



CITY OF NORMAN, OK CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 201 West Gray, Norman, OK 73069
Tuesday, February 25, 2025 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 25, 2025, 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.

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

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

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Larry Heikkila
Councilmember Ward 2 Matthew Peacock
Councilmember Ward 3 Bree Montoya
Councilmember Ward 4 Helen Grant
Councilmember Ward 5 Michael Nash
Councilmember Ward 6 Josh Hinkle
Councilmember Ward 7 Stephen Holman
Councilmember Ward 8 Scott Dixon

ABSENT

Councilmember Ward 1 Austin Ball

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Heikkila.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ward 7 - Councilmember Holman

- Thanked Norman residents for participating in the recent election, emphasizing that local races can be decided by very few votes.
- Provided background on why Norman holds its City elections in February: under state law, it is the only month that allows elections to be consistent each year while meeting the City Charter's requirement that new members be sworn in by July. Runoffs are held in April.
- Announced the grand opening of Ollie's at 12th Avenue SE and Lindsey. The property had been vacant for several years, and its reopening was noted as a positive development for the community.

Ward 6 – Councilmember Hinkle

- Noted that Item 3 on the agenda would address appointments to boards and commissions. Expressed appreciation to current and former members and encouraged residents to consider serving.
- Specifically thanked Kay Criser for agreeing to serve on the Social and Voluntary Services Commission.

Ward 4 – Councilmember Grant

- Thanked City Staff and social service providers for their efforts during the recent cold snap to ensure community safety.
- Reported on the first quarterly Ward 4 meeting, held February 22nd at the Norman Development Center, which had 25 attendees.
- Shared that the next quarterly meeting will be June 7th, with topics to include the AIM Norman transportation plan, TIF District Master Plan updates, Council retreat priorities, and FY26 Budget updates.

Ward 3 – Councilmember Montoya

- Thanked residents for voting in the election two weeks prior.

Mayor Heikkila

- Congratulated Lawrence McKinney, Norman Economic Development Coalition, on being named Economic Developer of the Year by the International Economic Development Council, recognizing his outstanding professional achievements and his contribution to Norman's growth.

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 1 through Item 11 be placed on the consent docket.

Motion to place Item 1 through 11 on Consent Docket was made by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Item 1 through 11 were placed on the Consent Docket.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

CITY COUNCIL, NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY, NORMAN MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY, NORMAN TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 12, 2024, MARCH 26, 2024, APRIL 9, 2024, NOVEMBER 26, 2024, DECEMBER 10, 2024, JANUARY 14, 2025, JANUARY 28, 2025, AND FEBRUARY 11, 2025.

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 13, 2023, AND FEBRUARY 27, 2024.

CITY COUNCIL OVERSIGHT MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 10, 2023.

CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2024.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

The Minutes were Approved.

2. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE A SETTLEMENT OF TYIREE HYATT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000 TO RESOLVE HIS TORT CLAIM FILED SEPTEMBER 5, 2024.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

The Settlement was Approved.

Appointments

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

BOARD OF APPEALS

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 02-03-29: TYLER MCMANAMAN, WARD 2

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 02-03-29: ALEX LANPHERE, WARD 2

PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 02-10-28: LINDA PRICE, WARD 1

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 02-10-28: ASHLIE DURHAM, WARD 7

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 02-10-28: KYLE HURLEY, AT LARGE

NORMAN FORWARD CITIZENS FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT BOARD

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 12-22-27: ERIK PAULSON WARD 2

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 12-22-27: ANDY RIEGER, WARD 4

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 12-22-27: LINDA PRICE, WARD 1

SOCIAL AND VOLUNTARY SERVICES COMMISSION

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 12-09-27: ANN WAY, WARD 1

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 12-09-27: KAY CRITSER, WARD 6

TERM: 02-25-25 TO 12-09-27: FALLON BURLESON, WARD 7

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

The Appointment were Approved.

Reports/Communications

4. CONSIDERATION OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR'S INVESTMENT REPORT AS OF JANUARY 31, 2025, AND DIRECTING THE FILING THEREOF.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

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

5. CONSIDERATION OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF THE MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2025.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Receipt of the Monthly Departmental Reports was Acknowledged.

Final Plat

6. CONSIDERATION OF AWARDING, ACCEPTANCE, APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF FP-2425-5 FINAL PLAT FOR LIAM'S CORNER, A REPLAT OF LOT 1, BLOCK 5, PART OF LOT 2, BLOCK 5 AND PART OF BLOCK 6, LYDICK'S FIRST ADDITION (LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF WEST LINDSEY STREET AND SOUTH BERRY ROAD).

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

The Final Plat for Liam's Corner was Approved.

Contracts

7. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2425-97: A CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND THE SANBORN MAP COMPANY, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$142,550.20 TO PROVIDE DIGITAL ORTHOPHOTOGRAPHY, TOPOGRAPHIC MAPPING, AND PLANIMETRIC MAPPING FOR THE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS DIVISION.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Contract K-2425-97 was Approved.

Resolutions

8. CONSIDERATION OF AWARDING, ACCEPTANCE, APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2425-88: IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,000 AND BUDGET TRANSFER AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT TO FUND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD INTERSECTION WITH WHITE STREET.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2425-88 was Adopted.

9. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2425-89: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, APPROPRIATING \$15,000 FROM THE ANIMAL CONTROL DONATION ACCOUNT TO BE USED TO PURCHASE SURGICAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE ANIMAL WELFARE CENTER VETERINARY CLINIC.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2425-89 was Adopted.

10. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2425-95: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, APPROPRIATING \$56,182.43 FROM THE REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS MISCELLANEOUS RISK MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT FOR THE REPAIR OF CITY VEHICLES DAMAGED BY OTHER DRIVERS IN TRAFFIC COLLISIONS.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Resolution R-2425-95 was Adopted.

11. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2425-22 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 LOT ONE (1), IN BLOCK TWO (2), OF EAST LINDSEY PLAZA SECTION 5, TO NORMAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, FROM THE SPUD, SIMPLE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, AND PLACE SAME IN THE SPUD, SIMPLE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF. (1451 12TH AVENUE SOUTHEAST)
WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT

Ordinance O-2425-22 was Withdrawn by the applicant.

NON-CONSENT ITEMS

Second Reading Ordinance

12. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2425-15 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 GRANT SPECIAL USE FOR PUBLIC UTILITY IN THE A-2, RURAL AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT FOR A STRIP, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE/4) OF SECTION NINETEEN (19), TOWNSHIP EIGHT (8) NORTH, RANGE ONE (1) WEST OF THE INDIAN MERIDIAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF. (GENERALLY LOCATED NORTH OF ETOWAH ROAD ON 72ND AVENUE SOUTHEAST)

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

Participants in discussion

1. Mr. Joe Krodel, Fellers Snider Law Firm, representing the applicant
2. Mr. Matt Haynes, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative
3. Mr. Patrick Grace, Oklahoma Electric Cooperative, applicant
4. Mr. John McCreight, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative
5. Mr. Clint Russell, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative

Motion to postpone Ordinance O-2425-15 until the court case is settled and a verdict is rendered made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman

Voting Nay: Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Participants in discussion

1. Mr. Joe Krodel, Fellers Snider Law Firm, representing the applicant
2. Mr. Rick Knighton, City Attorney
3. Mr. Matt Haynes, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative
4. Mr. Shawn Fulkerson, made comments
5. Mr. Rob Norman, Ward 3, made comments
6. Mr. Dave Moore, Ward 5, made comments
7. Mr. John Priestly, made comments
8. Mr. Russell Rice, Ward 2, proponent
9. Ms. Cynthia Rogers, Ward 4, made comments
10. Mr. Gary King, Ward 5, made comments
11. Mr. Trey Kirby, Ward 5, made comments
12. Ms. Rita Jones, Ward 5, proponent
13. Mr. JD Krohmer, made comments

Ordinance O-2425-15 was Postponed.

13. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2425-10 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, ADDING SECTION 36-567.1 ("RESTRICTIONS ON TOBACCO AND E-CIGARETTE RETAILERS") TO CHAPTER 36 ("ZONING ORDINANCE"); AND AMENDING SECTIONS 36-521 ("RO, RESIDENCE-OFFICE DISTRICT"), 36-524 ("C-1, LOCAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT"), 36-526 ("TC, TOURIST COMMERCIAL DISTRICT"), 36-527 ("CR, RURAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT"), AND 36-560 ("SPECIAL USES") TO CHAPTER 36 ("ZONING ORDINANCE") OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORMAN TO ESTABLISH RESTRICTIONS ON TOBACCO AND E-CIGARETTE RETAILERS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Participants in discussion

1. Ms. AshLynn Wilkerson, Assistant City Attorney
2. Mr. Evan Dunn, Ward 7, proponent

Ordinance O-2425-15 was Adopted on Second Reading section by section.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2425-15 was Adopted on Final Reading as a Whole.

14. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2425-11 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING THE TITLE OF ARTICLE V, CHAPTER 16; AMENDING SECTION 16-501 TO REFLECT CHANGES TO PURPOSE; AMENDING AND ADDING DEFINITIONS TO SECTION 16-502 FOR THE PURPOSES THEREOF; AMENDING SECTION 16-503 TO ADD PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES ON MUNICIPAL PROPERTY; MOVING SECTION 16-508 TO SECTION 16-504 AND THEREBY LEAVING SECTIONS 16-505 THROUGH 16-508 AS RESERVED FOR PURPOSES OF INTERNAL CODE CONSISTENCY; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2425-11 was Adopted on Second Reading section by section.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2425-11 was Adopted on Final Reading as a Whole.

15. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OR ORDINANCE O-2425-12 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING THE TITLE OF SECTION 24-311 OF CHAPTER 24; AMENDING DEFINITIONS FOR THE PURPOSES THEREOF; PROHIBITING THE FURNISHING OF TOBACCO, NICOTINE AND VAPOR PRODUCTS TO ANYONE UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE, PROHIBITING THE POSSESSION OF TOBACCO, NICOTINE AND VAPOR PRODUCTS BY ANYONE UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE, PROHIBITING THE DISPLAY OR SALE OF TOBACCO, NICOTINE OR VAPOR PRODUCTS WHERE SELF-ACCESSIBLE BY ANYONE UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Participants in discussion

1. Mr. Evan Dunn, Ward 7, made comments

Ordinance O-2425-12 was Adopted on Second Reading section by section.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2425-12 was Adopted on Final Reading as a Whole.

16. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2425-13 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, ADDING ARTICLE 2-III, DIVISION 2-III-17 DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE ANIMAL WELFARE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Participants in discussion

1. Ms. Jeanne Snider, Assistant City Attorney

Ordinance O-2425-13 was Adopted on Second Reading section by section.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2425-13 was Adopted on Final Reading as a Whole.

17. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2425-14 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING ARTICLE 2-III, DIVISION 2-III-1, SECTION 2-301 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORMAN INCREASING THE NUMBER OF PERSONS FOR THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FROM FIVE TO SEVEN, AMENDING CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP TO REQUIRE A PERSON FROM EACH WARD AND ONE AT-LARGE PERSON, DECREASING THE TERMS OF PERSONS ON THE BOARD OF APPEALS FROM FOUR TO THREE YEAR TERMS, AND ADDING NORMAN ELECTION COMMISSION: SEVEN PERSONS WITH THREE-YEAR TERMS; AMENDING DIVISION 2-III-6, SECTION 3-216, ADDING OVERSIGHT OVER TREE PROTECTION TO THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS AUTHORITY; REPEALING DIVISION 2-III-9, GREENBELT COMMISSION IN ITS ENTIRETY; REPEALING DIVISION 2-III-16, TREE BOARD IN ITS ENTIRETY; AMENDING ARTICLE 10-II, SECTION 10-201, NORMAN ELECTION COMMISSION, TO CHANGE A FIVE MEMBER COMMITTEE TO SEVEN; AND AMENDING ARTICLE 36-V-4, SECTION 36-570(A)(2) TO INCREASE THE CONCURRING VOTE REQUIRED FOR THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FROM THREE TO FOUR MEMBERS.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Voting Nay: Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash

Participants in discussion

1. Ms. Jeanne Snider, Assistant City Attorney
2. Ms. Jane Hudson, Director of Planning and Community Development
3. Mr. Jason Olsen, Director of Parks and Recreation
4. Ms. Margaurite Larson, Ward 6, made comments
5. Mr. Cynthia Rogers, Ward 4, made comments
6. Mr. Russell Rice, Ward 2, opponent
7. Ms. Mayumi Windler, Ward 2, made comments
8. Mr. Evan Dunn, Ward 7, opponent
9. Mr. Mark Nanny, Ward 1, made comments

Ordinance O-2425-14 was Adopted on Second Reading section by section.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Voting Nay: Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash

Ordinance O-2425-14 was Adopted on Final Reading as a Whole.

18. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2425-23 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING ARTICLE 4-I, SECTION 4-101 ADDING DEFINITIONS FOR ABANDON, ANIMAL, COMMUNITY CAT, COMMUNITY CAT CAREGIVER, AND TRAP-NEUTER-RETURN (TNR) AND AMENDING DEFINITIONS FOR EXOTIC WILDLIFE AND NATIVE WILDLIFE; AMENDING ARTICLE 4-II, SECTION 4-202 AND 4-205 UPDATING LANGUAGE FOR ANIMAL WELFARE SUPERVISOR AND UPDATING LANGUAGE THROUGHOUT FOR CONSISTENCY; DELETING SECTION 4-205(H) DUPLICATIVE LANGUAGE RELATED TO THE TNR PROGRAM; REPEALING SECTIONS 4-211 THROUGH 4-221 PET LICENSE REQUIRED; AMENDING ARTICLE 4-III, SECTION 4-301(D) ADDING ANIMALS VENOMOUS TO HUMAN BEINGS; AMENDING SECTION 4-301(E) REQUIRING ACCREDITATION ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS AND AQUARIUMS (AZA) OR ZOOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (ZAA) CERTIFIED FOR ZOOS; ADDING ARTICLE 4-V, SECTION 4-510 COMMUNITY CATS; AMENDING SECTION 4-501, ABANDONMENT OF CATS AND DOGS; AMENDING SECTION 503(C), CONFINEMENT OF DOGS AND CATS; ADDING SECTION 4-510, COMMUNITY CATS; AMENDING ARTICLE 4-VI, SECTION 4-601(A), CRUELTY TO ANIMALS; AND AMENDING SECTION 4-603, ANIMALS THAT ARE NUISANCES.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Participants in discussion

1. Ms. Jeanne Snider, Assistant City Attorney

Ordinance O-2425-23 was Adopted on Second Reading section by section.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2425-23 was Adopted on Final Reading as a Whole.

19. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2425-20 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 LOTS FORTY-FIVE (45) AND FORTY-SIX (46) IN BLOCK ONE (1) OF LARSH'S UNIVERSITY ADDITION, TO NORMAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, FROM THE CCFBC, CENTER CITY FORM-BASED CODE DISTRICT, URBAN GENERAL FRONTAGE, AND PLACE SAME IN THE CCPUD, CENTER CITY PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF. (428 BUCHANAN AVENUE)

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Participants in discussion

1. Mr. Peter Petromilli, applicant

Ordinance O-2425-20 was Adopted on Second Reading section by section.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle was outside the Chambers during the vote.

Ordinance O-2425-20 was Adopted on Final Reading as a Whole.

20. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2425-21 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 GRANT SPECIAL USE FOR A CHURCH, TEMPLE, OR OTHER PLACE OF WORSHIP WITH A WAIVER OF SECTION 36-547(a)(4) PERTAINING TO EXTERIOR APPEARANCE IN THE R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT FOR LOT ONE (1), IN BLOCK SEVENTEEN (17), OF HALL PARK FOURTH ADDITION OF THE INDIAN MERIDIAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF. (1501 24TH AVENUE NE)

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Participants in discussion

1. Ms. Libby Smith, Rieger Sandler and Joyce, representing the applicant
2. Ms. Marguerite Larson, Ward 6, asked questions
3. Mr. Evan Dunn, Ward 7, made comments

Ordinance O-2425-21 was Adopted on Second Reading section by section.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Councilmember Ward 3 Montoya, Councilmember Ward 4 Grant, Councilmember Ward 5 Nash, Councilmember Ward 6 Hinkle, Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Councilmember Ward 8 Dixon

Ordinance O-2425-21 was Adopted on Final Reading as a Whole.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

Congratulatory Remarks & Community Recognition

Rob Norman, Ward 3, commended Jason Olsen and Parks and Recreation Department for the Adaptive Sports and Recreation Baseball initiative, describing it as overdue and worth celebrating.

Marguerite Larson, Ward 6, praised Councilmember Grant for her leadership in assisting unhoused residents during severe cold weather.

Cynthia Rogers, Ward 4, congratulated recent election winners, thanked all candidates, and promoted civic engagement.

Paul Arcaroli, Ward 3, thanked City Clerk Brenda Hall for her efforts in verifying petition signatures and acknowledged her professionalism.

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Property Rights, Condemnation, and Compensation

Rob Norman, Ward 3, raised concerns about eminent domain and condemnation, suggesting forthcoming legal and legislative reforms may limit government takings. Applauded the Council for delaying decisions until pending cases are resolved.

Cynthia Rogers, Ward 4, reflected on fair property compensation, emphasizing that individual valuations may differ from market assessments.

Floyd Carroll, Ward 4, voiced concerns about personal experiences with property loss.

Trey Kirby, Ward 5, advocated for due process in electrical substation siting, proposing an ordinance requiring at least a half-mile setback from residences.

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Arts, Culture, and Community Identity

Richard Baxter introduced himself as founder of *Racism Stinks*. Promoted unity and cultural collaboration, announced the Norman Cultural Unity Parade on May 3rd, and emphasized supporting law enforcement to build trust. Thanked Mayor Heikkila and Deputy Chief Ricky Jackson for their support.

Dan Munson, Ward 6, suggested future Norman Forward projects honor Dr. Henderson's proclamation that Norman should be a city of love, acceptance, and respect. Proposed a public art project to reflect this theme.

Evan Dunn, Ward 7, spoke on education and inspiration, sharing personal experiences with science demonstrations, time spent in China, and his ongoing health challenges. Suggested he could serve as a Norman envoy to connect with youth on science and healthy living.

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Miscellaneous Comments, continued

Fiscal and Revenue Concerns

Dan Munson, Ward 6, noted sales tax collections were down (1% overall; 5% when adjusted for inflation) and recommended implementing fare systems for fixed-route buses; requesting OU increase its contribution to the rideshare program; considering higher per-ride charges; canceling the rideshare program if OU does not increase its support; and eliminating funding for new bike racks to reduce costs.

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Local Elections and Civic Engagement

Cynthia Rogers, Ward 4, announced the March 4th election for the Moore Norman Technology Center's \$90 million bond issue. Shared details about a town hall meeting at St. Stephen's United Methodist Church.

Paul Arcaroli, Ward 3, promoted the same town hall meeting and noted it would include discussion of both the appeal process and the bond issue.

Trey Kirby, Ward 5, expressed strong support for the Moore Norman Technology Center bond, citing unmet demand for trade education in fields such as electrical work. Emphasized vocational training as a pathway to reduce homelessness and improve wages.

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Public Safety, Utilities, and General Concerns

Floyd Carroll, Ward 4, expressed concern about rising utility bills and frequent outages.

Trey Kirby, Ward 5, connected infrastructure decisions to community well-being, emphasizing long-term planning for safety and fairness.

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Other Issues Raised

Mayumi Windler, Ward 2, reported a maintenance issue with a restroom purse hook and celebrated the safe capture of the long-missing "Interstate Princess Dog."

ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting was Adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor