, Community Development Director)*
- E. Confirm action taken on City Council Agenda Item #5 Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Resolution, Interim Land Deed, and Development Agreement with American Li-Ion. *(Billy Sumner, Economic Development Dir.)*

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)(4), consider convening in executive session to receive confidential communication from the City Attorney concerning a pending investigation, claim, or action relating to Carolyn Dial, 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 _____ 2025 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