

May 18, 2023

The **SPECIAL** meeting of the **CHICKASHA CITY COUNCIL** was held in the council chambers in city hall on the 18th day of May 2023 as specified by advance public notice with a properly prepared agenda stating the subject matter or matters to be discussed at said meeting. Mayor Mosley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ITEM 1. **Call to Order / Roll Call / Opening Prayer / Pledge of Allegiance**

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

PRESENT: Chris Mosley, Mayor
 Zachary Grayson, Vice-Mayor
 Oscar Nelson
 Georgianne Hebblethwaite
 R. P. Ashanti-Alexander
 Rick Croslin
 Brian Gerdes

ABSENT: Kelly Boyd
 Kea Ginn

STAFF

PRESENT: Keith Johnson, City Manager
 Amanda Mullins, City Attorney
 Susan McDaniel, City Clerk
 Tony Samaniego, Fire Chief
 Spencer Winzenried, Parks & Rec Director
 Robert Brooks, Treasurer
 Rachel Bernish, Community Development Director
 Lillie Huckaby, Library Director
 Shae Mortimer, Marketing & Civic Engagement Manager

ITEM 1. **Call to Order/Roll Call/Opening Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance:**

Council Member Ashanti-Alexander gave the invocation and Council Member Grayson lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 2. **Citizen Comments:**

(City Council Rules and Regulations limit visitor comments to a maximum of three minutes.)

ITEM 3. **Council Communications.**

Council Member Ashanti-Alexander requested that the City reach out to the railroad regarding the crossings being blocked for such extensive periods of time.

ITEM 4. **Discussion and Consideration Items:**

ITEM 4a. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION WITH RESPECT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06R OF THE CITY OF CHICKASHA, OKLAHOMA (THE “CITY”) APPROVING ACTION TAKEN BY THE CHICKASHA MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY (THE “AUTHORITY”) AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF A PROMISSORY NOTE OF THE AUTHORITY TO THE OKLAHOMA WATER RESOURCES BOARD; RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING LEASE(S) PERTAINING TO THE LEASING OF THE UTILITY SYSTEMS OF THE CITY TO THE AUTHORITY AND/OR AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDED LEASE(S) BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE AUTHORITY PERTAINING TO SAID UTILITY SYSTEMS; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.

*Motion by Council Member Nelson and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve Resolution No. 2023-06R as presented.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:”	Hebblethwaite, Grayson, Ashanti-Alexander, Croslin, Gerdes, Nelson, and Mosley.
“Nays:”	None.
“Abstain:”	None.
Motion passed.	7-0

ITEM 4b. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION WITH RESPECT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2023-07R AUTHORIZING THE CALLING AND HOLDING OF A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF CHICKASHA, STATE OF OKLAHOMA (THE "CITY"), ON THE 8TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2023, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED QUALIFIED ELECTORS

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OF SAID CITY THE QUESTION OF APPROVAL OR REJECTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2023-20 OF THE CITY RELATING TO A ONE AND ONE QUARTER PERCENT (1.25%) EXCISE TAX (SALES TAX), IN ADDITION TO ALL PRESENT CITY, COUNTY AND STATE EXCISE TAXES, WITH THE PROCEEDS OF SAID TAX TO BE USED TO FUND CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF THE CITY, OR DEBT SERVICE IN CONNECTION WITH CAPITAL EXPENDITURES, AS MORE SPECIFICALLY SET OUT IN ORDINANCE NO. 2023-20 OF SAID CITY; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Ashanti-Alexander to approve Resolution 2023-07R as presented.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Grayson, Ashanti-Alexander, Croslin, Gerdes, Nelson, Hebblethwaite, and Mosley.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	7-0

ITEM 4c. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION WITH RESPECT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2023-08R OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICKASHA, GRADY COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA, AMENDING THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE TO INCREASE THE EXISTING WATER RATES FOR WATER USAGE BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023, PROVIDED THAT SUCH INCREASE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1, 2023 IF THE "ONE AND ONE QUARTER PERCENT (1.25%) SALES TAX" PROPOSITION IS PASSED BY THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF CHICKASHA ON AUGUST 8, 2023; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

*Motion by Council Member Gerdes and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve Resolution 2023-08R as presented.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Ashanti-Alexander, Croslin, Gerdes, Nelson, Hebblethwaite, Grayson, and Mosley.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	7-0

ITEM 4d.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION WITH RESPECT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2023-20 OF THE CITY OF CHICKASHA, OKLAHOMA, RELATING TO THE IMPOSITION OF A CITY EXCISE TAX (SALES TAX) OF ONE AND ONE QUARTER PERCENT (1.25%) (IN ADDITION TO ANY AND ALL OTHER EXCISE TAXES NOW IN FORCE) TO BE LEVIED UPON THE GROSS PROCEEDS OR GROSS RECEIPTS DERIVED FROM ALL SALES TAXABLE UNDER THE OKLAHOMA SALES TAX CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF THE PROCEEDS OF SAID EXCISE TAX; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SAID EXCISE TAX; PROVIDING FOR SUBSISTING STATE PERMITS; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF TAX; PROVIDING THAT THE TAX IS IN ADDITION TO TAXES CURRENTLY LEVIED; INCORPORATING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF PRIOR CITY ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE ARE CUMULATIVE AND IN ADDITION TO ANY AND ALL TAXING PROVISIONS OF OTHER CITY ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Ashanti-Alexander to approve Ordinance 2023-20 as presented.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Croslin, Gerdes, Nelson, Hebblethwaite, Grayson, Ashanti-Alexander, and Mosley.

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 7-0

ITEM 4e.

Discussion, consideration, and possible action to waive the competitive bidding requirements and authorize staff to solicit bids for COC-2304 – repair to the intersection of 14th and Missouri based on the City Council’s determination that an emergency exists which is critical to life, health, or destruction of property causing economic loss to the city or its inhabitants.

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Nelson to waive the competitive bidding requirements and authorize staff to solicit bids for COC-2304 – repair to the intersection of 14th and Missouri based on the City Council’s

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determination that an emergency exists which is critical to life, health, or destruction of property causing economic loss to the city or its inhabitants.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Gerdes, Nelson, Hebblethwaite, Grayson, Ashanti-Alexander, Croslin, and Mosley.

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 7-0

ITEM 5. Adjournment:

Motion by Council Member Ashanti-Alexander and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

TIME: 7:15 P.M.

_____/s/_____
Chris Mosley, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____/s/_____
Susan M. McDaniel, CMC - City Clerk

Approved this 5th day of June 2023.