



# Lawton City Council Meeting Summary

## February 27, 2024

### CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **APPROVED** a pending tort claim (recommended for approval) and a resolution (**RES 24-50**) authorizing payment for Jacqueline Smith in the amount of \$7,748.85 and authorizing the City Attorney to prepare and file said resolution and all appropriate settlement documents for the Court's approval.
2. **APPROVED** a resolution (**RES 24-28**) approving the joint petition settlement in the amount of \$10,368.00 and making payment in the workers' compensation claim of Craig Caldwell.
3. **APPROVED** a resolution (**RES 24-29**) ratifying the action of the Deputy City Attorney and the City Manager in making payment on the judgment in the amount of \$25,118.20, in the Workers' Compensation case of Michael A McDaniel in the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Commission, Case No. CM-2023-01900Y.
4. **APPROVED** a resolution (**RES 24-30**) delegating to the City Manager the power to authorize external use of trademarked City of Lawton logos.
5. **APPROVED** awarding a contract in the amount of \$1,966,000.00 to Howard Construction, INC for construction of the Medicine Park Water Treatment Plant Filter Improvements Project PU2314.
6. **APPROVED** a contract with Clayco Industries, Inc- DBA Ford Roofing & Sheet Metal Co., to replace the roof of the John Denney Playhouse located at 1316 NW Bell Ave, Lawton, OK 73507 under the State Contract DCAM/CAP#000743/000746.
7. **APPROVED** Amendment Number 6 to the Master Services Agreement with Jacobs Engineering Group, INC, in the amount not to exceed \$336,655.00 for professional engineering services for the replacement of Belmont lift station and force main.
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9. **APPROVED** declaring the land described as Lots 46, 47, and 48, Block 2, in the Subdivision of Blocks 6, 7, & 8 of Woodhouse Subdivision, as surplus property, authorizing the lots to be sold by public auction, setting a minimum bid of \$800 for the purchase price of each lot, and setting a public auction date of March 25, 2024.
10. **APPROVED** the record plat for Bulldog Subdivision and take appropriate action as deemed necessary.
11. **APPROVED** the record plat for Cache Road Shopping Center and take appropriate action as deemed necessary.
12. **APPROVED** the Record Replat for Lot 2, Block 1 Fire View Addition and take appropriate action as deemed necessary.

**13. APPROVED** accepting permanent easements from Lawton Economic Development Authority and Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company for right-of-way and utility relocation along the east side of SW 112th Street to serve Westwin Elements Inc, located at 10925 SW Bishop Road, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the documents.

**14. APPROVED** accepting a donation of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) by Korean Presbyterian Church for the Lawton Police Department as an appreciation to the department and officers for all they do for the community.

**15. APPROVED** accepting a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) in the amount of \$622,199.55 for acquisition and demolition of flood-prone properties located at 209 SW I Ave., 211 SW I Ave., 213 SW I Ave., 306 SW I Ave., 407 SW I Ave., 408 SW I Ave., 410 SW I Ave., 615 SW I Ave., 808 SW 3rd St., 810 SW 3rd St., 812 SW 3rd St., 808 SW 9th St., and 809 SW 6th St.

**16. APPROVED** a request from the IUPA Local 24 to authorize 20 hours of Flex Leave for the two Assistant Police Chief positions with said leave to be utilized by the last pay period in June 2024.

**17. APPROVED** authorizing the use of Propel Beautification funds for the purchase of a litter vacuum trailer in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00.

**18. APPROVED** a resolution (**RES 24-31**) amending the City of Lawton FY23-24 budget, as amended, by appropriating Seven Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Forty-One and 98/100 Dollars (\$723,041.98) to the Hotel/Motel, General, Cellular Phone System and Capital Improvements/Propel 2019 Funds.

**19. APPROVED** the minutes of the Lawton City Council special meetings of October 5, 2023 and October 11, 2023.

**20. APPROVED** appointments to boards and commissions.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**21.** Hold a public hearing and adopt a resolution declaring the structures located at 511 NW Bell Avenue (RES 24-32), 516 SW H Avenue (24-33) , 815 NW 35th Street (CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING AND TABLED TO 2ND MEETING IN MARCH), 918 SW 3rd Street (24-34), 1006 SW 28th Street (24-35), 1214 SW A Avenue (24-36), 1311 SW 9th Street (24-37), 1314 NW Taft Avenue (24-38), 1402 NW Logan Avenue (24-39), 1601 NW Andrews Avenue (24-40), 1601 SW Tennessee Avenue (24-41), 1709 SW McKinley Avenue (24-42), 1810 NW Taylor Avenue (24-43), 1901 NW Andrews Avenue (24-44), 2207 NW Pollard Avenue (24-45), 2312 NW Dunstan Lane (STRICKEN), 2701 NW 46th Street (24-46), 4716 SE Avalon Avenue (24-47), 5632 NW Beechwood Drive (24-48), to be dilapidated pursuant to Section 6-5-1 Lawton City Code, ordering the owner to abate the nuisance, authorizing summary abatement, and authorizing the City Attorney to commence legal action in District Court to abate the nuisance.

**22.** Held a public hearing and **APPROVED** an **Ordinance (ORD 24-010)** to annex approximately 160 acres of land into the corporate limits of the City of Lawton, located at the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Thirty (30), Township One (1) North, Range Eleven (11) West, I.M. classifying the land as Temporary I-4 Heavy Industrial District zoning classification, providing for severability and **DECLARED AN EMERGENCY.**

**23. APPROVED** an **Ordinance (ORD 24-011)** amending Section 6-1-1-118, Division 6-1-1, Article 6-1, Chapter 6, Buildings, Construction and Housing, Lawton City Code, 2015; by adding language regarding the utilities disconnection that will allow the City to cap the water and sewer mains and charge the property owner for those services, requiring the removal of all driveways on the property except for the final four feet of the approach that connects to the street and removing the requirement for sod or grassing to be installed on the lots for stabilization, providing for severability, establishing an effective date and allowing for floor amendments.

**24. APPROVED** a Resolution (RES 24-49) amending Appendix A, Schedule of Fees and Charges, Lawton City Code, 2015, pertaining to Chapter 6, Building Construction and Housing, amending Article A-6-1 Building Code.

~~25. Consider an ordinance pertaining to Event and Assembly Permits, Consider an ordinance pertaining to Event and Assembly Permits, amending Section 7-31-1-3103, Division 7-31-1, Article 7-31, Chapter 7 Lawton City Code, 2015, relating to permit required by defining city sponsored vs co-sponsored events, providing for severability, and establishing an effective date.~~ **STRICKEN**

**26. APPROVED** an **Ordinance (ORD 24-012)** pertaining to Nuisances and Health by amending Section 15-2-206, Article 15-2, Chapter 15, Lawton City Code, 2015, by specifying the different types of appeals that can occur and adding language that states the hearing officer will send notice in writing within 10 days of the appeal hearing, providing for severability, establishing an effective date and allowing for floor amendments.

**27. APPROVED** an **Ordinance (ORD 24-013)** pertaining to Administration, amending Section 2-3-9-362, and creating Section 2-3-9-365, Division 2-3-9, of Article 2-3, Chapter 2, Lawton City Code, 2015, relating to Boards, Commissions, and Committees by clarifying absences for Youth and Family Affairs Committee members; adding language to allow for Participating Alternate members for the Youth and Family Affairs Committee; providing for severability; providing for codification and establishing an effective date.

**28. APPROVED** an **Ordinance (ORD 24-014)** pertaining to Administration, creating Section 2-3-10-369, Division 2-3-10, of Article 2-3, Chapter 2, Lawton City Code, 2015, relating to Boards, Commissions, and Committees by adding language to allow for Participating Alternate members for the Parks and Recreation Commission, providing for severability; providing for codification and establishing an effective date.

**29. APPROVED** an **ordinance (ORD 24-015)** pertaining to Administration, creating Section 2-3-12-377, Division 2-3-12, of Article 2-3, Chapter 2, Lawton City Code, 2015, relating to Boards, Commissions, and Committees by adding language to allow for Participating Alternate members for the Race Relations Commission; providing for severability; providing for codification, and establishing an effective date.

**30. APPROVED** establishing a Council Committee to study issues related to the City's homeless population and make recommendations to the city council on how to address said issues. **AND APPOINTED HARRIS (TO ACT AS CHAIR), HAMPTON, WILLIAMS, AND WEGER.**

## **STAFF REPORTS:**

31. Provide City Council with a presentation on the pilot study and report from Traffic Engineering Consultants, Inc. (TEC) on EN2403 Pilot Project - Signal Improvements on Gore Blvd from 2nd to Lawrie Tatum Rd. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**
32. Provide City Council with an update on the FY 2022 & FY 2023 Audit Process. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:**

33. Pursuant to Section 307B.4, Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, consider convening in executive session to discuss an action relating to litigation against Settling Defendants and other defendants, which actions are currently pending in the multi-district litigation styled, In Re: Aqueous Film-Forming Foams Products Liability Litigation, MDL No. 2:18-mn-2873 (D.S.C.) (the “MDL”) and Case No. 2:23-cv-03230, to resolve claims relating to PFAS contamination of Public Water Systems, and if necessary, take action in open session. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**
34. Pursuant to Section 307B.4, Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, consider convening in executive session to discuss litigation in the case Gerald S. Ihler v. City of Lawton, CJ-2020-185, and if necessary, take appropriate action in open session. **APPROVED COUNCILMAN WARREN TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF LAWTON IN THE MEDIATION OF THE IHLER VERSUS LAWTON CJ-200-185 CASE.**
35. Pursuant to Section 307B.4, Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, consider convening in executive session to discuss the status of an ongoing investigation concerning pension calculations, and, if necessary, take appropriate action in open session. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**
36. Pursuant to Section 307B.4, Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, consider convening in executive session to discuss the pending action in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma titled Felisha Parker and Laresha Parker as next of kin to Isacc D’Wayne Parker, deceased v. City of Lawton, et al, Case number CIV-24-178-JD, and if necessary, take appropriate action in open session. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:42 P.M.**