

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING LAW, THE AGENDA WAS POSTED JUNE 12, 2026, AT 8:30 A.M. AT THE CUSHING CITY HALL, 100 JUDY ADAMS BOULEVARD, CUSHING, OKLAHOMA

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
CUSHING CITY COMMISSION
HELD AT 100 JUDY ADAMS BLVD
JUNE 15, 2026
7:00 P.M.

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 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, refer to committee or subcommittee, or continue any agenda item. When more information is needed to act on an item, the governing body may refer the matter to its Municipal Government/Trust manager, Attorney or the recommending Board, Commission or Committee.

1 CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

a Roll Call

b Declaration of Quorum

c Pledge of Allegiance

The Regular Meeting of the Cushing City Commission was called to order on June 15, 2026, by Chair Roberson. Commissioner Lamb led in prayer and Chair Roberson led the pledge of allegiance.

Present: BRANYAN, LAMB, LOFTON, ROBERSON
Absent: BEASLEY

d Presentation by the Daughters of the American Revolution on the American Flag, Betsy Ross, and the 250th Anniversary of the United States

Presented By: Lee Denney

Daughters of the American Revolution members Lee Denney, Grace Ellsworth, Debbie Cochran, Susie Crowder, Sue Cline and Kay Turner were present and donated a Betsy Ross American Flag to the City.

e Proclamation in Honor of Recipients of the Purple Heart and Proclaiming the City of Cushing as a Purple Heart City.

Presented By: Chair Roberson

Chair Roberson read the proclamation declaring the City of Cushing a Purple Heart City in recognition of the service and sacrifice of Purple Heart recipients. Sally Wright and Mike Kennedy were present to accept the proclamation.

2 CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussions of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

a Approve May 4, 2026, Annual Organizational Meeting Minutes, May 7, 2026, Joint CITY CMA CHA CIA CEFA Meeting Minutes, and the May 18, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.

b Approve City Claims and Payroll for May 2026, totaling \$1,440,774.92

- c **Sales Tax Report**
- d **Authorize the purchase of aviation fuel and expend up to \$60,000.00.**
- e **Authorize the purchase of no-lead fuel and diesel fuel and expend up to \$30,000.00.**
- f **Approve the FY 25/26 Amended Budget.**
- g **Approve payment to Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG) in an amount up to \$228,497.64 for the renewal of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 OMAG Property Protection Plan (MPPP) and Liability Protection Plan (MLPP).**
- h **Authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to renew the FY 2026-2027 Workers' Compensation Participation Agreement with the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG) and approve payment of the City of Cushing's portion of the annual premium in an amount not to exceed \$148,983.98.**
- i **Acknowledge a vacancy on the Senior Citizens Advisory Board.**

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LAMB AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYE: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

3 **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None.

4 **SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

- a **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve Resolution No. 03-2026 adopting the FY 2026-2027 budget.**

City Manager Ryan Ochsner gave a brief explanation.

City Finance Director Jerrica Worthy gave a brief explanation of the budget process.

City Manager Ryan Ochsner reviewed the budget revenues and expenses for this upcoming FY 2026-2027 budget.

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 03-2026 AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR BRANYAN AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- b **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve Resolution No. 04-2026. A resolution committing to certain funding terms and match of up to \$125,000.00 for the Municipal Road Drilling Activity Fund administered by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation.**

Presented By: Derek Griffith

Assistant City Manager Derek Griffith gave a brief explanation of project.

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY VICE CHAIR BRANYAN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 04-2026 AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- c **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve Resolution No. 05-2026 establishing a Municipal policy and fee schedule for Open Records Act requests, and setting an effective date.**

Presented By: Ryan Ochsner

City Manager Ochsner gave a broad summary of the fee schedule.

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 05-2026 AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LAMB AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYE: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- d **Discussion, consideration of adopting, including any possible amendment, the Labor Agreement between the City of Cushing and the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) Local 2565, as negotiated to be effective from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**

Presented By: Ryan Ochsner/Dalton Novotny

City Manager Ochsner gave a brief overview of a few of the changes in the agreement.

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON TO ADOPT THE LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CUSHING AND THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS (IAFF) LOCAL 2565, AS NEGOTIATED TO BE EFFECTIVE FROM JULY 1, 2026, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LAMB AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- e **Discussion, consideration, and possible action for the renewal of the annual lease agreement with Project H.E.A.R.T. to provide food service at the Senior Citizens Center.**

Presented By: Derek Griffith

Assistant City Manager Derek Griffith gave brief explanation of the agreement.

Senior Citizens Center Director Debbie Brown reported that the program serves approximately 95 to 110 patrons each day.

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY VICE CHAIR BRANYAN TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE ANNUAL LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PROJECT H.E.A.R.T. TO PROVIDE FOOD SERVICE

AT THE SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- f Discussion, consideration, and possible action to reappoint Gabrielle Farnes to serve one new three-year term on the Cushing Youth & Community Center Advisory Board through July 2029.**

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LAMB TO REAPPOINT GABRIELLE FARNES TO SERVE ONE NEW THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE CUSHING YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD THROUGH JULY 2029. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- g Discussion, consideration, and possible action to reappoint Julie Puls to serve one new three-year term on the Cushing Youth & Community Center Advisory Board through July 2029.**

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY VICE CHAIR BRANYAN TO REAPPOINT JULIE PULS TO SERVE ONE NEW THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE CUSHING YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD THROUGH JULY 2029. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- h Discussion, consideration, and possible action to reappoint Sharon Sissom to serve one new three-year term on the Cushing Youth & Community Center Advisory Board through July 2029.**

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON TO REAPPOINT SHARON SISSOM TO SERVE ONE NEW THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE CUSHING YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD THROUGH JULY 2029. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR BRANYAN AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- i Discussion, consideration, and possible action to reappoint Chase Blankinship to serve one new three-year term on the Cushing Youth & Community Center Advisory Board through July 2029.**

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON TO REAPPOINT CHASE BLANKINSHIP TO SERVE ONE NEW THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE CUSHING YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD THROUGH JULY 2029. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR BRANYAN AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- j Discussion, consideration, and possible action to appoint Chase Roten to serve one new three-year term on the Cushing Youth and Community Center Advisory Board through July 2029.**

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON TO APPOINT CHASE ROTEN TO SERVE ONE NEW THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE CUSHING YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD THROUGH JULY 2029. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR BRANYAN AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- k Discussion, consideration, and possible action to reappoint Amy Cline to serve one new three-year term on the Cushing Library Advisory Board through June 2029.**

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON THE REAPPOINT AMY CLINE TO SERVE ONE NEW THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE CUSHING LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD THROUGH JUNE 2029. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR BRANYAN AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

- l Discussion, consideration, and possible action to reappoint Misty Naifeh to serve one new three-year term on the Cushing Library Advisory Board through June 2029.**

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON TO REAPPOINT MISTY NAIFEH TO SERVE ONE NEW THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE CUSHING LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD THROUGH JUNE 2029. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR BRANYAN AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING VOTE.

AYES: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON

5 EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a Discussion of negotiations concerning employees and representatives of employee groups: International Association of Firefighters Local 2565.**

Executive Session not needed.

6 PUBLIC INPUT AND UNSCHEDULED PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Citizens wishing to give Public Input may do so by signing up to make comments until 6:50 pm on the day of the meeting in the City Manager's office. All comments are limited to three (3) minutes in length and must address a current agenda item. Comments must also meet basic rules of decorum (no personal attacks, foul language, disruptive behavior, etc.). Commentors must include their full name, address, and the agenda item being addressed on the sign-up form in order to speak. Comments that do not adhere to the rules will not be allowed. The purpose of this agenda item is to provide citizens with an opportunity to comment on specific agenda items. Commissioners and staff will not engage in discussion or offer input during Public Input. Responses to comments, if any, will occur under the appropriate agenda time or in follow-up communication.

None.

7 CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

- a City Manager Report**

Presented By: Ryan Ochsner

City Manager Ochsner spoke about a project that is to begin working towards updating the code. Mr. Ochsner spoke about things that are ongoing with the Senior Citizens Center, Library and Police Department. Thanked citizens who donated bicycles for the Bicycle Rodeo. City Manager Ochsner concluded by providing an update on Sales Tax revenues.

Assistant City Manager Griffith spoke of the new Emergency Radio System and Emergency Management Director Franklin Reed's work to help implement the system.

8 COMMISSIONERS COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice Chair, Branyan, spoke of the work that goes into approving the budget and thanked fellow commissioners and staff for the hard work they put into the budget. Mr. Branyan expressed appreciation to all the citizens who volunteer on the city's various boards for their time, dedication, and service to the community. Vice Chair Branyan spoke of the Library's Summer Reading Program, having over two hundred participants this year. Mr. Branyan thanked Library staff.

Commissioner Lofton spoke of the importance of the Youth Center, Library and Senior Citizen's Center. Mr. Lofton encouraged citizens to attend the upcoming 4th of July Celebration. Mr. Lofton thanked Jerrica and staff for the work they put into the budget.

Commissioner Lamb welcomed Darla Huckabay back. Mr. Lamb also encouraged citizens to attend the 4th of July Celebration.

Chair Roberson thanked staff for their work on the budget. Mr. Roberson emphasized the importance of the commission prioritizing city staff and capital projects while continuing to work towards balancing the budget. Mr. Roberson encouraged citizens to get out and vote.

9 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LOFTON TO ADJOURN THE MAY 18, 2026, REGULAR MEETING OF THE CUSHING CITY COMMISSION AT 8:01 P.M. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LAMB.

AYE: VICE CHAIR BRANYAN, COMMISSIONER LAMB, COMMISSIONER LOFTON, CHAIR ROBERSON



B.J. ROBERSON CHAIRMAN
CUSHING CITY COMMISSION

(SEAL)

ATTEST:


JERRICA WORTHY, CITY CLERK