



**City of Lawton**  
**Lawton Economic  
Development Authority**

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

**Minutes**

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Tuesday, May 27, 2025

2:00 PM

Lawton City Hall  
City Council Conference Room

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**Meeting Called to Order and Roll Call**

Chairman Fitch called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM in the City Council conference room of City Hall.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Fred Fitch, Jason Hensley, Randy Warren, Larry Neal, George Gill, David Madigan, Brandie Page

**ABSENT:** David Means (excused), Ron Nance (excused)

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Richard Rogalski, LEDA Executive Director; John Ratliff, City Manager; Tim Wilson, Acting City Attorney; Tammy Branstetter, City Clerk's Office; Matina Davis, Citizen of the Community

**Statement of Compliance with Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S. 301-314**

Chairman Fitch confirmed with Branstetter that the meeting notice and agenda were posted by the City Clerk's Office as required by State Law.

**Executive Session**

1. Pursuant to Section 307C.11, 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, and the creation of a proposal to entice a business to locate within their jurisdiction if the public disclosure of which would violate the confidentiality of prospective business entities, and if necessary, take appropriate action in open session, to include providing direction to the Executive Director, to either pursue or not to pursue further negotiations with any economic development prospects so discussed, and/or authorization to apply for grant funding in support of the project.

**Motion** by Gill, **Second** by Warren, to convene in executive session. **AYE:** Neal, Hensley, Fitch, Gill, Warren, Madigan, Page. **NAY:** None. **Motion Passed.**

The Authority convened in executive session at 2:04 PM and remained in executive session until 2:22 PM.

**Motion** by Gill, **Second** by Madigan, to return to open session. **AYE:** Neal, Hensley, Fitch, Gill, Warren, Madigan, Page. **NAY:** None. **Motion Passed.**

Tim Wilson, Acting City Attorney, read the agenda item title as follows:

"Pursuant to Section 307C.11, 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, and the creation of a proposal to entice a business to locate within their jurisdiction if the public disclosure of which would violate the confidentiality of prospective business entities, and if necessary, take appropriate action in open session, to include providing direction to the Executive Director, to either pursue or not to pursue further negotiations with any economic development prospects so discussed, and/or authorization to apply for grant funding in support of the project."

**Motion** by Warren, **Second** by Madigan, to ratify the action of the Executive Director in applying for a grant from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce through the Oklahoma Public/Private Partnership Military Program for infrastructure in support of an industrial project in the SW Rail Industrial Park. **AYE:** Neal, Hensley, Fitch, Gill, Warren, Madigan, Page. **NAY:** None. **Motion Passed.**

## **Adjournment**

**Motion** by Warren, **Second** by Gill, to adjourn the May 27, 2025, meeting. **AYE:** Neal, Hensley, Fitch, Gill, Warren, Madigan, Page. **NAY:** None. **Motion Passed.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:26 PM.