



City of Broken Arrow
City Council Meeting
Minutes

City Hall
220 S. 1st Street
Broken Arrow Ok
74012

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

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

Time 6:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

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

2. Invocation

Pastor Anita 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 Council Member Justin Green.

5. Consideration of Consent Agenda

- A. 26-9 Approval of the City Council Meeting Minutes of April 21, 2026
- B. 26-637 Acceptance of Planning Commission meeting minutes of April 9, 2026
- C. 26-638 Approval of and authorization to execute Budget Amendment Number 28 for Fiscal Year 2026
- D. 26-566 Approval of and authorization to reprogram fiscal year 2026 residual capital improvement funds to fund a new fiscal year 2026 capital improvement project to purchase gym equipment
- E. 26-605 Approval of and authorization to reprogram fiscal year 2026 residual capital improvement funds to fund a new fiscal year 2026 capital improvement project to purchase a crash data retrieval tool for the police department's Traffic Specialist Unit
- F. 26-607 Approval of and authorization to execute a Proclamation declaring the week of May 17-23, 2026, as National Public Works Week
- G. 26-608 Approval of and authorization to execute a Proclamation declaring May 16, 2026, as Kids to Parks Day in the City of Broken Arrow
- H. 26-604 Approval of and authorization to execute an agreement with Archon Resources, LLC to provide contract staffing, contract-to-hire, payroll, and direct hire recruitment services
- I. 26-632 Approval of and authorization to execute the engagement letter with Arledge & Associates to prepare and audit the FY 26 financial statements for year ending June 2026
- J. 26-606 Approval of and authorization to execute Agreement for Professional Consultant Services with Bums & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc. for the Valley Ridge Rosser Phase 2 Subdivision Residential Streets Concrete Panel Replacement (Project Number ST25110)
- K. 26-592 Approval of and authorization to execute an agreement with Citrine LLC (Citrine) for lockout/tagout (LOTO) procedures for city buildings, or take other necessary action
- L. 26-564 Approval of and authorization to execute a professional services renewal contract with First Responder Support Services, LLC to provide behavioral health services (counseling, training, and consultation) to all employees of the Broken Arrow Police Department
- M. 26-634 Approval of and authorization to execute an agreement with Hunt Professional Recruiting LLC for professional staffing needs
- N. 26-614 Approval of and authorization to execute Professional Consultant Agreement Amendment 1 with Professional Engineering Consultants, P.A (PEC) for the construction documents of the Field Service Locker Room Renovation (2617120)
- O. 26-597 Approval of and authorization to execute Agreement for Professional Consultant Services with R.L. Shears Company, P.C. for providing construction phase services on the Broken Arrow Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Project (Project No. ST22300)
- P. 26-599 Approval of and authorization to execute Agreement for Professional Consultant Services with R.L. Shears Company, P.C. for providing construction phase services on the Broken Arrow Creek Trail Phase II Project (Project No. 196032)

- Q. 26-610 Approval of and authorization to execute an agreement with System One Holdings, LLC (System One), for professional staffing needs
- R. 26-596 Approval of and authorization to execute Agreement for Professional Consultant Services with WSB LLC, for the Woodstock Subdivision Residential Streets Concrete Panel Replacement (Project Number ST25090)
- S. 26-628 Approval of and authorization to award the lowest responsible bid 26.146 Kiln Room at Arts 302 to Calema LLC, DBA KMS
- T. 26-540 Approval of and authorization to purchase LPR Cameras for the police department from Orion Security Solutions, pursuant to Oklahoma Statewide Security Equipment Contract# SW1048M
- U. 26-609 Approval of and authorization to execute a purchase of the 1-year agreement for Zscaler Internet Access (ZIA/ZPA) for deploying Web filtering from Presidio Network Systems, pursuant to the Oklahoma Statewide Contract SW1014
- V. 26-615 Approval of and authorization to execute Change Order #1 with Wyatt Contracting. Inc (SW1910)
- W. 26-616 Acceptance of and authorization to execute the Change Order #3 with Paragon Contractors, LLC for the Jasper St & Aspen Intersection Improvements (ST2031)
- X. 26-584 Notification of a clerical error in the amount of \$510.00 and making total payment in the amount of \$49,240.00 to David M. Warne and Sharon Warne for the acquisition of Utility Easements for parcels 23.0, 23.1, 23.2, 24.0, and 24.1 for Project No. 2154250, per the accepted offer
- Y. 26-581 Approval of and authorization to execute Resolution No. 1745, a Resolution authorizing acceptance of a General Warranty Deed for Parcel 9.0, consisting of 7,651 square feet of permanent Right-of-Way located at 4725 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 Lo Vangseng and Nao Vang, for the 37th Street Roadway Widening from Omaha Street to Dearborn Street, Parcel 9.0 (Project No. ST21390)
- Z. 26-629 Acceptance of a Drainage Easement for Parcel 3. A, consisting of 516.00 square feet of drainage easement, generally located one-quarter mile west of the intersection of East College Street and South 23rd Street, on the north side of East College Street, in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, in the Northeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 18 North, Range 14 East, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, from East Kenosha Development, LLC, for the College Street Improvements, Parcel 3.A (Project No. ST26020)
- AA. 26-580 Acceptance of a Temporary Construction Easement for Parcels 1. A and 4. A, consisting of 3,410 square feet and 21,119 square feet, respectively, of temporary construction easement generally located near the intersection of West Austin Place and South Walnut Place in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, in the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 18 North, Range 14 East, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, from Waterford Park Homeowners Association for the Waterford Park Erosion Mitigation, Parcels 1. A and 4.A (Project No. SW26110)
- AB. 26-613 Acceptance of a Utility Easement for Parcel 12.0 and a Temporary Construction Easement for Parcel 12.1, consisting of 0.227 Acres of permanent utility easement and 0.109 Acres of temporary construction easement, respectively, on property located at 710 East New Orleans Street in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, in the Southeast Quarter of Section 23, Township 18 North, Range 14 East, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, from Jose D. Carillo and Marisol Rodriguez, and authorization of payment in the amount of \$22,420.00 for the New Orleans & 9th Street Sanitary Sewer Line, Parcel 12.0 and 12.1 (Project No. S.26040)
- AC. 26-617 Approval of and authorization of Final Acceptance for the public improvements at Brook Chase III, located at 1708 East Vandalia Street
- AD. 26-619 Approval of and authorization of Final Acceptance for the public improvements at Creeks located at 2500 East Hillside Drive (Spencer Concrete & Excavation, LLC)
- AE. 26-620 Approval of and authorization of Final Acceptance for the public improvements at Creeks located at 2500 East Hillside Drive (Thompson Construction Inc.)
- AF. 26-618 Approval of and authorization of Final Acceptance for the public improvements at Ironwood located at 3427 North Ironwood Avenue
- AG. 26-588 Ratification of the Claims List Check Register Dated April 27, 2026

MOTION: A motion was made by Justin Green, seconded by David Pickel
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. 26-538 Presentation, discussion, and possible acceptance of the 2025-2026 Broken Arrow Youth City Council's Big Idea

Lori Hill, Community Relations Manager, presented Item 26-538 and introduced Lizzie Grounds and Kaylee Morris.

Lizzie Grounds and Kaylee Morris, representing the Broken Arrow Youth City Council, presented their annual “Big Idea” project focused on improving volunteer access in the community. The proposal would add a section to the BA.gov website where local organizations could post volunteer opportunities and service hour information in one centralized location, making it easier for students and residents to find opportunities. The council contacted several local organizations, including Iron Gate, Keep Broken Arrow Beautiful, Habitat for Humanity, and DVIS, all of which responded positively to the idea. The proposed system would function similarly to SignUpGenius, allowing volunteers to sign up online and receive reminders by email or text to reduce no-shows. The students emphasized the importance of community service and thanked the Youth City Council members, Lori Hill, and Mike Godfrey for their support and contributions to the project.

Council members and city officials responded positively to the Broken Arrow Youth City Council’s volunteer website proposal, praising the students’ creativity, leadership, and community involvement. Several council members noted that residents frequently ask about volunteer opportunities and agreed that a centralized online platform would make it easier for people, especially students seeking service hours, to connect with local nonprofits and community organizations. The discussion highlighted the importance of encouraging volunteerism within Broken Arrow and reducing missed commitments through digital reminders and scheduling tools. City leadership also emphasized that the “Big Idea” project is entirely student-driven, with Youth City Council members independently collaborating on and developing the proposal throughout the year. Officials commended the students for their initiative, leadership, and dedication to improving community engagement.

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

Move to Approve Item 26-538 acceptance of the 2025-2026 Broken Arrow Youth City Council's Big Idea

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 -

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

B. 26-539

Presentation, discussion, and recognition of the Youth City Council graduating seniors for school year 2025-2026

Lori Hill, Community Relations Manager, presented Item 26-539 and recognized the graduating seniors of the Broken Arrow Youth City Council, praising their dedication, leadership, and service to the community over the past three years. She highlighted how the students learned about local government, participated in service projects, and represented both the city and their schools with curiosity and a commitment to making a difference. She also noted that the seniors contributed ideas to strengthen the Youth City Council program for future participants. Ms. Hill expressed pride in their accomplishments and encouraged them to continue using their voices and leadership skills as they move on to college, careers, and other opportunities. She then recognized seniors who were unable to attend, including Isaac Fowble, Savannah Henry, Stephanie Hill, and Autumn McKittrick, before introducing Kaylee, Ira, Everett, and Hector to receive certificates of completion. Ms. Hill shared that each student’s original application essay was included with their certificate as a reminder of the goals and vision they brought to the program. She concluded by thanking the students for their service, recognizing Vice Mayor Parks and Councilor Green for participating in the presentation, and acknowledging incoming Youth City Council Mayor Graham Bowser in attendance.

C. 26-556

Presentation and annual programming update by the Museum Broken Arrow

Lori Hill, Community Relations Manager, presented Item 26-556 and introduced Mikel Yantz, with the Museum of Broken Arrow.

Mikel Yantz, executive director of Museum Broken Arrow, reflected on what he described as an outstanding year for the museum in 2025 and thanked the City Council and community for their continued support. He explained that the museum recently refined its mission and vision and developed a new strategic plan extending through 2030 in partnership with the Nonprofit Center of Oklahoma. The plan focuses on goals related to attendance, exhibits, education, and collections, and Yantz noted that the museum is already meeting some of those benchmarks in the first quarter of 2026.

Mr. Yantz reported that more than 10,000 visitors came through the museum in 2025, while the organization also surpassed one million views across its social media platforms. He highlighted growing international interest in Broken Arrow’s history, noting that the museum had already welcomed triple the number of international visitors in the first quarter of 2026 compared to all of 2025. The museum continues to rotate monthly exhibits in its temporary gallery, often featuring artwork from Muscogee Nation citizens, Broken Arrow residents, or

historical displays. Partnerships with local organizations, including the Senior Activity Center and Native American artist groups, are also expanding programming in 2026.

He also discussed the museum's expanding educational outreach, explaining that educational programs tripled in 2025 and continue to grow this year. Programs now include family movie nights and homeschool days, with one recent homeschool event drawing more than 120 participants despite weather-related rescheduling. Mr. Yantz emphasized the museum's commitment to supporting local businesses and artists through its gift shop, which features more than 16 Broken Arrow vendors. He further noted that grants from the Rotary Club of Broken Arrow and several local Walmart stores helped fund updates to permanent exhibits, including displays related to Rooster Days, Broken Arrow history, and local figures such as Christian Chenoweth and Ralph Blaine.

Fundraising efforts have also been successful, with museum murder mystery events selling out for two consecutive years. Mr. Yantz promoted the upcoming 90th annual Pioneer Dinner during Rooster Days, featuring fried chicken competitions, pie auctions, and community participation. He also thanked Broken Arrow voters for approving Proposition 4, which includes museum expansion plans, and expressed excitement about working with the city and residents on future development ideas. He concluded humorously by announcing that a missing egg tied to a museum activity was hidden somewhere in Broken Arrow and encouraged residents to search for clues on the museum's website.

D. 26-557 Presentation and annual programming update by the Broken Arrow Genealogy Society

Jae Jaeger, president of the Broken Arrow Genealogical Society, presented Item 26-557 and introduced the annual programming update regarding the Genealogy Society.

The Genealogy Center congratulated the City Council on the successful bond issue and expressed optimism about the benefits it could bring to the community and the Genealogy Center. She highlighted the organization's busy and productive year, noting that the museum's growing success has also helped expand the Genealogy Center's outreach efforts. She discussed a recent homeschool day event, explaining that many families who visited the museum also spent time at the library, where they explored one of the area's largest Civil War collections and interacted with a Civil War reenactor who demonstrated period artifacts and equipment, including a Union soldier's rifle and gear. The experience gave children a new appreciation for the physical demands faced by soldiers of that era.

She also emphasized the Genealogy Center's ongoing outreach throughout the community, explaining that staff and volunteers regularly present programs to heritage societies and other organizations. Much of their work extends beyond normal library hours, with extensive time devoted to research requests from visitors. She noted that while patrons may initially come in with questions, the staff often continues researching long afterward, estimating that research efforts added roughly 166 hours beyond standard library operations during the year.

Several examples of notable research projects were shared, including a request from a doctoral student in Vermont seeking information on a Creek Freedmen family, which she described as an especially exciting opportunity for deeper historical research. She also discussed the recent donation of extensive genealogy materials from the family of Dan McKinnon, who had been heavily involved with both genealogy and museum organizations in Broken Arrow. The Center is now reorganizing its collections to make room for the donated materials while continuing to modernize and digitize resources.

She concluded by inviting the public to visit the Genealogy Center and attend its upcoming quarterly meeting, which will focus on Thomas Gilcrease and the artists he supported through the Gilcrease Museum collection, particularly Native American artists whose work became nationally significant through his contributions.

E. 26-558 Presentation and annual programming update by ArtsOK for Arts@302

Lori Hill, Community Relations Manager, presented Item 26-558 and introduced Ms. Jennifer Deal.

Jennifer Deal of ArtsOK for Arts@302 reflected on the organization's growth over the past four years, expressing gratitude to the City of Broken Arrow for its ongoing support since the Center first opened shortly after spring break four years earlier. She recalled starting programming before the building was even fully furnished and said the organization has continued to grow steadily since then. Ms. Deal estimated that approximately 6,000 visitors came through the facility over the last year, emphasizing that most visitors become actively engaged with the Center rather than simply stopping by once. She noted that the organization's mission is centered on the belief that art is for everyone. She said the building is now in constant use throughout the day and evening with programs and activities for the community.

Ms. Deal highlighted several successful programs and events, including the annual 5x5 fundraiser, which invites local artists to create artwork on donated five-by-five canvases. She explained that more than 200 canvases were submitted last year and that the event raised over \$10,000 through artwork sales and matching donations, with all proceeds going toward scholarships. She encouraged community members and councilors to participate in future projects and promoted the upcoming August 13 opening for the next 5x5 exhibit. She also discussed the Center's monthly Second Saturday art activities, where families and community members work directly with local artists on hands-on art projects. A newer event, the Imagination Spectacular, was launched in January as a ticketed kickoff event where attendees created art throughout the entire building, with many participants staying for the full four-hour program.

She also outlined several new initiatives underway, including grant-funded expansions involving filmmaking equipment and sewing machines that will allow the organization to broaden its programming. Ms. Deal discussed a recent mental health-themed art exhibit created in partnership with a local organization. She said Arts@302 hopes to continue building collaborations that connect the arts with broader community issues and career development opportunities. She emphasized the importance of showing young people that the arts can become not only a hobby but also a viable career path. Ms. Deal concluded by thanking the city and voters for including the arts center in the successful bond package. She expressed both excitement and anticipation about the organization's continued growth in the coming years, inviting council members to return for another tour as the facility continues evolving.

F. 26-642

Public hearing, consideration, and possible action regarding PUD-002519-2025 and BAZ-002633-2026, and abrogation of PUD-307, Aspen Creek Villas, 90.33 acres, Commercial Heavy (CH) to Single-family Residential - Compact (RS-C), located north of Tucson Street (121st Street) and approximately one-quarter mile east of Olive Avenue (129th Avenue)

Rocky Henkel, Director of Community Development, presented Item 26-642, PUD 2519-2025 and BAZ 2633-2026, requests related to a proposed single-family residential development on approximately 90 acres located north of Tucson Street and east of Olive Avenue. He explained that the property is currently undeveloped and was previously part of PUD 307, a master development plan that included multifamily and commercial uses. A later amendment, PUD 307A, relocated the multifamily component to the existing Trails at Aspen Creek development. The current request includes abrogating the remaining portion of PUD 307 on this site and rezoning the property from CH Commercial Heavy to RSC Single-Family Residential Compact, which aligns with the area's Level Two Urban Residential comprehensive plan designation approved in 2024.

Mr. Henkel outlined the proposed development standards, which would allow up to 350 residential lots. Of those, 225 lots would have a minimum width of 52 feet, while the remaining 125 lots would be at least 60 feet wide. All lots would have a minimum size of 6,000 square feet. Proposed setbacks include 20 feet at the rear, 5 feet on the sides, and 25 feet at the front. He explained that because a substantial land area must be dedicated for future Tucson Street right-of-way improvements and a future Creek Turnpike frontage road, staff and the applicant negotiated a reduced open space requirement. While RSC zoning typically requires 15% open space, the compromise would require 8% open space because a portion of the development would contain larger RS-style lots, which normally have no open space requirement.

Mr. Henkel also discussed prior conversations regarding traffic and infrastructure impacts along Tucson Street. He noted that voters approved Proposition 1 of the 2026 Broken Arrow General Obligation Bond package, which includes funding for widening and reconstruction improvements on Tucson Street between Olive and Aspen. He summarized the project's review history, explaining that the Planning Commission initially heard the request in February 2026, when concerns were raised about drainage, frontage road dedication requirements, existing billboards along the Creek Turnpike, and the desire for a greater variety of lot sizes. The item was tabled at that time to allow revisions to the PUD document and conceptual layout.

The revised plan now includes an 80-foot frontage road dedication and a reserve area for the existing billboards. Mr. Henkel stated that the revised proposal returned to the Planning Commission on April 23, 2026, where it received a unanimous 5-0 recommendation for approval. He added that no one spoke either in favor of or against the proposal during that meeting. However, the city did receive a late email from a resident expressing concerns about traffic access, public safety, and school capacity. The resident also requested that the item be tabled again so they could participate in the discussion at a future meeting.

It was requested that the item be tabled until May 19 so residents who were previously informed that the matter would be heard on that date would have an opportunity to attend and voice their concerns. It was also stated that postponing the item would allow affected residents time to make accommodations to participate in the meeting and ensure their concerns are properly represented before any decision is made.

Steve Haguewood, a resident of the Riverstone neighborhood located across from the proposed housing development, expressed concerns about moving forward with the project before surrounding infrastructure improvements are completed. He explained that he and his wife have lived in the area for about five years and have observed increasing traffic congestion along Tucson Street, particularly at the four-way stop intersection. He noted that both Tucson Street and Olive Avenue are narrow two-lane roads without shoulders and already experience significant traffic backups during peak travel times.

Mr. Haguewood acknowledged his support for the recently approved bond issue and agreed that roadway improvements and widening projects are necessary for the growing area. However, he cautioned that the infrastructure projects will take time to complete and will likely lag behind the pace of residential construction. He stated that nearby developments have been built very quickly in recent years. He argued that the proposed 350-home subdivision could add an estimated 400 to 500 additional vehicles onto roads that are already strained. He described the situation as “putting the cart before the horse,” arguing that the infrastructure needed to support the development is not yet in place.

He also raised concerns about public safety, particularly the potential difficulty emergency vehicles could face navigating heavily congested roads during peak traffic periods. Haguewood added that additional commercial development west of the site, including new retail growth near Home Depot and Hobby Lobby, is expected to increase traffic in the area further. While he stated that he was not opposed to the housing project itself, he urged the council not to move forward with the development until roadway and infrastructure improvements are completed.

Ken Sandoval, a resident of Riverstone Estates for approximately five years, echoed many of the concerns previously raised regarding the proposed housing development. He stated that traffic congestion and school overcrowding were among his primary concerns and emphasized the need for additional time to research the proposal and fully prepare comments. Mr. Sandoval explained that residents had expected the matter to be heard on May 19 and were surprised to learn it would instead be discussed that evening, which limited their ability to participate.

He also expressed concern that even with the planned widening of Tucson Street between Olive and Aspen, traffic issues would likely persist because portions of the roadway beyond that area would remain narrow. Mr. Sandoval stated that congestion and backups would continue unless broader infrastructure concerns were addressed, and he urged the council to carefully consider those issues before moving forward with the development.

Allen Betchen of AAB Engineering stated that the applicant had no objection to tabling the item and emphasized that the development team was not attempting to avoid public input or rush the process. He explained that the project has undergone extensive review and multiple revisions over a significant period of time. Betchen noted that concerns about Tucson Street and the surrounding infrastructure had been considered from the beginning, even before voters approved the bond package for roadway improvements.

He explained that the original PUD submission included language making approval of the roadway funding and completion of the Tucson Street improvements a requirement before any final plat for the development could proceed. According to Mr. Betchen, the project already contains built-in contingencies specifically tied to the road infrastructure. He described the current proposal as a compromise project that evolved through numerous discussions with staff and the Planning Commission in an effort to create a development that the area could reasonably support.

In response to questions about density, Mr. Betchen stated that the current proposal includes 350 homes, which is approximately 80 to 90 fewer homes than the original submittal and about 75 fewer than an earlier revised version. He said the reductions were achieved through lower overall density and by creating a mixed-product subdivision with both 52-foot and 60-foot lot widths rather than a uniform design. He also explained that the development team conducted more detailed alignment and collector street planning than is typically required for a PUD in order to address traffic and roadway concerns. Mr. Betchen added that the frontage road dedication has already been incorporated into the development plan. He said he believed the project was ultimately one the council could support after further public discussion.

MOTION: A motion was made by David Pickel, seconded by Lisa Ford Move to Table Item 26-642 Public hearing, consideration, and possible action regarding PUD-002519-2025 and BAZ-002633-2026, and abrogation of PUD-307, Aspen Creek Villas, 90.33 acres, Commercial Heavy (CH) to Single-family Residential - Compact (RS-C), located north of Tucson Street (121st Street) and approximately one-quarter mile east of Olive Avenue (129th Avenue) until May 19, 2026

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 -

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

Approval of and authorization to execute a Proclamation declaring the week of May 3rd-9th, 2026, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week

Mayor Debra Wimpee presented Item 26-603, a proclamation recognizing May 3 through May 9, 2026, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week in the City of Broken Arrow. In reading the proclamation, she highlighted the longstanding and essential role of professional municipal clerks in local government, describing the office as one of the oldest among public service professions. She noted that municipal clerks serve as a critical connection between citizens, governing bodies, and other levels of government while maintaining neutrality and impartiality in providing equal service to all members of the community.

The proclamation also recognized the role municipal clerks play as information centers for local government operations. It acknowledged their continued commitment to professional development through educational programs, seminars, workshops, and participation in state, county, and international professional organizations. Mayor Wimpee stated that it was appropriate to recognize the accomplishments and contributions of the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk and concluded by officially proclaiming May 3–9, 2026, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week before congratulating the city clerk and staff.

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)

Mr. Michael Coon addressed the council about beginning a new effort focused on assisting veterans struggling with PTSD, substance abuse, and related challenges. Although he believed he had retired, he explained that he had returned to work through Patriot Rehab Services to help both tribal and non-tribal veterans find treatment facilities and support services. He said he wanted to bring the initiative before the City of Broken Arrow because of the community's strong support for veterans and described it as an honor to present the proposal to the council.

Mr. Coon then introduced two guests from Walker, Louisiana, and New Iberia, Louisiana, who were involved with the effort. He identified one as retired Colonel Joey Strickland, who served 30 years in the military, and the other as Jimmie Morgan. He invited them to speak further about the veterans' rehabilitation and support program they hope to establish and bring forward in partnership with the community.

Retired Army Colonel Joey Strickland introduced himself as a 30-year military veteran and the father of soldiers who served in Iraq and Afghanistan, noting that his daughters currently serve in the Louisiana National Guard. After retiring from military service, he served as Secretary of Veterans Affairs for both the states of Louisiana and Arizona, spending more than two decades working with veterans following his military career.

Col. Strickland explained that after retiring from state service, he became involved with Patriot Rehab, a rehabilitation facility located in New Iberia, Louisiana. He described the facility as a 28,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art rehabilitation center with 24 private rooms, medical staff, therapists, and treatment resources that work closely with federal VA offices in New Orleans and Alexandria to serve Louisiana veterans. He said the organization is now preparing to expand its services and identified Broken Arrow as a promising location because of its strong support for veterans and his own personal ties to Oklahoma through family members who served in the military and are buried in the state.

Col. Strickland stated that representatives from Patriot Rehab had visited Broken Arrow several times and were particularly impressed by the city's veterans-focused amenities, including the military museum and Veterans Park. He emphasized that the organization was not seeking financial assistance from the city but rather opportunities to partner with existing social service organizations in order to begin providing care and support for veterans and their families in the area. He then introduced his senior partner, Jimmie Morgan, to discuss the healthcare and treatment side of the proposed program.

Jimmie Morgan thanked the council for the opportunity to speak and explained that he has worked in addiction and behavioral health treatment for approximately 40 years. Although he is not a veteran himself, he shared that he is the son of a disabled World War II veteran and comes from a family with a long history of military service, including relatives who attended the United States Naval Academy and served in the armed forces. He said his passion for helping veterans led him to help establish the first residential addiction and behavioral health treatment center exclusively for veterans in the state of Louisiana.

Mr. Morgan explained that the program is designed specifically for veterans because he believes veterans respond more successfully when treated alongside fellow veterans rather than within the general population. He praised the City of Broken Arrow for its visible commitment to supporting veterans. He said that type of community environment makes the area an ideal location for expanding the program.

He also discussed his previous experience operating one of only two treatment facilities in the nation focused on Native American populations in New Mexico. That program incorporated Native American traditions, spirituality, and ceremonies alongside modern behavioral health treatment, which he described as highly successful. Mr. Morgan said the organization hopes to bring a similar culturally sensitive approach to Oklahoma in order to support both Native American and non-Native American veterans.

Mr. Morgan stated that the organization is searching for an existing healthcare facility, either currently operating or vacant, that could be adapted for the program so services could begin quickly through a partnership arrangement. He explained that the facility would be funded through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs as an approved VACCN provider, meaning reimbursement for treatment would come through the VA rather than Indian Health Services or Medicaid programs. He outlined the treatment structure, which includes approximately 45 days of residential care followed by outpatient services and transition into long-term community support programs. Mr. Morgan concluded by emphasizing the organization's experience and transparency and invited council members to ask questions about the proposal.

9. General Council Business

- A. 26-630 **Approval of and authorization to execute an Agreed Judgment in Board of County Commissioners of Wagoner County, Oklahoma v. Phuong Tran and Nhung Le Revocable Trust dated November 22, 2021, et al., Wagoner County District Court Case No. CV-26-26, preserving the City's drainage easement rights**

Trevor Dennis, City Attorney, presented Item 26-630 and informed the council that Wagoner County had exercised eminent domain on property located near South 273rd East Avenue and that the City of Broken Arrow had been named as a defendant in the case because the city holds a drainage easement on the affected property. Mr. Dennis explained that the parties had reached a settlement and prepared an agreed journal entry of judgment to resolve the condemnation matter.

He stated that the agreement specifically preserves and recognizes the city's drainage easement, ensuring that the condemnation action will not impact the easement rights. Mr. Dennis said the city was requesting authorization to enter into the agreed journal entry of judgment so the condemnation case could be formally concluded, and he offered to answer any questions from the council regarding the settlement.

MOTION: A motion was made by Justin Green, seconded by David Pickel
Move to Approve Item 26-630 authorization to execute an Agreed Judgment in Board of County Commissioners of Wagoner County, Oklahoma v. Phuong Tran and Nhung Le Revocable Trust dated November 22, 2021, et al., Wagoner County District Court Case No. CV-26-26, preserving the City's drainage easement rights

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- B. 26-635 **Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Resolution 1747, a Resolution of the City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma (the "City") approving action taken by the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority (the "Authority") authorizing issuance, sale and delivery of the Authority's Series 2026, A Promissory Note to Oklahoma Water Resources Board; ratifying and confirming a Lease Agreement; ratifying and confirming a Sales Tax Agreement; and containing other provisions related thereto**

Cindy Arnold, Director of Finance, presented Item 26-635 and requested that it be tabled until it goes through Authority.

MOTION: A motion was made by David Pickel, seconded by Justin Green
Move to Approve Item 26-635 Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Resolution 1747, a Resolution of the City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma (the "City") approving action taken by the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority (the "Authority") authorizing issuance, sale and delivery of the Authority's Series 2026, A Promissory Note to Oklahoma Water Resources Board; ratifying and confirming a Lease Agreement; ratifying and confirming a Sales Tax Agreement; and containing other provisions related thereto, until Authority

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

10. Preview Ordinances

- A. 26-612 **Consideration, discussion, and possible preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located south of Jasper Street (131st Street), east of 9th Street (Lynn Lane), Broken Arrow, Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency (EASE-002314-2025)**

Rocky Henkel, Director of Community Development, presented Item 26-612, a request involving property located south of Jasper Street and east of 9th Street. Staff recommended that the council preview the ordinance and set it for formal adoption at a future meeting.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Lisa Ford
Move to Approve Item 26-612 preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located south of Jasper Street (131st Street), east of 9th Street (Lynn Lane), Broken Arrow, Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency (EASE-002314-2025)

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 -

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

B. 26-621

Consideration, discussion, and possible preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located north of Albany Street (61st Street), east of Aspen Avenue (145th E Avenue), Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency (EASE-002540-2025)

Rocky Henkel, Director of Community Development, presented Item 26-621. This is located north of Albany Street and east of Aspen Avenue. He recommended to preview the ordinance and set it for adoption.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Justin Green
Move to Approve Item 26-621 preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located north of Albany Street (61st Street), east of Aspen Avenue (145th E Avenue), Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency (EASE-002540-2025)

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 -

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

C. 26-622

Consideration, discussion, and possible preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located south of Omaha Street (51st Street), west of 37th Street (209th E Avenue), Wagoner County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency (EASE-002728-2026)

Rocky Henkel, Director of Community Development, presented Item 26-622. This is located south of Omaha Street and west of 209th East Avenue. He recommended to preview the ordinance and set it for adoption.

MOTION: A motion was made by Justin Green, seconded by David Pickel
Move to Approve Item 26-622 preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located south of Omaha Street (51st Street), west of 37th Street (209th E Avenue), Wagoner County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency (EASE-002728-2026)

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 -

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

D. 26-623

Consideration, discussion, and possible preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located north of Houston Street (81st Street), east of 9th Street (Lynn Lane), Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency (EASE-002733-2026)

Rocky Henkel, Director of Community Development, presented Item 26-623. This is located north of Houston Street and east of 9th Street. He recommended to preview the ordinance and set it for adoption.

MOTION: A motion was made by David Pickel, seconded by Justin Green
Move to Approve Item 26-623 preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located north of Houston Street (81st Street), east of 9th Street (Lynn Lane), Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency (EASE-002733-2026)

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 -

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

E. 26-624

Consideration, discussion, and possible preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located north of Houston Street (81st Street), east of 9th Street (Lynn Lane), Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency) (EASE-002734-2026)

Rocky Henkel, Director of Community Development, presented Item 26-624. This is also located north of Houston Street and east of 9th Street. He recommended to preview the ordinance and set it for adoption.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Lisa Ford
Move to Approve Item 26-624 preview of an Ordinance closing an easement on property located north of Houston Street (81st Street), east of 9th Street (Lynn Lane), Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, (repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency) (EASE-002734-2026)

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

During council remarks and inquiries, members highlighted several upcoming community events in Broken Arrow. One council member announced that the National Day of Prayer event would take place on Thursday from 6 to 7 p.m. at the farmers market and encouraged the public to attend. The upcoming Rooster Days activities were also discussed, including the Rooster Days Rodeo scheduled for Friday and Saturday, followed by the main Rooster Days festival the following weekend. Additional upcoming events included a Bigfoot-themed run on May 16 and the Gold Star Families Memorial Honor Ride, during which motorcycles would travel down Main Street and gather near the community pool and Veterans Center for a ceremony honoring Gold Star families.

Council members also mentioned the Exceptional Rodeo event. They reflected on the recent success of Fiesta de Mayo and Camp Bandage, both of which drew strong attendance and positive feedback from residents and visitors alike. Members commented that events attracting people from outside the community reflect positively on Broken Arrow and contribute to the city's reputation.

The discussion also returned humorously to the museum's missing "Rooster Days egg" promotion. Council members joked about the terminology of a "rooster egg," noting that organizers ultimately changed the name to avoid the awkward phrasing. They explained that clues to the hidden egg's location are released daily through the museum. The conversation concluded with comments about the upcoming Pioneer Dinner fried chicken competition during Rooster Days, where local restaurants compete for the "King Cluck" title. One council member noted that Roy's from Coweta won the competition the previous year and joked that Broken Arrow's many chicken restaurants needed to step up their game this year.

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

City Manager Michael Spurgeon began by thanking the council subcommittee and staff involved with the Youth City Council program, specifically recognizing Lori Hill and praising the graduating students for their leadership and future potential. He remarked that many former participants have gone on to become successful contributors in their professions and communities and stated that cities across the country widely admire Broken Arrow's Youth City Council program through organizations such as the National League of Cities.

City Manager Spurgeon then shifted to discussing a recent press release concerning a consultant representing a potential data center project that had expressed interest in a pre-development meeting with the city. He emphasized that neither the city nor the Broken Arrow Chamber and Economic Development Corporation currently knows the identity of the company involved and clarified that no formal pre-development meeting has yet been requested. However, he explained that city staff is proactively preparing in anticipation that such a request may occur by identifying questions, concerns, and due diligence items that would need to be addressed if the project moves forward.

He explained that pre-development meetings are a normal part of Broken Arrow's development process and are regularly used by developers and consultants to understand local zoning and land use requirements before submitting formal applications. City Manager Spurgeon said the city wants to ensure that any consultant or developer understands Broken Arrow's expectations and codes, which may differ from those in other states or communities. He also noted that city staff have already begun communicating with utility providers and reviewing infrastructure-related questions that may arise should a proposal advance further.

Addressing public concerns surrounding data centers in other communities, City Manager Spurgeon stressed the city's commitment to transparency. He announced plans to issue regular updates approximately every three weeks, outlining what the city knows, what remains unknown, and what due diligence efforts are underway so residents remain informed throughout the process. He added that future public meetings may also be necessary to address concerns from nearby residents, particularly regarding the potential proximity of any future development to residential areas. City Manager Spurgeon emphasized that no nondisclosure

agreements are being signed and stated that any proposal would ultimately require council approval because the project would not be permitted "by right" under existing zoning. He concluded by inviting council members to share suggestions and reiterated the importance of maintaining openness with the public as the city evaluates the possibility of a future proposal.

Council members continued discussing the possibility of a future data center project and emphasized that no decisions have been made because the city does not yet have enough information. One council member stressed that listening to residents' concerns is an important part of the council's responsibility and assured the public that those concerns would be carefully considered throughout the process.

Council members thanked city staff for being proactive and noted that residents responding to the recently released press statement had generally been respectful while expressing concerns about the potential project. It was explained that while many residents initially opposed the idea, they were encouraged to explain their reasoning so city officials would better understand what questions needed to be asked moving forward. Council members added that the public feedback and dialogue had been constructive and appreciated the community's willingness to participate patiently as the process develops.

Additional comments focused on the need to rely on factual information and careful analysis before making any decisions. It was stated that the city intends to thoroughly review issues such as water consumption, electrical demand, infrastructure impacts, and utility costs associated with data centers, noting that many conflicting claims and reports are circulating publicly. It was further emphasized that the council shares residents' concerns about potential impacts, including utility costs, and intends to closely examine all available data if a proposal formally moves forward.

City Manager Michael Spurgeon concluded the discussion by informing the council about proposed Oklahoma House Bill 2990, legislation related to data centers that he believed had received final approval from both the Oklahoma House and Senate earlier that day. He stated that City Attorney Trevor Dennis would review the legislation and provide council members with a summary. According to City Manager Spurgeon, the bill would require developers to pay for certain infrastructure improvements and comply with notification requirements related to data center projects. He explained that the legislation, if signed into law by the governor, could significantly affect the city's review process and establish additional obligations for any future developer. City Manager Spurgeon emphasized the importance of ensuring that any developer would be held accountable for complying with those requirements should the law take effect.

At approximately 7:41 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 Justin Green, seconded by Johnnie Parks

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 8:15 p.m., the room was cleared for Executive Session.

MOTION: A motion was made by Justin Green, 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 approximately 8:15 p.m. City Council entered into Executive Session.

14. Executive Session

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 and breach of contract claim of Steven and Karen Holman, Tort Claim No. TRT 1720.2026, and taking appropriate action in open session, if any, under 25O.S. §307(B)(4);**

In the opinion of the City Attorney, the Council is advised that the Executive Session is necessary to process the claims and litigation, and disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the public body to process the proceeding in the public interest. Moreover, that the Executive Session is necessary to protect the confidentiality of the investigation and potential litigation. After the conclusion of the confidential portion of executive session,

the Council will reconvene in open meeting, and the final decision, if any, will be put to a vote.

City Council returned to open session at approximately 8:25 p.m.

MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Justin Green
Move to find the Executive Session necessary to discuss ongoing litigation

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 Justin Green

Move to Authorize the City Attorney to settle the matter of Holman in the amount recommended by the City Attorney

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 8:26 p.m.

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

Move to Adjourn

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 -

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



Mayor



City Clerk, Deputy

