



# City of Broken Arrow

## Minutes

### City Council Meeting

Mayor Debra Wimpee  
Vice Mayor Johnnie Parks  
Council Member Lisa Ford  
Council Member Justin Green  
Council Member David Pickel

City Hall  
220 S. 1st Street  
Broken Arrow Ok  
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Tuesday, December 2, 2025	Time 6:30 p.m.	Council Chambers
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**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Debra Wimpee called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2. Invocation**

Pastor Scott Moore led the Invocation.

**3. Roll Call**

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

**4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

The Pledge was led by Council Member Justin Green.

**5. Consideration of Consent Agenda**

- A. 25-28 Approval of the City Council Minutes of November 17, 2025
- B. 25-1672 Acceptance of Planning Commission meeting minutes of November 6, 2025
- C. 25-1673 Acknowledgement of submittal of the revised Manual of Fees for FY 26
- D. 25-1690 Approval of and authorization to execute Budget Amendment Number 11 for Fiscal Year 2026
- E. 25-1691 Approval of and authorization to execute Budget Amendment Number 12 for Fiscal Year 2026
- F. 25-1692 Approval of and authorization to execute Budget Amendment Number 13 for Fiscal Year 2026
- G. 25-1693 Approval of and authorization to execute Budget Amendment Number 14 for Fiscal Year 2026
- H. 25-1612 Notification of Quarterly Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Systems Status Report for City Council
- I. 25-1683 Approval of and authorization to execute a First Amended Services Contract between the City of Broken Arrow and Broken Arrow Seniors, Inc.
- J. 25-1649 Approval of and authorization for the Police Department to accept the award of the Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) Hiring Grant
- K. 25-1679 Approval of and authorization to execute an Amendment to extend the Service Agreement (contract renewal) for one year with Momentum Services for Nuisance Abatement Property Structure Securing
- L. 25-1701 Approval of and authorization to execute a Professional Consultant Agreement Amendment 2 with Selser Scheafer Architects (aka: Narrate Design) for completion of ALTA/NSPA with Topographic Survey, Utility Electronic Locates, and Easement Report (Project No. 2417170)
- M. 25-1677 Notification of City Manager's and Assistant City Manager's execution of Professional Consultant Agreements and Amendments to an Agreement, as well as public Construction Contracts not subject to the Competitive Bid Act, with a Contract value of \$50,000 or less
- N. 25-1651 Approval of and authorization to utilize Opioid Abatement Settlement funds for the vehicle, equipment, and outfitting purchases of two (2) Chevrolet Traverses for the Crisis Response Team, and authorize approval of Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Amendment Number 10
- O. 25-1664 Approval of and authorization to purchase structural firefighting coats and pants from NAFECO pursuant to Sourcewell Contract 010424-LIO, and firefighting boots and helmets from Casco Industries Inc., pursuant to the Oklahoma State Purchasing Contract

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- P. 25-1655 Approval of and authorization to execute the purchase of Ninja Enterprise Pro, the RMM (Remote Management and Monitoring) tool set for one year through SHI
- Q. 25-1645 Approval of and authorization to purchase police department practice and duty ammunition from Precision Delta, pursuant to the Oklahoma Statewide Contract
- R. 25-1654 Approval of and authorization to purchase the renewal of annual Cisco support subscriptions through Presidio for one year pursuant to the Oklahoma Statewide Purchasing Contract
- S. 25-1686 Approval of and authorization to purchase one (1) Ford F-650 extended cab Service Truck from Vance Country Ford pursuant to the Oklahoma State purchasing contract SW0035 for the Utilities Department
- T. 25-1676 Approval of and authorization of the cancellation and subsequent closing of the Covington Creek Drainage Improvements project and re-allocate the \$500,000.00 of 2018 General Obligation Bond funds to the appropriate basin (Case No. 25-005)
- U. 25-1661 Approval of and authorization to execute Change Order No. 1 with Myers-Cherry Construction, LLC for the Operations Center Administration Building Renovation (2317210)
- V. 25-1660 Approval of and authorization to execute the Change Order No. 1 with Northeastern Irrigation & Landscape, Inc. for the Broken Arrow Gateways Entry Signage (22502158)
- W. 25-1658 Approval of and authorization to execute the Change Order No. 1 with Paragon Contractors, LLC for the Jasper Street & Aspen Intersection Improvements (ST2031)
- X. 25-1659 Approval of and authorization to execute the Change Order No. 2 with Paragon Contractors, LLC for the Jasper Street & Aspen Intersection Improvements (ST2031)
- Y. 25-1669 Approval of BAZ-002485-2025 (Rezoning), Snyder Rezone, approximately 21.81 acres, RMF (Residential multi-family) and PUD-340 to RSP (Single-family residential - Preservation), located 1/8th of a mile south of Tucson Street (121st Street) and west of Elm Place (161st E Ave)
- Z. 25-1704 Approval of BAZ-002505-2025 (Rezoning), Arrow Forge, 99.52 acres, AG (Agricultural) to IL (Industrial Light), located one-half mile north of Tucson Street (121st Street), located on the south of Florence Street (111st Street), and ¼ mile east of Olive Ave (129th E Avenue)
- AA. 25-1703 Approval of PT-002482-2025|PR-000336-2023, Conditional Final Plat, The Cottages at Battle Creek West, approximately 8.79 acres, 47 lots, CG (Commercial General)/PUD (Planned Unit Development) 94 to RS-P (Single Family Residential - Preservation)/PUD-94Y via BAZ-2087, located one-half mile north of Albany Street (61st Street), one-quarter mile east of Aspen Avenue (145th E. Avenue)
- AB. 25-1702 Approval of SP-002481-2025 (Specific Use Permit), Pope Accessory Structure, 1.82 acres, RS (Single Family Residential), located just south of Florence Street (111th Street) and approximately ¼ mile west of Aspen Avenue (145th E. Avenue)
- AC. 25-1705 Approval of COA-002492-2025, The Bank N.A., Change of Access, approximately 0.87 acres, Northeast Crossroads PUD-175, located at the northeast corner of Kenosha Street (71st Street) and North 37th Street (209th East Avenue)
- AD. 25-1706 Approval of BAZ-002491-2025 (Rezoning), Broken Arrow Meeting House, 8.01 acres, AG (Agricultural) to ON (Office Neighborhood), located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Florence Street (111st Street) and Aspen Avenue (145th E Avenue)
- AE. 25-1647 Approval of and authorization to execute Resolution No. 1724, a Resolution authorizing acceptance of a General Warranty Deed for Parcel 11.0, consisting of 3,826 square feet of permanent Right-of-Way located at 4677 South 209th East Avenue in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, in the Southwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 19 North, Range 15 East, Wagoner County, Oklahoma, from Christian Cubero, for the 37th Street Roadway Widening from Omaha Street to Dearborn Street, Parcel 11.0 (Project No. ST21390)
- AF. 25-1648 Approval of and authorization to execute Resolution No. 1725 a Resolution authorizing acceptance of a General Warranty Deed for Parcel 17.0, consisting of 7,650 square feet of permanent Right-of-Way located at 4425 South 209th East Avenue in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, in the Northwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 19 North, Range 15 East, Wagoner County, Oklahoma, from Jose Antonio Munguia Rosas and Alejandra Alicia Pena Quezada, for the 37th Street Roadway Widening from Omaha Street to Dearborn Street, Parcel 17.0 (Project No. ST21390)
- AG. 25-1650 Approval of and authorization to execute Resolution No. 1726, a Resolution authorizing acceptance of a General Warranty Deed for Parcel 4.0, consisting of 3,826 square feet of permanent Right-of-Way located at 20940 East 49th Street South in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, in the Southwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 19 North, Range 15 East, Wagoner County, Oklahoma, from Shari L. Mobley, for the 37th Street Roadway Widening from Omaha Street to Dearborn Street, Parcel 4.0 (Project No. ST21390)
- AH. 25-1637 Acceptance of Utility Easements and Temporary Construction Easements from Robson Development Company, an Oklahoma Corporation, the owner, on property generally located north of Houston Street and west of South 233rd East Avenue in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 18 North, Range 15 East, Wagoner County, State of Oklahoma for the Park Lane Lift Station Improvements & Cambridge Estates Relief Line, Parcels 2.1, 2.2, 2.A, 2.B, 2.C, 2.D, and 2.E (Project No. S.24030)
- AI. 25-1674 Ratification of the Claims List Check Register Dated November 21, 2025

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, seconded by Justin Green

**Move to Approve Consent Agenda**

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye: 5 -**

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

**6. Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda - NONE**

**7. Public Hearings, Appeals, Presentations, Recognitions, Awards**

**A. 25-1682 Recognition of Broken Arrow citizen Chris Linam for exemplifying Broken Arrow Police Department core values of courage and compassion, accomplished by intervening and assisting another citizen experiencing a mental health crisis**

Police Chief Lance Arnold presented Item 25-1682 and announced that it was a great day in Broken Arrow because the city could recognize a citizen for extraordinary service. He described an incident on November 6, 2025, when officers responded to a report of a young man sitting on the edge of the Highway 51/Kenosha bridge, contemplating suicide. Before police arrived, citizen Chris Linam had stopped after noticing the young man in distress, spoke with him compassionately, built rapport, and ultimately pulled him off the ledge when the moment allowed. He then held and comforted the young man until first responders arrived. The chief said Mr. Linam's actions reflected the department's core values of courage and compassion and exemplified a citizen helping someone he didn't know. He concluded by presenting Mr. Linam with a certificate of recognition on behalf of the Police Department and the City of Broken Arrow.

**B. 25-1700 Presentation of the Government Finance Officer Associates (GFOA) Budget Award**

Cindy Arnold, Director of Finance, presented Item 25-1700. The City has once again received the GFOA Budget Award, marking the seventh consecutive year of recognition. They explained that the Government Finance Officers Association's budget program, established in 1984, evaluates budget documents from nearly 1,900 governments. After adoption, the City submits its budget within 90 days for review by a three-person panel, which critiques the document against internationally recognized standards. The award emphasizes transparency and requires the budget to function as a policy document, financial plan, operations guide, and communication tool.

Receiving the award provides credibility, public trust, and ongoing opportunities for improvement. The speaker noted that earlier submissions received constructive criticism, but each year the document has improved. The award was displayed and is also printed in the City's annual budget book, and City leadership and the finance staff were thanked for helping achieve this year's recognition.

**C. 25-1663 Presentation of the 2026 GO Bond City Manager's Recommended Package (Project No. 2417260)**

City Manager Michael Spurgeon presented Item 25-1663. He expressed gratitude for the opportunity to present Phase Two of the Build Our Future BA bond program, recalling that the 2018 phase succeeded with all propositions approved and its results now visible citywide. He emphasized that the work has been a collective effort, thanking the Council for extensive meetings, staff for assembling and prioritizing recommendations, community groups and organizations for their involvement, sports organizations for contributing to local quality of life, and numerous partners such as the school district, Chamber, Economic Development Corporation, NSU, HOAs, and the Tulsa City-County Library. City Manager Spurgeon highlights that citizen surveys and public forums shaped a community-driven package. He asks the Council to receive the presentation, offer comments, and allow the proposal to remain on the agenda until December 16 so the public can review it. On that date, the Council would be asked to finalize the package and authorize preparation of ordinances outlining the projects and a resolution calling for an April 7 election, with formal action expected on January 6 if the Council chooses to proceed.

Outlines the full timeline of the bond-package effort, noting that discussions began in late summer 2023 and progressed through hiring consultants, conducting surveys, meeting with user groups and partners, and holding Council sessions, culminating in the current presentation just months before the election. They emphasize the extensive work by citizen committees and partner organizations—BA Public Schools, the Chamber, the EDC, the Planning Commission, Build a Better BA, and others—who met for six months to develop recommendations that reflect community priorities.

City Manager Spurgeon explained that the initial project needs totaled \$1–1.2 billion. Still, the goal from the start was to create an ongoing bond program rather than a one-off package, providing future city leadership with a structured, long-term plan that can be updated for

decades. The list was reduced to about \$600 million and further refined to a \$415 million proposal across seven propositions: transportation, public safety, quality of life, city facilities, two stormwater propositions, and a new south Broken Arrow library in partnership with Tulsa City-County Library. Transportation remains the most significant share because roadwork consistently ranks as the top community priority.

The first seven propositions would maintain the existing property-tax rate with no increase, relying on rising assessed values and retirement of old debt. A separate eighth proposition would create a temporary half-cent sales tax with a five-year sunset to fund upgrades at sports facilities. The Council required that, if this sales-tax initiative passes, the improvements must be designed and built quickly enough that the children of those voting for it will actually use the upgraded fields. Voter approval would allow the City to secure financing immediately, begin a year of design work for Indian Springs, Arrowhead, and the football complex, and then proceed with 12–18 months of construction, completing upgrades within about three years.

Kenny Schwab, Assistant City Manager of Operations, explained how the City estimates long-range project costs for the bond package. Instead of guessing, engineering and architectural teams analyze each project at a high level—such as determining the scope of a mile-long road widening, identifying utility conflicts, and estimating construction activities using 2025 dollars, since the vote will occur in 2026. Beyond basic construction costs, they also factor in soft costs like furniture, equipment, design and architectural fees, surveys, and permits. Because detailed design work may not happen until years later, they build in a typical 25–30 percent contingency to account for unknowns. They then apply long-term cost escalation.

Since a project designed years from now may not be built until around 2032–2038, the City uses a seven-year escalation rate of 4 percent annually—about a 31 percent increase—matching real-world inflation trends, illustrated by the rise in milk prices from 2018 to 2025. This escalation alone represents roughly \$100 million of the \$415 million bond total when projected forward.

Mr. Schwab provides an overview of the number of projects per proposition: 35 transportation projects; 12 in public safety; 14 in parks and recreation; 10 in city facilities; 9 in significant stormwater; an undetermined number of neighborhood drainage projects; one library project; and an open-ended number of sports improvements funded by the separate sales-tax proposition. Although the list officially totals 81 projects, federal matching opportunities in the transportation category will stretch dollars further, likely bringing the accurate project count closer to or above 100, similar to the 2018 bond.

Charlie Bright, Director of Engineering and Construction, introduces Proposition 1 by noting that, after months of discussing the full \$1.2 billion list of potential projects, tonight's focus is the specific set of transportation projects proposed for the bond package. He stresses that each project's cost is backed by detailed estimates that include construction, soft costs, design, land acquisition, contingency, and escalation to projected 2032 dollars—the numbers the public would ultimately vote on.

Mr. Bright walked through the major named road-widening projects, all driven by traffic growth, development patterns, safety concerns, or longstanding congestion: Tucson from Aspen to Olive; Omaha/51st from Aspen to Elm with intersection upgrades; New Orleans from Garnett to Olive (already under design); two Olive Street segments from Washington to the Creek Turnpike; the last unimproved portion of Houston between Highway 51 and 209th; Elm from New Orleans to Florence; Florence from Aspen to Elm; and Kenosha from the Creek Turnpike to Evans. He explains that named projects are legally required if voters approve the proposition, whereas unnamed projects are intended but not mandatory and serve as the bond's internal contingency.

He then outlined the unnamed roadway projects, including Kenosha from Sycamore to Juniper, County Line from Houston to Washington (to be improved without complete widening), Washington/First Place to support a future City Hall relocation, and a \$10 million federal grant match fund to leverage STP dollars. Mr. Bright shifts to intersection improvements, emphasizing that they often relieve congestion more efficiently than road widening. These include Tucson/Olive; two intersections on 23rd tied to expected development; Houston/Evans; Washington/County Line—an extremely costly, flood-prone intersection requiring elevation and bridge work; Kenosha/Midway; 20th/Hillside near the new Trader Joe's; and Garnett/Florence. Unnamed intersections include County Line/121st and Olive/Jasper, where jurisdiction is shared with other entities.

Additional named improvements include 37th from Dearborn to Rockford to fix stormwater-related safety issues, streetscaping on both ends of Main Street, downtown alley construction to support infill housing, and \$25 million for residential street rehabilitation guided by pavement-condition data rather than pre-naming neighborhoods.

Mr. Bright explains that the unnamed funding pools—trails, sidewalks, downtown repairs,

signalization, the Innovation District bridge (only triggered if adjacent property develops), a reserve for one future unnamed street, and utility-relocation matching funds for New Orleans Square—are designed to provide flexibility, cover overruns, and allow future councils to respond to needs that cannot yet be predicted.

Shannon Marshall, Special Projects Division Manager, thanked everyone for their support and introduced Proposition 2, the public-safety portion of the bond package, which includes improvements benefiting police, fire, emergency management, and related IT systems. She explains that the proposal continues work begun in 2018 by expanding and modernizing the outdoor warning siren system—both by adding new locations and upgrading rapidly evolving technology. As the city grows, the animal shelter must also expand to meet increasing demand for housing for lost or displaced animals. Funding is included for new or upgraded fire trucks and emergency vehicles to ensure first responders have up-to-date equipment.

Ms. Marshall described several projects linked to the Public Safety Training Center, referencing the master plan adopted earlier in the year. These include an interior classroom addition between two existing buildings; stormwater improvements to address drainage issues caused by a creek running through the site; perimeter security upgrades with a complete fence and controlled access; and structural, drainage, and safety upgrades to the outdoor firing range.

She then highlighted a major project: relocating Fire Station 1 to the northwest side of the city to replace the central fire station and improve response times, better meeting the four-minute goal. In the unnamed category, the proposal includes funding for a future Fire Station 9, which would follow Station 8, currently under development; updated firefighter breathing apparatus; enhancements to the L3 Harris radio communications system; and construction of a new burn-training building and courtyard at the Training Center for both police and fire. She notes the number of significant projects included and turns the discussion over to the city manager to address Fire Station 9 further.

City Manager Michael Spurgeon emphasized the importance of public safety and explained that increasing call volumes, driven by community growth, make long-term expansion of the fire service essential. He notes that his original recommendation for Fire Station 9 included only land acquisition and design funding, because the need for the actual station was still projected to be several years away. Station 8 is about to go out to bid and will take roughly 12–15 months to build, and Station 1 is planned for relocation, so the administration had initially viewed Station 9 as a later-phase project.

However, after further discussions with Fire Chief Moore and hearing from IAFF President Justin Sharp, who communicated strong support among firefighters for including Station 9, he reconsidered. Recognizing the pace of growth and the rising demand for service in that area, he now believes the city should not delay. Instead of postponing construction until well after 2036, the community may require the station sooner. For that reason, he announces an amended recommendation: include Fire Station 9 in the bond package as a whole, build-ready project, not just land and design.

Mr. Bright explained that Proposition 3 focused on parks and quality-of-life projects, with the Elam Park Community Center as the largest item. Because state law required that 70 percent of the proposition be formally named, the team reduced the named dollar amount for the community center and placed an additional amount in the unnamed section, which was still expected to support the final facility. Beyond the community center, Elam Park was planned to include a splash pad, an orchard, and both pickleball and Puckleball courts. The City planned to close the underused and hard-to-staff Country Aire pool and replace it with a high-end splash pad that would be easier to maintain and more heavily used. The proposition also funded major playground-equipment upgrades for aging neighborhood parks, new pickleball courts at Nienhuis, modest renovations to the Central Park Community Center, shade structures at Rose West Dog Park, expanded amenities at heavily used Jackson Park, and a new north-side dog park. Unnamed funds supported a second phase of the Gardens at Central Park, upgrades at Battle Creek Golf Course, expanded sand-volleyball courts at Nienhuis, pool-equipment upgrades at Nienhuis and Central Family Aquatic Center, ongoing splash-pad maintenance, and additional flexibility for the Elam Park Center.

Shannon Marshall then outlined Proposition 4, which addressed public-facility improvements. The City proposed consolidating the two senior centers into an expanded east-side facility to avoid forcing users to cross Main Street. The Rose District Plaza expansion was intended to support a larger farmers' market and activation of the newly acquired grain silo site. Arts@302 would be expanded to accommodate new visual, digital, and culinary programs. The Veterans Center would gain more space and parking, and the Military History Museum would be relocated and enlarged near Veterans Park. The History Museum would also receive expanded exhibit and storage space. For City operations, the bond provided new vehicle storage facilities, a renovated traffic-monitoring center, updates to fleet-maintenance buildings, and the expansion of the City's fiber-optic network.

Charlie Bright summarized Proposition 5 as a set of stormwater projects requiring a 60 percent vote because they could involve work on private property with the owner's permission. Named work included improvements at NEEDA Pond, targeted downtown drainage fixes, a significant safety project at Elgin and Iola, additional Rose District drainage work, improvements to the leaking Aspen Street pond, a master plan for Haikey Creek, erosion repairs at parks, and a contingency fund for emerging issues.

Proposition 6 continued the successful 2018 private-property stormwater program, allowing residents to apply for assistance on erosion or drainage problems when there was a public benefit. Funds were allocated by drainage basin, with Haikey Creek receiving the most because it generated the most applications. Unnamed funds provided flexibility to shift money where demand arose.

Finally, Proposition 7 addressed a partnership with the Tulsa City-County Library to build a new South Broken Arrow library. Because the facility would sit on library-owned land, it required a separate proposition. The City proposed contributing \$4 million to help fund an expanded library with improved children's areas, makerspaces, community rooms, and collaboration spaces serving the area's large homeschool population.

It was then explained that Proposition 8 was the only measure not tied to property taxes. Instead, it proposed a temporary half-percent sales-tax increase dedicated exclusively to improving city-owned sports facilities. The tax would last five years and then automatically expire. Unlike the other propositions, the ballot would not list individual projects; voters would approve or reject the dedicated revenue stream, while the City would later publicize the intended improvements. Projections suggested the tax could yield about \$50 million, possibly more if retail growth continued, and that all revenue would legally have to be spent on sports-facility upgrades.

It was noted that the project list—expected to be presented in January—would likely focus on converting fields to turf or improved drainage, upgrading lighting to LEDs, and creating attractive, modern venues capable of hosting tournaments even after rain. The emphasis was on improving playability, aesthetics, and economic impact, since tournaments brought valuable sales-tax revenue.

City Manager Spurgeon added that sports groups had identified nearly \$70 million in needs, but the property-tax-based bond package had no remaining capacity to fund them. Many facilities had gone decades without significant upgrades. He explained that even if bond capacity existed, the City could not issue all funding at once; it would take 10–12 years to complete the improvements under a traditional bond structure. A temporary sales tax would allow the City to borrow against the voter-approved revenue and complete upgrades within a much shorter timeframe.

Mr. Spurgeon discussed the implications of Proposition 8, noting that without a temporary sales-tax measure, sports-facility upgrades would take a decade or more because the City could issue only limited bond amounts each year. Sales-tax funding was described as the fairest approach because visiting teams—who generated nearly half of the City's sales-tax revenue—would help pay for improvements, easing the burden on residents. The city manager clarified that a half-percent sales tax currently produced about \$10.6 million a year and was expected to generate roughly \$56 million over five years; with new retail coming online, the associated debt could likely be paid off early, and the tax would end no later than five years as required by law. He also reported that an extensive voter survey showed 68 percent support, and he emphasized that if the proposition failed, sports facilities would receive no dedicated funding.

The council reflected on how past bonds succeeded or failed, highlighting the importance of ensuring projects benefited the entire city, including downtown. They reiterated that Proposition 6's drainage-assistance program had proven vital, and several members praised the vision for the new library, citing modern maker-space models seen elsewhere. The City Manager reminded residents to update their voter registration before the April 7 election. Councilor Pickel asked how the proposed tax rate compared to neighboring cities; Mr. Spurgeon confirmed that even with the temporary increase, Broken Arrow would remain in line with regional rates, though Wagoner County would be slightly higher due to its separate tax. The council stressed that the cost to residents would amount to small incremental amounts—comparable to a few cents on a drink purchase—and that much of the revenue would come from nonresidents.

In closing, members thanked staff for the extensive work required to assemble the bond package. The city manager asked the council to take the proposal under advisement, explained that public input would continue to be collected and summarized, and noted that a shorter summary presentation would be given on December 16, when the council would be asked to authorize preparation of election documents for April 7.

**8. Citizens' Opportunity to Address the Council on General Topics Related to City Business or Services (No action may be taken on matters under this item)**

Ryan Fulda thanked the council for the opportunity to speak and reminded them that he had previously appeared on behalf of other residents. He said he was now representing Amanda Drake, who was present with friends and family, and that they wished to briefly address the sewer backup at her home on August 17. He expressed pride in her resilience and explained that she could describe the hardship far better than he could, so he invited her to speak.

Amanda Drake thanked the council for allowing her to speak and explained that she had lived in Broken Arrow for more than twenty-two years, raised her family there, and worked as a licensed clinical social worker for nearly twenty-four years. She described losing her husband four years earlier and working hard to rebuild her life. Before the sewer backup, she felt she had reached as much stability as possible after his death.

Ms. Drake recounted that on August 17, city sewage backed up into her home, destroying nearly half of it, including her primary bedroom, where she had kept many of her late husband's belongings. She and a friend spent seven hours removing contaminated water, preventing even more extensive damage, but the home became uninhabitable. She endured four weeks of mitigation work, eight weeks of displacement while staying with a friend, and more than three months of total disruption before construction finally finished earlier that day. The event forced her to take out a loan to repair a home she previously owned free and clear. She described the ordeal as a second grief layered onto the first and asked the City for help so she could finally move forward.

Ryan Fulda said the PowerPoint they had provided contained photographs of the damage and a detailed list of the actual expenses Amanda Drake had already incurred. He explained that they had filed a tort claim with the City and were requesting the City's cooperation in resolving the matter promptly. He closed by thanking the council for their time.

**9. General Council Business**

**A. 25-1662 Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of the nomination of Madison Hicks to the Broken Arrow Drainage Advisory Committee with a term expiring December 2, 2029**

Kenny Schwab, Assistant City Manager of Operations, presented Item 25-1662 and noted that Proposition 6, both in 2018 and in the current proposal, was unusual among Oklahoma cities because it allowed stormwater funds to be allocated by drainage basin rather than by specific project. After the 2018 passage, the City needed a way for residents to request assistance and offer input on how the money should be spent. In August 2019, the administration proposed creating a seven-member Drainage Advisory Committee—two councilors and five citizen appointees, one selected by each council member and approved by the council as a whole.

He explained that longtime Committee Member Donna Wiedower resigned after more than four years of service. At a public drainage meeting on October 30 regarding issues in the Rockwood Addition, emotions ran high, as they often did. During that session, Madison Hicks spoke respectfully and empathetically, helping refocus the discussion. Staff immediately recognized her as a strong potential replacement. She attended the next committee meeting, expressed interest in serving, and met with the vice mayor. Staff recommended her appointment to the vacant citizen seat.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Lisa Ford  
Move to Approve Item 25-1662 nomination of Madison Hicks to the Broken Arrow Drainage Advisory Committee with a term expiring December 2, 2029**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**10. Preview Ordinances**

**A. 25-1684 Consideration, discussion, and possible preview of Ordinance No. 3901 amending Section 16-12 of the Broken Arrow Code of Ordinances to add a new subsection addressing noise generated by places of public assembly located near residential property**

Graham Parker, Assistant City Attorney, presented Item 25-1684 and explained that the proposed amendment to the City's Disturbing the Peace Ordinance was intended to create a clear, objective standard for regulating amplified sound from places of public assembly located near homes. Residents occasionally complained about recurring loud noise, and although the existing ordinance prohibited disturbing the peace in general terms, it lacked a specific rule addressing ongoing amplified sound in these contexts. The amendment was written to be content-neutral, applying equally to all assembly venues and regulating only volume and

duration, not the type of sound being produced.

The proposal set a 300-foot threshold for proximity to residential property and adopted an enforceable "plainly audible inside a residence" standard for amplified sound that persisted for more than ten minutes. The speaker concluded by offering to answer any questions.

During the discussion, City Manager Michael Spurgeon explained that both he and council members had received complaints about amplified sound from certain facilities, particularly some houses of worship. He emphasized that the issue was sensitive in a community that strongly supports its churches. Still, he acknowledged that in some instances the sound extended beyond church property and disturbed nearby residents. He clarified that the new standards would apply only to future facilities, not existing ones, and that the police department already had tools to work cooperatively with current churches when concerns arose. The amendment, he said, was meant to give clear expectations to new developments.

Mr. Parker added that longstanding exemptions for bells and chimes used in religious services, national celebrations, or public holidays would remain intact. Council Member Ford, expressed appreciation for the proposal, noting that while churches understandably sought cost savings in construction, this sometimes resulted in loud music that could disrupt neighbors, especially families with sleeping children. She was glad the ordinance update was being brought forward for review.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, seconded by Johnnie Parks

**Move to Approve Item 25-1684 preview of Ordinance No. 3901 amending Section 16-12 of the Broken Arrow Code of Ordinances to add a new subsection addressing noise generated by places of public assembly located near residential property**

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 -

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

#### 11. Ordinances - NONE

#### 12. Remarks and Inquiries by Governing Body Members

Council members shifted into general discussion and community announcements. Mayor Wimpee highlighted the upcoming Christmas parade and praised Ryan's team for consistently producing award-winning floats. Councilor Pickel promoted the Rotary Club's annual pancake breakfast—an all-you-can-eat event at First Methodist Church with proceeds staying in Broken Arrow. Councilor Green mentioned various holiday activities throughout the Rose District, including the ice rink, igloos, carriage rides, the weekly holiday market, and upcoming "Coloring and Cookies with a Cop." He encouraged residents to participate in the Fire Department's toy drive and NSU–BA's Gazebo Glow event.

Vice Mayor Parks recapped a recent trip to the National League of Cities conference and commended Lisa Ford, noting she served on the NLC board and had been recognized as the 2025 First Tier Suburbs Council Chair. It was also mentioned that she would serve as the incoming president of Women in Municipal Government, which would host its next convention in Broken Arrow. They praised staff, especially the mayor, for elevating the city's national profile and noted how many attendees already knew Broken Arrow because of the upcoming convention.

Councilor Ford reminded residents to purchase tickets for the December 10 State of the City address at Stoney Creek, emphasizing the City Manager's extensive preparation. Councilor Pickel also encouraged residents to enjoy the many seasonal community events and invited families to visit Santa's North Pole Village at New Orleans Square over the weekend. The exchange ended with lighthearted comments about costumes and holiday festivities.

#### 13. Remarks and updates by City Manager, including Recognition of Recent Accomplishments by Employees and Elected Officials

City Manager Michael Spurgeon closed by saying he had talked enough for the evening and wanted to focus on one final point. He publicly thanked Erin Hoffner, crediting her with creating and coordinating the city's expanded Christmas programming—from the kickoff through the weekly holiday events—and praised her for ensuring both businesses and residents benefited from the celebrations.

He then followed up on Councilor Ford's mention of the upcoming State of the City, announcing that this year's theme was Taking the City to New Heights, centered on the word Ascending. He noted there would be a few lighthearted videos and an additional special video. Still, he emphasized that his favorite and longest portion would be recognizing the many individuals and partner organizations—across city departments, the school district, the Chamber, the EDC, and other governmental levels—who contribute to Broken Arrow's success and continued growth. City Manager Spurgeon said the event required significant preparation



because accountability and transparency were core values.

He concluded by thanking the council for their time and for allowing staff to thoroughly present the bond package so the public could clearly understand what they would be voting on in April. He offered to answer any questions.

At approximately 8:30 p.m. Mayor Wimpee noted there was an Executive Session and called for a recess for BAMA and BAEDA.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Justin Green

**Move for a recess for BAMA and BAEDA**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

At approximately 8:40 p.m., the room was cleared for Executive Session.

MOTION: A motion was made by Debra Wimpee, seconded by Justin Green

**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

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, seconded by Justin Green

**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 approximately 8:56 p.m., City Council entered into Executive Session.

**14. Executive Session for the purpose of confidential communications between the City Council, the City Manager, the City Attorney, and any other pertinent staff members discussing conferring on matters and possible action in open session pertaining to:**

- 1. A pending investigation and claim, including potential resolution, of a matter involving the tort claim of Amanda Drake, Tort Claim No. TRT 1737.2026, and taking appropriate action in open session, if any, under 25 O.S. §307(B)(4).**

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Justin Green

**Move to authorize City Attorney to engage in settlement discussions with claimant as recommended by the City Attorney.**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by David Pickel

**Move to find Executive Session was necessary to discuss possible claims and potential litigation under 25 O. S. Section 307(B)(4).**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**15. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Justin Green

**Move to Adjourn**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

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Mayor

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City Clerk