



City of Lawton

City Council

Lawton City Hall
212 SW 9th Street
Lawton, Oklahoma
73501-3944

Special Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

3:00 PM

Lawton City Hall
Wayne Gilley Auditorium

Meeting Called to Order with Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

"Official action can be taken only on items which appear on the agenda. The Council may adopt, approve, ratify, deny, defer, recommend, or continue any agenda item. The Council may also propose and enact floor amendments to any matter presented before them. When more information is needed to act on an item, the Council may refer the matter to the City Manager or the City Attorney. The Council may also refer items to standing committees of the Council or a board, commission, or authority for additional study. Under certain circumstances, items are deferred to a specific later date or stricken from the agenda entirely."

Roll Call

Business Items

1. Consider approving a resolution amending the City of Lawton FYE26 budget, as amended, to appropriate \$14,300.00 to the Lakes Division's Repair and Maintenance account per paragraph B.2 of Section 19-4-411, Lawton City Code, and \$30,000,000.00 to the 2019 Capital Improvement Fund for capital improvement projects.

Executive Session

2. Pursuant to Section 307(B)(1), Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, consider convening in executive session to discuss the vacant position of City Attorney and, if necessary, take appropriate action in open session.

Adjournment

The City of Lawton encourages participation from all of its citizens. If participation at any public meeting is not possible due to a disability, notification to the City Clerk at (580) 581-3305 at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting is encouraged to make the necessary accommodations. The City may waive the 48 hour rule if interpreters for the deaf (signing) is not the necessary accommodation."

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Initiator: Kristin Huntley, Interim Director

Information Source: Kristin Huntley, Interim Director

Background:

The City of Lawton received \$14,300.00 in application fees for the annual elk hunt. Paragraph B.2 of Lawton City Code Section 19-4-411 requires this money to be deposited into the Lakes Division's Repair and Maintenance account. Elk hunt proceeds were omitted from the FYE26 budget, so a budget amendment is needed to allocate the funds.

The City of Lawton closed on the LIDA S2025A loan on September 30, 2025. This loan refinanced the LIDA S2024A and S2024C loans, as well as financing an additional \$30,000,000.00 in capital improvement projects. Additional projects include improvements, renovations and repairs to the Museum of the Great Plains (\$6,000,000.00) and Lawton Public Library (\$2,000,000.00), construction, remodeling and improvements for the new animal shelter (\$5,000,000.00), and construction, improvement and repairs to City streets, roads and bridges (\$17,000,000.00). A budget amendment is needed to allocate \$30,000,000.00 to the 2019 Capital Improvement Fund for these projects.

Correlation to the True North Statement:**Exhibit:**

Resolution No. 25-_____

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

Elk hunt revenue; LIDA S2025A Note Proceeds

Recommended Action:

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. 10.22.25 Elk Hunt LIDA Loan Resolution

**CITY OF LAWTON, OKLAHOMA
RESOLUTION NO. 25-_____**

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 25-147, WHEREBY THE CITY OF LAWTON, OKLAHOMA BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 WAS ORIGINALLY ADOPTED, AND AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY RESOLUTION NO. 25-184, RESOLUTION NO. 25-191, RESOLUTION NO. 25-192, RESOLUTION NO. 25-213, RESOLUTION NO. 25-216, AND RESOLUTION NO. 25-237, TO APPROPRIATE FOURTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$14,300.00) TO THE LAKES DIVISION'S REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT PER PARAGRAPH B.2 OF SECTION 19-4-411, LAWTON CITY CODE, AND THIRTY MILLION AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$30,000,000.00) TO THE 2019 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, the City of Lawton has adopted the provisions of the Oklahoma Municipal Budget Act (the Act) in 11 O.S. Sections 17-201 through 17-216; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager prepared a budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 (FY 2025-2026) consistent with the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Act in section 17-215 provides for the City Manager of the City, or designee, as authorized by the governing body, to transfer any unexpended and unencumbered appropriation from one department to another within the same fund; and

WHEREAS, the budget was formally presented to the Lawton City Council at least 30 days prior to the start of the fiscal year in compliance with Section 17-205; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lawton City Council conducted a Public Hearing at least 15 days prior to the start of the fiscal year, and published notice of the Public Hearing in compliance with Section 17-208 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 25-147 approved the City of Lawton, Oklahoma budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, and established budget amendment authority; and

WHEREAS, Council previously approved Resolution No. 25-184, amending Resolution No. 25-147 by appropriating up to One Million Two Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,200,000.00) to the Emergency Reserve Fund for the repair of landfill cells six and seven; and

WHEREAS, Council previously approved Resolution No. 25-191, amending Resolution No. 25-147 by appropriating Five Million Seven Hundred Two Thousand Sixty-Four and 18/100 Dollars (\$5,702,064.18) to the Grant Fund for the completion of the Elmer Thomas Park Aquatic Center and Two Million Six Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Two and 54/100 Dollars (\$2,659,372.54) to the 2019 Capital Improvement Fund for the US-62 Interchange Project; and

WHEREAS, Council previously approved Resolution No. 25-192, amending Resolution No. 25-147 by appropriating Fifty-Three Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$53,000.00) to the Special Revenue Fund for critical fire training programs; and

WHEREAS, Council previously approved Resolution No. 25-213, amending Resolution No. 25-147 by appropriating Sixty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-One and 39/100 Dollars (\$66,331.39) to the General Fund and Four Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Eight and 34/100 Dollars (\$4,538.34) to the Stormwater Fund for the repair of City facilities; and

WHEREAS, Council previously approved Resolution No. 25-216, amending Resolution No. 25-147 by appropriating Forty-One Thousand Twenty-Seven and 18/100 Dollars (\$41,027.18) in forfeiture funds to the Grant Fund for the purchase of a vehicle and other allowable expenses and One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Seven and 27/100 Dollars (\$1,927.27) in funds reimbursed by the Ft. Sill Apache Casino to the General Fund for police overtime expenses; and

WHEREAS, Council previously approved Resolution No. 25-237, amending Resolution No. 25-147 by appropriating One Million Two Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Three and 92/100 dollars (\$1,269,403.92) to the General Fund for the repair of city facilities, One Million Five Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Six and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,525,706.00) to the General Fund for the Elmer Thomas Park Amphitheater and Lake Helen Boardwalk design, and Eight Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Four and 35/100 Dollars (\$8,374.35) to the 2019 Capital Improvement Fund for the payment of final invoices relating to the PW2101 Landfill Cells 6 & 7 projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lawton received Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$14,300.00) in application fees for the annual elk hunt; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lawton closed on the LIDA S2025A loan on September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, a budget amendment is needed to appropriate Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$14,300.00) to the Lakes Division's Repair and Maintenance account per paragraph B.2 of Section 19-4-411, Lawton City Code, and Thirty Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$30,000,000.00) to the 2019 Capital Improvement Fund for capital improvement projects.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAWTON, OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. The City Council does hereby amend the FY 2025-2026 Budget originally adopted on the 27th day of May, 2025, for the purpose of increasing appropriations in account 1005006-51020 by Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$14,300.00), account 4400000-53020 by Thirteen Million and 00/100 Dollars

(\$13,000,000.00), and account 4400000-54025 by Seventeen Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$17,000,000.00).

SECTION 2. The City Council does hereby authorize the City Manager to transfer any unexpended and unencumbered appropriations, at any time throughout FY 2025-2026 from one line item to another, one object category to another within a department, or one department to another within a fund, without further approval by the City Council.

SECTION 3. All supplemental appropriations or decrease in the total appropriation of a fund shall be adopted at a meeting of the City Council and filed with the State Auditor and Inspector.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED, by the City Council of Lawton this 22nd day of October, 2025.

(SEAL)

STANLEY BOOKER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DONALYNN BLAZEK-SCHERLER, CITY CLERK

APPROVED as to form and legality this 22nd day of October, 2025.

TIMOTHY E. WILSON, INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY

Item Title:

Pursuant to Section 307(B)(1), Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, consider convening in executive session to discuss the vacant position of City Attorney and, if necessary, take appropriate action in open session.

Initiator: Stan Booker, Mayor

Information Source: Stan Booker, Mayor, Randy Warren, Councilman - Ward 8

Background:

The Mayor and City Council should meet in executive session to discuss the vacant position of City Attorney, including potential candidates. Section 307B.1 of Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes authorizes the executive session of a public body for the purpose of discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or employee.

Correlation to the True North Statement:**Exhibit:**

None

Key Issues:

N/A

Funding Source:

N/A

Recommended Action:

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ATTACHMENTS:

None