

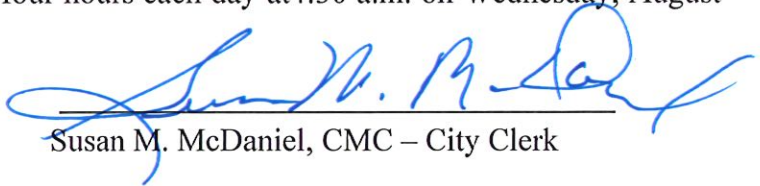
NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
CHICKASHA CITY COUNCIL and
CHICKASHA MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

In compliance with Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, Section 301-314, the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, including the posting of notice and agenda, be advised that the Chickasha City Council and Chickasha Municipal Authority of the City of Chickasha, Oklahoma, will conduct a **SPECIAL MEETINGS ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2026, AT 5:00 P. M.** Said meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 117 North 4th, Chickasha, Oklahoma.

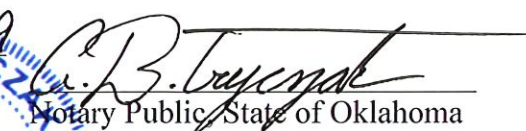
The City of Chickasha encourages participation from all its citizens. If participation is not possible due to a disability, notification to the City Clerk at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting is encouraged to make the necessary accommodations. The City may waive the 48-hour rule if signing is not the necessary accommodation. All items on this agenda, including but not limited to any agenda item concerning the adoption of any ordinance, resolution, contract, agreement, or any other item of business, are subject to amendment, including additions and/or deletions. This rule will apply to every individual agenda item without exception, and without providing this same amendment language with respect to each individual agenda item. Such amendments should be rationally related to the topic of the agenda item, or the governing body will be advised to continue the item. The governing body may adopt, approve, ratify, deny, defer, recommend, amend, strike, or continue any agenda item. When more information is needed to act on an item, the governing body may refer the matter to its City/Trust Manager, staff, attorney or to the recommending board, commission or committee.

Agenda items are attached.

I, Susan M. McDaniel, City Clerk, posted this **Special Meeting Agenda** on the official City of Chickasha bulletin board in the Municipal Building, 117 North 4th Street Chickasha, OK, 73018, which is accessible to the public twenty-four hours each day at 4:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 2026.


Susan M. McDaniel, CMC – City Clerk

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of August 2026.

My Commission Expires: 07/03/29 
Notary Public, State of Oklahoma



CHICKASHA CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING

AGENDA
LOCATION OF MEETING
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
117 NORTH FOURTH STREET
CHICKASHA, OKLAHOMA 73018

TIME OF MEETING
5:00 P. M.

DATE OF MEETING
AUGUST 21, 2026

1. Call to Order/Roll Call.
2. Discussion and Consideration:
 - a. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve Ordinance 2026-21 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHICKASHA, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING PART II, CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 52, UTILITIES, ARTICLE II, WATER, BY ENACTING NEW SECTIONS 52-60 THROUGH 52-67 THEREOF, ESTABLISHING STAGE ONE MANDATORY ALTERNATE DAY OUTDOOR WATER USE RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY WATER SYSTEM; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING EXEMPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS; PROVIDING FOR VARIANCES; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING RESTRICTION OR SUSPENSION OF WATER SERVICE AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING; PROVIDING PENALTIES OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00), TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00), AND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) FOR FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND PUBLICATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
 - b. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the emergency clause of Ordinance 2026-21.
3. Motion to Adjourn.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-21

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WHEREAS, the City of Chickasha owns and operates a public water system that supplies treated potable water to residences, businesses, schools, health care facilities, and other customers located within and outside the corporate limits of the City; and

WHEREAS, 11 O.S. Section 37-102 authorizes the City to pass all ordinances, penal or otherwise, that are necessary and proper for the full protection, maintenance, management, and control of its waterworks, and 11 O.S. Section 37-109 authorizes the City to provide by ordinance for appropriate penalties as the governing body may deem proper for the regulation and protection of the waterworks; and

WHEREAS, sustained extreme heat and the absence of meaningful rainfall have driven demand upon the City water system to a level at or near the maximum rate at which the City water treatment plant is able to produce and deliver treated potable water; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds, and expressly declares for the information of the citizens of Chickasha, that the restrictions imposed by this ordinance are not occasioned by a shortage of raw water available to the City. The City has water. The limiting factor is the capacity of the City to treat that water and to deliver treated potable water into the distribution system at the rate that present demand requires. When customer demand equals or exceeds the rate at which the plant can produce and deliver treated water, the volume of treated water held in storage declines and pressure falls throughout the distribution system; and

WHEREAS, a loss of pressure in the distribution system endangers the public health and safety of the entire community.; and

WHEREAS, outdoor landscape irrigation is the largest discretionary component of summer peak demand upon the City water system, and an orderly and nondiscriminatory reduction in outdoor water use will materially reduce peak demand and will preserve treatment capacity, storage, and pressure for essential indoor, institutional, and fire protection uses; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires and requests the cooperation of the citizens of Chickasha in this effort, and finds that an alternate day outdoor watering schedule keyed to street address is a reasonable, orderly, nondiscriminatory, and least restrictive means of achieving the necessary reduction in peak demand while permitting every customer of the City water system to maintain lawns, gardens, and landscaping; and

WHEREAS, Section 52-58 of the Code of Ordinances presently authorizes the mayor, the City Council, and the City Manager to restrict or prohibit the use of water from the City water system upon the declaration of a water emergency, and the City Council finds it necessary and proper to supplement that authority with standing, self-executing restrictions, a defined notice procedure, and a schedule of penalties sufficient to secure compliance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICKASHA, OKLAHOMA

SECTION 1. Part II, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 52, Utilities, Article II, Water, of the City of Chickasha, Oklahoma, is hereby amended by enacting new Sections 52-60 through 52-67 thereof, to read as follows:

Sec. 52-60. Purpose; scope; relation to other provisions of this Code.

(a) The purpose of sections 52-60 through 52-67 is to reduce peak demand upon the city water system so that the city may maintain adequate pressure and an adequate supply of treated potable water for domestic consumption, sanitation, health care, and fire protection at all times.

(b) Sections 52-60 through 52-67 apply to all use of water furnished by the city water system, whether the point of use lies within or outside the corporate limits of the city, and whether the water is delivered through a retail meter, a master meter, a fire hydrant meter, or otherwise. As to a customer served under a written contract for water service outside the corporate limits, the requirements of sections 52-60 through 52-67 constitute a rationing program ordered by the city within the meaning of 11 O.S. Section 37-119, and compliance is a term and condition of that contract.

(c) Sections 52-60 through 52-67 supplement and do not limit, repeal, or supersede section 52-58 of this Code, and nothing in these sections limits the authority of the mayor, the city council, or the city manager under section 52-58 or under any other provision of law to impose further or more severe restrictions upon the use of water in the event of an emergency.

(d) Notwithstanding section 52-4(a) of this Code, service of a written notice of violation and the allowance of a period within which to correct a violation are not conditions precedent to the issuance of a citation for a violation of sections 52-60 through 52-67, provided that notice of the restrictions has been given in the manner prescribed by section 52-64.

Sec. 52-61. Definitions.

For the purposes of sections 52-60 through 52-67, the following words and phrases have the meanings ascribed to them in this section. Words and phrases not defined in this section have the meanings ascribed to them elsewhere in this Code, or, if not defined in this Code, their ordinary meanings.

Accountholder means the person or entity in whose name an account for water service from the city water system is carried upon the records of the city, whether or not that person or entity occupies the service address.

City manager means the city manager of the City of Chickasha, any person serving as acting city manager, and any employee or officer of the city designated by the city manager to act under sections 52-60 through 52-67.

City water system means the waterworks of the City of Chickasha, including all supplies, facilities, plants, storage, mains, lines, and equipment used for the treatment, storage, and distribution of potable water by the city.

Customer means any person or entity that uses water furnished by the city water system, including an accountholder, a tenant, an occupant, an agent or employee of an accountholder, and any person or entity receiving water through a master meter or under a contract for water service outside the corporate limits.

Hand watering means the application of water by means of a hand held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle and held in the hand of the person applying the water, or by means of a hand held bucket, watering can, or similar container.

Landscape irrigation means the application of water to lawns, turf, grass, sod, trees, shrubs, flowers, gardens, or other vegetation, and includes the operation of any in ground, automatic, portable, or hose end sprinkler system.

Outdoor water use means any use of water from the city water system out of doors, including landscape irrigation, the washing of vehicles, boats, trailers, and equipment, the washing or hosing of sidewalks, driveways, patios, parking areas, streets, and the exterior surfaces of buildings, the filling or refilling of swimming pools, spas, ponds, and ornamental fountains, and the operation of outdoor misting and cooling devices. Outdoor water use does not include the watering of livestock, poultry, or other animals, and does not include water used for firefighting or other public safety purposes.

Service address means the street address, or, where no street address exists, the legal description or account location, at which water furnished by the city water system is delivered through a given meter or connection.

Sec. 52-62. Stage One alternate day outdoor water use restrictions.

(a) Alternate day schedule. No customer shall engage in outdoor water use at a service address except upon the days permitted by this subsection.

(1) A service address the street address number of which ends in an odd digit, being 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9, may engage in outdoor water use only upon odd numbered days of the calendar month.

(2) A service address the street address number of which ends in an even digit, being 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8, may engage in outdoor water use only upon even numbered days of the calendar month.

(3) A service address that has no street address number, or the street address number of which ends in a letter, fraction, or other character that is not a digit, shall be treated as an even numbered address. Where a street address number is followed by a unit, apartment, suite, or space designation, the last digit of the street address number and not the designation controls.

(4) No customer shall engage in outdoor water use upon the thirty-first day of any calendar month.

(b) Permitted hours. Outdoor water use permitted by subsection (a) of this section shall occur only between the hours of 12:00 a.m. (midnight) to 4:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. through and 11:59 p.m. The purpose of this subsection is to move discretionary outdoor water use into the hours in which demand upon the city water system is lowest, so that treatment capacity, storage, and pressure are preserved during the hours of highest demand.

(c) Automatic systems. A customer who maintains an automatic or timed irrigation system shall set and maintain the controller of that system so that the system operates only upon the days and within the hours permitted by this section. Failure to reset a controller is not a defense to a violation of this section.

(d) Waste of water prohibited. Regardless of the day or hour, no customer shall permit water furnished by the city water system to run to waste, and no customer shall operate an irrigation system, sprinkler, or hose in such manner that water flows or is sprayed onto a public street, gutter, alley, sidewalk, or adjoining property, or so that water is discharged from a broken, missing, or misdirected sprinkler head or from a broken or leaking line, valve, or fitting. A customer shall repair any leak or break in the customer service line, irrigation system, or plumbing at the service address within seventy-two (72) hours after discovering it or after receiving notice of it from the city.

(e) Responsibility of accountholder. The accountholder is responsible for all water used at the service address, and a violation of this section by a tenant, occupant, family member, guest, agent, employee, or contractor of the accountholder at the service address is a violation by the accountholder.

Sec. 52-63. Exemptions.

The following are exempt from the day and hour restrictions of section 52-62(a) and (b), but are not exempt from the prohibition against the waste of water contained in section 52-62(d):

(1) Hand watering, as defined in section 52-61, of any lawn, garden, tree, shrub, flower, or other vegetation.

(2) Watering by means of drip irrigation, micro irrigation, bubbler, or soaker hose laid upon or below the surface of the ground, and the watering of the foundation of any structure by means of a soaker hose or a hand held hose.

(3) The use of water drawn from a private well, pond, lake, stream, cistern, rainwater harvesting system, reclaimed water system, or any other source that is not the city water system, provided that a sign not less than eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by eleven (11) inches identifying the alternate source is conspicuously posted and visible from the street at the service address during such use.

(4) Watering upon the immediate premises of a commercial nursery, greenhouse, sod farm, or tree farm of plants, shrubs, sod, or trees held for sale, and irrigation of a commercial agricultural or horticultural crop.

(5) Watering of a newly installed lawn, sod, seed, or landscape for a period of twenty-one (21) days following the date of installation, provided that a sign not less than eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by eleven (11) inches stating the date of installation is conspicuously posted and visible from the street at the service address during that period, and provided further that such watering does not occur between the hours of 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m.

(6) Watering of a lawn within twenty-four (24) hours after treatment by a commercial lawn care, landscape, or pest control business, provided that a sign not less than eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by eleven (11) inches stating the date and time of the treatment is conspicuously posted and visible from the street at the service address.

(7) Commercial car washes; the washing of vehicles used to transport food, food products, perishable goods, medical supplies, or solid waste; and the washing of law enforcement, fire, emergency medical, and other public safety vehicles and equipment.

(8) Water used for firefighting, fire suppression system testing conducted under the supervision of the fire chief, hydrant flushing and other operation and maintenance of the city water system conducted by or at the direction of the city, and any other use necessary to protect the public health or safety.

(9) Water used in the operation of a hospital, nursing facility, assisted living facility, or other licensed health care facility, and water used in the operation of a business or industrial process in which the use of water is necessary to the production of goods or the provision of services and is not reasonably susceptible of deferral.

(10) Water used for the compaction of soil or the control of dust where required by a permit, by contract with the city, or by state or federal law, and water used in the initial filling of a newly constructed swimming pool, provided in each case that the city manager has approved the use in advance in writing.

Sec. 52-64. Notice to customers.

(a) The city manager shall cause notice of the restrictions imposed by sections 52-60 through 52-67 to be given to the public by any one or more of the following means, and any such notice is sufficient for purposes of section 52-60(d):

(1) Posting of a written notice at the service address.

(2) Delivery of a written notice in person to the accountholder, the customer, or any adult occupant of the service address.

(3) Mailing of a written notice, postage prepaid, to the accountholder at the billing address shown upon the records of the city, whether enclosed with the utility bill or sent separately, which notice shall be deemed received three (3) business days after mailing.

(4) Transmission of the notice by electronic mail or text message to an address or telephone number furnished to the city by the accountholder.

(5) Announcement of the restrictions upon a radio or television station or an internet platform serving the city.

(6) Publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality.

Sec. 52-65. Variances.

(a) An accountholder may apply in writing to the city manager for a temporary variance from the requirements of section 52-62. The city manager shall grant or deny the application in writing and shall state the reasons for the decision. The decision of the city manager is final.

(b) A variance may be granted only upon a showing that an existing in ground irrigation system cannot physically be operated in compliance with section 52-62, that additional watering is necessary following the installation of a new landscape beyond the period allowed by section 52-63(5), or that special circumstances exist which impose an extreme hardship upon the applicant and which are not shared generally by other customers of the city water system. Inconvenience, aesthetic concern, and financial loss are not grounds for a variance.

(c) A variance applies only to the service address and to the accountholder identified in the variance. No accountholder has a right to the issuance of a variance, and no person has any property or personal right or interest in the issuance or continuance of a variance. The city manager may condition, suspend, or terminate a variance at any time. A variance is automatically suspended upon the effective date of any ordinance, proclamation, or declaration imposing a total prohibition upon outdoor water use.

(d) The city council may by resolution establish a fee for the application for, review of, and issuance of a variance.

Sec. 52-66. Enforcement; restriction or suspension of water service; administrative hearing.

(a) Condition of service. Compliance with sections 52-60 through 52-67 is a requirement and a condition of continued water service from the city water system and is a term of the contract for utility service between the city and every accountholder. A violation of section 52-62 is a breach of that contract as well as an offense under this Code.

(b) Enforcement officers. Any police officer of the city, and any employee of the city designated in writing by the city manager as a water conservation enforcement officer, may issue a citation for a violation of sections 52-60 through 52-67.

(c) Restriction or suspension of service. Upon a third or subsequent violation of section 52-62 at a service address within any period of twelve (12) consecutive months, the city may restrict or suspend water service to that service address, and shall, where a separate irrigation cutoff valve exists and is known to the city, restrict or suspend service through the irrigation line only. Before restricting or suspending service under this subsection, the city shall deliver to the accountholder a written notice stating the violations relied upon, the date upon which service will be restricted or suspended, which date shall be not less than three (3) business days after the notice is delivered or mailed, and the right of the accountholder to request an administrative hearing under subsection (e) of this section. A timely request for a hearing stays the restriction or suspension until the hearing is held and decided.

(d) Immediate suspension. Notwithstanding subsection (c) of this section, where the city manager determines that a condition exists which causes or threatens to cause an imminent danger to the public health or safety, the city may immediately restrict or suspend water service to a service address at which water is being used in violation of section 52-62, in which event written notice and the opportunity for a hearing under subsection (e) of this section shall be given as promptly as circumstances permit after the restriction or suspension.

(e) Administrative hearing. An accountholder whose water service has been restricted or suspended under this section may, within seven (7) calendar days after the notice or after the restriction or suspension, whichever is earlier, request in writing an administrative hearing before the city manager or at the city manager's direction, the assistant city manager. The hearing shall be held within five (5) business days after the request. The accountholder may appear, be represented, present evidence, and examine the evidence and witnesses relied upon by the city. The hearing is limited to the question whether water was used at the service address in violation of section 52-62 and to the charges imposed under subsection (f) of this section, and is not a hearing upon any citation issued for the same facts. Upon the conclusion of the hearing the city manager shall in writing direct the restoration of service, direct the restoration of service upon stated conditions, or direct that the restriction or suspension continue, and shall determine whether the accountholder shall bear the charges imposed under subsection (f) of this section.

(f) Charges. The city may charge an accountholder whose service is restricted or suspended under this section the cost of the restriction or suspension and the cost of the restoration of service, in the amounts established in the schedule of fees adopted by the city council. Those charges are contractual and are separate from and in addition to any fine imposed

by the municipal court. The restriction or suspension of service does not relieve the accountholder of the obligation to pay all utility charges when due.

(g) Irrigation cutoff valve. Every irrigation system installed at a service address after the effective date of this section shall be provided with a separate cutoff valve located in the city right of way or in a utility easement, so that water service through the irrigation system may be suspended without suspending water service to the structure for other uses. As a term of the contract for utility service, the city is granted the right to enter upon the service address for the purpose of operating that valve.

(h) Remedies cumulative. The remedies provided by this section are cumulative of one another and of the penalties provided by section 52-67, and the city may pursue any one or more of them.

Sec. 52-67. Penalties.

(a) Any person who violates any provision of sections 52-60 through 52-67 is guilty of an offense and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine as follows, together with all applicable court costs, fees, and assessments:

(1) For a first offense within any period of twelve (12) consecutive months, One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

(2) For a second offense within any period of twelve (12) consecutive months, Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).

(3) For a third and each subsequent offense within any period of twelve (12) consecutive months, Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

(b) In no event shall a fine imposed under this section exceed the maximum fine authorized by the Oklahoma Statutes for a municipal court not of record. Prior offenses shall be counted by service address and by accountholder.

(c) Each day upon which a violation occurs or continues is a separate offense. Each service address at which a violation occurs is a separate offense. Each resumption of outdoor water use after water use has been discontinued in response to a direction of an enforcement officer is a separate offense, whether or not it occurs upon the same day.

(d) Where a customer served under a written contract for water service outside the corporate limits violates section 52-62, the city may, in lieu of or in addition to any other remedy, treat the violation as a breach of that contract and may exercise any remedy provided by the contract, including the suspension or termination of service and the requirement of a new application, fees, and deposits as a condition of the restoration of service.

(e) Nothing in this section shall prohibit an enforcement officer from issuing a verbal or written warning. A warning shall not be required before a citation is issued or other enforcement action is taken, and the issuance or nonissuance of a warning shall not affect

the validity of any citation or enforcement action. A warning shall not constitute a prior offense for purposes of subsection (a).

SECTION 2. Repealer. All ordinances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this ordinance are repealed upon the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phase or portion of this ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to 11 O.S. §14-108, the City Clerk is authorized to include this ordinance in the official Code of Ordinances for the City of Chickasha, it being the intent to authorize recodification with the inclusion of this ordinance upon approval.

SECTION 5. Emergency. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, or safety of the City of Chickasha and the inhabitants thereof, an emergency is hereby declared to exist by reason whereof this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its passage, approval as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Chickasha, Oklahoma, this 21st day of August 2026.

Zachary Grayson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan, McDaniel, City Clerk

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