

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TULSA, OKLAHOMA,**

scheduled for Wednesday, June 25, 2025, at 4:00 P.M. in Room 411, One Technology Center, 175 E. 2nd St., Fourth Floor, Tulsa, OK, to transact all business as set out in Notice and Agenda posted in the Office of City Clerk, One Technology Center, 175 E. 2nd St., Room 260, Tulsa, OK on Monday, June 23, 2025, at 3:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lakin called the meeting to order at 4:07 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Hall-Harper	Absent	Bengel	Present
Archie	Present	Decter Wright	Present
Dutton	Present	Lakin	Present
Bellis	Absent	Bush	Present
Gilbert	Present		
Present:		7	
Absent:		2	

Councilor Hall-Harper arrived at 4:10 P.M.

STAFF PRESENT

Jack Blair, City Attorney
Sarah Davis, Council Administrator
Lori Doring, Secretary to the Council

2. Pre-meeting discussion of updates, anticipated activities and processes to be followed on items listed on the Agenda of the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for this evening at 5:00 P.M. as posted with the City Clerk, including but not limited to new back-up materials, requested changes in the agenda order and other possible changes or additions (other than discussion, no action will be taken).

Discussion ensued.

3. Weekly update from the Council Administrator, or her designee, on Council Office administration, staffing, resources, schedules, and events. Other than discussion, no action will be taken.

Council Administrator Sarah Davis discussed staffing updates for the holiday.

Jack Blair, City Attorney, recommended that, pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4), Council enter Executive Session to discuss the request of former Tulsa Police Officer David Witt, former Tulsa Police Officer Jon Cozad, Senior Assistant City Attorney Becky Johnson, Assistant City Attorney Hayes Martin, Tulsa Police Lieutenant Kathleen Whitehead, retired Tulsa Police Officer Debbie Daniels, Tulsa Police Officer James Slay, and Tulsa Police Chief Dennis Larsen for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma, as the public disclosure of any confidential discussion regarding this item will seriously impair the ability of the City to process the claim or conduct a pending investigation, litigation, or proceeding in the public interest. An Executive Session to discuss this item will preserve the attorney-client privilege.

Items 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 were read and voted on together.

4. Consider motion and vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4) to discuss the request of former Tulsa Police Officer David Witt for legal

representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-508-1

- 6. Consider motion and vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4) to discuss the request of former Tulsa Police Officer Jon Cozad for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-509-1
- 8. Consider motion and vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4) to discuss the request of Senior Assistant City Attorney Becky Johnson for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-510-1
- 10. Consider motion and vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4) to discuss the request of Assistant City Attorney Hayes Martin for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-511-1
- 12. Consider motion and vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4) to discuss the request of Tulsa Police Lieutenant Kathleen Whitehead for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-527-1
- 14. Consider motion and vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4) to discuss the request of retired Tulsa Police Officer Debbie Daniels for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-528-1
- 16. Consider motion and vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4) to discuss the request of Tulsa Police Officer James Slay for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-529-1
- 18. Consider motion and vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4) to discuss the request of Tulsa Police Chief Dennis Larsen for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-537-1

Councilor Decter Wright moved to enter Executive Session on items 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18. Councilor Bengel seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Hall-Harper	Yea	Bengel	Yea
Archie	Yea	Decter Wright	Yea
Dutton	Yea	Lakin	Yea
Bellis	Absent	Bush	Yea
Gilbert	Yea		
Yeas: 8	Nays: 0	Absent: 1	Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

Council entered Executive Session at 4:15 P.M.

Guests exited the meeting at this time. Jack Blair from the City Legal Department, Ethan Sneed, outside Counsel with Connor-Smith PLP, and Council Staff members Sarah Davis and Lori Doring were formally invited to remain for the Executive Session.

Ethan Sneed, outside Counsel with Connor-Smith PLP, addressed the Council regarding the case.

Discussion ensued. No action taken in Executive Session.

Items 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17 and 19 were read and voted on together.

5. Exit Executive Session to discuss and possibly take action on the request of former Tulsa Police Officer David Witt for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-508-2
7. Exit Executive Session to discuss and possibly take action on the request of former Tulsa Police Officer Jon Cozad for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-509-2
9. Exit Executive Session to discuss and possibly take action on the request of Senior Assistant City Attorney Becky Johnson for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-510-2
11. Exit Executive Session to discuss and possibly take action on the request of Assistant City Attorney Hayes Martin for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-511-2
13. Exit Executive Session to discuss and possibly take action on the request of Tulsa Police Lieutenant Kathleen Whitehead for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-527-2
15. Exit Executive Session to discuss and possibly take action on the request of retired Tulsa Police Officer Debbie Daniels for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-528-2
17. Exit Executive Session to discuss and possibly take action on the request of Tulsa Police Officer James Slay for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-529-2
19. Exit Executive Session to discuss and possibly take action on the request of Tulsa Police Chief Dennis Larsen for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. [CC 6/25/25] 25-537-2

Without objection, Council exited Executive Session at 4:41 P.M.

Councilor Decter Wright moved to approve the request of former Tulsa Police Officer David Witt, former Tulsa Police Officer Jon Cozad, Senior Assistant City Attorney Becky Johnson, Assistant City Attorney Hayes Martin, Tulsa Police Lieutenant Kathleen Whitehead, retired Tulsa Police Officer Debbie Daniels, Tulsa Police Officer James Slay, and Tulsa Police Chief Dennis Larsen for legal representation in the matter of Case No. 25-CV-179, William Henry Jamerson v. City of Tulsa et al filed in the United States

District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. Councilor Bengel seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Hall-Harper	Yea	Bengel	Yea
Archie	Yea	Decter Wright	Yea
Dutton	Yea	Lakin	Yea
Bellis	Absent	Bush	Yea
Gilbert	Yea		

Yeas: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

20. Adjournment.

Chair Lakin adjourned the meeting at 4:42 P.M.

Phil Lakin, Jr., Chair of the Council

Lori Doring, Secretary to the Council