

GREAT BEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 6, 2024

6:30 p.m.

Location – City Hall Council Chambers

The Council meeting will be livestreamed for public to view on our city council Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/gbcitycouncil/>.

AGENDA

Members present:

<input type="checkbox"/> Mayor Cody Schmidt	<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Cory Urban
<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Kevyn Soupiset	<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Lindsey Krom-Craven
<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Rickee Maddox	<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Tina Mingenback
<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Alan Moeder	<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Davis Jimenez
<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Jolene Biggs	<input type="checkbox"/> Attorney Allen Glendenning
<input type="checkbox"/> Administrator Brandon Anderson	<input type="checkbox"/> Clerk/Finance Director Shawna Schafer
<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant Administrator Logan Burns	

OPENING: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Session held on April 15, 2024.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register 5-6-24:** Covering 2024 bills to date.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 4-19-24:** Covering payroll ending April 13, 2024, in the amount of \$533,459.08
- d) **Appointments:** Mayor Schmidt will make appointments as appropriate.
- e) **Cereal Malt Beverage License:** Greg King with the Sunflower Shrine Club has applied for a 1-day Cereal Malt Beverage License for the Beer Garden during June Jaunt on June 1, 2024 in Jack Kilby Square. Application has been received along with payment and copy of the insurance.
- f) **Tree Trimmers License:** Gannon Reichert with O-Impact Tree Service out of Great Bend, KS has applied for a Tree Trimmers license. All requirements of the ordinance have been completed and recommend approval.
- g) **Al Burns Mural:** Approval for the Great Bend Economic Development Corporation to paint a mural on the back of the visitors' dugout at Al Burns Field with a Baseball Americana Theme.
- h) **Agenda:** Approval of agenda as submitted or amended.

B. OLD BUSINESS

C. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The public is free to comment on items not listed on the agenda. Please address comments to the City Council as a body and be mindful of others who may wish to speak by abiding by the 3-minute limit. If a large group is present for the same topic, the mayor, in his discretion, may ask that you elect 1 spokesperson, and he could allow a longer time for that individual to speak.

D. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Councilmember Reports:** Councilmembers will report on the boards and commissions that they serve on.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 2. Administrators Update:** City Administrator Brandon Anderson will present an update on what is happening within the City organization.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 3. Economic Development Report:** Economic Development Inc. President Sara Arnberger will present her monthly report.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 4. US-56 & McKinley Traffic Signal Upgrade:** In 2019 we applied for a TEAP (transportation engineering assistance program) for 10th and McKinley intersection. Currently, we have only left-turn lanes with no turn signals on McKinley Street, and it will be changed to protected turn signals. The project is fully funded by Federal and State Aid programs. The city is currently taking care of temporary and permanent easements for the signal improvements. KDOT requests the city to pass a Resolution relating to benefits obtainable under the Federal and State Aid program. This step will give the Secretary of Transportation to act for the city and in its place, obtain such benefits from Federal- Aid HSIP Safety program and enter into an agreement with KDOT. We have also received the proposed agreement from KDOT. There is no local match required. All project costs, project administration, and lighting installation will be the responsibility of the Secretary of Transportation. Assistant City Engineer Hitha Kadiyala will report.

Recommendation: Motion to approve Resolution 050624-A and to enter into an agreement with KDOT for the US-56 & McKinley Traffic Signal Upgrade.

5. **2024 Transportation Alternative Grant:** We applied for the Transportation Alternatives program on March 1st for Downtown Sidewalk Repair and Accessibility Improvements for Main Street from 10th street to 17th street for an estimate of \$800,000.00. I received a response for the application from KDOT informing us that our eligibility will be a 20% match if the program is awarded (in this case \$160,000.00). As next steps for the process, KDOT requires the city to provide letters of support and pass a resolution acknowledging availability of the required local match of no less than 20% and availability of funds to pay all upfront costs, since the TA program is a cost reimbursement program. Funding for the project will come from KDOT grants fund and ¼ cent sales tax fund if the program is awarded. Assistant City Engineer Hitha Kadiyala will report.

Recommendation: Motion to approve Resolution 050624-B for 20% match for the project if awarded.

6. **Abatements:** Assistant City Administrator Logan Burns will present abatements.

Recommendation: Take action on abatements.

7. **Dangerous Building – 2421 12th Street:** An inspection was conducted on the house located at 2421 12th Street as part of a search warrant conducted by the Barton County Sheriff's Office. There are no utilities to the structure and there were multiple makeshift wood burning stoves without proper venting. Piles of ashes were collecting in front of the stove and in the corner of the room along with multiple propane bottles indoors. Multiple electrical boxes were noted with exposed wiring and the ceiling assemblies in multiple rooms had fallen. Mold was noted in the living room ceiling assembly from the roof leaking. The interior load bearing walls had had due to possible floor joist and/foundation failure. The exterior shows missing shingles and windows boarded up and the front porch has deteriorated and the corner support post has shifted off the foundation. Multiple areas of foundation repair were noted. We have served the first resolution physically on the property, first-class mail and by certified mail with no response from the owner. The accessory structure was previously approved through Council to be repaired or razed and that date has since passed. The final date for the repair or razing of the house will be set for June 8, 2024. Assistant City Administrator Logan Burns will report.

Recommendation: Motion to approve Resolution 050624-

8. **Langrehr Field Bathrooms:** Through the Quality-of-Life tax initiative, Langrehr Field bathrooms were set to be a project from the Capital Improvement Plan in 2025 with a total cost of \$200,000. With the recent decision of tabling the Brit Spaugh Park Addition, we are proposing to move this project up to this year. We were able to obtain a Sourcewell quote from preferred vendor CXT. This quote is for a Cortez model with dimensions of 10'-3"x17'. The Cortez has two single user fully accessible flush restrooms with simulated barnwood textured walls, simulated cedar shake textured roof, vitreous china fixtures, interior and exterior lights, 4 gallon water heater, off loaded and set up at site. We have added options for electric hand dryers, exterior mounted ADA drinking fountain, door

closures, timed electric lock system and an exterior frost proof hose bib with box. The total quote comes with shipping and engineering fees at \$90,093. This does NOT include site preparation, rough-in plumbing, sidewalks or connection to utilities, we will obtain quotes for those scopes of work after we approve the purchase of the bathrooms due to the lead time of 120-150 days. We would look to place the prefabricated restrooms just to the north of Langrehr Field to tie in to the sewer on 2nd Street and to allow for easy access to the facility without crossing the parking lot. Assistant City Administrator Logan Burns will report.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the purchase of the prefabricated restroom facility from Sourcewell preferred vendor CXT for a total price of \$90,093.

ADJOURNMENT