



**City of Broken Arrow
Broken Arrow Economic
Development Authority
Minutes**

City Hall
220 S 1st Street
Broken Arrow, OK 740121

**Chairperson Debra Wimpee
Vice Chairman Johnnie Parks
Trustee Lisa Ford
Trustee Justin Green
Trustee David Pickel**

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Debra Wimpee called the meeting to order at 7:48 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 5 - David Pickel, Justin Green, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee

3. Consideration of Consent Agenda

A. 26-57 Approval of the Broken Arrow Economic Development Authority Meeting Minutes of April 21, 2026

MOTION: A motion was made by Justin Green, seconded by David Pickel

Move to Approve the Consent Agenda

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - David Pickel, Justin Green, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee

4. Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda - NONE

5. Public Hearings, Appeals, Presentations, Recognitions, Awards - NONE

6. General Authority Business - NONE

7. Remarks and Inquiries by Governing Body Members - NONE

8. Remarks and Updates by City Manager and Staff

Michael Spurgeon informed the council that the City expects to make several major announcements within the next 30 to 45 days regarding the new entertainment venue and amphitheater project. He stated that upcoming announcements will likely include the selection of the venue operator, information related to naming rights, and other important details as the project transitions from construction into operational planning ahead of opening.

City Manager Spurgeon said the City is currently targeting approximately October 19 as the substantial completion date for the amphitheater project. He explained that once the operator is officially announced, city leadership teams led by Kenny Schwab will begin detailed

logistical and operational coordination involving public safety, traffic management, emergency planning, and event support.

He also referenced recent progress updates involving railroad coordination and acquisition of the final right-of-way needed to complete roadway improvements connected to the venue project. According to City Manager Spurgeon, the various infrastructure and construction components are now aligning toward the anticipated opening timeline and the eventual start of concerts and entertainment events. He concluded by noting that additional announcements and public updates would be coordinated through Aaron McColloch and the venue management team as the project moves closer to completion.

At 7:51 p.m., Mayor Wimpee noted there was an Executive Session.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Lisa Ford
Move to clear the room for Executive Session

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - David Pickel, Justin Green, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee

At 7:52 p.m., the room was cleared for Executive Session.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Lisa Ford
Move to enter Executive Session

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - David Pickel, Justin Green, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee

At 7:52 p.m. City Council and BAEDA entered into Executive Session.

9. Executive Session

Executive Session for the purpose of confidential communications between the Broken Arrow Economic Development Authority, the General Manager, the City Attorney, and any other pertinent staff members discussing and conferring on matters pertaining to:

1. **Proposed executive session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(C)(II) to confer on matters pertaining to economic development regarding the existing EDA for The Shops at Aspen Creek, including updates on project status and confidential business information, and taking appropriate action, if any, in open session.**

No action taken.

2. **Proposed Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(C)(II) to discuss and confer on matters pertaining to an economic development project known as "Tucson 28," and taking appropriate action in open session regarding such project.**

No action taken.

The meeting returned to open session at 8:13 p.m.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Justin Green
Move to find executive Session was necessary to confer on matters pertaining to economic development under 25 Oklahoma Statute Section 307 C 11

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - David Pickel, Justin Green, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee

In the opinion of the City Attorney, the Authority is advised that the Executive Session is necessary for discussing and to confer on matters pertaining to economic development, including creating a proposal to entice a business to locate within the City, and public disclosure of the matter discussed would interfere with the development of products or services, or if public disclosure would violate the confidentiality of the business.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, seconded by David Pickel
Move to Adjourn

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 -

David Pickel, Justin Green, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee

Chairperson

Secretary