

**CITY OF SHAWNEE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
August 11, 2025
6:00 P.M.**

Governing Body Present:

Mickey Sandifer - Mayor
Sierra Whitted - Ward 1
Tony Gillette- Ward 1
Jeanie Murphy - Ward 2
Dr. Mike Kemmling - Ward 2
Kurt Knappen - Ward 3
Angela Stiens - Ward 3
Laurel Burchfield - Ward 4

Governing Body Absent:

Jacklynn Walters- Ward 4

Staff Present:

Paul Kramer - City Manager
Colin Duffy - Deputy City Manager
Lauren Grashoff - Assistant City Manager
Jenny Smith - City Attorney
Stephanie Zaldivar - City Clerk
Doug Donahoo - Communications Director
Sam Larson - Police Chief
Steve Walsh - Police Captain
Rick Potter - Fire Chief
Mike Inich - I.T. Director
Geoffry Brown - Budget & Purch. Specialist
Kelly Grisnik - Human Resources Director
Tonya Lecuru - Parks & Recreation Director
Kevin Manning - Public Works Director
Sean Rocco - Finance Director
Doug Allmon - Community Development Director

(Shawnee City Council Meeting Called to Order at 6:00 p.m.)

A. ROLL CALL

MAYOR SANDIFER: Good evening and welcome to the August 11th, 2025, meeting of the Shawnee City Council. I'm Mayor Mickey Sandifer, and I'll be chairing this meeting. I'll do a roll call at this time. Councilmember Whitted.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITTED: Present.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Councilmember Gillette.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Present.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Councilmember Murphy.

COUNCILMEMBER MURPHY: Present.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Councilmember Kemmling.

COUNCILMEMBER KEMMLING: Present.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Councilmember Knappen.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Present.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Councilmember Stiens.

COUNCILMEMBER STIENS: Present.

MAYOR SANDIFER: And Councilmember Walters will be absent tonight.
Councilmember Burchfield.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: Present.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Thank you.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

MAYOR SANDIFER: Now, please join me for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

(Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence)

MAYOR SANDIFER: Thank you.

Next, I'd like to explain our procedures for public input. In an effort to enhance residents' ability to present information to the Governing Body, anyone interested in addressing the Governing Body is strongly encouraged to sign up to speak by noon on the day of the meeting, but it is not required. Information has been posted online about how to sign up.

By policy, comments are limited to five minutes, and no person may speak more than once to any one agenda item. Only comments related to City business are permitted. Disruptive acts are not permitted as per Policy No. 7 and will not be tolerated.

Additionally, comments can be submitted to the entire Governing Body via email at: GoverningBody@cityofshawnee.org.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approve minutes from the City Council meeting of July 28, 2025.**
2. **Approve minutes from the Council Committee meeting of July 28, 2025.**
3. **Consider approving the extension of SUP-04-16-07, to allow Bridget Sanders to operate a daycare as a home occupation, located at 22102 W. 52nd Street.**
4. **Consider approving the extension of SUP-08-20-07, to allow Jill Jarvis to operate a hair salon as a home occupation, located at 21907 W. 48th Street.**
5. **Consider approving the extension of SUP-09-20-07, to allow Happy Daze Daycare to operate a home childcare facility, located at 13100 W. 70th Terrace.**

MAYOR SANDIFER: Next on the agenda is the Consent Agenda. Would anyone on the Council like to remove anything from the Consent Agenda? Seeing none, I'll accept a motion. Angela.

COUNCILMEMBER STIENS: Move to approve.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Sierra.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITTED: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I've got a motion and a second on the floor on this item. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed, nay. Motion passes.

Motion 1: Angela Stiens - Ward 3/Sierra Whitted - Ward 1: Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried 7-0-0.

D. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

MAYOR SANDIFER: The next item on the agenda is Business from the Floor. If there is anyone here to speak about a specific item on the agenda, please wait until that item is discussed. If you're here to speak on an item that is not on tonight's agenda, now is the time to speak. Did anyone sign up for this?

MR. DUFFY: No, Mayor. We didn't have anyone pre-register.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Okay. Is there anyone in the audience that would like to speak from Business from the Floor? Seeing none, we'll move on.

E. MAYOR'S ITEMS

MAYOR SANDIFER: The next item is Mayor's Items, and I don't have anything tonight.

F. PUBLIC ITEMS

1. First public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant 2026 Annual Action Plan.

MAYOR SANDIFER: The next item on the agenda is Public Items. Item Number 1 is to conduct a public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant 2026 Annual Action Plan.

(a) Conduct a public hearing

I will now accept a motion to conduct a public hearing.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Yeah. I move to begin a public hearing for the Community Development Block Grant 2026 Annual Action Plan.

COUNCILMEMBER STIENS: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I got a motion and a second on this. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed, nay. Motion passes.

Motion 2: **Kurt Knappen - Ward 3/Angela Stiens - Ward 3:** Conduct a public hearing. **The motion carried 7-0-0.**

MAYOR SANDIFER: Okay. Paul.

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Lauren Grashoff, the Assistant City Manager, will handle this item.

[CDBG 2026 Action Plan - Public Hearing 1 slide]

MS. GRASHOFF: All right. Good evening. I will actually probably go through the background really quick. We did an overview here not that long ago, a couple months ago, just touch on essentially what the priorities have been set for, for as part of our larger five-year plan, introduce our potential projects for 2026, and then open it up if there are other considerations.

[What is CDBG? slide]

All right. So, as mentioned previously, Shawnee is basically what's called an entitlement community. So, as long as there is a CDBG program, we are essentially guaranteed funding annually. The funding basically will change a little bit year over year based on our population and just some other demographic information as well as whatever the federal government allocates to HUD for the program.

The program is intended to benefit primarily low to moderate income persons, prevent or eliminate blight, and then it also can be used in certain instances for an urgent need.

[Funding Guidelines slide]

So, there are funding guidelines that's set as part of this program. No more than 20 percent can be spent on planning and administrative costs. Up to 15 percent can be spent on public services. So that, we require that it is direct assistance to residents. We do not allow any of that money to be spent on agency admin. That is not a federal requirement. That is a requirement that we do place on our grantees. And then overall, no less than 70 percent of that money can go towards low to moderate income persons.

And so, there's two ways to use this money. There's what's called an area benefit. So, those are areas with at least 51 percent of households that are low to moderate income. Typically, we use that qualification for things like our infrastructure projects, street and stormwater improvements. And then if it's a direct benefit to a resident, they have to meet certain income thresholds for the metro area.

[2025-2029 Consolidated Plan slide]

As I mentioned, we are actually currently in our second plan year of our five-year plan or what's called the Consolidated Plan. The priority needs were identified, oh, gosh, it would have been 2024 through the planning process for '25 through '29. And so, they were identified as public facilities and improvements, public services and housing rehab. Within those, you'll see some subcategories that were identified for potential priority or

critical needs projects. But really, those sort of three broad categories are what we identify as priority needs within the community to use the funding on.

[*Shawnee CDBG (2025) slide*]

And so, in general, this was our 2025 plan. So, our goals remain the same every year. So again, we really target those three broad areas. We have different programs potentially every year, tend to be consistent just because a lot of our subgrantees regularly apply. And then those actual specific activities can change year over year.

So, in 2025, this year, we did -- we're working on a stormwater project, housing repair, a rehab project for -- with Friends of JCDS, as well as several agencies for childcare and emergency rent and utility assistance.

[*2026 Action Plan slide*]

In 2026, we do not know, no surprise, our 2026 funding level. So, how we do this is basically we just estimate the same funding year over year. The 2025 funding is just right at \$278,000. So, we basically work from that number. The preliminary projects we've identified for 2026 is a stormwater project that also currently has SMAC funding awarded for that. So, it's a 50-50 match. You know, the City would pay 50 percent. We can use CDBG funds to contribute to the City match portion.

We are currently looking at some other opportunities. Maybe we can pick up additional projects since this is SMAC funded, and we know we do have additional SMAC projects out there we didn't have matching funds for. So, this is just a preliminary proposal.

And then also Friends of JCDS has requested funding, and there's a little bit more information on those projects in your packet, for a home they have in Shawnee. And then rent and utility assistance from three different agencies, and then childcare assistance. We are recommending that we fully fund the Camp Shawnee ask. And then that would be for subsidized summer camp. And then through JCPRD, that would be for their out-of-school care. So, we're not competing with those different services, and so they're offering two different childcare assistance.

And then as I mentioned, administration, the federal cap is 20 percent. Our cap, we are putting at no more than 10 percent.

[*Next Steps slide*]

So, next steps. Tonight is our first public hearing. We will go through internally that subgrantee review.

[*2026 Action Plan slide*]

So, everyone in green on the slide here.

[*Next Steps slide*]

And then have a final funding recommendation for a second public hearing. That's a final review in October. And that will be the first City Council meeting. And then we have a required, it's a 30-day public comment period. And then after that time, if there's no other recommendations, then we would basically, once the award is announced, we can submit that plan for the year.

[*2026 Action Plan slide*]

So, again, funding is unknown at this point. Unfortunately, we do have -- our service agencies requested about \$30,000 more in funding than we anticipate we will have funding for.

[Next Steps slide]

So, part of this internal review process is to help narrow that down for funding recommendations that fit within our priorities as well as making sure those agencies can fully perform. So, we will have those final recommendations in October.

[Recommendation slide]

So, tonight is -- the public hearing is really just for discussion to consider any other projects, any questions you have. And there's no formal action required as part of the review.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Are there any questions? Kurt?

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Yeah. Lauren, I've got a question. You mentioned Camp Shawnee and JCPRD. So, are those like paid tuition for low income students that we give? Or is that just a general grant to the overall programs?

MS. GRASHOFF: So, we would help, at least how JCPRD does it is they subsidize that childcare. It's based on a sliding scale based on the need. And so, essentially, they would sign up for out-of-school care and then it's subsidized with this funding.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Okay. Thank you. And the only other comment I have is to fund as many SMAC programs as we can would be a great goal. Thank you.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Laurel.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: Thank you. Lauren, first of all, I want to say thank you for including in our memo the full action plan. There is a lot of really great data in there. It really gives a good snapshot of where we have challenges to meet in our city with people who are struggling to get by. And so, I really appreciate that framework as we're thinking about the best way to use these dollars. I know it's mandatory that you have to do it, but I'm glad that we got it and got a chance to look through it.

I had a similar question about our Camp Shawnee, and I was wondering if you could tell us a little bit more about how many families we are expected to be able to assist with that -- with those dollars.

MS. GRASHOFF: So, I know we're looking at going up to about 100 students. And so, \$10,000 is what the ask is for Camp Shawnee, and that would help go towards that care. I don't have the exact proposal this evening, so I don't have that number of anticipated basically benefit, but I can definitely get that for you. Review that proposal to get that number for you.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: Thank you. And I don't -- that doesn't affect at all the way that I am looking at this. I think it's a great use of our funds. I'm just curious how many families would be able to help.

MS. GRASHOFF: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: And then if we do receive less money or the money that we can reallocate, I assume we just take the same percentage off the top of all of them, or will there be a formula to decide how to distribute that?

MS. GRASHOFF: So, yeah. So, traditionally what we've done is we keep the Friends of JCDS project the same. Obviously, our 10 percent of admin gets reduced. We will proportionally reduce all of our recommendations for public safety funds. And then whatever's left out of that is what is for the infrastructure project.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: Okay. Yeah. And I just think it's fantastic that we're able to support local organizations, helping people directly with their utility and housing costs. So, thank you.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Anyone else? Did anyone sign up for this? Is there anyone in the audience that would like to speak on this?

(b) Conclude the public hearing

MAYOR SANDIFER: I'll accept a motion to conclude the public hearing. Kurt.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Move to conclude the public hearing.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Angela.

COUNCILMEMBER STIENS: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I have a motion and a second to conclude the public hearing. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed, nay. Motion passes.

Motion 3: **Kurt Knappen - Ward 3/Angela Stiens - Ward 3:** Conclude the public hearing. **The motion carried 7-0-0.**

MAYOR SANDIFER: The public hearing is now closed. Let's see. If there's any other projects to include in the 2026 CDBG action plan, I will accept a motion. There isn't any yet. Paul.

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: Yeah. So, if there's not any, which there didn't seem like there were for any comments, then we are good for tonight.

MAYOR SANDIFER: So, do we need a motion and a second on this one?

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: No. We'll bring it back in October.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Okay. Because it has that on here. Okay.

G. ITEMS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OF JULY 21, 2025

1. Consider an Ordinance for SUP25-02, a special use permit to allow GEB Properties to operate a classic auto sales business in the Planned Industrial zone, located at 8190 Hedge Lane Terrace.

MAYOR SANDIFER: The next item on the agenda is an item from the Planning Commission meeting, July 21st, 2025. Item Number 1 is to consider an ordinance for SUP25-02, a special use permit to allow GBE or GEB Properties to operate a classic auto sales business in the Planned Industrial zoning location at 8190 Hedge Lane. Paul.

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: Yes. Doug Allmon, our Director of Community Development will handle this item.

MR. ALLMON: Good evening, everyone. This is a pretty straightforward project, so I will give a short report. It's basically a company that owns an 18,000 square foot building off of Hedge Lane Terrace next to the Penny's Concrete facility. They're going to house between five and ten classic cars at any given time and trade titles, usually through the Internet or at local auctions. But it is in the PI zone, and because of that, it does require a special use permit. Historically, these type of businesses have not created any secondary effects. There's not traffic or anything generated that's kind of typical of a traditional car lot.

So, the public hearing was held by the Planning Commission on July 21st, 2025, and no one from the public spoke at that meeting. The Planning Commission basically mirrored what I just said and thought that the use itself would not have any negative impacts on the surrounding area, and they recommended 9-0 to approve that you all approve that special use permit for GEB to operate their business.

This is an ordinance, so it would require five votes to approve the SUP ordinance, six votes to override the Planning Commission's recommendation. That's really my report. If you have any questions, I'll be glad to answer them.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Anyone have any questions? Anyone signed up for this? Anyone in the audience that would like to speak on this? Hearing none, I'll accept a motion. Tony.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Move to approve SUP25-02.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Angela.

COUNCILMEMBER STIENS: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I have a motion and a second to approve this item. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed nay? Motion passes.

Motion 4: **Tony Gillette - Ward 1/Angela Stiens - Ward 3:** Approve an Ordinance for SUP25-02, a special use permit to allow GEB Properties to operate a classic auto sales business in the Planned

Industrial zone located at 8190 Hedge Lane Terrace. **The motion carried 7-0-0.**

H. STAFF ITEMS

1. Consider approving the 2023 ADA Transition Plan for the Parks and Recreation Department.

MAYOR SANDIFER: The next item on the agenda are Staff Items. Item Number 1 is to consider approving the 2023 ADA transition plan for the Parks and Recreation Department. Paul.

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: Yes. Tonya Lecuru, our Parks and Recreation Director, will handle this item.

MS. LECURU: Good evening. Thank you for the opportunity. I know it looks kind of funny to be improving something from 2023. At the time we did present this to the Council, but at that time we just -- it was for information purposes only. Due to our CAPRA accreditation, it's been requested that this is adopted by our City Council, our Governing Body. And so, I thought this would also be a good opportunity for us to share kind of where we are at in the last year and a half working on our projects and just kind of tell you where we plan on going with this for the next couple of years.

So, basically, this plan is a guideline that we use to help us make improvements to our facilities and to our parks. If there are fees associated or cost estimates for each of these items, they are just basically a guidepost for us to kind of work with. There is no money set aside specifically for this at this time. But as we do projects and as parks are improved, we take a look at these things, and we implement them as we can.

So, this helps us with our budgeting. It also helps us when we look at different facilities or park locations to be able to combine them together into projects so we can address everything at one location at one time rather than jumping around the city. So, we've been able to use this at the Civic Centre with the improvements that we did on the lower level there, which has improved that, those facilities, and made ADA accessible restrooms on the lower level. We also have used it for parking at the Civic Centre. And currently all of the recommendations that were part of the -- of our Garrett Park improvement plan that we are currently doing, these will all be addressed at that time. So, it was a nice opportunity to combine those. So, that's where we're at right now.

Our next steps for the 2025 rolling into '26 will be things that we can do in-house that are low lying fruits that we can address quickly and address. So, our main purpose is anything that's urgent or for safety. Those are addressed quickly as they come up. But then we are prioritizing them as we go through our process.

So, this evening, I just ask that you consider approving this ADA transition plan and accept the update from this evening.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Thank you. Any questions? Sierra.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITTED: Just a comment. I just want to applaud the effort that you've put into this project and the results that we've seen are already amazing. Thank you for that.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Tony.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Yeah. Tonya, just a real quick question. Thanks for the update. Where are we at, would you say, from a percentage compliance with all of our -- just the parks. Not everything else, other buildings-wise, but just say our outdoor parks. Since we've done -- we've updated several parks recently in the last three years, are we close to being done or are we?

MS. LECURU: No.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: No.

MS. LECURU: Currently the plan that we're looking at is a 7- to 12-year plan. So, it is something because of the expenses of some of the improvements and the requirements, it is going to be spread out over a number of years. Also, with that some of the items in it can be determined if there is an alternative to that improvement. So, those are all things that we will work through as we go to each park. So, I couldn't even begin to give a percentage of what that looks like at this point.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: We're doing it obviously with every park upgrade, but then all the other ones will be over time.

MS. LECURU: Right. And we're still addressing, I mean some of the improvements or ADA requirements is signage, is level of railings and stuff, the top and the bottom. And so, and some of them is maybe a crooked ruler or measuring tape. You know, so kind of going through and going through those as well, But it's something that's going to take some time to work through as we do them or as we're in the different parks. Some of them are, like I said, I think we have almost 130 that we'll be able to complete this year. So, some of them are pretty basic. But other ones are going to take planning and implementation with other departments and projects.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Thanks for the explanation. Appreciate it.

MS. LECURU: Thanks.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Anyone else? Laurel.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: Thank you. I also want to applaud the Parks Department for the focus on ADA accessibility and going above and beyond to make sure that all of our residents are able to access our facilities and parks. Thank you.

I want to make sure that I understood the funding situation. So, did I hear you say that we don't have dedicated funding for many of these improvements? We roll it into other projects as we move forward.

MS. LECURU: That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: Okay.

MS. LECURU: I mean, we have, like this year, we do have some money set aside specifically for ADA, but it's just kind of been implemented with the different projects.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: Okay. I just wanted to make sure I understood. Thank you.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Anyone else? Is there anybody signed up for this? Anyone in the audience that would like to speak on this issue? Hearing none, I'll accept a motion. Sierra.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITTED: Move to approve the 2023 ADA Transition Plan.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Jeanie.

COUNCILMEMBER MURPHY: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I have a motion and a second on this item. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed, nay. Motion passes.

Motion 5: Sierra Whitted - Ward 1/Jeanie Murphy - Ward 2: Approve the attached 2023 ADA Transition Plan for the Parks and Recreation Department. The motion carried 7-0-0.

2. **Consider approving an agreement between the City of Shawnee Fire Department (SFD) and Johnson County Consolidated Fire District #2 (CFD#2) for the use of emergency medical services (EMS) training facilities and equipment.**

MAYOR SANDIFER: Item Number 2 is to consider approving an agreement between the City of Shawnee Fire Department and the Johnson County Consolidated Fire District #2 (CFD #2) for the use of emergency medical services (EMS) training facility and equipment. Paul.

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Our Fire Chief Rick Potter will handle this item tonight.

FIRE CHIEF POTTER: Thank you, Mr. Mayor, members of the Council. This agreement you have before you, the Shawnee Fire Department and CFD District # 2 have had a long-standing relationship that has been very beneficial to both agencies. And all we want to do tonight is formalize the agreement that we've been doing over these years. This was brought up prior to my arrival and it's just never got around to completing it. And Chief Chick and myself decided it was time that maybe we get together and formalize this agreement. So, that's what you have before you.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Thank you. Anyone have any questions? Hearing none, is there anyone signed up for this? Anyone in the audience that would like to speak on this issue? Hearing none, I'll accept a motion. Angela.

COUNCILMEMBER STIENS: Move to approve.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Kurt.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I have a motion and a second on this item. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed, nay. Motion passes.

Motion 6: **Angela Stiens - Ward 3/Kurt Knappen - Ward 3:** Approve an agreement between the City of Shawnee Fire Department (SFD) and Johnson County Consolidated Fire District #2 (CFD#2) for the use of emergency medical services (EMS) training facilities and equipment and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement as approved by the City Attorney. **The motion carried 7-0-0.**

3. Consider Bids and Award the contract to Pavement Management LLC for the 2025 Crack Seal Project.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Item Number 3 is to consider bids and award the contract to Paving Management, LLC for the 2025 crack seal program. Paul.

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Kevin Manning, our Public Works Director, will handle this item.

MR. MANNING: All right. Good evening. So, just a reminder, the crack seal is basically part of our planned pavement maintenance. We expect to crack seal roadways about four to five years after they've been overlaid, and it basically helps extend the pavement out towards more of our 15-year mark, which is what we kind of expect when we overlay a roadway.

So, we received two bids on this. This did come in under our estimate, which was about \$122,000. This came in at \$98,000. So, we're pleased with that, and we have worked with this contractor before and are comfortable working with them moving forward.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Thank you. Anyone have any questions? Anyone sign up for this? Anyone in the audience that would like to speak on this? Hearing none, I'll accept a motion. Jeanie.

COUNCILMEMBER MURPHY: Move to approve.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Kurt.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I have a motion and a second on this item. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed, nay. Motion passes.

Motion 7: **Jeanie Murphy - Ward 2/Kurt Knappen - Ward 3:** Approve the contract with Pavement Management, LLC for the 2025 Crack Seal Project, in the amount of \$98,350 and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract as approved by the City Attorney. **The motion carried 7-0-0.**

4. Consider the purchase for 2026 Police, Fire, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation Department Vehicle and Equipment.

(a) Police Department vehicle purchase

MAYOR SANDIFER: Item Number 4 is to consider approving the purchase of a 2026 Police, Fire, Public Works, and Parks and Rec Department vehicles and equipment. Paul.

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Colin Duffy, our Deputy City Manager, will handle this item.

MR. DUFFY: Good evening. This item is part of our annual process to purchase the replacement vehicles and equipment for Police, Fire, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation. Each of these departments has a replacement schedule to replace their vehicles. As you've seen in the packet, they are even trucks that are 20 years in lifespan.

Timing wise, typically we were bringing this to you at the beginning of the fiscal year, but during COVID with the supply chain delays, we did move this to the preceding year. This has been pretty advantageous for us as it allows us to get in line sooner and guarantee that we do get vehicles.

The purchase tonight is allowing the authority to purchase the vehicle, the equipment, and the installation of that equipment into the vehicle. One motion can approve the four not to exceed purchasing authorities for the identified vehicles and equipment at a total of \$2,190,000.

Staff from each department is here to answer any specific questions that you may have.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Anyone have any questions for staff? Anyone sign up for this? Anyone in the audience that would like to speak on this? Hearing none, I'll accept a motion. Angela.

COUNCILMEMBER STIENS: Move to approve.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Laurel.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I have a motion and a second on this item. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed, nay. Motion passes.

- Motion 8:** Angela Stiens - Ward 3/Laurel Burchfield - Ward 4: Approve the Police Department purchase of vehicles, with corresponding equipment, and installation of that equipment, not to exceed an amount of \$700,000. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- Motion 9:** Angela Stiens - Ward 3/Laurel Burchfield - Ward 4: Approve the Parks and Recreation Department purchase of vehicles, with corresponding equipment, and installation of that equipment, not to exceed an amount of \$195,000. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- Motion 10:** Angela Stiens - Ward 3/Laurel Burchfield - Ward 4: Approve the Public Works Department purchase of vehicles, with corresponding equipment, and installation of that equipment, not to exceed an amount of \$1,095,000. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- Motion 11:** Angela Stiens - Ward 3/Laurel Burchfield - Ward 4: Approve the Fire Department purchase of vehicles, with corresponding equipment, and installation of that equipment, not to exceed an amount of \$200,000. The motion carried 7-0-0.

5. **Consider an extension to Contract No. 2024-085, a Shawnee Entrepreneurial and Economic Development (SEED) agreement with Jayme Vosseller, Choppers Hair Salon.**

MAYOR SANDIFER: Item Number 5 is to consider the extension to Contract No. 2024-085, a Shawnee Entrepreneurial and Economic Development (SEED) agreement for Jayme Vosseller, Choppers Hair Salon. Paul.

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: Once again, Colin Duffy on this item.

MR. DUFFY: You'll recall last December in 2024, the City Council approved a SEED agreement for the renovation at 5811 Nieman Road for Choppers Hair Salon. The amount of the seed was \$30,000 with a period of performance for 240 days. This year, after a failed rough-in inspection on April 17th, the Community Development Department identified some issues related to the architectural drawings and what had been done with the contractor. So, the owner of the building hired a new architect to submit new plans, which were approved in July of this year.

The owner is requesting an extension on the SEED agreement for six months, which would place it towards February 6, 2026. And with that, I'm happy to answer any questions you may have.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Any questions for staff? Anyone sign up for this? Anyone that would like to speak on this item? Hearing none, I'll accept a motion. Jeanie.

COUNCILMEMBER MURPHY: Move to approve the extension.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Laurel.

COUNCILMEMBER BURCHFIELD: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I have a motion and a second on this item. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS WHITTED, GILLETTE, MURPHY, KNAPPEN, STIENS, BURCHFIELD: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed, nay.

COUNCILMEMBER KEMMLING: Nay.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Mike Kemmling is opposed. Motion passes.

Motion 12: Jeanie Murphy - Ward 2/Laurel Burchfield - Ward 4: Approve an extension to Contract No. 2024-085, a SEED agreement with Choppers Hair Salon with an extension to February 6, 2026. The motion carried 6-1-0 with Dr. Mike Kemmling - Ward 2 voting no.

I. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- 1. Ratify the semi-monthly claims for August 11, 2025, in the amount of \$3,409,755.75.**

MAYOR SANDIFER: The next item on the agenda is Miscellaneous Items. Item Number 1 is to ratify the semi-monthly claim for August 11th, 2025, in the amount of \$3,409,755.75.

Anyone sign up for this? Anyone in the audience that would like to speak on this? Hearing none, I'll accept a motion.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: I've got something.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Kurt.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Yeah. I just had a quick question. As we go through the expenditures every two weeks and look at them, there's a couple of things that popped up that I don't typically see and I know there's a good reason for it, but I was just going to ask. Specifically, there's a number of line items for Great West Life Annuity for Delta Dental and Blue Cross Blue Shield. I was just -- I don't feel like I usually see those in August. Is that a biannual payment that we make, or -- it's a fair amount.

MR. ROCCO: So, those are all normal items you should see on the check register. And the reason there are so many lines is they're split by the division that the expense goes to.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Right. By department.

MR. ROCCO: And so, obviously Blue Cross being health insurance, Great Life being life insurance, and then the Delta Dental is the other piece of that. One thing I'll point out though is on Blue Cross, we do have a new option available. So, you'll see a line now for Spira Care, which is a more affordable plan that was offered to our employees for the first time this benefit year. That's the only difference. Those should always look similar to how they look tonight.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: And do those premium accounts or amounts hit once or twice a year?

MR. ROCCO: For all of them, they're paid monthly.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Oh, they're monthly?

MR. ROCCO: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Okay. Thank you.

MR. ROCCO: You're welcome.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: I don't think I've seen that many on there ever. Thank you.

MAYOR SANDIFER: All right, now I'll accept the motion.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: Move to approve.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I've got a motion. Jeanie.

COUNCILMEMBER MURPHY: Second.

MAYOR SANDIFER: I have a motion and a second on this item. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed, nay. Motion passes.

Motion 10: **Kurt Knappen - Ward 3/Jeanie Murphy - Ward 2:** Ratify the semi-monthly claims for August 11, 2025, in the amount of \$3,409,755.75. **The motion carried 7-0-0.**

2. Miscellaneous Council Items

MAYOR SANDIFER: Item Number 2, Miscellaneous Items. Paul, do you have anything?

CITY MANAGER KRAMER: I do. With all the construction going on, and we've had quite a few updates recently and quite a bit of response from some businesses and residents, I did ask Kevin Manning to come and give us a brief update on, I think, four different projects and their status in the city. So, I'm going to turn it over to Kevin with my time.

(K-7 and 47th Street Update)

MR. MANNING: All right. Starting off tonight, I'm going to talk briefly about K-7 and 47th Street. So, if you recall, we had some discussions about the intersection and just concerns about maybe providing some additional visibility as to when that signal was going to turn red north and southbound on K-7. So, those signs have been installed and our operational. So, essentially, they're flashing signs northbound and southbound at 47th Street. And they'll go, basically start flashing about approximately second seconds before the signal turns red. So, just providing better visibility as to what that signal is going to do. And so, we're happy that project is complete. Any questions on that one?

(435 and Midland Update)

All right. Moving on to KDOT's 435 and Midland project. So, I know we've been talking about this for quite some time and trying to get a better idea of when that project is going to wrap up. As of today, I think we can say with a fair amount of confidence what we're saying -- hearing is that that basically Midland will be opening back up more than likely next week sometime. And so, if you've been out there, they have pulled traffic control for the most part going south on 435. There's still some traffic control going northbound. And then you still can't go underneath Midland. But more than likely sometime next week that will be pulled off and that interchange will basically be completely open. So, that's very good news. You know, we're happy about that. Any questions?

MAYOR SANDIFER: Tony.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Kevin, thanks.

MR. MANNING: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Just real quick. Is KDOT giving any indication of when you'll be able to go underneath? When will that open?

MR. MANNING: Yeah. More than likely next, like next week. Everything will be completely open next week. So, you'll be going --

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Sorry. I didn't --

MR. MANNING: -- be able to go under Midland. Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Thank you.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Thank you. Anyone else?

(Shawnee Mission Parkway Update)

MR. MANNING: All right. Moving on to the third item. So, you know, that project is impacting our Shawnee Mission Parkway project as you -- if you recall, we were going to kind of hold off on doing any work between 435 and Midland until KDOT's project was done. Luckily, if they're moving off next week, that restriction will be removed.

But if you've been in that area, the contractor is mobilizing. We're going to be doing some work at Shawnee Mission Parkway and Vista and then also Shawnee Mission Parkway and Woodland with some lane reconfigurations there.

And then we also are touching or replacing about 40 stormwater pipes on that project. So, it's quite a bit of stormwater work, which is good. We want to make sure that we get in there and replace any aging pipes before we overlay. Some of those pipes are parallel to the roadway. Some of them are underneath the roadway, and so those are obviously going to have a larger impact.

When we do have pipes underneath the roadway, basically the way that's going to work is we will kind of -- we will close like one lane if needed. And we'll be shifting traffic over, so they have enough room to work on those pipes. So, essentially what that means is, you know, we will have lane closures anytime we have a pipe underneath the roadway, but there will always be at least one lane open on eastbound and westbound Shawnee Mission Parkway at all times.

So, once that's complete, we will obviously be moving on to the mill and overlay, a portion of that work. That probably will not start until the milling, probably early September at the very earliest, and then they will have a lot of work to do out there.

But like I said, the big thing out there is that we will have at least one lane open on Shawnee Mission Parkway at all times. Any questions on that one?

(5900 Monticello Update)

All right. The final one I wanted to cover was 5900 Monticello, which was the emergency stormwater repair project. So, we did a temporary repair out there last week where our crews actually dug up, exposed kind of the void underneath the roadway that was causing the roadway to sink and then repaired the pipe and then put in a bunch of concrete and basically restored the pavement. So, everything on that went well. So, we have a lot of confidence that's going to hold up until we can get out there for our permanent repair.

And currently we're still kind of working through things with the contractor, but we're looking at probably October 1 being out there, around October 1st. And once that occurs, the roadway will be closed for about three to four weeks when that permanent repair is constructed. But October 1st is the best date we have right now. And if that changes, we'll continue to update the Governing Body. And then we're also keeping in constant contact with the school district as well.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Tony?

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Kevin, just any updates on our box supplier? Are we -

MR. MANNING: Boxes are in great shape, so.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Are we on track now?

MR. MANNING: We are good to go. Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: That is great news to hear.

MR. MANNING: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER GILLETTE: Thank you.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Anything else?

MR. MANNING: Nothing else.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Okay. Anyone on the Council have any items they'd like to discuss? Kurt.

COUNCILMEMBER KNAPPEN: I'll try this again. Yeah. I just wanted to mention, I think it was three weeks ago the City Manager went out of town, and we had seven sinkholes. Two weeks ago, our Chief of Police went out of town, and we had a major event at Hayward's. But the Deputy Chief stepped in, and the entire Police force did a great job. I just want to say hats off on a really bad situation but well handled by our Police Department.

And then finally, I wanted to give out a shout out for Dog Days this weekend and the Tour de Shawnee, which I'm going to try for the first time, the 34 miles. So, let's hope I make it. But welcome anybody to join me. Thank you.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Anyone else? Sierra.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITTED: Just a quick one. I wanted to thank all the staff involved with the Budget Open House. I don't know -- as far as I know, not many cities do that. I thought it was a blast, and I don't know how many Councilmembers get the honor of saying that a budget open house was fun. So, I highly encourage residents to attend next year when it's available. It's very educational. There's a lot of good work put into it. And yeah, thank you.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Anyone else?

J. ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR SANDIFER: If there's no other items, I'll accept a motion to adjourn. Angela.

COUNCILMEMBER STIENS: Move to adjourn.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Jeanie.

COUNCILMEMBER MURPHY: [Inaudible; talking off mic]

MAYOR SANDIFER: I have a motion and a second on this item. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

MAYOR SANDIFER: Opposed nay. We are adjourned.

Motion 14: Angela Stiens - Ward 3/Jeanie Murphy - Ward 2: Adjourn. The motion carried 7-0-0.

(Shawnee City Council Adjourned at 6:36 p.m.)

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the foregoing is a transcript to the best of my ability from the electronic sound recording of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

/das August 18, 2025

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