



City of Lawton

City Council

Minutes

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

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

5:00 PM

Lawton City Hall
Wayne Gilley Auditorium

Meeting Called to Order

"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."

Meeting called to order by Mayor Stanley Booker.

Roll Call

Present:

Councilman - Ward 1 Lane Hooton
Councilman - Ward 2 Taron Epps
Councilman - Ward 3 Kirby Brown
Councilwoman - Ward 4 Tiffiney Dimery
Councilman - Ward 5 Allan Hampton
Councilman - Ward 6 Bob Weger
Councilwoman - Ward 7 Sherene L Williams
Councilman - Ward 8 Randy Warren*

*Arrived at 5:44PM

Absent:

Also Present:

Stanley Booker, Mayor
John Ratliff, City Manager
Jari Askins, Interim City Attorney
Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk

Unfinished Business

1. Adopt a resolution declaring the structures located at 1116 NW Lincoln

Avenue and 1754 SW 13th Street 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.

1116 NW Lincoln Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, provided the report for 1116 NW Lincoln Ave, noting it was originally brought to Council on January 13, 2026. Water had been inactive since May 4, 2023, and the structure showed fire damage throughout. A contractor had been hired and was awaiting a structural engineer's determination on whether the structure was salvageable. The staff recommendation remained to place the structure on the DND list.

Mayor Booker asked if there were any questions and confirmed the public hearing had already been held.

Motion by Taron Epps, Second by Kirby Brown, to approve Resolution 26-39 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams, Randy Warren. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1754 SW 13th Street

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the property was originally brought to Council on October 14, 2025. Since that time, the structure had new siding and windows, and roof work was being finalized. The address had an active water account and the owner was currently living in the building. The recommendation was for no action to be taken.

Business Items

2. Adopt a resolution declaring the structures located at 805 SW 12th Street, 1107 NW Andrews Avenue, 1110 NW Euclid Avenue, 1113 NW Taft Avenue, 1201 NW Williams Avenue (Secondary Structure), 1208 NW Williams Avenue (Secondary Structure), 1405 NW Lincoln Avenue (Secondary Structure), 1504 SW 17th Street, 1509 SW Bishop Road (Secondary Structure), 1516 SW Texas Avenue, 1603 SW Georgia Avenue, 1607 SW McKinley Avenue, 1625 SW Dr. Charles W Whitlow Avenue, 1705 SW McKinley Avenue, 1715 NW Ozmun Avenue, 1802 SW Monroe Avenue, 1803 NW Ozmun Avenue, 1908 NW Ozmun Avenue, 1914 NW Lindy Avenue, 1921 SW Dr. Charles W Whitlow Avenue (Secondary Structure),

2011 SW Monroe Avenue (Secondary Structure), 2424 SW B Avenue (Secondary Structure), 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.

805 SW 12th Street

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

Joanna Zark stated she was the owner's daughter. She explained the family was in the process of signing the house over to her niece, and the tribe and her niece were already discussing rehabilitating the home and bringing it back up to code.

Mayor Booker explained the DND process, stating that if placed on the list, the owner would have approximately 45 calendar days to obtain a permit and six months to complete the work, with possible extensions if adequate progress is shown.

Jernigan confirmed the explanation was correct.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Allan Hampton, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-39 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1110 NW Euclid Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

Matthew Lovo stated he had begun the process to remove the structure and had been working on utility clearances. He reported receiving a demolition bid of \$8,000 and was saving funds to proceed.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Allan Hampton, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-42

declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1113 NW Taft Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

Leroy Hunter stated he had purchased the property intending to fix and occupy it. While working as a truck driver, individuals broke in and set the house on fire. He described difficulties obtaining demolition permits due to required utility clearances and stated contractors had quoted demolition costs between \$25,000 and \$30,000.

Mayor Booker summarized the issue as difficulty obtaining utility disconnect approvals and requested staff assistance.

Charlotte Brown, Deputy Director of Community Enrichment, stated only remodel permits had been applied for and clarified that a demolition permit could be applied for. She offered to work directly with Mr. Hunter to resolve the issue.

Mayor Booker stated the item should be continued to allow the owner time to work with staff.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Taron Epps, Second by Kirby Brown, to table the item to the February 24, 2026 Council meeting to allow the owner time to work with staff on obtaining a demolition permit. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1504 SW 17th Street

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

Betty Harden stated she had hired Gills Demolition, paid a deposit, and expected the structure to be removed the following month. She stated the contractor would obtain the necessary permits.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-46

declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1607 SW McKinley Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

Frederick Cobbs stated he and his wife inherited the property and had cleared debris and trees. He planned to repair the roof first and then continue with exterior and interior improvements.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-50 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1705 SW McKinley Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

Zachswan Brite stated he had begun repairs and provided photographs to Williams allegedly showing improvements to siding, roof, and fascia. He stated they intended to comply and did not want the property placed on DND.

Mayor Booker discussed permit requirements and stated the item would be continued to allow staff to verify progress.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to table this item to the February 24, 2026 Council meeting. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1803 NW Ozmun Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the

property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

Josina Martinez stated the property had been purchased to remodel for family use but was currently involved in divorce proceedings, delaying exterior work. He stated the interior was livable and indicated the work could be completed within six months.

Mayor Booker explained the permit and completion timelines

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

1921 SW Dr. Charles W Whitlow Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property. Jernigan described a storm cellar remaining after demolition of the primary structure and noted complaints of individuals entering the structure.

Mayor Booker noted that the structure only had one entrance and asked if securing that entrance would bring the structure into compliance with code.

Jernigan confirmed that it would.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

Jervis Jackson stated the structure had been secured and future rebuilding was planned.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to continue this item to the February 24, 2026 Council meeting to give staff time to verify the structure has been secured. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

Following the vote, Jernigan clarified that under City code, a secondary structure cannot remain without a primary structure.

Mayor Booker acknowledged the clarification and directed staff to be prepared to address the code at the next meeting.

1603 SW Georgia Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.

Henry Brousard stated he had purchased the property that day and intended to file

permits and rehabilitate the structure. He stated he was a contractor and capable of restoring the property.
PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-49 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1107 NW Andrews Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED. No one appeared to speak. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Taron Epps, Second by Kirby Brown, to approve Resolution 26-41 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1201 NW Williams Avenue (Secondary Structure)

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.No one appeared to speak.PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Taron Epps, Second by Kirby Brown, to approve Resolution 26-43 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1208 NW Williams Avenue (Secondary Structure)

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.No one appeared to speak.PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Allan Hampton, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-44 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1405 NW Lincoln Avenue (Secondary Structure)

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.No one appeared to speak.PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Taron Epps, Second by Kirby Brown, to approve Resolution 26-45 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1509 SW Bishop Road (Secondary Structure)

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED.No one appeared to speak.PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-47 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1516 SW Texas Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED. No one appeared to speak. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-48 declaring the structures on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the

abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1625 SW Dr. Charles W Whitlow Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED. No one appeared to speak. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-51 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1715 NW Ozmun Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED. No one appeared to speak. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Taron Epps, Second by Kirby Brown, to approve Resolution 26-52 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1802 SW Monroe Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED. No one appeared to speak. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-53 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby

Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1908 NW Ozmun Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED. No one appeared to speak. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Taron Epps, Second by Kirby Brown, to approve Resolution 26-55 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1914 NW Lindy Avenue

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED. No one appeared to speak. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Taron Epps, Second by Kirby Brown, to approve Resolution 26-56 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams, Randy Warren. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

2011 SW Monroe Avenue (Secondary Structure)

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED. No one appeared to speak. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to approve Resolution 26-57 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams, Randy

Warren. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

2424 SW B Avenue (Secondary Structure)

Jonathan Jernigan, Division of Safe and Clean Neighborhoods Supervisor, reported the numerous violations of city code existing on the property which are documented on the Property Maintenance Evaluation Sheet. Jernigan presented photographs of the property.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED. No one appeared to speak. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Motion by Kirby Brown, Second by Tiffiney Dimery, to approve Resolution 26-58 declaring the structure on the property a dilapidated public nuisance and authorize the abatement thereof as set forth in the resolution. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams, Randy Warren. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

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."

Motion by Randy Warren, Second by Lane Hooton, to adjourn. AYE: Lane Hooton, Taron Epps, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams, Randy Warren. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:47PM.