

118 W Central Ave, Arkansas City, KS

Routine Business

- 1. Opening Prayer led by Principal Planner Josh White and Pledge of Allegiance led Mayor Beeson.
- 2. Roll Call

PRESENT

Commissioner Diana Spielman Commissioner Tad Stover Commissioner Charles Tweedy Commissioner Jay Warren Mayor Chad Beeson

Also present from staff: City Attorney Larry Schwartz, City Manager Randy Frazer, City Clerk Tiffany Parsons, Communication Director Shana Adkisson, Police Chief Jim Holloway, and Principal Planner Josh White.

- 3. There were no additions or deletions.
- 4. Approval of the Agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Stover, Seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III to approve the agenda.

Voice Voting Yea: Commissioner Spielman, Commissioner Stover, Commissioner Tweedy III, Commissioner Beeson and Mayor Beeson. Mayor Beeson declared the motion approved.

Awards and Proclamations

1. Proclaim February 13, 2025 as Day of Hope in Arkansas City.

Mayor Beeson issued a proclamation declaring February 13, 2025, as the Day of Hope in Arkansas City. The official signed and sealed proclamation was then presented to Hope Squad students, led by USD 470 Safety & Security Coordinator Eric Burr.

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 a discussion is desired, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and then considered separately under Section VI: New Business.

- 1. Approve the January 21, 2025, regular meeting minutes as written.
- 2. A Resolution declaring the boundary and limits of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas pursuant to K.S.A. 12-517. (Voice Vote)

Motion made by Commissioner Stover, Seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III to approve the consent agenda as written.

Voice Voting Yea: Commissioner Spielman, Commissioner Stover, Commissioner Tweedy III, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor Beeson. Mayor Beeson declared the motion approved, given Resolution No. 2025-02-3677.

New Business

City Clerk Parsons offered the following items for consideration:

City Manager Department

1. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to approve a proposal submitted by The Arnold Group (TAG), to provide an Employee Classification Plan, Salary Survey, and Compensation Study with a three-year support package, for a cost of \$37,552.00 to be paid over a three-year period. *(Voice Vote)*

Motion made by Mayor Beeson, seconded by Commissioner Stover to approve the item as written.

Voice Voting Yea: Commissioner Beeson, Commissioner Stover, Commissioner Spielman, Commissioner Tweedy, and Mayor Warren. Mayor Warren declared the motion approved; given Resolution No. 2025-02-3678.

2. An Ordinance granting a Conditional Use Permit to allow a short term-rental in an R-2, Medium Density Residential District, located at 311 Highland Drive requested by Budija Enterprises, LLC in the City of Arkansas City, Kansas. *(Roll Call Vote)*

Motion made by Commissioner Warren, Seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III to approve the item as written.

Roll Call Voting Yea: Commissioner Spielman, Commissioner Stover, Commissioner Tweedy III, Commissioner Warren, and Mayor Beeson. Mayor Beeson declared the motion approved, given **Ordinance No. 2025-02-4631**.

City Manager Updates & Reminders

City Manager Frazer provided the following reminders and updates before the commission.

- 1. CCLIP Kick-off meeting February 6th at 10:30 a.m.
- 2. Phase two of the walking trials agreements are complete. Pending the contractor to set a start date.
- 3. SB-83 Heartland Flyer hearing is February 6th at 10:30 am. City Manager Frazer has a written testimony submitted and will attend and testify.
- 4. SB-117 Strother Field legislation will be heard in the Senate Commerce Committee, Feb. 11, 12, or 13th. City Manger Frazer will provide a written testimony and attend this hearing as well.
- 5. Invitation to *Night at the Museum* hosted by the Cherokee Strip Land Rush Museum is February 7th or 11th 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- 6. Human Resources Director, Marla McFarland is being honored at the HR Professionals Awards Luncheon is February 13th at the River Front Stadium, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.. Staff is needing a head count of attendance by Thursday, Feb. 6th
- 7. Handout of an legislative update from our Kansas Municipal Utilities (KMU) lobbyist provided to commissioners.
- 8. SCK Health Foundation Gala is March 1st
- 9. Cowley County Humane Society Wags and Wishers Gala is Apil 5th at 5:30 p.m., located at the K-Shaw Event Centre.
- 10. Copy of current projects list provided to commissioners.

Items for Discussion by City Commissioners

Commissioner Spielman mentioned that a resident visited her home with an inquiry about the Humane Society's financial operations related to donations

Commissioner Warren acknowledged and praised the recent renovations at the Cherokee Strip Land Rush Museum.

Mayor Beeson recognized and congratulated Commissioner Tweedy for being named "The Chamber Champ" at the 2025 Chamber Reception held this past Saturday at the Burford Theatre.

Comments from the Audience for Items not on the Agenda

No one wished to speak.

Adjournment

Motion made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Stover to adjourn the meeting. The voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Mayor Warren declared the meeting adjourned.

THE CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS

(Seal)

ATTEST:

Chad D. Beeson, Mayor

Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk

Prepared by:

Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk