



## CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

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Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at 5:30 PM — Commission Room, City Hall — 118 W. Central Ave

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### Routine Business

#### 1. Roll Call

##### PRESENT:

Mayor Tad Stover  
Vice-Mayor Steve Lungren  
Commissioner Chad Beeson  
Commissioner David Colquhoun  
Commissioner Charles Tweedy III

##### ABSENT:

City staff present: City Attorney Larry Schwartz, City Manager Randy Frazer, City Clerk Tiffany Parsons, Communications Director Shana Adkisson, Environmental Services Superintendent Kyle Blubaugh, and Public Services Parks & Facilities Supervisor Connie Moore.

2. Opening Prayer led by Pastor Chris of Sacred Heart Church and Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Tad Stover.

3. Additions or Deletions to the agenda.

City Manager Frazer presented one addition to the agenda under **New Business, City Manager Department Item No. 2: A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to approve the renewal of the City's municipal insurance program through EMC Insurance, as presented by Insurance Center Inc., for the policy period of April 1, 2026 through April 1, 2027, in the total estimated premium amount of \$456,869.00. (Voice Vote)**

*Motion made by Commissioner Tweedy III, seconded by Commissioner Colquhoun, to approve the addition to the agenda.*

*Voice Voting Aye: Mayor Stover, Vice-Mayor Lungren, Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Colquhoun, and Commissioner Tweedy III. Mayor Stover declared the motion approved.*

4. Approval of the Agenda.

*Motion made by Commissioner Tweedy III, seconded by Mayor Stover, to approve the agenda as amended.*

*Voice Voting Aye: Mayor Stover, Vice-Mayor Lungren, Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Colquhoun, and Commissioner Tweedy III. Mayor Stover declared the motion approved.*

### Awards and Proclamations

1. Mayor Stover proclaimed April 2026 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Arkansas City, presenting the proclamation to Sarah McAlister of Kansas Children's Service League and her son Rowan.

2. Mayor Stover proclaimed May 2, 2026 as Cinco De Mayo Day in Arkansas City, presenting the proclamation to Tacolalah Committee President Tammy Lanman-Henderson.

### Consent Agenda

*Note: All matters listed below on the Consent Agenda are considered under one motion and enacted by one motion. There should be no separate discussion. If such discussion is desired, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and then considered separately under New Business.*

1. Approve the March 17, 2026, regular meeting minutes as written.

2. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to approve a temporary extension of license premises at Gloria's Bar, located at 1121 S. Summit St., to allow the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor on public property pursuant to K.S.A. 45-2608, during Gloria's Cornhole Tournament Event on Saturday, April 25, 2026.
3. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to allocate Unpledged Healthcare Sales Tax Funds in the amount of \$4,940.75 to SCK Health for uncompensated care provided to the community, consistent with Ordinance No. 2019-02-4481 and the City's intent to annually appropriate available revenues for health care purposes.
4. A Resolution authorizing a public meeting of the Governing Body to attend a Land Bank Board of Trustees meeting at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 21, 2026, in the Commission Room at City Hall, located at 118 W. Central Avenue in Arkansas City.

*Motion made by Commissioner Beeson, seconded Commissioner Colquhoun, to approve the Consent Agenda as written.*

*Voice Voting Aye: Mayor Stover, Vice-Mayor Lungren, Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Colquhoun, and Commissioner Tweedy III. Mayor Stover declared the motion approved; given **Resolution No. 2026-04-3820, Resolution No. 2026-04-3821, Resolution No. 2026-04-3822.***

City Clerk Parsons offered the following items for consideration.

### New Business

#### City Manager Department

1. An Ordinance exempting the application of K.S.A. § 41-719(c) to allow the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor at a designated area of Wilson Park, from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM, during Tacolalah on May 2, 2026.

Lloyd Colston, 1825 N 8<sup>th</sup> St. – expressed opposition for the public sale of alcoholic beverages.

Discussion commenced coming the governing body and staff surrounding exploring insurance for events.

*Motion made by Commissioner Beeson, seconded by Commissioner Colquhoun, to table the item for further discussion.*

*Voice Voting Aye: Mayor Stover, Vice-Mayor Lungren, Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Colquhoun, and Commissioner Tweedy III. Mayor Stover declared the motion approved; given **Ordinance No. 2026-04-4653.***

2. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to approve the renewal of the City of Arkansas City's municipal insurance program through EMC Insurance, as presented by Insurance Center Inc., for the policy period of April 1, 2026 through April 1, 2027, in the total estimated premium amount of \$456,869.00.

*Motion made by Mayor Stover, seconded by Vice-Mayor Lungren, to approve the item as written.*

*Voice Voting Aye: Mayor Stover, Vice-Mayor Lungren, Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Colquhoun, and Commissioner Tweedy III. Mayor Stover declared the motion approved; given **Resolution No. 2026-04-3823.***

#### Environmental Services Department

1. A Resolution authorizing a change order submitted by Midco Diving & Marine Services regarding water tank cleaning services for an amount not to exceed \$13,440.00 and pay the total invoice amount of \$32,364.00.

*Motion made by Commissioner Beeson, seconded by Commissioner Colquhoun, to approve the item as written.*

*Voice Voting Aye: Mayor Stover, Vice-Mayor Lungren, Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Colquhoun, and Commissioner Tweedy III. Mayor Stover declared the motion approved; given **Resolution No. 2026-04-3824.***

2. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to accept a bid submitted by Oxford Saw & Mower to purchase a new 2026 Grasshopper 900D mower, for an amount not to exceed \$22,727.20.

*Motion made by Commissioner Beeson, seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III, to approve the item as written.*

*Voice Voting Aye: Mayor Stover, Vice-Mayor Lungren, Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Colquhoun, and Commissioner Tweedy III. Mayor Stover declared the motion approved; given **Resolution No. 2026-04-3825.***

3. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to accept a proposal submitted by BarnesCo Inc. for the rehabilitation of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Wet Well Elevator, including the purchase of materials and installation, for an amount not to exceed \$31,000.00.

*Motion made by Vice-Mayor Lungren, seconded by Mayor Stover, to approve the item as written.*

*Voice Voting Aye: Mayor Stover, Vice-Mayor Lungren, Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Colquhoun, and Commissioner Tweedy III. Mayor Stover declared the motion approved; given **Resolution No. 2026-04-3826.***

#### Public Services Department

1. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to purchase a 2019 Altec Bucket Truck from Altec, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$134,900.00.

*Motion made by Commissioner Beeson, seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III, to approve the item as written.*

*Voice Voting Aye: Mayor Stover, Vice-Mayor Lungren, Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Colquhoun, and Commissioner Tweedy III. Mayor Stover declared the motion approved; given **Resolution No. 2026-04-3827.***

#### City Manager Updates & Reminders

1. **April 20 – Outstanding Student Banquet** - The Outstanding Student Banquet will be held April 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Brown Center.
2. **April 17 – League of Kansas Municipalities City Leaders Academy**- The City Leaders Academy will take place April 17 in Salina, KS with travel scheduled the night before. City Manager and Commissioners encouraged to attend.
3. **May 1 –Etzanao Grand Opening** - Commissioners are invited to attend the Etzanao VIP Grand Opening on May 1 from 5:30–7:30 p.m.
4. **Greensand Filter Project Financing Update** - The City provided an update on the greensand filter project, including revised costs, KDHE coordination, and a financing plan with substantial principal forgiveness and remaining debt financed over 20 years.
5. **Northwest Community Center Steering Committee Process** – Continuing to work with Wichita State University Public Policy Center, a steering committee devised of citizens and stakeholders has been formed to guide public input on the Northwest Community Center, to collect feedback and develop recommendations on future facility use. Community Engagement & Outreach Planning has begun, the project will include additional public engagement sessions, including a community event planned for mid-June, with efforts designed to gather input at existing community gatherings.

#### Items for Discussion by City Commissioners

Commissioner Tweedy III provided a reminder about the BisonBison Film Festival taking place this Friday April 10th and Saturday, April 11th.

#### Comments from the Audience for Items not on the Agenda

*The public will be allowed to speak on issues or items that are not scheduled for discussion on the agenda. Individuals should address all comments and questions to the Commission. Comments should be limited to issues and items relevant to the business of the Governing Body. The Commission will not discuss or debate these items, nor will the Commission make decisions on items presented during this time. Each person will be limited to three (3) minutes.*

- Lloyd Colston, 1825 N 8<sup>th</sup> St. – encouraged participation in the National Weather Service “Safe Place Selfie” initiative, asking residents to take and share photos of their designated shelter locations using the hashtag #SafePlaceSelfie to promote emergency preparedness for weather-related and other hazards. Colston also noted that April is Volunteer Appreciation Month and suggested the City formally recognize and thank community volunteers through a broader public acknowledgment.

**Adjournment**

*Motion made by Commissioner Tweedy III, seconded by Commissioner Colquhoun to adjourn the meeting.*

*Voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Mayor Beeson declared the motion approved and meeting adjourned.*

THE CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY  
BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS

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Tad Stover, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk

Prepared by: Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk

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