



CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

City Hall Commission Chambers

806 N 2nd Avenue

Dodge City, KS

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

7:00 p.m.

MEETING # 5318

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL Mayor Jeff Reinert, Commissioners Daniel Pogue, Chuck Taylor, Rick Sowers, Michael Burns

INVOCATION BY

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Jeff Reinert opened the public hearing on the proposal on a Common Consumption Area in Downtown Dodge City. City Attorney, Paige Gilmore gave a brief overview of what a common consumption area pertains to. Amending the city code with an ordinance which would create the rules and procedures of the common consumption area. The second part is a resolution stating the city would be acting as the applicant and holder of the common consumption area permit. There were public comments from citizens and various businesses that commented on the common consumption area. Mayor Reinert closed the public hearing.

Mayor Reinert opened the public hearing on the approval to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate. City Manager Nick Hernandez gave a presentation on the Property Tax History and the proposed Mill Levy. There was a citizen that commented. Mayor Reinert closed the public hearing.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Michael Burns made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Daniel Pogue seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 - 0.

PETITIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Jeff Reinert read the Welcoming Week 2025 Proclamation and declared the week of September 12th through September 21st, 2025 as Welcoming Week in Dodge City and invited all residents to join the movement of communities worldwide by renewing our commitment to acting in the spirit of welcoming and unity.

Brenda Carmona, Chair of Cultural Relations Advisory Board invited all to the International Festival from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm in Wright Park on Sunday September 7, 2025.

VISITORS (Limit of five minutes per individual and fifteen minutes per topic. Final action may be deferred until the next City Commission meeting unless an emergency situation does exist).

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of City Commission Study Session Minutes, August 18, 2025.
2. Approval of City Commission Meeting Minutes, August 18, 2025.
3. Appropriation, Ordinance No. 17, 2025.
4. Approve the Purchase Prices for the Temporary Construction Easements for the South Dodge Trail Extension.

Commissioner Daniel Pouge moved to accept the consent calendar as presented. Commissioner Chuck Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 - 0.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance No. 3838: An Ordinance amending the City Code for the City of Dodge City, creating A new article in chapter three titled “Article 9. Common Consumption Areas” was tabled until the next meeting on a motion by Commissioner Jeff Reinert. Commissioner Chuck Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 - 0.

Resolution No. 2025-30: A Resolution authorizing the establishment of a Common Consumption Area allowing the consumption of alcoholic liquor on property not otherwise subject to a license issued pursuant to the Kansas Liquor Control Act or the Club and Drinking Establishment Act. was tabled until the next meeting on motion by Commissioner Chuck Taylor. Commissioner Rick Sowers seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 - 0.

Resolution No. 2025-31: A Resolution designating the commitment of city funds in the amount of \$283,000 for the extension of the Gunsmoke Trail along Comanche Street from

First Avenue to Elbow Bend was approved on a motion by Commissioner Michael Burns. Commissioner Rick Sowers seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 - 0.

Resolution No. 2025-32: A Resolution allowing the levied property tax rate to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rick Sowers. Commissioner Daniel Pogue seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 - 0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESSES

NEW BUSINESS

OTHER BUSINESS

STAFF REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Rick Sowers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Chuck Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 - 0.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk