



MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
7651 E. Central Park Ave, Bel Aire, KS
October 07, 2025 7:00 PM



I. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Jim Benage called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Greg Davied, Tyler Dehn, Emily Hamburg, Tom Schmitz, and John Welch were present. No one was absent.

Also present were City Manager Ted Henry, City Attorney Maria Schrock, Chief of Police Darrell Atteberry, City Engineer Anne Stephens, City Clerk Melissa Krehbiel, Rebecca Lewis of Burns & McDonnell, City Bond Counsel Kevin Cowan of Gilmore & Bell, P.A., City Financial Consultant Adam Pope of Columbia Capital, and Jason Gish of MKEC.

III. OPENING PRAYER: Mark Posson provided the opening prayer.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

Mayor Benage led the pledge of allegiance.

V. DETERMINE AGENDA ADDITIONS: There were no additions.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes of the September 2, 2025 City Council meeting.

B. Approve the Minutes of the September 9, 2025 City Council Special Meeting.

MOTION: Councilmember Davied moved to approve the Consent Agenda as listed and authorize the Mayor to sign. Councilmember Schmitz seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

VII. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE

A. Consideration of Appropriations Ordinance No. 25-17 in the amount of \$525,713.10.

MOTION: Councilmember Dehn to approve Appropriations Ordinance No. 25-17. Councilmember Hamburg seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

B. Consideration of Appropriations Ordinance No. 25-18 in the amount of \$3,155,586.35.

MOTION: Councilmember Schmitz moved to approve Appropriations Ordinance No. 25-18. Councilmember Dehn seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

VIII. CITY REQUESTED APPEARANCES

A. Presentation of Life Saving Awards to Sgt. Davis, Officer Oldenettel, and Officer Trumbull.

The officers were recognized for their life saving work in three separate incidents. Chief of Police Darrell Atteberry presented the awards.

IX. CITIZEN CONCERNS: No one spoke.

X. REPORTS

A. Council Member Reports

Councilmember Hamburg reported on the latest CCUA meeting and thanked Waste Connections staff for their work during fall curbside cleanup. She reported she has heard from a resident asking about driving golf carts on City streets and would like to discuss the topic at a future workshop.

Councilmember Davied reported on the latest CCUA meeting.

Councilmember Dehn reported he recently attended the WSU Economic Outlook conference and helped the K-254 Corridor Development Association host a webinar regarding the upcoming KDOT local consult. He plans to attend the KDOT Local Consult tomorrow to advocate for improvements to local transportation.

B. Mayor's Report

Mayor Benage reported on several meetings and events he attended including the REAP regional water summit, a USD 259 school board meeting, the WAMPO Policy Board meeting, the South Central Association of Cities (SCAC), the Bel Aire Utility Advisory Committee, a workforce development roundtable, and the Economic Outlook conference.

He commented on the assassination of Charlie Kirk and the need for society to get back to having reasonable disagreements without violence. He asked for prayers for the Kirk family.

C. City Attorney Report

City Attorney Maria Schrock reported on a change to the approval process for Cereal Malt Beverage (CMB) License applications. The Kansas Department of Revenue, Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) recently contacted cities about the change. Applicants will now apply directly to ABC for their CMB tax stamps. After ABC issues the stamp, the applicant may apply to the City for the CMB license.

D. City Manager Report

City Manager Ted Henry reported that City offices will be closed to the public on Columbus Day, October 13th, for a staff professional development day. Fall Festival will be held at the Bel Aire Recreation Center on October 18th. He reported that building permits are being issued at about the same rate as last year.

XI. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND FINAL ACTIONS

- A. Consideration of An Ordinance Authorizing And Providing For The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A, Of The City Of Bel Aire, Kansas; Providing For The Levy And Collection Of An Annual Tax For The Purpose Of Paying The Principal Of And Interest On Said Bonds As They Become Due; Authorizing Certain Other Documents And Actions In Connection Therewith; And Making Certain Covenants With Respect Thereto.**

MOTION: Councilmember Schmitz to approve An Ordinance Authorizing And Providing For The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A, Of The City Of Bel Aire, Kansas; Providing For The Levy And Collection Of An Annual Tax For The Purpose Of Paying The Principal Of And Interest On Said Bonds As They Become Due; Authorizing Certain Other Documents And Actions In Connection Therewith; And Making Certain Covenants With Respect Thereto and authorize all required signatures. Councilmember Davied seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

- B. Consideration of A Resolution Prescribing The Form And Details Of And Authorizing And Directing The Sale And Delivery Of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A, Of The City Of Bel Aire, Kansas, Previously Authorized By Ordinance No. 748 Of The Issuer; Making Certain Covenants And Agreements To Provide For The Payment And Security Thereof; And Authorizing Certain Other Documents And Actions Connected Therewith.**

MOTION: Councilmember Davied to adopt A Resolution Prescribing The Form And Details Of And Authorizing And Directing The Sale And Delivery Of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A, Of The City Of Bel Aire, Kansas, Previously Authorized By Ordinance No. 748 Of The Issuer; Making Certain Covenants And Agreements To Provide For The Payment And Security Thereof; And Authorizing Certain Other Documents And Actions Connected Therewith and authorize all required signatures. Councilmember Dehn seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

- C. Consideration of A Resolution Authorizing And Directing The Issuance, Sale And Delivery Of General Obligation Temporary Notes, Series 2025B, Of The City Of Bel Aire, Kansas; Providing For The Levy And Collection Of An Annual Tax, If Necessary, For The Purpose Of Paying The Principal Of And Interest On Said Notes As They Become Due; Making Certain Covenants And Agreements To Provide For The Payment And Security Thereof; And Authorizing Certain Other Documents And Actions Connected Therewith.**

MOTION: Councilmember Hamburg moved to adopt A Resolution Authorizing And Directing The Issuance, Sale And Delivery Of General Obligation Temporary Notes, Series 2025B, Of The City Of Bel Aire, Kansas; Providing For The Levy And Collection Of An Annual Tax, If Necessary, For The Purpose Of Paying The Principal Of And Interest On Said Notes As They Become Due; Making Certain Covenants And Agreements To Provide For The Payment And Security Thereof; And Authorizing Certain Other Documents And Actions Connected Therewith, and authorize all required signatures. Councilmember Dehn seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

D. Consideration of a Contract with MKEC for Professional Engineering Services related to Skyview at Webb Addition, Phase 1.

MOTION: Councilmember Davied to approve the contract with MKEC related to Skyview at Webb Addition, Phase 1 As Presented at an amount not to exceed \$266,927.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign. Councilmember Hamburg seconded the motion. *Motion carried 3-2* with Councilmembers Welch and Schmitz voting against the motion.

E. Consideration of an Agreement with USP Technologies for Odor and Corrosion Control Pilot Study in Sewer Collection Systems.

MOTION: Councilmember Dehn moved to approve the agreement with USP Technologies for Odor and Corrosion Control Pilot Study in Sewer Collection Systems As Presented, at a cost not to exceed \$14,904.00, and authorize all required signatures. Councilmember Welch seconded the motion. *Motion carried 4-1*, with councilmember Davied voting against the motion.

F. Consideration of Authority to Award Contract and Commitment of City Funds For Construction of Multi-Use Path on East 53rd Street.

MOTION: Councilmember Welch moved to Adopt A Resolution Approving KDOT Authority to Award Contract for Construction of Multi-Use Path on East 53rd Street, Pledge \$335,000 in City Funds, and Authorize city staff and the Mayor to sign all necessary documents. Councilmember Dehn seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Councilmember Welch moved to take a 5-minute recess. Councilmember Dehn seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

The Council then held a brief recess.

A. Executive Session

MOTION: Councilmember Davied moved to recess into executive session to discuss with legal counsel and receive legal advice related to pending litigation. The discussion will be pursuant to K.S.A. 75- 4319 (b)(2) for legal consultation with Neil Gosch, which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship. Invite Neil Gosch, Katherine Chlumsky, City Manager, City Attorney and City Engineer. The meeting will

be for a period of 30 minutes, and the open meeting will resume in City Council Chambers at 9:00 p.m. Councilmember Welch seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

The Council recessed into Executive Session. At 9:01 p.m. Mayor Benage called the meeting back to order in open session and stated that no binding action had been taken.

B. Executive Session

MOTION: Councilmember Dehn moved to recess into executive session for preliminary discussion of the acquisition of real property. The discussion will be pursuant to K.S.A. 75- 4319 (b)(6). Invite City Manager and City Attorney. The meeting will be for a period of 10 minutes, and the open meeting will resume in City Council Chambers at 9:11 p.m. Councilmember Welch seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

The Council then recessed for Executive Session. At 9:12 p.m. Mayor Benage called the meeting back to order in open session and stated that no binding action had been taken.

XIII. DISCUSSION AND FUTURE ISSUES

A. Work Session - October 14, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.?

City Manager Ted Henry mentioned topics that may be discussed at the workshop. No action was taken.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Councilmember Dehn moved to adjourn. Councilmember Hamburg seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

Approved by the City Council this 21st day of October, 2025.



Jim Benage, Mayor

ATTEST:



Melissa Krehbiel, City Clerk