



# 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, January 6, 2026

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 Rich Manganaro 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 Mayor Debra Wimpee.

#### 5. Consideration of Consent Agenda

- A. 26-113 Acknowledgement of upcoming out of state travel by City Council Member
- B. 26-1 Approval of the City Council Minutes of December 16, 2025
- C. 26-121 Approval of and authorization to execute Budget Amendment Number 19 for Fiscal Year 2026
- D. 26-77 Approval of and authorization to execute Agreement for Professional Consulting Services with Marquardt Engineering, PLLC for Elm Street and Tucson Street Improvements (ST24300)
- E. 26-78 Approval of and authorization to execute Agreement for Professional Consulting Services with Marquardt Engineering, PLLC for 137th East Avenue improvements south of New Orleans (ST24310)
- F. 26-81 Approval of and authorization to execute Change Order No. 1 with Magnum Construction for the Commercial and Ash Parking Lot (2417280)
- G. 26-90 Approval of and authorization to execute Amendment No. 1 with Alliant Insurance Services, Inc. to amend the Consulting Services Agreement dated July 1, 2023, to be effective January 1, 2026
- H. 26-91 Acceptance of a Utility Easement and Temporary Construction Easements from Purple Tracts, LLC, an Oklahoma limited liability company, the owner, on property generally located south of Houston Street and east of South 225th East Avenue in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 15 East, Wagoner County, State of Oklahoma for the Park Lane Lift Station Improvements & Cambridge Estates Relief Line, Parcels 1.1, 1.A, 1.B, and 1.C (Project No. S.24030)
- I. 26-93 Acceptance of a Utility Easement from CSL Oklahoma System, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, the owner, on property located at 5301 South Elm Place in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 35, Township 18 North, Range 14 East, Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma. Parcel 2.0 for the 16 inch Waterline Loop Elm & Florence (Project No. WL23090)
- J. 26-95 Approval of and authorization to execute Change Order No. 8 with Becco Contractors, Inc., for Oklahoma Department of Transportation Project No. STP 272F(367)IG, JP# 33955(04) (City of Broken Arrow Project No. ST1411, Albany Street Widening from 9th Street to 23rd Street)
- K. 26-97 Approval of and authorization to execute the interlocal agreement between Tulsa County and the City of Broken Arrow regarding cost sharing of pavement rehabilitation of the 101st Street and Mingo Road intersection
- L. 26-98 Approval of and authorization to purchase the required equipment to encrypt the City-owned Tornado Sirens and have them operate on the Broken Arrow Radio Network from

- M. 26-105 MCA and L3Harris Approval of PT 002546 2025|PR 000762 2024, Conditional Final Plat, Ferguson Kia, approximately 6.37 acres, 1 Lot, RMF (Residential Multifamily) to CH (Commercial Heavy)/PUD 236A via BAZ 2071 and PUD 001972 2025 via BAZ 001971 2025, located one half mile north of Kenosha Street (71st Street), one quarter mile east of Elm Place (161st E. Avenue), south of the Broken Arrow Expressway
- N. 26-115 Approval of BAZ 002489 2025 (Rezoning) and PUD 002490 2025, American Storage of BA, 24.9 acres, A 1 (Agricultural) to CH (Commercial Heavy) and IL (Industrial Light) to allow for a retail, office/warehouse, and outside sales/storage, and min storage located west of the Creek Turnpike, east of N. 37th Street (S. 209th East Ave.) and north of E. Houston Street (E. 81st Street)
- O. 26-118 Approval of and authorization to execute an agreement for automatic aid in fire protection, first response, dispatch, and mutual aid in fire protection and first response between the Rolling Hills Fire Protection District and the City of Broken Arrow
- P. 26-122 Approval of and authorization to execute Change Order No. 1 with Mammoth Sports Construction LLC for the Nienhuis Park Synthetic Turf Fields project (2460360)
- Q. 26-119 Ratification of the Claims List Check Register Dated December 29, 2025

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

**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 - NONE**

**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)**

**9. General Council Business**

- A. 26-100 **Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of and authorization to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City County Library Commission of Tulsa County and the City of Broken Arrow to outline their cooperative intent to develop a new 20,000 square foot public library facility in south Broken Arrow**

Jeremy Moore, Fire Chief, presented Item 26-100 and explained that the city is proposing a memorandum of understanding with the City-County Library Commission to clarify roles and expectations related to Proposition 7. Because the library is a separate entity, the agreement outlines responsibilities contingent on voter approval of the bond. The city would place Proposition 7 on the April ballot, cover election costs, and reimburse the library up to \$4 million or 40% of construction costs, whichever is less, with reimbursement occurring no earlier than January 31, 2030, after completion and occupancy. The library would commit to building a new 20,000-square-foot library near its current location by December 31, 2029, featuring a makerspace and outdoor children's amphitheater. If approved by the council, the agreement would go to the library board for ratification in January, ensuring clear expectations for both parties.

Kim Johnson, CEO of the Tulsa City-County Library Commission, expressed appreciation for the unique partnership and explained that the total project cost is \$13 million, with \$10 million dedicated to construction and \$3 million remaining. Fundraising has been challenging and has slowed, which is why the commission is seeking city support. They do not anticipate raising more than required. The commission is currently focused on funding the South Broken Arrow and Owasso library projects. It is open to including a clause in the memorandum of understanding if the city feels it is appropriate.

During the discussion, council members shared a positive experience using the South Broken Arrow Public Library and praised the staff. The library director thanked them and requested an amendment to the memorandum of understanding to add a firm deadline for the city's reimbursement of up to \$4 million, due no later than December 31, 2030. City Manager Spurgeon and Fire Chief Moore expressed support for adding an end date, noting it aligns with anticipated bond sales and existing project commitments, while acknowledging that adjustments could be brought back to the council if needed after voter approval of Proposition 7.

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

**Move to Approve Item 26-100 authorization to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City County Library Commission of Tulsa County and the City of Broken Arrow to outline their cooperative intent to develop a new 20,000 square foot public library facility in south Broken Arrow with the ammendment to reimburse the library to \$4 million, 40% verified construction costs no later than December 31st, 2030, and once**

**the conditions of Section 3 are fully satisfied.**

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye: 5 -**

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

**B. 25-282**

**Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of the allocation of the 2026 GO Bond Proposition #8 Sports Facility improvements authorized by Ordinance No. 3904, an Ordinance of the City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, relating to the imposition of a City excise tax (sales tax) of one half of one percent (0.5%) (in addition to any and all other excise taxes now in force) to be levied upon the gross proceeds or gross receipts derived from all sales taxable under the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code; specifically, allocating the following estimated amounts: Arrowhead Sports Complex, \$13,580,000; Indian Springs Sports Complex, \$8,200,000; Indian Springs Sports Complex Soccer, \$8,350,000; Indian Springs Sports Complex Baseball, \$10,000,000; Indian Springs Sports Complex Adult Softball, \$1,800,000; Challenger Sports Complex, \$1,275,000; and Nienhuis Sports Complex, \$3,350,000**

Charlie Bright, Director of Engineering and Construction, presented Item 25-282, and outlined preliminary plans for a potential Proposition 8, a proposed half-cent temporary sales tax lasting five years to fund sports user facilities, intended to deliver projects quickly so current youth benefit rather than waiting years for bond funding. The tax is estimated to generate about \$53 million, allowing roughly \$46 million in upfront project work with associated debt service, which was described as preferable to delaying construction and absorbing future cost escalation. If approved in an April election, design work would begin immediately with construction targeted for late 2027. Proposed investments include major upgrades at Arrowhead, such as improved playing surfaces, drainage, lighting, parking, entrances, and site amenities, along with broader infrastructure improvements, parking, common-area improvements, and a park maintenance building at Indian Springs to support the long-term operation of the sports complexes.

Mr. Bright further explained that while detailed designs are not complete, the city plans to explore creative solutions during the design phase to address space, parking, and circulation constraints at sports facilities. Proposed improvements at Indian Springs include additional turf soccer fields, LED lighting, expanded sidewalks, and upgrades to baseball and adult softball, such as turf conversions, regrading, restrooms, concessions, safety netting, and lighting, to bring all areas up to the same standard as newer facilities. At Challenger Sports Complex, modest additions would include a playground, batting cages, a pedestrian bridge connection, and expanded parking that would also support nearby event venues. Improvements at Nienhuis would focus on enhancements rather than catch-up work, including upgraded lighting, entry plazas, parking lot safety and drainage improvements, and new restroom access near practice fields. Overall, the plan outlines how revenue from a proposed temporary sales tax would be dedicated exclusively to sports user facilities, with flexibility based on actual collections, and emphasizes transparency while remaining open to refinement as projects move into design.

City Manager Michael Spurgeon explained that the City Council will decide whether to use any additional revenues for further improvements or instead to pay down and retire the financing note early and sunset the tax. He noted that some projects, such as Hackberry Market and Adams Creek, are not currently included, and that earlier requests exceeded available funding. After a few years of collections and updated revenue projections, Council will reassess priorities and decide whether to expand projects or end the tax once the debt is retired.

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

**Move to Approve Item 25-282 allocation of the 2026 GO Bond Proposition #8 Sports Facility improvements authorized by Ordinance No. 3904, an Ordinance of the City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, relating to the imposition of a City excise tax (sales tax) of one half of one percent (0.5%) (in addition to any and all other excise taxes now in force) to be levied upon the gross proceeds or gross receipts derived from all sales taxable under the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code; specifically, allocating the following estimated amounts: Arrowhead Sports Complex, \$13,580,000; Indian Springs Sports Complex, \$8,200,000; Indian Springs Sports Complex Soccer, \$8,350,000; Indian Springs Sports Complex Baseball, \$10,000,000; Indian Springs Sports Complex Adult Softball, \$1,800,000; Challenger Sports Complex, \$1,275,000; and Nienhuis Sports Complex, \$3,350,000**

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye: 5 -**

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

**C. 26-123**

**Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Resolution No. 1732 authorizing the City Attorney to enter into a Final Journal Entry of Judgment in Anthem Church, Inc. vs. City of Broken Arrow et. al., Tulsa County District Court Case Number: CV 2025 02526, authorizing foreclosure of a utility easement situated on property one third mile north of Houston Street (81st Street), one quarter mile east of Garnett Road, Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, (Section 08, T18N, R14E)**

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-123, concerning vacating a 2,000-square-

foot easement at the intersection of Houston and Garnett that is no longer needed for public use, allowing the landowner to remove it and proceed with development.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, seconded by David Pickel  
**Move to Approve Item 26-123 Resolution No. 1732**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**D. 26-129**      **Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Resolution No. 1730, a Resolution authorizing the calling and holding of a special election in the City of Broken Arrow, State of Oklahoma (the "City"), on the 7th day of April, 2026, for the purpose of adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 3904 of the City relating to a one half of one percent (0.5%) excise tax (sales tax), in addition to all present City, County and State excise taxes, with the proceeds of said tax to be used to fund sports facilities of the City, or debt service in connection with said sports facilities, as more specifically set out in Ordinance No. 3904 of said City; and containing other provisions related thereto**

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-129, introducing the legislative package for the 2026 General Obligation bond, along with a resolution for the associated sales tax and related ordinance. Nate Ellis from Public Finance Group presented the process.

Nate Ellis explained that the agenda covers the complete legal package to call the 2026 bond and sales tax elections, noting that general obligation bonds are called by ordinance with election language included and followed by published proclamations, while the sales tax is adopted by ordinance but formally called by resolution and only becomes effective if approved by voters. An emergency clause is required for the bond ordinance so it can be filed with the election board before deadlines, but not for the sales tax ordinance. The package includes eight propositions total: Propositions 1 through 6 are standard general obligation bonds; Proposition 7 is a limited tax general obligation bond under a different constitutional provision; and Proposition 8 is the sales tax. This is the final opportunity to adjust proposition numbering before the ballot is set.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Justin Green  
**Move to Approve Item 26-129 Resolution No. 1730**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**E. 26-131**      **Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of and authorization to execute Special Election Proclamation and Notice authorizing the calling of a special election on April 7, 2026, for Proposition No. 8, Sports Facilities Sales Tax**

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-131, an action to move to approve and authorize the execution of the special election proclamation.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, seconded by David Pickel  
**Move to Approve Item 26-131 authorization to execute Special Election Proclamation and Notice authorizing the calling of a special election on April 7, 2026, for Proposition No. 8, Sports Facilities Sales Tax**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**F. 26-130**      **Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of and authorization to execute Special Election Proclamation and Notice for Propositions No. 1 Transportation Projects, Proposition No. 2 Public Safety Projects, Proposition No. 3 Quality of Life Projects, Proposition No. 4 Public Facilities Projects, Proposition No. 5 Stormwater Projects, Proposition No. 6 Drainage Projects, and Proposition No. 7 Library Project**

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-130. The requested motion would be the same as above: approval and authorization to execute the special election proclamation.

MOTION: A motion was made by Justin Green, seconded by Lisa Ford  
**Move to Approve Item 26-130 authorization to execute Special Election Proclamation and Notice for Propositions No. 1 Transportation Projects, Proposition No. 2 Public Safety Projects, Proposition No. 3 Quality of Life Projects, Proposition No. 4 Public Facilities Projects, Proposition No. 5 Stormwater Projects, Proposition No. 6 Drainage Projects, and Proposition No. 7 Library Project**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**10. Preview Ordinances - NONE**

**11. Ordinances**

- A.      26-101      **Consideration, discussion, and possible adoption of Ordinance No. 3902, an Ordinance amending the City of Broken Arrow Code of Ordinances Chapter 10, Fire Prevention And Protection, Article II, Division I, Section 10 27, entitled "Specialized services," specifically removing "Hazmat cleanup;" amending Chapter 10, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article IV, entitled "Explosives," specifically reserving Sections 10 106 to 10 120; enacting Chapter 10, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article V, entitled "Hazardous Materials Incident Response;" repealing Chapter 13.1, entitled "Hazardous Materials and Waste;" and repealing all ordinances to the contrary**

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-101The item revisits a previously previewed HAZMAT ordinance that was revised at Chief Moore's request, with the legal department clarifying and strengthening language on who the city can seek remediation costs from after hazardous material spills. The update streamlines cost recovery for emergency responses, noting that fire response can cost roughly \$750 per hour per truck, and applies to incidents such as tanker or pipeline spills, ensuring the city can more effectively recover cleanup expenses.

Jeremy Moore, Fire Chief, explained the ordinance allows the city to bill the responsible party—such as the spiller, property owner, or company—for the fire department's time and resources used during hazardous material incidents. While the city will continue to respond immediately and coordinate cleanup through external remediation companies to protect the environment, this change ensures the fire department's efforts are no longer uncompensated. It is particularly aimed at addressing the sharp increase in natural gas leaks caused by underground directional boring, holding responsible companies accountable for infrastructure damage, and enabling the city to recover costs associated with emergency response.

Chief Moore also stated that staff have been notifying contractors that this policy is coming, particularly those performing directional tedious work that has caused many recent incidents. Contractors are being informed through regular meetings that, if the ordinance passes with the emergency clause, the city will immediately begin charging response costs—about \$750 per hour per fire truck—starting as soon as the next day for any incidents they cause.

During the discussion, Councilor Green asked whether the updated hazmat ordinance would also allow the city to recover costs for law enforcement services, such as officers blocking roads during hazardous incidents. Chief Moore responded that the ordinance language is intentionally broad and does not limit recovery to fire department costs, meaning the city could include all calculated incident-related costs, including police response, when invoicing the responsible party.

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

**Move to Approve Item 26-101 adoption of Ordinance No. 3902**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- B.      26-132      **Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of an emergency measure for Ordinance No. 3902; it being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or welfare, an emergency is declared to exist**

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-132, an emergency clause for Ordinance No. 3902.

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

**Move to Approve an emergency measure for Ordinance No. 3902**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- C.      26-126      **Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Ordinance No. 3903, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, authorizing the calling and holding of a special election in the City of Broken Arrow, State of Oklahoma (the "City"), on the 7th day of April, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the registered qualified electors of said City the question of the issuance of general obligation bonds of said City in an aggregate amount not to exceed the sum of Four Hundred Fifteen Million Dollars (\$415,000,000) to be issued in one or more series to provide funds for the purposes of: (i) pursuant to Section 27, Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, general obligation bonds of said City for constructing, reconstructing, repairing, improving, and rehabilitating streets, roads, bridges, and intersections in the city (including lighting, sidewalks/bikepaths, landscaping, related drainage improvements, driveway reconstruction, and other related improvements) (\$205,000,000), (ii) pursuant to Section 27, Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, general obligation bonds of said City for acquiring, constructing, expanding, renovating, repairing, and/or equipping public safety buildings, facilities, and equipment, all to be owned exclusively by the City (\$56,000,000), (iii) pursuant to Section 27, Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, general obligation**

bonds of said City for constructing, expanding, repairing, which may also include improving, renovating, acquiring and equipping parks and recreational facilities, all to be owned exclusively by the City, or in the alternative to acquire all or a distinct portion of such property pursuant to a lease purchase arrangement (\$74,000,000), (iv) pursuant to Section 27, Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, general obligation bonds of said City for acquiring, constructing, expanding, renovating, repairing, and equipping municipal buildings, facilities, and equipment, all to be owned exclusively by the City (\$65,000,000), (v) pursuant to Section 26, Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, general obligation bonds of said City for constructing, expanding, repairing, which may also include improving, renovating, acquiring and equipping stormwater facilities on property owned exclusively or in part by the City (\$6,000,000), (vi) pursuant to Section 26, Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, general obligation bonds of said City for drainage improvements to property owned exclusively or in part by the City (\$5,000,000), and (vii) pursuant to Section 35, Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, general obligation limited tax bonds of said City for economic and community development including a new south Broken Arrow library (\$4,000,000); all to be completed with or without the use of other funds, and levying and collecting an annual tax, in addition to all other taxes, upon all the taxable property in said City for the payment of the interest and principal on said bonds, provided however, that in no event shall the real and personal taxable property in said City be subject to a special tax in excess of five mills on the dollar for all bonds issued pursuant to Section 35, Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution; providing for election procedures; authorizing professional services agreements pertaining to the issuance of said bonds; declaring an emergency; and containing other provisions related thereto.

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-126, the accompanying ordinance, to the notice of the proclamation of election that was previously passed. It is for Propositions 1 through 7.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, seconded by David Pickel  
**Move to Approve Ordinance No. 3903**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- D.      26-127      **Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of an emergency measure for Ordinance No. 3903; it being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or welfare, an emergency is hereby declared**

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-127, an emergency clause for Ordinance No. 3903.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Justin Green  
**Move to Approve an emergency measure for Ordinance No. 3903**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- E.      26-128      **Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Ordinance No. 3904, an Ordinance of the City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, relating to the imposition of a City excise tax (sales tax) of one half of one percent (0.5%) (in addition to any and all other excise taxes now in force) to be levied upon the gross proceeds or gross receipts derived from all sales taxable under the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code; providing for the use of the proceeds of said excise tax; providing for the effective date of said excise tax to begin on July 1, 2026, and terminate on June 30, 2031; providing for subsisting State permits; providing for payment of tax; providing that the tax is in addition to taxes currently levied; incorporating certain provisions of prior City ordinances; providing for amendments to this ordinance; providing that the provisions of this ordinance are cumulative and in addition to any and all taxing provisions of other City ordinances; providing for severability of provisions; and containing other provisions related thereto**

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-128, the ordinance for Proposition Number 8, Sales Tax.

MOTION: A motion was made by Justin Green, seconded by Lisa Ford  
**Move to Approve Item 26-128 Ordinance No. 3904**

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

Mayor Wimpee announced that she and the City Manager recorded a short video ahead of the council meeting to remind the public about the January 12th special meeting, explain how it

will proceed, and encourage attendees to come prepared for a calm, professional discussion and vote on the item.

City Manager Michael Spurgeon said the video will be released on Friday and is intended to address the intense emotions surrounding this particular matter, noting that while the Council regularly handles many planning applications, this one has generated heightened public interest. He explained that the Mayor and Council wanted to remind residents that differing opinions are expected, that the First Amendment is respected, and that the community remains friends and neighbors despite disagreements. He added that Aaron McColloch, Director of Communications, will also explain the logistics of the meeting, including when doors will open and deadlines for submitting requests to speak, so staff and the clerk's office can prepare. He also expressed appreciation for Mr. McColloch's work on the Council's behalf on the video.

Councilor David Pickel praised the city's staff and leadership after the holidays, specifically commending Mr. Spurgeon's leadership and the collective efforts that made the community feel vibrant and welcoming, noting that walking through the Rose District feels like a Hallmark movie and expressing appreciation for the work done.

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

City Manager Michael Spurgeon thanked council members, staff, and consultants for the extensive work on the bond package over the past two years, specifically recognizing Trevor and Nate Ellis for navigating complex legal and constitutional requirements, as well as city leadership and department directors for their collaborative efforts. He highlighted Fire Chief Jeremy Moore's contributions as an example of cross-department leadership, thanked community groups and sports organizations for their involvement, and noted that the public education phase of the bond effort will begin soon. He also informed the council of a request from Tulsa County for funding for the Garnett/New Orleans road project, explaining that he plans to bring forward a resolution and a letter of support at the January 20 meeting to assist the county in securing federal hazard mitigation funds.

**14. Executive Session - NONE**

**15. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, 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