

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
OF THE MOORE CITY COUNCIL
THE MOORE PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY
THE MOORE RISK MANAGEMENT BOARD
AND THE MOORE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
FEBRUARY 17, 2026 – 6:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Moore met in the City Council Chambers, 301 North Broadway, Moore, Oklahoma, February 17, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Mark Hamm presiding.

*Adam Webb
Councilman, Ward I*

*Kathy Griffith
Councilwoman, Ward I*

*Melissa Hunt
Councilwoman, Ward II*

*Rob Clark
Councilman, Ward II*

*Sid Porter
Councilman, Ward III*

*Louie Williams
Councilman, Ward III*

PRESENT: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
ABSENT: Hunt

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: City Manager, Brooks Mitchell; Assistant City Manager, Jerry Ihler; City Attorney/Risk Manager, Brian Miller; City Clerk, Vanessa Kemp; Community Development Director, Elizabeth Weitman; Finance Director, John Parker; Fire Chief Ryan Marlar; Parks & Recreation Director, Sue Wood; Information Technology Director, David Thompson; Assistant Police Chief Blake Green; Public Affairs Director/Assistant City Manager, Deidre Ebrey; Public Works Director, Dennis Bothell; and Veolia Water Project Manager, Robert Pistole.

Agenda Item Number 2 being:

CONSENT DOCKET:

- A) RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PARKS BOARD MEETING HELD JANUARY 6, 2026.
- B) ACCEPT 350 SQ. FT. TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT, FROM CENTRAL OKLAHOMA MEDICAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SW TELEPHONE ROAD (SW 19TH STREET TO SW 34TH STREET) ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, PARCEL 13.
- C) APPROVE AND RATIFY CLAIMS AND EXPENDITURES FOR FY 2025-2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,438,302.72.

Councilman Williams moved to approve Consent Docket Items A-C, second by Councilwoman Griffith. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 3 being:

CONSIDER THE FINAL PLAT FOR THE I-35 COMMERCE CENTER, LOCATED IN THE NW/4 OF SECTION 2, T10N, R3W, BEING NORTH OF NE 27TH STREET AND EAST OF I-35. APPLICATION BY SCANNELL PROPERTIES, LLC. (PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL 8-0). WARD 2.

Elizabeth Weitman, Community Development Director, stated that the subject site is located north of NE 27th and east of I-35. Ms. Weitman advised that the property was rezoned as part of a larger tract in November 2023 to Light Industrial as a Planned Unit Development. It includes commercial uses along I-35 and Light Industrial uses along Pole Road. The applicant is proposing to develop the Light Industrial tract into two lots. The east lot will be developed with a warehouse and distribution center. The west lot will be developed in the future to meet all of the PUD requirements; however, there is no identified user at this time. Ms. Weitman stated that to prepare the site for development, a final plat is required. Public water and sewer are available south of the subject site along Pole Road and will be extended to serve the site. There is an unstudied floodplain located on the west side of the property. The project will study this floodplain to establish boundaries and base flood elevations. She stated that all City and FEMA requirements for development within a floodplain are required and includes a 30-foot drainage easement from top of bank within the floodplain. Access to the subject property is provided by both the I-35 Service Road and Pole Road. As part of the proposed development, the applicant will be constructing an industrial collector road along the north side of the property that will provide a direct connection from Pole Road to the I-35 Service Road.

Additionally, during the consideration of the rezoning application in 2023, a Traffic Impact Analysis confirmed an increase in truck traffic on Pole Road and 27th Street that degraded the level of service at this intersection. To mitigate this issue Pole Road will be reconstructed to a collector street for industrial traffic and a signal light at Pole Road and 27th Street will be installed along with protected lefthand turn bays. The approved PUD for the site includes the following amenities that apply to the Light Industrial tract:

- A minimum of 70% masonry or architectural metal facade is required.
- The required landscaping amounts shall exceed City Code by 15%.
- All outdoor storage, including semi-trailers, shall be screened from I-35 by a 6 to 8 foot berm or masonry wall.
- Outdoor storage is limited to 20 feet in height and shall be set back 20 feet from all PUD boundary lines.
- All dumpsters shall be located in an area screened from public streets with a fence or masonry wall enclosure.

The Envision Moore 20/40 Plan calls for the location to be Light Industrial. The application was reviewed as to its conformance with the intent of the Plan. Due to the PUD requirements, the application does meet many of the aesthetic and transportation goals of the comprehensive plan and an amendment to the Plan is not necessary. Staff recommends approval of the final plat.

Councilman Webb moved to approve the Final Plat for the I-35 Commerce Center, located in the NW/4 of Section 2, T10N, R3W, being north of NE 27th Street and east of I-35, second by Councilman Clark. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 4 being:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2026 STREET SIGN STANDARDS FOR USE ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ROADS.

Elizabeth Weitman, Community Development Director, advised that over the years street signs with different fonts, different font sizes, and different City seals have been used. This results in a city that is haphazardly branded throughout the City, causing confusion, and sometimes safety considerations when the font size is too small. The City has not had street sign standards for private roads in the past which led to confusion over who owns the road. There are situations where unsafe conditions are created when developers put up a sign that is not easily legible due to the type of font or small font size. The proposed standards include public signs which are blue with white lettering and a full color City seal. They are proposing private signs have a black background with white lettering and a grey-toned City seal. The standards also include an option for a new illuminated or backlit arterial road sign that is being installed in other communities. This option enhances safety considerations on those roadways. Ms. Weitman requested approval of the 2026 Street Sign Standards so they can begin using them in all new signage for new developments or when street signs are replaced due to damage or fading.

The Council confirmed that the private roadway signs would be required to be the same size and have the same font size proposed in the standards for public roadways. The different background color and the color of the seal would differentiate between a private or public roadway.

Councilman Williams moved to approve the 2026 Street Sign Standards for use on public and private roads, second by Councilman Clark. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 5 being:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MOST RESPONSIVE FIRMS FOR RFQ NO. 2026-005 FOR "LANDSCAPING ABATEMENT SERVICES" FOR THE CITY OF MOORE.

Elizabeth Weitman, Community Development Director, advised that a landscaping project has been underway for two years. City staff inspected 259 commercial and industrial properties in October 2024 and found 148 properties were in violation of the City's landscaping regulations. Of those properties 21 were granted deferred compliance due to ongoing or imminent construction projects in front of the business. After notice of violation was given in October 2024, July 2025, and official Code violation notice was given in November 2025. Since November 2025 63 businesses have come into voluntary compliance by planting approximately 150 trees and almost 300 shrubs. Ms. Weitman advised that 64 properties are still in violation of the City's landscaping regulations.

Ms. Weitman advised that to begin the abatement process landscaping contractors must be selected from the RFQ that was solicited. She stated that eight responses were received. Staff interviewed and/or went to see the operations of all eight contractors. Four of the companies stood out for their experience, available equipment, and responsiveness to the interview. Staff recommended selecting Tus Nua Lawn and Landscaping, LLC, Extreme Tree Service and Removal, LLC, FNM Native Environment of Oklahoma, LLC, and Green Shade Tree, LLC to provide landscaping abatement services. What typically happens in Code Enforcement abatements is one or two of the contractors determine the job wasn't what they expected, or something comes up so staff feels it is important to get more than two or three companies under contract.

Councilman Williams asked what the contract would look like. Ms. Weitman stated that the contract was similar to the Code Enforcement Abatement Contract. The contract that was included in the RFQ and identified the types of large and medium trees and small trees and shrubs that are appropriate for the area and are on the City's approved planting list. The contract also included the amount the City would be willing to pay the contractor to acquire and plant the trees. All of the contractors agreed to the prices set. She noted that the prices were determined by speaking to three well-known nurseries in the area and asking them what a private client would pay for planting trees with these specifications and then taking an average of the three prices. Councilman Williams asked if the contract guaranteed the contractors a certain number of properties. Ms. Weitman indicated that it did not. They anticipate staff preparing a landscaping plan for each property on an aerial photo. They will call to get utility lines marked. The contractor will go to the site to ensure the landscaping plan will work on the site after the lines have been spotted. Once that has been done the contractor can begin planting. The contractor will submit their invoice which the City would place on the company's water bill for payment.

Councilman Webb moved to approve the most responsive firms for RFQ No. 2026-005 for "Landscaping Abatement Services" for the City of Moore, second by Councilwoman Griffith. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 6 being:

RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM DENNIS BOTHELL, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, REGARDING A PROPOSED MULTI-YEAR ADMINISTRATIVE VEHICLE LEASING PROGRAM WITH ENTERPRISE FOR THE LEASING OF FIVE VEHICLES IN YEAR ONE, UP TO A TOTAL OF 72 VEHICLES BY YEAR FIVE.

Dennis Bothell, Public Works Director, stated that Brooks Mitchell, City Manager, asked him to find a solution for providing a cost-effective way to sustain the replacement of the City's fleet vehicles. With the cost of vehicles continuing to increase at a rate that is unsustainable this program could be a solution. Mr. Bothell introduced John Holland with Enterprise Fleet Management, who was in attendance to answer any questions.

Mr. Bothell advised that the City has about 72 administrative fleet vehicles valued at \$1.2 million. It is becoming more difficult to sustain replacement cycles because of the cost of those vehicles. In years past \$21,000 would be a reasonable price for a pickup truck, now the same vehicle would cost over \$40,000. He stated that the City needs to come up with ways to replace vehicles that are smart and possibly get more return on our vehicles in the future.

Mayor Hamm asked what was meant by administrative fleet vehicles. Mr. Bothell stated that it means cars and trucks such as F250, F550, F600 used by departments such as Parks and Community Development. Enterprise does not deal in large vehicles such as sanitation trucks.

Mr. Bothell stated that the average holding period on vehicles is about 12.2 years. As the vehicles age, the City gets less money for them at auction, typically around \$200 to \$400.

Some key observations regarding the fleet include:

There are 32 vehicles that predate standardization of backup cameras. By having some of the safety equipment on the vehicles data shows front to rear crashes can be reduced by 50%. Additional safety data was discussed.

Buying newer equipment that has safety features on it allows the City to maintain safety standards. There are 23 vehicles that predate Rear Automatic Breaking, 14 vehicles that predate Electronic Stability Control standardization, and 4 vehicles predate Anti-Lock Brake standardization.

Enterprise has a team that will assist in determining the right time to replace the vehicles by taking into consideration maintenance costs, depreciation costs, and new vehicle costs versus expected return on vehicle sales. When the City sells a vehicle with low mileage we can expect to get \$31,000 versus the \$200 to \$300 we are getting now. That money can be used to invest in a new vehicle in the future.

Enterprise has more than 2,500 government clients, Client Strategy Managers that will provide the City with data to help determine when a good time would be to replace vehicles, 60 local offices providing hands-on support, more than 40 government clients in Oklahoma alone, and over 175,000 managed vehicles.

Mr. Bothell stated that a few of Enterprises' clients are Moore Public Schools, OU, OSU, and the City of Stillwater. He advised that Enterprise has a Cooperative Purchasing Partnership with Sourcewell, TIPS Awarded Vendor, and E & I Cooperative Services. The City already utilizes Sourcewell and TIPS and we can piggyback off those contracts to get started with the program. Mr. Bothell indicated that they have a comprehensive offering so we can focus on our objectives.

Enterprise can get pricing at values that we cannot. They will use their purchasing ability to get us the most bang for our buck. They offer aftermarket vehicle customization and assist with obtaining the best price for add-ons, offering vehicle resale is a big advantage too.

Enterprise will do factory ordering, infrastructure on stock, incentive strategy, order timing, aftermarket processing and logistics. Last year alone Enterprise collected \$96 million in manufacturer incentives for clients. Mr. Bothell believes that there is approximately \$5,800 in order savings for each pickup truck that we purchase. They offer flexible financing options. Open-end lease benefits optimizes cash flow with flexible funding options, unlimited mileage and no mileage penalties, no abnormal wear and tear clauses, greater flexibility if requirements change, flexibility of term, and the City retains the equity at the end of the lease period. The vehicle will become ours but if we want to lease it for another five years we can; however, when you put more miles on the vehicle you will lose some of the resale value.

Mr. Bothell stated that he liked the remarketing by the numbers. When we want to remarket the values Enterprise has 150 remarketing lots in North America, they have 12,000 unique buyers, and 471 dedicated remarketing employees. In 2024 Enterprise sold 126,000 vehicles on average 110% above the black book value. Currently the City is not getting the return on our investment at auction. Enterprise expertly manages its own fleet of more than 2.2 million vehicles. Enterprise offers an entire team of experts to develop and benchmark our fleet strategy, AFC to executive and coordinate the City's fleet plan, they have multi-channel vehicle resale network, consolidated reporting with state-of-the-art technology, and ongoing industry expertise and annual financial review.

Councilman Williams asked how accidents would be handled. Would we be required to fix the vehicle or replace it. Mr. Bothell stated that it would be our choice. John Holland with Enterprise Fleet Management, added that they can also utilize their body shops that they use for their own fleet resulting in quite a bit of savings. Councilman Williams asked how Enterprise would determine when a vehicle should be sold since vehicles depreciate at a different rate. They try to locate vehicles that can hold their value better than others. They are not married to any make or manufacturer and he believes at this time it is best to stick with what you know since the City's mechanics are tooled for Ford vehicles. Mr. Holland stated that they would be looking at it on an annual basis and the client strategy manager would be looking at it on a quarterly basis to make sure we are aware when resale values go up and the depreciating vehicles. Councilman Williams wanted to know how Enterprise benefits from the partnership if the City retains the

equity in the vehicles and we apply it to the cost of a new vehicle. From the acquisition standpoint and economies of scale they like to purchase as many vehicles as possible from the manufacturers. They make most of their money off the manufacturer, the funding, and management fees.

Councilwoman Griffith asked who would perform maintenance on the vehicles. Mr. Bothell stated that new vehicles are under warranty for five years. It would be up to the manufacturer who does the work. If the City does the maintenance we will file claims for those. Mayor Hamm asked if the police vehicles would be included in the program. Mr. Bothell stated that the police vehicles would not be a part of the program. They opted to start with other fleet vehicles to see first how the program would work before decided if they want to include the police vehicles.

Councilman Clark asked when the savings could be seen from the program. Mr. Bothell stated there is an initial startup cost. They have selected four or five vehicles that they are ready to do now. He stated that staff plans to address Council with a suggested plan. Mr. Holland indicated that for the purchase price of one vehicle they could typically lease to the City two or three vehicles. The operating costs on a new vehicle is generally much less than an older vehicle that results in some instant savings. Councilman Williams verified that there is no required number of vehicles that must be leased within the five-year period. Councilman Williams requested a five-year plan of what the numbers would look like compared to purchasing the same vehicles.

Mr. Bothell indicated that he wanted to brief the City Council on how the program works before presenting an item at a later date.

Council expressed appreciation to Mr. Bothell for his work on the proposed program. No action was taken on the item.

Agenda Item Number 7 being:

CONSIDER DECLARING ITEMS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A", WITH A TOTAL ESTIMATED VALUE OF \$11,685, AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZE THE ITEMS TO BE AUCTIONED OFF BY PUBLIC SURPLUS UTILIZING SOURCEWELL CONTRACT NO. 012821-TPG.

Dennis Bothell, Public Works Director, requested that the items contained in Exhibit "A" be declared as surplus and authorize their auction by Public Surplus. The items have reached end of life and they would like to get them out of the inventory.

Councilman Webb moved to declare items described in Exhibit "A", with a total estimated value of \$11,685, as surplus and authorize the items to be auctioned off by Public Surplus utilizing Sourcewell Contract No. 012821-TPG, second by Councilman Williams. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 8 being:

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING STAFF TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE CONTRACTING OF MOWING AND LAWN MAINTENANCE WITHIN DESIGNATED PARKS AND PARKLANDS WITHIN THE CITY.

Sue Wood, Parks and Recreation Director, requested authorization to solicit bids for the budgeted contracting of mowing and lawn maintenance within designated parks and parklands. A list of maps with specific locations is attached to the RFP. The mowing season services will be in effect from April 20, 2026

through October 24, 2026 with each property being on a bi-weekly schedule for a total of 14 services. Ms. Wood noted that this is the same properties that were contracted out the past year.

Councilman Webb asked if the grass can be mowed more often if needed. Ms. Wood advised the schedule can be adjusted to ensure the grass is kept at a certain height.

Councilman Williams moved to authorize staff to solicit bids for the contracting of mowing and lawn maintenance within designated parks and parklands within the City, second by Councilwoman Griffith. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 9 being:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH NORMAN FENCE COMPANY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SIX-FOOT FENCE AT THE CENTRAL PARK PLAYGROUND LOCATED AT 700 S. BROADWAY, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$26,350 AS THE LOWEST AND MOST RESPONSIBLE QUOTE.

Sue Wood, Parks and Recreation Director, advised that Norman Fence Company submitted the lowest quote in the amount of \$26,350 for the construction of a budgeted six-foot fence at the Central Park Playground located at 700 S. Broadway. Ms. Wood indicated that the fence will be a six-foot aluminum Ameristar fence in black that will be erected around the perimeter of the existing playground located on the north side of Central Park. There are moving vehicles located around the park and in the parking lot that is to the east of the playground causing safety concerns. The fencing will provide enhanced child safety and peace of mind for patrons and supervisors.

Councilman Webb moved to approve a contract with Norman Fence Company for the construction of a six-foot fence at the Central Park playground located at 700 S. Broadway, in the total amount of \$26,350 as the lowest and most responsible quote, second by Councilwoman Griffith. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 10 being:

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE BUDGETED PURCHASE OF A WI-FI SYSTEM TO SERVICE CITY FACILITIES FROM CHICKASAW TELECOM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$107,321.05 UTILIZING STATE CONTRACT NO. ITSW1006.

David Thompson, Information Technology Director, advised that this item is for the purchase of a new Wi-Fi system to replace the current system which is ten years old and has reached end of life. They are no longer receiving security updates and are no longer available for hardware upgrades.

Councilman Williams asked what facilities does the Wi-Fi cover. Mr. Thompson advised that Wi-Fi is available at every City facility.

Councilman Webb moved to authorize the budgeted purchase of a Wi-Fi system to service City facilities from Chickasaw Telecom in the amount of \$107,321.05 utilizing State Contract No. ITSW1006, second by Councilman Williams. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 11 being:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$98,200 FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE I-35 COMMERCE CENTER PUBLIC UTILITIES PROJECT.

Jerry Ihler, Assistant City Manager, advised that the City Council previously approved under Agenda Item No. 3 the Final Plat for two lots located north of NE 27th Street between Pole Road and the I-35 Service Road. Mr. Ihler stated that the proposed agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. is for the design of approximately 7,600 linear feet of water line and 3,700 linear feet of sewer line to serve future industrial industries that come into the area. Kimley-Horn previously did some surveying of the site for the Final Plat approved under Agenda Item No. 3 which would allow them to complete the design quicker.

Councilman Clark moved to approve an agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$98,200 for Professional Engineering Services for the I-35 Commerce Center Public Utilities Project, second by Councilwoman Griffith. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 12 being:

CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 131(26) APPROVING A PROJECT PLAN AND THE CREATION OF ONE OR MORE TAX INCREMENT DISTRICTS UNDER THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ACT TO FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION CENTER ON 30 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED NORTH OF NE 27TH STREET AND EAST OF I-35.

Councilman Williams moved to amend the agenda language by removing the words *approving a project plan and the creation of one or more tax increment districts* and replacing it with *"declaring the intent to consider approval of a project plan in the future and establishing a statutory review committee"*, second by Councilman Clark. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Deidre Ebrey, Economic Development Director, stated that this is the first step in the process of creating a Tax Increment Financing District ("TIF") for the purpose of facilitating the development of a 330,000 sq. ft. distribution center in the north part of the City. The intent is for the TIF district to serve as a catalyst for expanding employment, attracting major investment, and enhancing the tax base.

Councilman Webb moved to adopt Resolution No. 131(26) declaring the intent to consider approval of a project plan in the future and establishing a statutory review committee under the Local Development Act to facilitate the development of an industrial distribution center on 30 acres of land located north of NE 27th Street and east of I-35, second by Councilman Clark. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 13 being:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL SOFTWARE LICENSING FEE WITH SMARTPHONE METER READING, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,726.67 FOR METER READING SOFTWARE.

John Parker, Finance Director, stated that the item is for the continuation of an existing agreement with Smartphone Meter Reading ("SPMR") for utility reading software that Viola uses to read the meters. Mr. Parker advised that the City needs a new subscription because a validation bundle has been added. We have increased the quantity from four to six units requiring a change to the subscription agreement.

Councilman Clark moved to approve the annual software licensing fee with SmartPhone Meter Reading, LLC in the amount of \$27,726.67 for meter reading software, second by Councilman Porter. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING WAS RECESSED AND THE MOORE PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY MEETING WAS CONVENED AT 7:14 P.M.

Agenda Item Number 14 being:

CONSENT DOCKET:

- A) APPROVE AND RATIFY CLAIMS AND EXPENDITURES FOR FY 2025-2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,065,881.74.

Trustee Griffith moved to approve Consent Docket Item A, second by Trustee Porter. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

THE MOORE PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY MEETING WAS RECESSED AND THE MOORE RISK MANAGEMENT MEETING WAS CONVENED AT 7:14 P.M.

Agenda Item Number 15 being:

CONSENT DOCKET:

- A) APPROVE AND RATIFY CLAIMS AND EXPENDITURES FOR FY 2025-2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$316,340.75.

Trustee Griffith moved to approve Consent Docket Items A, second by Trustee Porter. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Williams, Webb, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

THE MOORE RISK MANAGEMENT MEETING WAS RECESSED AND THE MOORE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING WAS CONVENED AT 7:15 P.M. WITH VICE-CHAIR KATHY GRIFFITH PRESIDING:

Agenda Item Number 16 being:

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Porter, Hamm, Williams, Webb, Clark, Griffith
ABSENT: Hunt

Agenda Item Number 17 being:

CONSENT DOCKET:

- A) RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MOORE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING HELD JANUARY 20, 2026.

Trustee Williams moved to approve Consent Docket Item A, second by Trustee Porter. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Porter, Hamm, Williams, Webb, Clark, Griffith
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

THE MOORE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING WAS RECESSED AND THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:16 P.M. WITH MAYOR MARK HAMM PRESIDING:

Agenda Item Number 18 being:

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) CITIZENS' FORUM FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

Jasmina Marin, 1813 Eagle Drive, appeared on behalf of her family and three neighbors who are being impacted by severe and persistent noise disturbance. Ms. Marin stated that she has lived with a 54-hour a week mechanical drone from a business located behind their house. The City told her that nothing could be done because of the reading on a decibel meter. Under Section 10-414 it states that noise is a violation if it is plainly audible at 25 ft. The noise not only meets that definition but exceeds it. The noise penetrates the walls and windows meaning their homes are no longer their refuge. Ms. Marin believes the noise is a violation of their right to the quiet enjoyment of their property and is a threat to their health, it

is a biological stressor as documented in a petition. The frequencies trigger fight-or-flight responses causing chronic headaches and cardiovascular risk. It prevents restorative sleep and may cause permanent hearing damage for her children and elderly neighbors. Ms. Marin indicated that she is pregnant and the stress is not good for her or her baby. Her children don't want to go out to play because of the noise. She advised that her husband is a duty sailor and works 12-hour graveyard shifts and comes home in the morning needing to rest so he can safely perform his duties, but can't because of the noise. There are elderly veterans on Eagle Drive that have served this country and are unable to find peace in their own living rooms. Ms. Marin indicated that she was presenting the Council with a petition from the residents of Eagle Drive. They are not asking for the business to shut down. They are requesting that the City look into requiring the business to baffle, repair, or move the equipment to another part of their building where it does not destroy the quality of life for the people next door.

The following individuals spoke about the City proposing to remove a traffic signal at 19th and Riverwalk:

Matthew "Tyler" Patterson, 10405 Cherrywood Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, stated that he is the owner of the Taco Casa in Moore. Mr. Patterson advised that they have been proudly serving Moore for nine years and try to be good stewards as best they can by making donations for fundraisers or giving discounts. Mr. Patterson stated that he would like to discuss the possibility of the City removing a traffic light at 19th and Riverwalk. He felt that removing the traffic light and erecting a median would put him out of business making it very difficult to access and exit his fast food restaurant. Customer's would have to utilize the access road to get to 25th, if ODOT makes the access road one way going south, turn on Telephone Road in order to get back to 19th Street to go west. He requested that the City visit with all of the business owners in the area to see how the change would effect their business.

Mike Hunter, 6808 NW 118th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, appeared to discuss how the removal of the traffic light at 19th and Riverwalk will effect his wife, Kim's, business. In 2018 he advised that he received the nomination of the Republican party for Attorney General by 274 votes. He looked at the population of Cleveland County and the percentage that the population of the City of Moore represented. The margin in Cleveland County was 1,200 votes so the votes he got from the City of Moore are 10 votes short of the 274 that he received to win the race. He stated that he appreciated the support. He is a private attorney now and his wife owns the tract of land that Mr. Patterson's Taco Casa sits. In 1997 his father-in-law Mike Callahan and his daughter Kim surveyed Moore trying to determine the best location for a Burger King. At that time there wasn't much development along 19th Street west of I-35. He spoke to staff who said the City was concerned about the exposure it had in regards to the floodplain. He was told that if they will pay for a floodplain study that gives the City comfort that we can develop along 19th Street, we will work with you. So, Mr. Patterson paid \$3,100 to Wally Cook and Associates to pay for the floodplain study. His wife is a co-owner of the property and an anchor tenant. He regrets the fact that the everyone wasn't consulted in advance with regard to the project. There was a reference in the minutes from October 2025 that discussions were held with Wal-Mart who approved it. He indicated that he had several conversations with Wal-Mart corporate who, as it stands now, is not in agreement with the project. He expressed appreciation to Brooks Mitchell, City Manager, and his team who are looking at options. However, Mr. Patterson has indicated that a signage proposal does not help and he would like in order to avoid litigation is to work with the City to look at alternatives. He asked if the Council could give them more time.

Mike Callahan, 824 Belmar Blvd., Norman, Oklahoma, he stated that traffic is terrible on 19th Street likely in part because 4th Street is closed for the underpass construction. There is a brand new restaurant planning to go into the same area and the changes being proposed will put them out of business before they start. Mr. Callahan didn't understand why we would removal the signal light and erect a median that will affect all of these businesses.

The following individuals spoke about concerns with the Moore Animal Shelter:

Martina Dreyer, 524 SW 3rd, Moore, Oklahoma, stated that she saw a video tape of the February 2, 2026 City Council meeting and was very surprised about individuals who spoke against the Moore Animal Shelter. Ms. Dreyer stated that she works with the Oklahoma City shelter and was aware of problems there but was not aware of problems at the Moore Animal Shelter. Ms. Dreyer felt that her experience with the shelter was mostly a positive one. They were very helpful when they had to go there. There is a woman there who was very connected with Facebook who was helpful in bringing owners and lost dogs together. She is not a proponent of euthanasia but knows it cannot be totally prevented but feels that dogs end up at the shelter due to irresponsible owners who get dogs and are not prepared for the responsibility. They purchase them on impulse or buy them online and they are sick. To help the shelter lower the euthanasia rate the citizens should be made aware that they are causing the problem. They need to stop the overproduction of animals. Instead of spending funds on new shelters, although the shelter was necessary, but some funding should be set aside for educating the population or for spaying and neutering the animals. Representative Mickey Dollens filed a bill that focused on helping animal shelters cover the cost of spaying and neutering.

Heather Boss, 3400 Elmo Way, Moore, Oklahoma, advised that she is running for State Senate and have been talking with a lot of people in the City and wanted to relay some information to the Council. She indicated that she was at the opening of the new shelter and has had great interactions with the people there. Ms. Boss wanted to speak on transparency, accountability, and public trust, which are essential when public dollars and citizen confidence are at stake. Some residents have reached out to her directly and shared deep concerns about persistently high euthanasia rates over many years, the Shelter does not consistently accepting stray animals, animals dying due to lack of lifesaving foster programs, limited collaboration with rescues, and almost no public awareness before euthanizing. There is also a lack of transparency with outcome data that is hard to access. Ms. Boss indicated that someone reached out to her about surrendering their dog. She opted to foster the animal due to concern that he would be euthanized. She advised that the superintendent has stepped down from his position and it appears the City might promote a second in command to the superintendent position. If this happens some residents are concerned that they will lose any hope of progress toward life-saving programs and leadership that prioritizes outcomes for animals and community engagement. Residents tell her that Moore has responded to public outcry in the past, but as soon as the attention on it fades, things begin to revert back to old patterns. They would like to see strong, new, leadership from outside the current staff. Someone who can bring a fresh perspective, a commitment to transparency, and a record of saving lives. They believe there has not been any genuine effort to recruit or interview qualified candidates. She stated that they would like the City to change its hiring process to include meaningful community input like a hiring committee, public interviews or clear published criteria would show that the City Council values accountability and citizen engagement. If the City asks voters to approve additional taxes or bonds in the future, citizens deserve to see that current funds are being managed responsibly and that leadership decisions are made with transparency and that their voices are being considered. She stated that the citizens are pointing to repeated votes to deny backyard chickens as evidence that citizen voices are not always heard.

Kari Austin Kish, 12023 Jadesdale Circle, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, also requested transparency in the hiring of the next Animal Shelter Superintendent. There are more than 30 complaints on Facebook regarding interactions with Shelter staff and policy and procedures. Ms. Kish stated that the goal is caring about animals and wanting to safe lives. She felt new leadership should not be optional but imperative. The position directly impacts animal welfare, public trust, and the reputation of our City. She also felt that there should be community representation on a hiring committee to fill this position. Ms. Kish called to recommend an applicant that has eight years of experience running a shelter and is doing such a great job. She felt decisions were being made about the Shelter's future behind closed doors.

Janie Biles, 24430 End of Trail Road, Purcell, Oklahoma, wanted to address the City Council regarding the Animal Shelter Superintendent position and the lack of transparency or community involvement. Ms. Biles advised that she sits on the Lexington Animal Welfare Board. She implored the City Council to form a

committee to assist in the hiring of the superintendent position. Involving the public in this decision would foster trust and would benefit the City in so many ways, not to mention the animals.

TaRena Furr, 714 SE 7th Street, Lexington, OK, stated that she also sits on the Lexington Animal Welfare Board and is the Vice-Mayor in Lexington. Ms. Furr said the situation in Moore resonates deeply with her own experience in Lexington. While every city's circumstances are unique, the challenges they faced in Lexington has striking similarities. The core issue was a mismatch between leadership, policy direction, and community expectations. Ms. Furr recommended broadening the candidate search, establishing an ad hoc hiring committee that includes professional representation, and well-defined selection criteria. Consider forming a community advisory committee to provide structured input and ongoing oversight regarding shelter policy and performance. Publicly release hiring qualifications and process timelines to ensure transparency.

Inger Giuffrida, 3333 24th Avenue, NE, Norman, Oklahoma, advised that she is the Executive Director of Wildcare Oklahoma. Wildcare is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit based in Noble, Oklahoma that serves the State of Oklahoma. They do wildlife rescue, rehabilitation, and conservation education. Due to the number of animals that they take, which is close to 10,000 a year, they are one of the largest centers of its kind in the United States. In addition to taking in animals that have been injured, are ill, or orphaned, they also manage a help desk where they handled over 42,000 calls last year. They do research, education, advocacy, and have the only wildlife veterinary clinic in the state. Their focus is on wildlife and other animals that are confiscated by law enforcement. A month ago she received a phone call that the shelter had taken in a beaver and they wanted to exterminate it and collect the head and the tail. She admitted she did not know the whole story but that led her to some inquiry and found that when there are wildlife conflicts in the City they tend to be dealt with through a contract with USDA Wildlife Services who are the extermination arm of the United States government. Ms. Giuffrida appeared to make the Council aware that there is another option. They are available as a resource and they help people learn to co-exist humanely with wildlife. They are open 365 days a year and answer the phone 24 hours a day. They help mitigate a lot of cat and dog issues, farm animal issues, and take in maltreated exotics. They are there as a resource to help people and animals.

Becca Bean, 1116 Caddell Lane, Norman, Oklahoma, commented that eleven years ago she attempted to foster a dog in Norman and discovered there was no foster program. The mayor put her on an oversight committee and they have been able to see so many positive changes. In the past when wildlife was taken in 100% of them were euthanized by gas chamber. Now they send 100% of them to Wildcare for free. With new leadership came incredibly important, meaningful changes, and Norman is now saving animals at the national no kill rate. In 2021 nearly 65% of the voters in Moore voted for a new facility. It wasn't just about the big beautiful building that we have, but it was about trust, outcomes, and believing that Moore could do better. The trust is fragile. When they look at the numbers, the data is there and they see large numbers of euthanasias on certain days, overall they see that the shelter is not performing like other shelters in the metro who have less support and possibly a lot higher intake. Leadership drives outcomes. Everything changed in Norman when their leadership changed. In 2025 Norman took in 2,000 more animals than Moore did, but Moore euthanized 100 more animals. Choose leadership that improves outcomes.

B) ITEMS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL/MPWA TRUSTEES.

There were no items from the City Council.

C) ITEMS FROM THE CITY/TRUST MANAGER.

Brooks Mitchell, City Manager, stated that he met with Public Works Director Dennis Bothell and advised that they are in the process of reviewing the standards for the Animal Shelter and making changes as needed. He felt the concern that once everybody goes home everything will revert back to the way things

were being done is unfounded. That is not what either of them intend to happen. They have some good candidates and they are scheduling interviews that will occur in a couple of weeks. If the right candidate is in that pool they will make a hire, if not they will continue to reach out and try to find the right person. Mr. Mitchell indicated that they are serious about this and are making progress.

Agenda Item Number 19 being:

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Williams moved to adjourn the City Council meeting, second by Councilwoman Griffith. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: Griffith, Porter, Hunt, Williams, Clark, Hamm
Nays: None
Absent: Hunt

The City Council, Moore Public Works Authority, Moore Risk Management, and Moore Economic Development Authority meetings were adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

TRANSCRIBED BY:

RHONDA BAXTER, Executive Assistant

FOR:

ADAM WEBB, MPWA Secretary

These minutes passed and approved as noted this ____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

VANESSA KEMP, City Clerk