



# CITY OF MOORE

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## Investing in Safety : How the One-Cent Sales Tax Proposition Strengthens Fire Protection

From Fire Chief, Ryan Marlar

Public safety is a core service our City provides, and the Moore Fire Department remains committed to protecting lives, property, and quality of life. The proposed one-cent sales tax increase is a strategic investment to ensure these essential services keep pace with a growing community.

Since 2005, Fire Department calls for service have increased by more than 100 percent, driven by population growth and increased activity. Despite this rise, the department continues to deliver professional, effective service though resources are struggling to keep up with the demand. The proposed sales tax would help sustain daily operations, staffing readiness, and emergency response capabilities so the department can meet current and future demand.

The tax would also support critical equipment needs. Firefighters and paramedics rely on specialized vehicles, tools, and protective gear that must meet strict safety standards and be replaced regularly. Stable funding allows the City to responsibly plan for equipment replacement and modernization.

A key component of the proposal is a *local* public safety training facility. Currently, the department relies on neighboring communities and outside agencies for training, which limits availability and long-term planning. A dedicated facility would provide consistent, year-round access to realistic training, improving skill development, reducing injury risk, and enhancing emergency outcomes.

Importantly, a one-cent sales tax shares the cost among residents, visitors, and shoppers, rather than placing the burden solely on property owners. This investment ensures a well-trained, well-equipped Fire Department—today and for the future.

## Town Hall Meetings 6:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, March 31** Moore Police Advancement Center, 1319 N. Janeway

**Wednesday, April 1** The Station Recreation Center Mtg. Room, 700 S. Broadway

**Thursday, April 2** Moore Community Cntr. Mtg. Room, 301 S Howard



## One-Cent Sales Tax Proposition on the Ballot April 7

Revenue generated from the one-cent sales tax would be used to fund capital improvements (streets, drainage, sewer upgrades, public facilities, etc.) and public safety (operations and equipment).

General obligation bonds have been used in the past which are then paid through property taxes. The council is proposing a shift in our funding model from *solely* G.O. bonds to primarily sales tax. This would allow the City's portion of the property tax to *decrease* as our obligation bonds come to an end. A comprehensive overview can be found on the City's website at [cityofmoore.com](http://cityofmoore.com)

# Upcoming Events

For more information contact the Moore Parks & Recreation Department or visit [cityofmoore.com](http://cityofmoore.com)

405-793-5090



## Easter at the Parks

**When:** March 28

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. (sound of the horn)

**Where:** Central Park; Apple Valley; Westmoore Trails; Arbor Gardens; Fairmoore Park; Parmele Park; Little River North; Kiwanis Park; Buck Thomas Park and Veterans Memorial Park. Each child needs to bring a sack or basket to hunt eggs. Parents will not be allowed to help (exception for those with special needs or those in strollers). Updated information at [cityofmoore.com](http://cityofmoore.com).



## Spring Recycle Event

**When:** Saturday, March 28

**Time:** 8 a.m. - Noon

**Where:** Moore Recycle Center  
220 N. Telephone Rd., Moore, OK  
405-793-4373

Paper Shredding and Electronics drop off. Drive-thru will be available during this time.

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City Hall: 405-793-5000

Utility Customer Service: 405-793-5032

After Hours Water/Sewer: 405-793-5080

Trash & Big Trash: 405-793-5070

Parks and Recreation: 405-793-5090

Pothole Hotline: 405-793-4653



## Spring Marketplace 2026

**When:** April 25

**Time:** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Where:** Central Park Pavilion  
700 S Broadway Ave.

Over 50+ vendors selling handmade items, crafts, and other types of products. Food/beverage trucks on-site. More information at [cityofmoore.com](http://cityofmoore.com).



## Citywide Garage Sale

**When:** June 4-7



The Station  
Aquatic Center  
**GET YOUR 2026  
SEASON PASS!**



Dear Moore Neighbors,

Happy Spring from your mayor! We're gearing up for a great season ahead. *Easter at the Parks* is coming up so be sure to join the egg hunts, snap pics with the Easter Bunny, and celebrate family fun across our city parks.

On April 25, head to *Spring Marketplace 2026* at Central Park for over 50 vendors with handmade crafts, quilts, yard art, tasty food, and more—it's a fantastic way to shop local!

The Moore Farm Market kicks off in May, running Saturdays with fresh produce, local goodies, and great community vibes—can't wait for those farm-fresh finds.

I'm excited to announce a new podcast, *Moore's Stop: All Things Moore*, covering city-related topics.

The monthly podcast will be available on our website in March to listen and/or subscribe. Our first episode features the 4<sup>th</sup> Street underpass and the engineering that went into the pump system to prevent flooding. We'll also discuss the upcoming election.

April 7th will be the election for our sales tax proposition. Your vote helps shape our city's future, so please make time to cast it!

Let's have a great spring and embrace new beginnings together. Stay positive, stay connected—Moore's looking brighter every day!

Honored to serve as your mayor.

  
Mayor Mark!