



Together, Investing in Municipal Excellence

WASHINGTON SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
FEBRUARY 4, 2025

723 S. Lewis Street, Room 2073
Stillwater, OK 74074
11:30 AM

Karen Washington, Laura Arata, James Beckstrom, Norman McNickle, Gary Clark, Thomas Fields, Ann Houston, Calvin Miller, Jessie Sims, Kay Stewart, Clyde Wilson

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. General Orders

The Washington School Advisory Committee will hear a staff presentation, discuss, and take action including a vote or series of votes on each item listed as presented or as amended or revised by the Washington School Advisory Committee unless the agenda entry specifically states that no action will be taken. The requested action is indicated in each agenda entry but may be amended or revised prior to action by the Washington School Advisory Committee.

a.	Approve minutes from January 7, 2025.
b.	Update from the Washington School Heritage Foundation. No action will be taken on this item.
c.	General discussion of next steps in the redevelopment process of Washington School. No action will be taken.

3. Public Comment
4. Adjourn

On January 30, 2025 at 11:30 a.m., a true and correct copy of this agenda was posted on the kiosk outside City Hall, 723 S. Lewis Street, Stillwater, OK.

The City of Stillwater encourages participation from all citizens. If participation at any public meeting is not possible due to a disability, please notify the City Manager's office at least 48 hours prior to the meeting by calling 405.742.8243.

- Meetings are televised on AT&T U-verse channel 99 and Optimum channel 14.
- Find meeting agendas and minutes online at [Agendas and Minutes](#)
- Official minutes are archived in the City Clerk's office.



Together, Investing in Municipal Excellence

**WASHINGTON SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

JANUARY 7, 2025

723 S. Lewis Street, Room 2073
Stillwater, OK 74074
11:30 AM

Members Present: Karen Washington, James Beckstrom, Norman McNickle, Gary Clark, Thomas Fields, Ann Houston, Kay Stewart, Clyde Wilson

Not Present: Laura Arata, Calvin Miller, Jessie Sims

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m.

2. General Orders

a.	Approve minutes from Special Meeting on November 5, 2024. Motion by Beckstrom, second by Stewart to approve the November 5, 2024 special meeting minutes. Washington-Yea, Beckstrom-Yea, McNickle-Yea, Clark-Yea, Fields-Yea, Houston-Yea, Stewart-Yea, Wilson-Yea. Motion carried with 8 yea votes.
b.	Update from the Washington School Heritage Foundation. No action was taken on this item. Beckstrom reviewed what progress has been made and discussed the future plans. He reported the first half of 2025 the work plan is to demo the auditorium and focus on preserving the building that is there as there are structural challenges. The front section will need to be stabilized and asbestos abatement would need to take place and trees need to be removed from the building. The second half of 2025 the work plan would be to demo the auditorium.

c.	General discussion of next steps in the redevelopment process of Washington School. No action was taken on this item. General discussion was held about getting stakeholders, civic groups, the greater community involved in this project. Incorporate festivals, events and cultural districts to take place at the school. It was mentioned that the history and education of the school should be told to the public.
d.	General discussion regarding the duties of the Advisory Committee and expected land usage as outlined in resolution CC-2024-18. Possible recommendation to the City Council regarding the assessment, proposed design, renovation or redevelopment of the Washington School property. Discussion was held that the purpose of this committee is to determine renovations, parking, education/history, community events and even compatible events in combination with the YMCA. It was discussed that once this group completes the renovation then another group will determine the activities. It was mentioned that there are no limitations to what this building could be in the community. This group will dissolve once the building renovation has been completed.

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Adjourn

Motion by Wilson, second by Beckstrom to adjourn the January 7, 2025, Washington School Advisory Committee Meeting.

Washington-Yea, Beckstrom-Yea, McNickle-Yea, Clark-Yea, Fields-Yea, Houston-Yea, Stewart-Yea, Wilson-Yea. Motion carried with 8 yea votes.

The Washington School Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.m.