

The City of Andover, Kansas

City Council Minutes

**Andover City Hall
1609 East Central Avenue
October 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM**

Governing Body

Present

Mayor - Ronnie Price
Council Member - Tim Berry
Council Member - Phil Hamilton
Council Member - Homer Henry
Council Member - Jodi Ocadiz
Council Member - Mike Warrington
Council Member - Paul Wemmer

Absent - None

1. Call to Order

Mayor Price called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Roll Call

City Administrator, Jennifer McCausland
Assistant City Administrator, Jolene Graham
City Attorney, Andrew Kovar
Fire Chief, Chad Russell
Police Chief, Buck Buchanan
Finance Director, Matt Koehn
Director of Community Development, Les Mangus
Director of Public Works and Utilities, Rick Lanzrath
Public Information Officer, Megan Schapaugh
Parks and Recreation Manager, Daniel Schapaugh
Interim Planning and Zoning Administrator, Julie Boyd
City Clerk, Dana Engstrom (arrived at 7:45pm)

3. Invocation

Doug Hodgens with Christ Church led the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

The Mayor invited all present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Public Forum

Mayor Price opened the public forum. Speakers:

1. Darren Spitzenerger and Renee Frazier residents at 216 Sweetgum Court spoke regarding the employment of an Andover Municipal Golf Course employee and the management of the Golf Course. Council Member Warrington asked if they had spoken to staff regarding the issues and encouraged them to discuss with the Oak Golf Course Management and City staff to address the concerns. Mayor Price indicated the Governing Body can't provide guidance from the bench. Council Member Wemmer encouraged the residents to reach out to City staff to discuss.
2. Roth Christopherson expressed his concerns with the management of Oaks Golf Course and inquired about the contract process and who to discuss concerns with at the City.
3. Charles McCumber, a resident in El Dorado and member at the Oaks Golf Course, indicated that he enjoys the course immensely and expressed his support for an employee that was recently terminated by the Oaks Golf management and noted the golf course looks better than he has even seen since the employee began maintaining it.
4. Donnie Moore, Andover resident, expressed concerns with charges for recycling but doesn't use the service. At the request of Council Member Warrington, City Administrator McCausland discussed the ordinance that was approved in 2010 that mandates recycling for the City of Andover with mandatory pay, optional participation. Mayor Price reminded Mr. Moore that no changes can be made from the bench tonight on this matter.
5. Anna Warrington, resident at 1320 S. Colleen Terrace, expressed concerns regarding neighborhood pond maintenance in light of tornado damage and ongoing waterway/drainage issues from upstream. Additionally, she spoke about grant funding that her homeowner's association had desired to use for the Lakeview Heights neighborhood pond rather than for the replacement of the Lodge at Central Park. She explained how she perceives there to be discrepancies between current and previous Comprehensive Plans, particularly regarding drainage systems and their impact on existing developments. She highlighted the need for Council to prioritize the ongoing issues.
6. Cade Andrews, resident at 641 S. Allen Street, spoke regarding the proposed Thoroughbred apartments on the agenda this evening expressing concerns with noise and drainage issues. Council Member Warrington asked the applicant to address pond outfall regarding the Thoroughbred development when we get to that item on the agenda.

Mayor Price then closed the public forum.

6. Acceptance of Agenda

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Hamilton to accept the agenda as presented.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

7. Awards

7.1 Sergeant Garland Life Saving Award

Police Chief Buck Buchanan recognized Sergeant Garland with a Life Saving Award for an incident that occurred on April 26, 2025 where he successfully restored the patient's breathing and consciousness. Sergeant Garland was praised for his quick thinking and commitment to protecting and serving the community.

8. Consent Agenda

8.1 City Council Minutes

8.2 Appropriation Ordinance No. b.18.2025 \$10,815,593.54

8.3 Non-Elected Personnel Changes

- Chelsee Bell, new hire, Custodian II, effective 10/6/25
- Alivia Mastrobuono, new hire, Street Maintenance I, effective 10/27/25

8.4 Employee Handbook Update - Appendix 2 Position & Salary Classification

8.5 Lodge Change Order #009 Building Changes

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Hamilton to approve the Consent Agenda items 8.1-8.5 as presented.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

9. Preliminary PUD: The Thoroughbred

9.1 Mayor Price went through the checklist for Zoning Case Z-PUD25-0009, to adopt an ordinance to establish the Thoroughbred Preliminary Planned PUD Plan with

underlying MXR Multiple Family/Mixed Residential and B-5 Highway Corridor Mixed-Use Business Zoning Districts.

No Council Members indicated they intended to disqualify themselves from participation in the case due to a conflict of interest.

No Council Members indicated they received any ex parte communication either verbally or in writing prior to this agenda item.

Deputy City Clerk/Assistant City Administrator Jolene Graham indicated a valid protest petition was received in the City Clerk's office regarding this item. The Mayor reminded the Council that six (6) affirmative votes are necessary to approve the case.

All Council Members indicated they received draft minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held September 16, 2025 which summarizes the hearings of the case.

Interim Planning and Zoning Administrator Julie Boyd presented this item and addressed Council President Henry and Council Member Hamilton's questions.

Council Member Warrington expressed concerns regarding drainage issues throughout the City.

Mayor Price provided context in terms of the most recent concerns brought to Council's attention and how those are civil matters.

Director of Community Development explained runoff reports as it pertains to new developments and addressed Council Member Warrington's questions.

Council Member Berry expressed the importance in making sure proper drainage is planned correctly when new developments come in to town.

City Clerk Dana Engstrom indicated no written communication was received in the City Clerk's office regarding this item.

Josh Robinson, Director of Development and in-house Counsel for Winterwood Development introduced himself and expressed his commitment to compliance with all City requirements noting the design intentionally aligns with the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Mayor Price opened the public hearing. Speakers:

1. Cade Andrew, resident at 641 S. Allen Street, spoke regarding the project and requested that drainage is addressed correctly and the neighborhood finished.

2. Jason Gish from MKEC Engineering confirmed compliance with drainage regulations as detailed in the drainage report and clarified design responsibilities, indicating detailed plans are available for review. Council President Henry expressed his appreciation for the transparent communication between stakeholders, engineering team, and staff.

Mayor Price then closed the public hearing.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Wemmer to adopt the findings of fact and recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve Case Z-PUD25-0009 establishing the Thoroughbred Preliminary PUD Plan with the underlying MXR Multiple Family / Mixed Residential and B-5 Highway Corridor Mixed-Use Business Zoning Districts.

City Clerk Engstrom took a roll call vote:

AYES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Price, and Wemmer
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Warrington

CARRIED 6/1.

Mayor Price noted that any persons aggrieved by the final decision of the Council on this matter has 30 days after today's action within which to appeal to District Court.

10. Bid Award for Fire Engine Lease Agreement

10.1 Fire Engine Financing - Bid Award

Finance Director Koehn presented this item and addressed Council President Henry's question.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Ocadiz to award lease-purchase financing for a new Fire Engine in the amount of \$1,018,000.00 to Clayton Holdings LLC.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

10.2 Fire Engine Financing - Ordinance

Director of Finance Koehn presented this item. There were no Governing Body questions.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Ocadiz to adopt an Ordinance authorizing the purchase of a fire truck and providing for the execution of a lease-purchase agreement between the City of Andover and Clayton Holding LLC.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

10.3 Fire Engine Financing - Lease/Purchase and Escrow Agreements

Director of Finance Koehn presented this item.

Chief Russell addressed Council President Henry's question.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Ocadiz to approve the Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement between Clayton Holdings LLC and the City of Andover for the financing of a new Fire Engine and the Escrow Agreement between Clayton Holdings LLC, The City of Andover, and UMB Bank.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

11. KDOT Innovative Technology Grant Agreement

11.1 Director of Public Works and Utilities Rick Lanzrath presented this item and addressed Council President Henry's question.

Council Member Berry congratulated staff on receiving the grant to pay for such amazing technology, saving the City lots of money.

Council Member Berry moved, seconded by Council Member Ocadiz to accept the grant award from Kansas Department of Transportation for an Innovative Technology project and authorize the Mayor to sign a grant acceptance agreement.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

12. 2026 Employee Pay Plan

Director of Human Resources Chasity Page presented this item and addressed Council President Henry's question.

Council Member Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Hamilton, to approve the 2026 Pay Plan as presented to be effective on the first pay check received in January 2026.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

13. Executive Session

13.1 Executive Session: Non-Elected Personnel (K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1))

Council Member Hamilton moved, seconded by Council Member Warrington to recess into executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The meeting will include the Governing Body and City Attorney. The open meeting will resume in the council chambers at 9:15pm.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Ocadiz to return from Executive Session at 9:17 pm.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Hamilton to recess into executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The meeting will include the Governing Body, City Administrator, and City Attorney. The open meeting will resume in the council chambers at 9:45pm.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer

NO: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Wemmer to return from Executive Session at 9:53pm.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer

NO: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Wemmer to approve the City Administrator's contract as presented.

City Clerk Engstrom took a roll call vote:

YES: Henry, Wemmer

NO: Berry, Hamilton Ocadiz, Warrington

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

FAILED 4/2.

Mayor Price voted yes for the record but isn't part of the official vote.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Hamilton to recess into executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The meeting will include the Governing Body and City Attorney. The open meeting will resume in the council chambers at 10:10pm.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Wemmer to return from Executive Session at 10:10pm.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Ocadiz to recess into executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The meeting will include the Governing Body, City Administrator, and City Attorney. The open meeting will resume in the council chambers at 10:26pm.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Ocadiz to return from Executive Session at 10:26pm.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Ocadiz to approve the City Administrator's contract as presented.

City Clerk Engstrom took a roll call vote:

YES: Berry, Henry, Ocadiz, Wemmer

NO: Hamilton, Warrington
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 4/2.

14. Member Items

Council Member Wemmer reported his attendance at the League Annual Conference, the Kansas Economic Outlook Conference, and the KDOT Local Consult noting these engagements provided critical insights for the future directions of our State and City. He indicated he would provide recaps on Rep'd.

Council Member Warrington had no items to report.

Council Member Ocadiz announced that the Andover High School vs. the Andover Central High School football game will be held Friday, 10/24 and to come enjoy some free popcorn.

Council President Henry thanked staff for the Grant for the Innovative Technology Program.

Council Member Hamilton congratulated Council Member Berry on his appointment on the Board of Directors for the League of Kansas Municipalities. Additionally, he thanked Council Member Wemmer for his Council meeting recap videos on Rep'd.

Council Member Berry indicated he has information to provide to the City on the World Cup in June 2026 he wants to share with staff.

Mayor Price asked Fire Chief Russell for an update on the federal grant for breathing apparatus that was awarded to the Andover Fire Department. He also asked City Administrator McCausland to highlight Fire Chief Russell's recent achievement of receiving his Chief Fire Officer certification.

15. Adjourn

Council President Henry moved, seconded by Council Member Ocadiz to adjourn the October 14, 2025 City Council Meeting at 10:32pm.

YES: Berry, Hamilton, Henry, Ocadiz, Warrington, and Wemmer
NO: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED 6/0.

Respectfully Submitted by

Dana Engstrom
City Clerk

Approved this 28th day of October 2025 by the City Council, City of Andover, Kansas.