



City of Lawton

City Council

Minutes

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

Tuesday, March 24, 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 5:46PM

Also Present:

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

A quorum was established.

Business Items

1. Consider a request from the property owner for additional time to remodel the structure located at 1507 SW Dr Charles W Whitlow Avenue, per Section 6-1-1-108 Section D that states after 180 days the property will go back to City

council for specific authorization by the Council.

Jonathan Jernigan, Supervisor of the Safe and Clean Neighborhood Division, addressed Mayor Booker and Council regarding the property located at 1507 Southwest Dr. Charles W. Whitlow Avenue. He stated that the request was being brought forward in accordance with Section 6-11-108(D), which requires City Council authorization after 180 days.

Jernigan reported that the property had undergone visible exterior improvements, specifically noting the installation of new windows, new siding, and new trim. He further explained that work was still ongoing, with the property owner currently focusing on completing the doors in order to finalize the project. Jernigan stated that based on the progress observed, staff recommended approval of the permit extension.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Bob Weger, to approve the permit extension. AYE: Lane Hooton, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

2. Consider a request from the property owner for additional time to remodel the structure located at 2508 SW Latham Avenue, per Section 6-1-1-108 Section D that states after 180 days the property will go back to City council for specific authorization by the Council.

Jonathan Jernigan, Supervisor of the Safe and Clean Neighborhood Division, detailed that the property had undergone significant rehabilitation, including the installation of new windows, new trim, a new roof, and new siding. He stated that based on the extent of improvements already completed, staff was recommending approval of a permanent extension.

Motion by Allan Hampton, Second by Sherene L Williams, to approve the permit extension. AYE: Lane Hooton, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

3. Consider a request from the property owner for additional time to remodel the structure located at 1812 SW D Avenue, per Section 6-1-1-108 Section D that states after 180 days the property will go back to City council for specific authorization by the Council.

Jonathan Jernigan, Supervisor of the Safe and Clean Neighborhood Division, reported that the structure had received multiple substantial upgrades, including new windows, new doors, new siding, a new roof, and new trim. He indicated that these improvements demonstrated meaningful progress toward completion and stated that staff recommended approval of the permit extension.

Hampton commented that it was encouraging to see properties being improved and restored, noting that the renovations contributed positively to the community. He expressed support for the extension.

Motion by Allan Hampton, Second by Bob Weger, to approve the permit extension.
AYE: Lane Hooton, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

4. Consider a request from the property owner for additional time to remodel the structure located at 2011 SW Douglas Avenue, per Section 6-1-1-108 Section D that states after 180 days the property will go back to City council for specific authorization by the Council.

Jonathan Jernigan, Supervisor of the Safe and Clean Neighborhood Division, reported that the structure remained in a deteriorated condition. He specifically noted that one of the photos showed a broken window and that staff had received calls reporting vagrancy at the property. He further stated that the structure continued to have damaged siding, broken windows, and doors, indicating a lack of sufficient progress. Based on these conditions, Jernigan advised that staff recommended denial of a permanent extension.

Motion by Sherene L Williams, Second by Allan Hampton, to deny the permit extension.
AYE: Lane Hooton, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

5. Consider a request from the property owner for additional time to remodel the structure located at 1305 SW 26th Street, per Section 6-1-1-108 Section D that states after 180 days the property will go back to City council for specific authorization by the Council.

Jonathan Jernigan, Supervisor of the Safe and Clean Neighborhood Division, explained that the property had recently changed ownership and that the new owner had begun renovations by removing the carport from the front of the structure. He stated that the owner was prioritizing interior work before completing exterior improvements. Jernigan further noted that the property had already undergone an electrical inspection and that the owner was preparing for a plumbing inspection. Based on this progress and the ongoing work, Jernigan stated that staff recommended approval of the permit extension.

Mayor Booker confirmed that the staff recommendation was for approval.

Motion by Allan Hampton, Second by Bob Weger, to approve the permit extension.
AYE: Lane Hooton, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

Executive Session

Motion by Bob Weger, Second by Allan Hampton, to enter into executive session. AYE: Lane Hooton, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

The City Council entered Executive Session at 5:06PM and reconvened in Open Session at 5:59PM. No action was taken in Executive Session, in compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.

Present in Executive Session:

Councilman - Ward 1 Lane Hooton

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Tonja Anderson, Lawton Economic Development Corporation

Nicole Jordan, Lawton Economic Development Corporation

Brad Cooksey, Lawton Economic Development Corporation

Mark Scott, Lawton Economic Development Corporation

Richard Rogalski, Lawton Economic Development Corporation

Nikk Diamond, City of Lawton Information Technology Services *Left at 5:15PM

Motion by Bob Weger, Second by Sherene L Williams, to return to open session. AYE: Lane Hooton, Kirby Brown, Tiffiney Dimery, Allan Hampton, Bob Weger, Sherene L Williams. NAY: None. Motion Passed.

1. Pursuant to Section 307C.11 and Section 307B.3, Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, consider convening in executive session for the purpose of conferring on matters pertaining to economic development, including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice a business to locate within their jurisdiction, and to discuss the potential purchase of real property, the public disclosure of which would violate the confidentiality of prospective business entities, and if necessary, take appropriate action in open session.

The City Attorney read the title. No action was taken.

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 Bob Weger, Second by Allan Hampton, to adjourn. AYE: Lane Hooton, 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 6:00PM.