



CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 5:30 PM — Commission Room, City Hall — 118 W. Central Ave

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 Manager Randy Frazer, IT Manager Matt Metzinger, Public Service Parks & Facilities Supervisor Connie and Community Development Director Josh White.

- Opening Prayer led by Pastor Kyle Carson of Mont Zion Church and Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Tad Stover.
- There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.
- Approval of the Agenda.

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

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.

- Approve the May 19, 2026, regular meeting minutes as written.
- Receive and file the 2025 Audit by Gordon CPA LLC.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Lungren, seconded by Commissioner Tweedy III, 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.

New Business

City Manager Department

- A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to approve a Temporary Workspace Permit with Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc., to temporarily utilize City-owned property at Newman Park, located at 111 West Lincoln Avenue, for the storage of construction materials and equipment.

Motion made by Mayor Lungren, seconded by Vice-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. 2026-05-3833**.*

2. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to approve an electric easement agreement with Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc., on city-owned property at Newman Park, located at 111 West Lincoln Avenue.

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. 2026-05-3834.***

Public Services Department

1. A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to accept a bid submitted by Gades Sales Co. Inc. to purchase a Radar Vision System to service US 77 & Summit St., for an amount not to exceed \$21,175.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Colquhoun, 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. 2026-05-3835.***

City Manager Updates & Reminders

1. **May 23 – Budget Work Session for External Agencies:** The City will hold its budget work session for external agency funding requests on Friday at noon as part of the 2027 budget process.
2. **May 23 – Splash Pad Ribbon Cutting:** A ribbon-cutting event for the splash pad will be held Friday from 2:00–4:00 p.m., weather permitting.
3. **May 14 & May 29 – Fire Station Design Process Update:** The fire station design team continues refining concepts and structure options, with another meeting and work session presentation scheduled for May 29.
4. **Well 16 Online Approval & PFAS Testing:** The City received approval to place Well 16 online following PFAS testing delays, while continuing discussions with engineers and KDHE regarding future testing and potential treatment requirements.
5. **Water System Regulatory Concerns:** - City officials discussed ongoing uncertainty surrounding emerging PFAS regulations and the challenges of planning infrastructure improvements before state standards are finalized.
6. **CCLIP Mill & Overlay Project Update:** Bids for the Madison Street mill and overlay project came in approximately \$50,000 under the engineer's estimate and will be presented at the next meeting pending final paperwork.
7. **PEC Project Update:** Commissioners received an update on ongoing projects being managed through PEC.
8. **Pickleball Court Project Update:** Construction is progressing, pad pouring happened today and light poles went up. Completion is anticipated by May 18, including painting and final improvements.
9. **Financial Summary Update:** The City's financial reports, located in the back of the meeting packet, continue to show the budget performing well as the fiscal year approaches the halfway point.

Items for Discussion by City Commissioners

Commissioner Beeson expressed appreciation to City staff for their response efforts during the overnight storm, responded early in the morning to address power outages and related issues. Appreciation was also extended to crews working throughout the day on cleanup and treatment efforts, recognizing staff for their continued hard work and dedication.

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.

No one signed up or wished to speak from the audience.

Financial Summary

1. April 2026 Financial Summary provided for review.

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 Stover declared the motion approved and meeting adjourned.

THE CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY
BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS

(Seal)

Tad Stover, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk

Prepared by: Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk

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