



City of Lawton

City Council

Agenda

Lawton City Hall
212 SW 9th Street
Lawton, Oklahoma
73501-3944

Monday, March 31, 2025

10:00 AM

Lawton City Hall
Council Chambers/Auditorium

SPECIAL MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER WITH INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"Official action can be taken only on items which appear on the agenda. The Council may adopt, approve, ratify, deny, defer, recommend, or continue any agenda item. The Council may also propose and enact floor amendments to any matter presented before them. When more information is needed to act on an item, the Council may refer the matter to the City Manager or the City Attorney. The Council may also refer items to standing committees of the Council or a board, commission, or authority for additional study. Under certain circumstances, items are deferred to a specific later date or stricken from the agenda entirely."

ROLL CALL

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

1. Pursuant to Section 307B.4, Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, consider convening in executive session to discuss the pending action in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma titled Metropolitan Life Insurance Company v. (1) Jennifer Mars (2) City of Lawton dba Lawton Animal Welfare and (3) Lawton Humane Society & Animal Shelter, Inc, Case No. CIV-24-434-SLP, and if necessary, take appropriate action in open session. [25-0229](#)

ADJOURNMENT

The City of Lawton encourages participation from all of its citizens. If participation at any public meeting is not possible due to a disability, notification to the City Clerk at (580) 581-3305 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 interpreters for the deaf (signing) is not the necessary accommodation."



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Commentary

File #: 25-0229

Agenda Date: 3/31/2025

Agenda No: 1.

ITEM TITLE:

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INITIATOR: Timothy Wilson, Interim City Attorney

STAFF INFORMATION SOURCE: Garrett Lam, Assistant City Attorney

BACKGROUND: The Interim City Attorney desires to discuss with the Mayor and Council the pending action in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma titled Metropolitan Life Insurance Company v. (1) Jennifer Mars (2) City of Lawton dba Lawton Animal Welfare and (3) Lawton Humane Society & Animal Shelter, Inc, Case No. CIV-24-434-SLP. The Interim City Attorney advises that City Council should determine that disclosure of confidential communications between the Council and the Interim City Attorney regarding the above referenced action will seriously impair the ability of the City to protect the City's interest, and from that determination, the Council should convene in executive session to discuss this matter.

EXHIBIT: N/A

KEY ISSUES: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION: Convene in executive session to discuss the pending action in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma titled Metropolitan Life Insurance Company v. (1) Jennifer Mars (2) City of Lawton dba Lawton Animal Welfare and (3) Lawton Humane Society & Animal Shelter, Inc, Case No. CIV-24-434-SLP, and if necessary, take appropriate action in open session.