

# CITY OF NORMAN, OK CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 201 West Gray, Norman, OK 73069 Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 6:30 PM

# **MINUTES**

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

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, July 9, 2024, 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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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Heikkila called the meeting to order.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT

Mayor Larry Heikkila

Councilmember Ward 1 Austin Ball

Councilmember Ward 2 Matthew Peacock

Councilmember Ward 3 Bree Montoya

Councilmember Ward 4 Helen Grant

Councilmember Ward 5 Michael Nash

Councilmember Ward 6 Joshua Hinkle

Councilmember Ward 7 Stephen Holman

Councilmember Ward 8 Scott Dixon

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Heikkila.

#### **PROCLAMATIONS**

1. CONSIDERATION OF ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF PROCLAMATION P-2425-1: A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JULY, 2024, AS WATER'S WORTH IT™ AND LAKES APPRECIATION MONTH, AND JULY 21<sup>ST</sup>-27<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 AS LOVE YOUR LAKE WEEK IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

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

#### Participants in discussion

1. Dr. Bob Nairn, Environmental Control Advisory Board member, thanked the Council and made comments

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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 proclamation was acknowledged.

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#### **COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Ward 3 - Councilmember Montoya

Expressed deep appreciation for Councilmember Holman, highlighting his wealth of knowledge, community passion, and mentorship during their shared tenure.

- Public Safety Accomplishment: Officer Casey McCallister was congratulated for winning the Law Enforcement Division of the 2024 Global CrossFit Games. Officer McCallister has previously been recognized multiple times as the "Fittest Law Enforcement Officer in the World."
- City Action Center: Residents were reminded that non-emergency issues can be reported to the City's Action Center at (405) 366-5396 or <a href="mailto:action.center@normanok.gov">action.center@normanok.gov</a>.
- Budget Overview (FY 2025):
- Sales and use tax revenue is projected to grow by 2.9%.
- Expenses are projected to increase by 3.9%.
- Optimism was shared about potential revenue increases related to SEC activities.

# Council Announcements, continued

#### Ward 4 - Councilmember Grant

- Norman Day: Parks and Recreation was commended for executing an outstanding fireworks display despite weather challenges.
- Campaign Finance Transparency: Councilmember Grant reflected on their re-election campaign, highlighting fiscal responsibility and support from local businesses.
- Reflections on Service: Emphasized the need for integrity, collaboration, and the ability to acknowledge and correct mistakes. Appreciation was given to former Councilmember Lee Hall for mentorship and continued support.
- Non-Binary Awareness: Recognized International Non-Binary People's Day (July 14) and Non-Binary Awareness Week.

#### Ward 6 - Councilmember Hinkle

- Welcome Message: Newly elected Councilmember Hinkle expressed gratitude to voters and family.
- Community Engagement: Encouraged attendance at the upcoming Second Friday Art Walk in the Walker Arts District.

# Ward 7 – Councilmember Holman

- Emergency Operations and Communications Center Grand Opening: Thursday, July 18th at 2:00 PM on East Robinson. The facility is designed to withstand severe weather and replaces the outdated dispatch center in the Police Department basement, addressing ADA accessibility and staff wellness concerns.
- Norman Regional HealthPlex Ribbon Cutting: Friday, July 19th at 2:00 PM at the West Norman Campus. The public is invited to view the expanded medical facilities.
- Reflections on Tenure: Councilmember Holman reflected on 11 years of service, having worked with 40 councilmembers and four mayors. Discussed the challenges of turnover, the limited compensation for Council roles, and the importance of continuity in leadership. Expressed appreciation for the new councilmembers and looked forward to collaborative work in the coming term.

#### Ward 8 – Councilmember Dixon

- First Meeting Acknowledgment: Expressed enthusiasm to begin service and appreciation to family and constituents.
- Civic Engagement Challenge: Noted Ward 8 has the highest number of Citizens Academy participants and proposed an inter-ward participation challenge.
- Event Participation: Praised the Firecracker 5K and thanked Parks and Recreation for a successful event.
- Communication Update: Temporarily unavailable by phone due to technical issues. Residents are encouraged to contact him via email at Ward8@normanok.gov.

#### 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 2 through Item 24 be placed on the consent docket.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 8 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Items 2 through 24 were placed on the Consent Docket.

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First Reading Ordinance

2. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2324-54 UPON FIRST READING BY TITLE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING SECTIONS 36-514 ("R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT"), 36-516 ("R-2, TWO-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT"), AND 36-520 ("R-3, MULTIFAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT"), ALL IN CHAPTER 36 ("ZONING") OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORMAN TO PERMIT R-1 USES FOR UNDERSIZED LOTS WHERE SUBDIVISION EXISTED AT ZONING ORDINANCE ADOPTION OR OCCURRED IN CONFORMITY WITH SECTION 30-605 OF THE NORMAN MUNICIPAL CODE AND ALL BOUNDARY LINES OF THE SUBJECT LOT TOUCH LANDS UNDER OTHER OWNERSHIP; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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-2324-54 was adopted on First Reading by title.

#### **Appointments**

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

# NORMAN CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU

TERM: 07/31/24 TO 07/31/27, STACEY REYNOLDS, UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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 appointments were Approved.

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4. CONSIDERATION OF CONFIRMATION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF THE 2024-2025 CITY OF NORMAN YOUTH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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 nominations were Confirmed.

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#### Reports/Communications

 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.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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 5, continued

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

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#### Bids

6. CONSIDERATION OF AWARDING, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF BID 2324-59 SUBMITTED BY AIRGAS USA, LLC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$143.70 PER TON FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID OXYGEN FOR THE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY.

# **Acting as the Norman Utilities Authority**

Motion made by Trustee Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Trustee Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Chairman Heikkila, Trustee Ward 1 Ball, Trustee Ward 2 Peacock, Trustee Ward 3 Montoya, Trustee Ward 4 Grant, Trustee Ward 5 Nash, Trustee Ward 6 Hinkle, Trustee Ward 7 Holman, Trustee Ward 8 Dixon.

All bids were accepted and Bid 2324-59 was Awarded to Airgas USA, LLC.

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# Request for Payment

7. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF PAYMENT OF FYE 2025 DUES ASSESSMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$65,000 TO THE OKLAHOMA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Payment of FYE 2025 dues assessment to the Oklahoma Municipal League was Authorized.

8. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF PAYMENT OF FYE 2025 DUES ASSESSMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,335 TO THE ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA GOVERNMENTS FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Payment of FYE 2025 dues assessment to the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments was Authorized.

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#### **Donation**

9. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500 FROM THE J.M. WILLIAMS REVOCABLE TRUST TO BE USED FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH BY THE NORMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT AND APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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 donation from J.M. Williams Revocable Trust was Accepted.

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#### Contracts

10. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AMENDMENT SIX TO CONTRACT K-1920-133: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, THE NORMAN MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY, AND CROSSLAND CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC., INCREASING THE CONTRACT BY \$387,838.56 TO ESTABLISH GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE GENERATOR FOR BUILDING 201 ASSOCIATED WITH IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX RENOVATION PROJECT AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM OTHER PROJECTS.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Amendment Six to Contract K-1920-133 was Approved.

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11. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AMENDMENT TWO TO CONTRACT K-2223-46: AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND RJN GROUP, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$154,768.82 FOR WASTEWATER FLOW MONITORING SERVICES.

# Acting as the Norman Utilities Authority

Motion made by Trustee Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Trustee Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Chairman Heikkila, Trustee Ward 1 Ball, Trustee Ward 2 Peacock, Trustee Ward 3 Montoya, Trustee Ward 4 Grant, Trustee Ward 5 Nash, Trustee Ward 6 Hinkle, Trustee Ward 7 Holman, Trustee Ward 8 Dixon.

Amendment Two to Contract K-2223-46 was Approved.

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12. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AMENDMENT THREE TO CONTRACT K-2223-164: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND RIVER NORTH TRANSIT, LLC, (VIA TRANSPORTATION, INC.), IN THE AMOUNT OF \$751,717, FOR A REVISED NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$1,551,485, FOR EXTENSION OF THE NORMAN ON-DEMAND MICROTRANSIT PILOT PROGRAM FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING AUGUST 21, 2024 AND ENDING AUGUST 20, 2025.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Amendment Three to Contract K-2223-164 was Approved.

13. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AMENDMENT TWO TO CONTRACT K-2324-50: AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$121,130.20 FOR A NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$242,260.40 FOR EXPANSION OF THE NORMAN ON-DEMAND MICROTRANSIT PILOT PROGRAM FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING AUGUST 21, 2024 AND ENDING AUGUST 20, 2025.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Amendment Two to Contract K-2324-50 was Approved.

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14. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CHANGE ORDER THREE TO CONTRACT K-2324-2: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND ARROYO'S CONCRETE LLC. INCREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$6,684.05 FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$541,728.55 FOR THE ADDITION OF 2 BUS STOPS TO THE FYE 2024 SIDEWALK CONCRETE PROJECTS AND BUDGET TRANSFER AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Change Order Three to Contract K-2324-2 was Approved and the budget transfer was Authorized.

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15. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AWARDING BID 2324-53, CONTRACT K-2324-172: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND CROSSLAND HEAVY CONTRACTORS, FOR THE NORMAN WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,960,000; PERFORMANCE BOND B-2324-67, STATUTORY BOND B-2324-68, AND MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2324-65; AND APPROPRIATION OF WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FUND BALANCE AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

# **Acting as the Norman Utilities Authority**

Motion made by Trustee Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Trustee Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Chairman Heikkila, Trustee Ward 1 Ball, Trustee Ward 2 Peacock, Trustee Ward 3 Montoya, Trustee Ward 4 Grant, Trustee Ward 5 Nash, Trustee Ward 6 Hinkle, Trustee Ward 7 Holman, Trustee Ward 8 Dixon.

Bid 2324-53 was Accepted, Contract K-2324-172 and associated bonds were Approved, and the budget appropriation was Authorized.

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16. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AWARDING BID 2324-56 AND CONTRACT K-2324-177: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND K&R BUILDERS, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,915,109.71 FOR THE 60<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE NE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT BOND PROJECT, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2324-73; STATUTORY BOND B-2324-74; MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2324-68, AND RESOLUTION R-2324-142 GRANTING TAX-EXEMPT STATUS AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Bid 2324-56 was Accepted, Contract K-2324-177 and the associated bonds were Approved, Resolution R-2324-142 was Adopted, and the budget appropriation was Authorized.

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17. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AWARDING BID 2425-3 AND CONTRACT K-2425-2: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND ELLSWORTH CONSTRUCTION OKC, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,191,250.50 FOR THE URBAN CONCRETE PAVEMENT - FYE 2025 LOCATIONS, BID 1-PROJECT, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2425-3; STATUTORY BOND B-2425-4; MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2425-2, AND RESOLUTION R-2425-2 GRANTING TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Bid 2425-3 was Accepted, Contract K-2425-2 and the associated bonds were Approved, and Resolution R-2425-2 was Adopted.

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18. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AWARDING BID 2425-4 AND CONTRACT K-2425-3: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND ELLSWORTH CONSTRUCTION OKC, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,272,530 FOR THE URBAN CONCRETE PAVEMENT - FYE 2025 LOCATIONS, BID 2-PROJECT, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2425-5; STATUTORY BOND B-2425-6; MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2425-3, AND RESOLUTION R-2425-3 GRANTING TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Bid 2425-4 was Accepted, Contract K-2425-3 and the associated bonds were Approved, and Resolution R-2425-3 was Adopted.

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19. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AWARDING BID 2425-5 AND CONTRACT K-2425-4: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND INNOVATIVE ROADWAY SOLUTIONS, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$483,177.50 FOR THE ASPHALT PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE, FYE 2025 LOCATIONS PROJECT, PERFORMANCE BOND B-2425-7; STATUTORY BOND B-2425-8; MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2425-4, AND RESOLUTION R-2425-4 GRANTING TAX-EXEMPT STATUS AND APPROPRIATION OF CAPITAL BOND FUND BALANCE AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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

Bid 2425-5 was Accepted, Contract K-2425-4 and the associated bonds were Approved, Resolution R-2425-4 was Adopted, and the budget appropriation was Authorized.

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20. <u>CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL</u>, <u>ACCEPTANCE</u>, <u>REJECTION</u>, <u>AMENDMENT</u>, <u>AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2425-5</u>: WITH THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND FORESTRY, WILDLIFE SERVICES DIVISION.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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-2425-5 was Approved.

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21. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2425-12: WITH THE OKLAHOMA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,375 TO BE USED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT OF LOCAL HISTORIC PROGRAMS AND APPROPRIATION OF SPECIAL GRANT FUND BALANCE.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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-2425-12 was Approved and the budget appropriation was Authorized.

22. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF CONTRACT K-2425-14: BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AND THE ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA GOVERNMENTS (ACOG) FOR THE COLLECTION OF TRAFFIC DATA.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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-2425-14 was Approved.

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# Resolutions

23. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2425-7: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR THEIR DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT, EXECUTE, AND FILE AN APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF NORMAN WITH THE US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO AID IN THE FINANCING OF PLANNING, CAPITAL AND/OR ASSISTANCE PROJECTS PURSUANT TO 49 U.S.C. SECTION 5307 AND SECTION 5339 AND AUTHORIZING, THE CITY MANAGER OR THEIR DESIGNEE TO SET FORTH AND EXECUTE POLICIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROGRAM OF PROJECTS, BUDGETS, AND PROCUREMENT NEEDS.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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-2425-7 was Adopted.

24. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2425-8: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, APPROPRIATING \$36,699.26 FROM THE REFUNDS / REIMBURSEMENTS MISCELLANEOUS RISK MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT TO REPAIR OR REPLACE CITY VEHICLES DAMAGED BY OTHER DRIVERS IN TRAFFIC COLLISIONS.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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-2425-8 was Adopted.

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#### **NON-CONSENT ITEMS**

# **Second Reading Ordinance**

25. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2324-147: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING THE NORMAN 2025 LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION PLAN SO AS TO REMOVE PART OF LOT 1, BLOCK 1 OF BRIDGEVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ADDITION, TO NORMAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, FROM THE LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DESIGNATION AND PLACE THE SAME IN THE OFFICE DESIGNATION. (4300 W. INDIAN HILLS RD.)

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 1 Ball.

Participants in discussion

1. Mr. Joe Krodel, representing the applicant

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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-2327-147 was Adopted.

26. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE O-2324-53 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 1, BLOCK 1 OF BRIDGEVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ADDITION, TO NORMAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, FROM THE R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT WITH SPECIAL USE FOR A CHURCH, AND PLACE SAME IN THE SPUD, SIMPLE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF. (4300 W. INDIAN HILLS RD.)

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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-2324-53 was adopted on Second Reading section by section.

Motion made by Councilmember Ward 7 Holman, Seconded by Councilmember Ward 2 Peacock.

Voting Yea: Mayor Heikkila, Councilmember Ward 1 Ball, 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-2324-53 was adopted on Final Reading.

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#### **MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS**

# Homeless Shelter on Gray Street

Riley Worley, Ward 1, criticized the Council's continued support for closing A Friends House on Gray Street. Emphasized the lack of a forward-thinking plan and potential harm to approximately 50 unhoused individuals. Warned Council of heat-related deaths due to summer exposure. Advocated for investments in affordable and rapid rehousing, and addressing root causes like poverty and housing insecurity. Finally, expressed disappointment at continued Council inaction and resistance from some community members.

Margurite Larson, Ward 6, echoed Riley's comments and expressed disbelief at Council's lack of permanent solution. She noted that permanent shelter benefits both unhoused individuals and the business community and urged Council to prioritize all citizens regardless of appearance or socio-economic status

### **MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS, continued**

### Homeless Shelter on Gray Street, continued

Caleb McGee, Ward 4, said he was a lifelong Norman resident and shelter worker. He shared personal experiences with homelessness and discrimination. He asked Council not to close the shelter without an alternative plan, warning it would lead to preventable deaths.

Mike Davidson, Ward 1, strongly objected to the repeated attempts to close the shelter. He asserted that closing the shelter without a viable plan is morally irresponsible and promised to return and hold the Council accountable for deaths resulting from shelter closure.

Paul Wilson, Ward 1, opposed ending the contract with Food and Shelter without a permanent replacement. He emphasized the dangers of extreme weather and the shelter's role in helping employed individuals maintain stability. He encouraged Council to consider the daily lived experience of the unhoused.

Chelsea Gravel, Ward 4, argued that Norman's resources attract homeless individuals from nearby cities. She claimed the shelter and nearby library had become unsafe and unsanitary environments. She highlighted frequent arrests of homeless individuals and burden on police resources and opposed additional City funding for services that attract non-local homeless populations.

Karlinda Gravel, Ward 4, raised concerns about rushed processes around shelter contracts. She cited discrepancies between the original RFP (Request for Proposals) and actual shelter contract and questioned claims about the number of people housed through the shelter. She emphasized the need for proper planning, transparency, and fiscal responsibility and criticized misleading the public regarding the shelter's intended temporary status.

Rock Creek Entertainment District and Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Proposal

Bill Waterhouse, Ward 3, presented a visual poster proposing an alternative TIF use. He emphasized the need for revitalizing Norman with impactful development rather than continuing the status quo.

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# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.	
ATTEST:	
City Clerk	Mayor