



**AGENDA
COUNCIL PROCESSES OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2024 3:00 PM
Lawton City Hall
3rd Floor Conference Room
212 SW 9th Street
Lawton, Oklahoma 73501**

Official action can be taken only on items which appear on the agenda. The committee may adopt, approve, ratify, deny, defer, recommend, amend, strike, or continue any agenda item. Any reference to action should be understood as “action within the committee’s scope”.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING ACT, 25 O.S. § 301-314

ROLL CALL

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Discuss updating the adopted building codes to the 2018 versions as amended by the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission and take action as deemed necessary.
2. Discuss the ownership and accessibility of plans submitted through the permitting portal and take action as deemed necessary.
3. Discuss the process of nuisance abatement through the Neighborhood Services Department and take action as deemed necessary.

ADJOURNMENT

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ITEM NO. 3

MTG. DATE 08/19/2024

AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY

ITEM TITLE: Discuss the process of nuisance abatement through the Neighborhood Services Department and take action as deemed necessary.

INITIATOR: Mayor Stan Booker

STAFF INFORMATION SOURCE: Charlotte Brown, Community Services Director

BACKGROUND: The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the current process of nuisance abatement managed through the Neighborhood Services Department and consider any necessary actions to improve its effectiveness. Recently, there have been concerns raised regarding the efficiency and timeliness of the abatement process, leading to nuisances that are not being addressed as swiftly as needed. This issue is of particular concern as it directly impacts the quality of life for our residents and the overall appearance of our community.

The Mayor and City Council are committed to creating a clean, safe, and welcoming environment for all who live, work, and visit Lawton. As part of this commitment, they are taking an aggressive approach to ensure that nuisances are dealt with promptly and thoroughly. In light of the recent challenges, a thorough review of the abatement process is necessary to identify any gaps or inefficiencies that may be hindering our efforts.

This review and potential restructuring of the nuisance abatement process align with the City of Lawton's True North Culture statement, which emphasizes our core mission of serving our citizens with excellence. By ensuring that our neighborhoods are free from nuisances, we are directly contributing to the well-being of our residents and upholding the standards that reflect the city's commitment to continuous improvement and superior service delivery.

EXHIBITS: None

KEY ISSUES: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Discuss the process of nuisance abatement through the Neighborhood Services Department and take action as deemed necessary.