

The El Dorado City Commission met in a work session on May 14, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the Commission Room with the following present: Mayor Bill Young, Commissioner Kelly Tetrick, Commissioner Leon Leachman, Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson, and City Manager David Dillner. Absent: Commissioner Syndee Scribner

VISITORS

Tabitha Sharp	Assistant City Manager	El Dorado, KS
Mike Holton	El Dorado Police Department	El Dorado, KS
Scott Rickard	Director of Engineering	El Dorado, KS
Kevin Wishart	Parks and Recreation Director	El Dorado, KS
Nikole Babb	Butler Times Gazette	El Dorado, KS
Steve Fellers		El Dorado, KS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bill Young called the May 14, 2025, meeting to order.

WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS

PRELIMINARY BUDGET DISCUSSION

City Manager David Dillner and the Commission reviewed the proposed 2026 Budget.

CHANGES TO FIREWORKS ORDINANCE ARISING FROM SENATE BILL 199

Fire Chief Joe Haag provided an overview of the key modifications to Senate Bill 199 concerning statewide fireworks regulations. He explained that the bill expands the seasonal sales period for fireworks retailers, allowing sales from June 20 through July 7, as opposed to the previous window of June 27 through July 5. Additionally, the new legislation permits the year-round sale of consumer-grade fireworks from permanent structures, such as brick-and-mortar businesses, provided the establishment is licensed by the Kansas State Fire Marshal. Chief Haag noted that online sales remain prohibited, as all transactions must occur at physical retail locations. He emphasized that SB 199 does not alter K.S.A. 31-134, which means cities retain the authority to regulate or prohibit fireworks locally.

Chief Haag also reviewed El Dorado's current ordinance, 9.12.070, which permits the sale of fireworks from June 27 through July 4 and their discharge from June 27 through July 5. The ordinance includes additional restrictions such as prohibitions on smoking and minimum distance requirements around fireworks stands.

PARK AND RECREATION FACILITY NAMING POLICY

City Manager David Dillner stated that Jim and Lou Clennon had submitted a naming request for the North Field at East Park to be named "Doug Chance Field." That request was submitted to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. He stated that they are still in the process of reviewing and revising that policy.

REGULAR AGENDA PREVIEW

The City Commission reviewed the upcoming agenda for May 19, 2025.

COMMISSION REPORTS

There were no reports.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

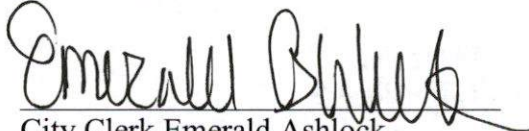
There were no reports.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 PM.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4 – 0.


City Clerk Emerald Ashlock


Mayor Bill Young