

City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes

Dawes Conference Room
113 W. Dawes Ave., Bixby, OK 74008
April 8, 2024 at 5:00 PM

The agenda for the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council Work Session of the city of Bixby was posted on the bulletin board at City Hall, 116 West Needles Avenue, Bixby, Oklahoma on April 5, 2024, on or before 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Mayor Guthrie called the City Council Worksession Meeting to order at 5:01 pm.

Roll Call

Shannon Duran, City Clerk, called the roll, and the following were present:

Members Present

Mayor Guthrie
Vice Mayor Founds
Councilor Girard
Councilor Revelis
Councilor Hirshey

Staff Present

Jared Cottle, City Manager
Shannon Duran, City Clerk
Phil Frazier, City Attorney
Charles Barnes, Finance Director
Joey Wiedel, Development Services Director
Todd Blish, Police Chief
Justin Dowd, City Engineer
Bryan Toney, Public Information Officer

Agenda

- 1) Presentation and discussion of proposed project at Breckenridge and "A" Ave. in Downtown.

Mayor Guthrie said Item 1 on the agenda is up for discussion.

Item presented by Clinton Taylor Jr.

Others who spoke: Jared Cottle, City Manager

Jared Cottle provided the council with a prefix on a proposed project and possible property exchange that could offer more parking spaces for the city. Property owner and developer Clinton Taylor Jr. presented an overview of his mixed-use commercial and residential project to the council. Under his proposed project, the downtown Bixby area would gain 70-72 parking spaces and universal charging stations for electric vehicles. Discussion ensued.

During the council meeting, Mr. Cottle confirmed that he would meet with Mr. Taylor to discuss

the acquisition of land and to potentially draft an agreement to present to the council at a later date. The council had no further questions for staff or Mr. Taylor.

2) Presentation and discussion of modified Performing Arts Center entrance design.

Mayor Guthrie said Item 2 on the agenda is up for discussion.

Item presented by Wes Rutledge, Architect at Beck Design

Others who spoke: Jared Cottle, City Manager

Jared Cottle presented a revised Performing Arts Center (PAC) design. Wes Rutledge of Beck Design also spoke to the council, giving an update on the proposed changes to the PAC and providing insight on the materials. Discussion ensued among the council members, where they asked questions and shared their opinions on the revised design and proposed changes.

The council agreed to the revised design.

3) Presentation on FY2025 Budget Overview.

Mayor Guthrie said Item 3 on the agenda is up for discussion.

Item presented by Charles Barnes, Finance Director

Others who spoke: Jared Cottle, City Manager

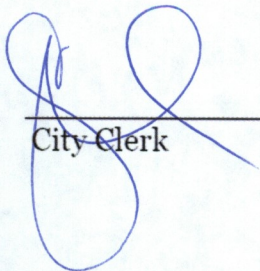
Charles Barnes presented an overview of the proposed budget for FY2025 to the council. The General Fund increased due to the Fire Departments and the new Emergency Medical Services. Revenue generated by the new BixbyCare program allowed for an increase in the Fire department's budget. Discussion ensued. Councilor Girard asked whether the sewer fund covers drainage upgrades in Southtown, Saker, and Johns Park. Jared Cottle confirmed that the project is included in the Water and Sewer Development Fund.

Councilor Hirshey asked about the Streets and Alley fund and whether it could be used for professional services to evaluate the arterial streets. Mr. Barnes confirmed that the Professional Services Fund was increased to hire a firm to assess arterial and neighborhood streets. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Guthrie inquired about the land acquisition line item. Mr. Cottle explained that it was included for flexibility if needed.

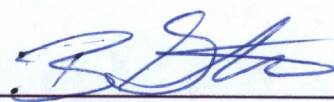
4) Adjournment

An adjournment was called at 5:59 pm.



City Clerk





Mayor