



CITY OF NORMAN, OK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING - AMENDED
Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 201 West Gray, Norman, OK 73069
Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 6:30 PM

MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building, on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 6:30 PM, and notice of the agenda of the meeting was posted at the Norman Municipal Building at 201 West Gray and on the City website at least 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

**CITY COUNCIL, NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY, NORMAN MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY,
AND NORMAN TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY**

You are required to sign up in advance of the meeting on the City's webpage, by calling the City Clerk's Office (405-366-5406), or at the Council Chambers prior to the start of the meeting with your name, ward, and item you wish to speak to including whether you are a proponent or opponent. When the time comes for public comments, the Clerk will call your name and you can make your way to the podium. Comments may be limited on items of higher interest, if so, the Mayor will announce that at the beginning of the meeting. Participants may speak one time only up to 4 minutes per person per item. There will be no yielding of time to another person. Sign up does not guarantee you will get to speak if the allotted time for that item has already been exhausted. If there is time remaining after those registered to speak have spoken, persons not previously signed up may have the opportunity to speak. Comments received must be limited to the motion on the floor only.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Stephen Holman
Councilmember Ward 1 David Gandesbery
Councilmember Ward 2 Matthew Peacock
Councilmember Ward 3 Robert Bruce
Councilmember Ward 4 Helen Grant
Councilmember Ward 5 Brandon Nofire
Councilmember Ward 6 Joshua Hinkle
Councilmember Ward 8 Scott Dixon

ABSENT

Councilmember Ward 7 Kimberly Blodgett

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Holman.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE TO AND SEATING OF COUNCILMEMBER-ELECT ROBERT BRUCE, WARD 3.

Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce was Sworn in by Judge Nichols and took his Seat on the Dias.

2. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-103: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, HONORING AND RECOGNIZING JENNIFER BAKER FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO ARTS EDUCATION AND HER RECEIPT OF THE ARTS IN EDUCATION AWARD AT THE FORTY-SIXTH GOVERNER'S ARTS AWARDS.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock.

Participants in discussion:

1. Ms. Jennifer Baker thanked Council and made comments.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-103 was Adopted.

3. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS FROM THE OKLAHOMA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE TO THE FOLLOWING CITY OF NORMAN EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE COMPLETED 25 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE:
 1. CHRISTOPHER MATTINGLY, DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES, UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
 2. CELESTE GULLEY, TREASURY ASSOCIATE, FINANCE DEPARTMENT
 3. JUDSON LEROI, WEB AND APPLICATIONS DEVELOPER, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT
 4. MARGUERITE "MAGGIE" GRIFFITH, DEPUTY COURT CLERK, MUNICIPAL COURT
 5. JAMES BRIGGS, PARK DEVELOPMENT MANAGER, PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
 6. KARLA SITTON, ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNICIAN IV, PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
 7. BRIAN SULLIVAN, GOLF MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR, PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
 8. LARRY DURHAM, BUILDING INSPECTOR, PLANNING DEPARTMENT
 9. RUSSELL ANDERSON, COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS MANAGER, POLICE DEPARTMENT
 10. JOHN HENSLEY, PARKING OFFICER, POLICE DEPARTMENT
 11. MICHAEL "BRIAN" CHURCHWELL, FLEET EQUIPMENT SUPPORT SUPERVISOR, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
 12. ROBIN GONNERMAN, PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
 13. MARK JORDAN, ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
 14. BRIAN MCNABB, TRAFFIC SIGNAL SUPERVISOR, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
 15. ROBERT DANIELS, ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNICIAN III, UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
 16. CARL LANGLANAIS, SWING SHIFT OPERATOR, UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
 17. JENNIFER MATTHEWS, ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNICIAN III, UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

Mayor Stephen T. Holman presented awards to Ms. Celeste Gully, Treasury Associate, Finance Department; Mr. Judson Leroi, Webb and Applications Developer, Information Technology Department; Ms. Maggie Griffith, Deputy Court Clerk, Municipal Court; James Briggs, Park Development Manager, Parks and Recreation Department; Ms. Karla Sitton, Administrative Technician IV, Parks and Recreation Department; Mr. Larry Durham, Building Inspector, Planning Department; Mr. Brian Churchwell, Fleet Equipment Support Supervisor, Public Works Department; Mr. Mark Jordan, Engineering Technician, Public Works Department; Mr. Brian McNabb, Traffic Signal Supervisor, Public Works Department; Mr. Christopher Mattingly, Director of Utilities, Utilities Department; Ms. Jennifer Matthews, Administrative Technician III, Utilities Department.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ward 1 - Councilmember Gandesbery

Councilmember Gandesbery congratulated the award recipients for their 25 years of service, expressing appreciation for their dedication. He also recognized the Chamber's recent annual awards event, congratulating Carla Atkinson of Norman Public Schools as Volunteer of the Year, The Standard as Small Business of the Year, and Riverwind as Large Business of the Year, and encouraged residents to thank those businesses for their contributions to the community.

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Ward 2 - Councilmember Peacock

Councilmember Peacock congratulated those honored during the meeting and gave special recognition to Jennifer Baker and the staff of the historic Sooner Theatre, encouraging residents to attend performances and support the institution to help preserve it as a treasured part of Norman.

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Ward 3 - Councilmember Bruce

Councilmember Bruce expressed gratitude for the community's confidence, ongoing conversations, calls, and engagement, and shared appreciation for the opportunity to serve and continue working with residents.

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Ward 4 - Councilmember Grant

Councilmember Grant congratulated Jennifer Baker and employees celebrating 25 years of service, noting the significance of that milestone. She also recognized Ward Four resident Bronte Bagwell for serving on the Social and Voluntary Services Committee.

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Ward 5 - Councilmember Nofire

Councilmember Nofire thanked all employees reaching 25 years of service, emphasizing that the City functions well because of their dedication. He also expressed appreciation to Mr. Mark Emerson and Ms. Pamela Post for accepting volunteer appointments, noting the importance of volunteer service to the City's operations.

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Ward 6 - Councilmember Hinkle

Councilmember Hinkle thanked Jennifer Baker and the Sooner Theatre staff for their contributions to the community and highlighted approval of a long-awaited, voter-approved park project in the Sutton Place neighborhood. He congratulated 25-year employees for their service and reminded residents about the upcoming April 2, 2026, bond election. He also extended condolences to the family of Mr. Dennis Bigham, recognizing his extensive service to the Norman Arts Council, Tourism Board, Parks Board, and Rotary.

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Council announcements continued:

Ward 8 - Councilmember Dixon

Councilmember Dixon thanked Mr. Nicholas Heflin, a Ward 8 resident, for volunteering to serve on the Public Safety Oversight Committee, emphasizing the importance of engaged residents.

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Mayor Holman

Congratulated The Standard and Riverwind for their recognition as outstanding local businesses, noting The Standard's role in revitalizing downtown Norman and Riverwind's economic and philanthropic contributions to the area. He announced an upcoming Community Planning and Transportation Committee meeting to discuss public transit updates, the upcoming transit budget, downtown parking policies, and Oklahoma Department of Transportation and Oklahoma Turnpike Authority-related projects. He encouraged residents to update their voter registration and participate in the April 7, 2026 election, including the Ward Five runoff, and highlighted consent agenda funding for long-awaited upgrades to Eagle Cliff Park in Ward 7.

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CONSENT DOCKET

This item is placed on the agenda so that the City Council, by unanimous consent, can designate those routine agenda items that they wish to be approved or acknowledged by one motion. If any item proposed does not meet with approval of all Councilmembers, that item will be heard in regular order. Staff recommends that Item 4 through Item 26 be placed on the consent docket.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Items 4 through 26 were placed on the Consent Docket.

Councilmember Ward 2, Peacock was recognized for an abstention on item 5.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6, Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock

Councilmember Ward 2, Peacock was allowed to abstain from Item 5.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF THE MINUTES AS FOLLOWS:

CITY COUNCIL, NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY, NORMAN MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY, AND NORMAN TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 12, 2025; JANUARY 27, 2026, AND FEBRUARY 10, 2026.

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 10, 2026.

CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2026.

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 27, 2026.

CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 4, 2025; JANUARY 7, 2026, AND FEBRUARY 5, 2026.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

The minutes were Approved.

First Reading Ordinance

5. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2526-40 UPON FIRST READING BY TITLE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING SECTION 36-201 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORMAN SO AS TO REMOVE 1010- THE REVV, LOT 1, BLOCK 1, AND A TRACT OF LAND IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE/4) OF SECTION SIX (6), TOWNSHIP EIGHT (8) NORTH, RANGE TWO (2) WEST OF THE INDIAN MERIDIAN, TO NORMAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, FROM THE R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT, AND R-3, MULTIFAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT, AND PLACE SAME IN A SPUD, SIMPLE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF. (1107 THROUGH 1111 CHAUTAUQUA AVENUE AND 601 THROUGH 615 HOOVER STREET AND 1010 THROUGH 1030 COLLEGE AVENUE; WARD 7)

Item 5, continued:

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock

Ordinance O-2526-40 was Adopted on First Reading by title.

Appointments

6. CONSIDERATION OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (PSST)

TERM: 02-24-26 TO 02-10-29, NICHOLAS HEFLIN – WARD 8

TERM: 02-10-26 TO 02-10-29, MARK EMERSON – WARD 5

TERM: 02-10-26 TO 02-10-29, RUSSELL RICE – WARD 2

SOCIAL AND VOLUNTARY SERVICES COMMITTEE (SVSC)

TERM: 02-24-26 TO 12-09-27, PAMELA POST – WARD 5

TERM: 02-24-26 TO 12-09-27, BRONTE BAGWELL – WARD 4

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

The Appointments were Approved.

Reports/Communications

7. CONSIDERATION OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF THE MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2026.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Receipt of the Monthly Departmental Reports was Acknowledged.

8. CONSIDERATION OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR'S INVESTMENT REPORT AS OF JANUARY 31, 2026, AND DIRECTING THE FILING THEREOF.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Receipt of the Finance Director's Investment Report was Acknowledged.

9. CONSIDERATION OF SUBMISSION, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR REJECTION OF RECEIPT OF THE CITY MANAGER'S CONTRACT AND CHANGE ORDER REPORT AND DIRECTING THE FILING THEREOF.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Receipt of the City Manager's Contract and Change Order Report was Acknowledged.

Donation

10. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,241.00 FROM THE CLEVELAND COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY SALES TAX COMMITTEE (CCPSST) FOR THE PURCHASE OF SWIFTWATER PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) TO BE USED BY THE NORMAN FIRE DEPARTMENT AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

The Donation from the Cleveland County Public Safety Sales Tax Committee and Budget Appropriation were Accepted.

Contracts

Acting as the Norman Utilities Authority

11. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CHANGE ORDER ONE FOR CONTRACT K-2425-120: BY AND BETWEEN NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND KRAPFF REYNOLDS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC. INCREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$82,024.50 FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$830,574.50 FOR THE BISHOP CREEK EMERGENCY SEWER LINE REPAIR PROJECT, FINAL ACCEPTANCE AND FINAL PAYMENT OF THE PROJECT. (WARD 7)

Motion made by Trustee Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Trustee Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Chairman Holman, Trustee Ward 1 Gandesbery, Trustee Ward 2 Peacock, Trustee Ward 3 Bruce, Trustee Ward 4 Grant, Trustee Ward 5 Nofire, Trustee Ward 6 Hinkle, Trustee Ward 8 Dixon

Change Order one to Contract K-2425-120 and final acceptance and final payment were Approved.

Acting as the Norman Utilities Authority

12. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2526-108: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND BENHAM DESIGN, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$170,000 FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE WESTWOOD ESTATES WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT (WARDS 4 AND 8)

Motion made by Trustee Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Trustee Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Chairman Holman, Trustee Ward 1 Gandesbery, Trustee Ward 2 Peacock, Trustee Ward 3 Bruce, Trustee Ward 4 Grant, Trustee Ward 5 Nofire, Trustee Ward 6 Hinkle, Trustee Ward 8 Dixon

Contract K-2526-108 was Approved.

Acting as the Norman Utilities Authority

13. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2526-115: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND PARKHILL, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$73,400 FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE URBAN WATERLINE REPLACEMENTS PROJECT (WARD 6)

Motion made by Trustee Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Trustee Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Chairman Holman, Trustee Ward 1 Gandesbery, Trustee Ward 2 Peacock, Trustee Ward 3 Bruce, Trustee Ward 4 Grant, Trustee Ward 5 Nofire, Trustee Ward 6 Hinkle, Trustee Ward 8 Dixon

Contract K-2526-115 was Approved.

14. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RFP-2526-18 AND CONTRACT K-2526-148: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND PLAY BY DESIGN, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$185,000.00, MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2526-49, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2526-66; AND STATUTORY BOND B-2526-67 FOR THE SUTTON PLACE PARK PLAYGROUND PROJECT, AND RESOLUTION R-2526-106, GRANTING TAX EXEMPT STATUS. (Ward 6)

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Request for Proposal RFP-2526-18 was Accepted, Contract K-2526-148 and all associated Bonds were Approved, and Resolution R-2526-106 was Adopted.

15. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RFP-2526-17 AND CONTRACT K-2526-149: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND HAPPY PLAYGROUNDS, LLC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$230,000.00, MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2526-50, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2526-68; AND STATUTORY BOND B-2526-69 FOR THE NORTHEAST LIONS PARK PLAYGROUND PROJECT, AND RESOLUTION R-2526-107, GRANTING TAX EXEMPT STATUS. (Ward 6)

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Request for Proposal RFP-2526-17 was Accepted, Contract K-2526-149 and all associated Bonds were Approved, and Resolution R-2526-107 was Adopted.

16. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RFP-2526-19 AND CONTRACT K-2526-150: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND PS COMMERCIAL PLAY L.L.C., D/B/A PLAY AND PARK STRUCTURES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000.00, MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2526-51, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2526-70; AND STATUTORY BOND B-2526-71 FOR THE EAGLE CLIFF PARK PLAYGROUND PROJECT, AND RESOLUTION R-2526-108, GRANTING TAX EXEMPT STATUS. (Ward 7)

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Request for Proposal RFP-2526-19 was Accepted, Contract K-2526-150 and all associated Bonds were Approved, and Resolution R-2526-108 was Adopted.

Resolutions

17. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-100: TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$151,255.00 TO FUND A STORMWATER DRAINAGE REPAIR PROJECT NEAR SUMMIT HOLLOW DRIVE AND BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-100 was Adopted

18. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-104: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING THE 2026-2031 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE THAT INCLUDES THE CITY OF NORMAN WHICH IS MANAGED BY THE CLEVELAND COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-104 was Adopted.

19. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-114: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, APPROPRIATING \$14,056.17 FROM THE REFUNDS / REIMBURSEMENTS MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS TO PAY FOR REPAIRS TO CITY OF NORMAN VEHICLES DAMAGED BY OTHER DRIVERS IN TRAFFIC COLLISIONS.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-114 was Adopted.

20. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-101: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA AND THE TRUSTEES OF THE NORMAN TAX INCREMENT AUTHORITY, NORMAN MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY, NORMAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, NORMAN PARKING AND TRANSIT AUTHORITY, AND NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AMENDING THE INVESTMENT POLICY APPLICABLE TO EACH ENTITY.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-101 was Adopted.

21. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-115: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, STATE OF OKLAHOMA, APPROVING THE ENTRANCE INTO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE OKLAHOMA COOPERATIVE LIQUID ASSETS SECURITY SYSTEM ('OKLAHOMA CLASS') WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXERCISING INVESTMENT POWER JOINTLY TO INVEST FUNDS IN CONCERT WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-115 was Adopted.

22. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-116: A RESOLUTION OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NORMAN TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY, AN OKLAHOMA PUBLIC TRUST, APPROVING THE ENTRANCE INTO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE OKLAHOMA COOPERATIVE LIQUID ASSETS SECURITY SYSTEM ('OKLAHOMA CLASS') WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXERCISING INVESTMENT POWER JOINTLY TO INVEST FUNDS IN CONCERT WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-116 was Adopted.

23. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-117: A RESOLUTION OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NORMAN MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY, AN OKLAHOMA PUBLIC TRUST, APPROVING THE ENTRANCE INTO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE OKLAHOMA COOPERATIVE LIQUID ASSETS SECURITY SYSTEM ('OKLAHOMA CLASS') WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXERCISING INVESTMENT POWER JOINTLY TO INVEST FUNDS IN CONCERT WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-117 was Adopted.

24. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-118: A RESOLUTION OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NORMAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AN OKLAHOMA PUBLIC TRUST, APPROVING THE ENTRANCE INTO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE OKLAHOMA COOPERATIVE LIQUID ASSETS SECURITY SYSTEM ('OKLAHOMA CLASS') WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXERCISING INVESTMENT POWER JOINTLY TO INVEST FUNDS IN CONCERT WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-118 was Adopted.

25. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-119: A RESOLUTION OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NORMAN PARKING AND TRANSIT AUTHORITY, AN OKLAHOMA PUBLIC TRUST, APPROVING THE ENTRANCE INTO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE OKLAHOMA COOPERATIVE LIQUID ASSETS SECURITY SYSTEM ('OKLAHOMA CLASS') WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXERCISING INVESTMENT POWER JOINTLY TO INVEST FUNDS IN CONCERT WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-119 was Adopted.

26. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-120: A RESOLUTION OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY, AN OKLAHOMA PUBLIC TRUST, APPROVING THE ENTRANCE INTO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE OKLAHOMA COOPERATIVE LIQUID ASSETS SECURITY SYSTEM ('OKLAHOMA CLASS') WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXERCISING INVESTMENT POWER JOINTLY TO INVEST FUNDS IN CONCERT WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2526-120 was Adopted.

NON-CONSENT ITEMS

Second Reading Ordinance

27. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2526-28 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING SECTION 36-201 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORMAN SO AS TO REMOVE A TRACT OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW/4) OF SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN (27), TOWNSHIP NINE (9) NORTH, RANGE TWO (2) WEST OF THE INDIAN MERIDIAN, TO NORMAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, FROM THE C-2, GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, AND R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT, AND PLACE THE SAME IN THE RM-6, MEDIUM-DENSITY APARTMENT DISTRICT, OF SAID CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF. (NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF 24TH AVENUE N.E. AND E. ALAMEDA STREET; WARD 6)

Motion to adopt upon Second Reading Section by Section made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock.

Participants in Discussion:

1. Mr. Sean Rieger, Rieger Sadler Joyce
2. Ms. Cindy Rogers Ward 4, made comments
3. Ms. Sherylann Densow Ward 4 and 6, made comments

Item 27, continued:

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Voting Nay: Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle

Ordinance O-2526-28 was Adopted on Second Reading Section by Section.

Motion to adopt on Final Reading as a whole, made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Voting Nay: Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle

Ordinance O-2526-28 was Adopted on Final Reading as whole.

28. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF PP-2526-13: PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR NORMAN A24 ADDITION, LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF ALAMEDA STREET AND 24TH AVENUE N.E. (WARD 6)

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Voting Nay: Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle

Preliminary Plat PP-2526-13 was approved

29. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF O-2526-37 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, DETACHING PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND DESIGNATING THE AREAS OR TRACTS INCLUDED IN SUCH DETACHMENTS; REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF (CERTAIN PROPERTIES ADDRESSED 2800 AND 2801 HENSLEY ROAD; WARD 5).

Motion to Adopt upon Second Reading Section by Section made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire.

Participants in discussion:

1. Ms. Beth Muckala, Assistant City Attorney
2. Ms. Sherylann Densow Wards 4 and 6, proponent
3. Mr. Billy Jewell Ward 5, asked questions
4. Mr. Trey Kirby Ward 5, asked questions

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2526-37 was Adopted on Second Reading Section by Section.

Motion to adopt on Final Reading as a whole, made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2526-37 was Adopted on Final Reading as whole.

30. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2526-22 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN AMENDING SECTION 32-426 TO INCLUDE CONSUMPTION OF MARIJUANA; INHALING SECONDHAND MARIJUANA SMOKE AND OPEN CONTAINER THAT CONTAINS MARIJUANA IN PASSENGER AREA OF MOTOR VEHICLE.

Motion to adopt upon Second Reading Section by Section made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock.

Item 30, continued:

Participants in discussion:

1. Ms. Jeanne Snider, Assistant City Attorney
2. Major Brent Barbour, Norman Police Department
3. Mr. Paul Wilson Ward 1, asked questions
4. Mr. Steve Ellis Ward 4, asked questions
5. Mr. Ben Plummer Ward 4, made comments
6. Mr. Trey Kirby Ward 5, made comments
7. Ms. Sherylann Densow Ward 4 and 6, made comments
8. Mr. Cullen Bieger Ward 3, asked questions
9. Mr. Billy Jewell Ward 5, made comments

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2526-22 was Adopted on Second Reading Section by Section.

Motion to adopt on Final Reading as a whole, made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2526-22 was Adopted on Final Reading as whole.

31. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2526-41 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN AMENDING SECTION 32-509 TO INCLUDE PROHIBITING THE USE OF HANDHELD ELECTRONIC DEVICES WHILE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE IN DESIGNATED SCHOOL ZONES AND ACTIVE CONSTRUCTION WORK ZONES.

Motion to adopt upon Second Reading Section by Section made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Participants in discussion:

1. Ms. Jeanne Snider, Assistant City Attorney
2. Mr. Paul Wilson Ward 1, made comments
3. Mr. Steve Ellis Ward 4, made comments
4. Mr. Ben Plummer Ward 4, made comments
5. Ms. Sherylann Densow Ward 4 and 6, proponent
6. Mr. Billy Jewell Ward 5, made comments
7. Ms. Mayumi Windler Ward 2, asked questions

Item 31, continued:

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2526-41 was Adopted on Second Reading Section by Section.

Motion to adopt on Final Reading as a whole made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant.

Voting Yea: Mayor Holman, Councilmember Ward 1 Gandesbery, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Bruce, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nofire, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2526-41 was Adopted on Final Reading as whole.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

This is an opportunity for citizens to address City Council. Due to Open Meeting Act regulations, Council is not able to participate in discussion during miscellaneous comments. Remarks should be directed to the Council as a whole and limited to four minutes or less.

Paul Wilson – Ward 1

Mr. Wilson supported proceeding with the arena Tax Increment Finance District (TIF), citing former Finance Director Anthony Francisco's advice to implement the ordinance after the court ruling. He warned that repealing it could create significant financial liability for the City, potentially leading to higher property taxes and rents, and urged Council not to take that risk.

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Steve Ellis – Ward 4

Mr. Ellis urged Council to repeal the TIF, arguing that no finalized arena plans are in place and that acting now would minimize potential costs. He stated that potential legal damages would likely be limited and encouraged Council to seek additional legal guidance before proceeding.

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Ben Plummer – Ward 4

Mr. Plummer reiterated his opposition to the TIF, criticized the development process, and suggested the City should have sought more public input. He proposed that, if the project proceeds, the City should consider recouping funds through mechanisms such as ticket surcharges.

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Miscellaneous comments continued:

Trey Kirby – Ward 5

Mr. Kirby asked whether repealing the TIF could lead to additional legal claims beyond a court judgement and requested clarification on the City's potential financial exposure.

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Rob Norman – Ward 3

Mr. Norman stated that voters have called for halting the arena TIF unless approved by a public vote. He argued that legal risks of repeal have been overstated and cited provisions of state law and the development agreement that he believes limit liability.

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Dr. John Scamehorn – Ward 1

Dr. Scamehorn expressed concern about ongoing budget deficits and urged prioritization of core services. He discussed relocation programs used in other cities as a potential tool to address homelessness and reduce financial strain.

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Mayumi Windler – Ward 2

Ms. Windler asked about the status of the City's Information Technology upgrades and raised concerns about declining revenues and budget decisions. She also questioned why Norman's TIF does not allocate a portion of ad valorem taxes to schools, as she noted is done in Tulsa.

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Cindy Rogers – Ward 4

Ms. Rogers discussed how TIF financing limits the City's obligation to collected increment revenues and protects the general fund. Speaking on behalf of Oklahomans for Responsible Economic Development, she reiterated the goal of bringing the arena project to a public vote.

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Carlinda Gravel – Ward 4

Ms. Gravel warned of serious consequences if the City adopts a deficit budget, including possible state oversight and service reductions. She urged fiscal caution and greater financial accountability.

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Cullen Beiger – Ward 3

Mr. Bieger emphasized transparency, particularly regarding campaign finance reporting, and encouraged Council members to honor commitments made to voters about allowing a public vote on the TIF.

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Miscellaneous comments continued:

Ella Crenshaw – Ward 6

Ms. Crenshaw requested interim safety improvements at the intersection of James Garner Avenue and Acres Street, she said that a public vote is the best way to determine community support for the TIF.

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Sherylann Densow – Ward 4 and 6

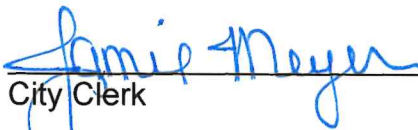
Ms. Densow emphasized that residents are paying attention to City decisions and urged Council to remain accountable and work toward a prosperous future for Norman.

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ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting was Adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

ATTEST:


City Clerk




Mayor Stephen T. Holman