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WASHINGTON SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
OCTOBER 14, 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.	Approval of August 5, 2025 minutes.
b.	Update from the Washington School Heritage Foundation. No action will be taken on this item.
c.	Discussion and possible action for next steps in the redevelopment process of Washington School.
d.	General discussion and possible recommendation to the City Council regarding the assessment, proposed design, renovation or redevelopment of the Washington School property.
e.	Approval of 2026 meeting schedule.

3. Public Comment

4. Adjourn

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**WASHINGTON SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 5, 2025**

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

Members Present: Karen Washington, Laura Arata, James Beckstrom, Gary Clark, Thomas Fields, Ann Houston, Jessie Sims (11:32), Kay Stewart, Clyde Wilson (11:47)

Members Absent: Norman McNickle, Calvin Miller

Staff: Deputy City Manager Christy Driskel, Assistant City Attorney Ashlyn Garis, City Clerk Teresa Kadavy

- 1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Washington called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

- 2. General Orders

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a.	<p>Approval of July 1, 2025 minutes.</p> <p>Approval of July 1, 2025 minutes was tabled until the next meeting.</p>
b.	<p>Update from the Washington School Heritage Foundation. No action will be taken on this item.</p> <p>Jim Beckstrom reported that they are waiting on “Into The Streets” to get organized but no specific date has been set yet. He updated the status of the asbestos abatement and roof replacement.</p> <p>Asbestos Abatement: The project requires a formal bid due to its size.</p>

	<p>Contracting and specs are in progress with assistance from Procurement Manager John McClenny and an architect. Timeline remains on track for compliance with the Advisory Committee's funding schedule.</p> <p>Roof Replacement: Requires separate architectural/engineering work. Professional services have already been procured, avoiding delays from a new RFQ. Specs for the roof bid will be prepared once the agreement is finalized.</p> <p>Overall Status: Design and bid preparation work for both asbestos removal and roof replacement are active. Foundation awaits total cost estimates to assess financial needs and timelines.</p>
c.	<p>Discussion and possible action for next steps in the redevelopment process of Washington School.</p> <p>Chair Washington asked the Committee for their opinions on meeting frequency. Discussion was held regarding meeting frequency and the consensus was to keep monthly meetings on the calendar for the remainder of 2025, with the option to cancel if the agenda is light. December was mentioned as a possible skip month due to light expected business and a potential fundraiser.</p> <p>Chair Washington and Deputy City Manager (DCM) Christy Driskel will coordinate a week prior to meetings to determine whether to proceed or cancel. Members can individually suggest agenda items to Karen and standing items (e.g., minutes, Foundation updates) can carry over.</p>
d.	<p>General discussion and possible recommendation to the City Council regarding the assessment, proposed design, renovation or redevelopment of the Washington School property.</p> <p>DCM Driskel suggested that discussion should be centered on what comes after asbestos removal and T-building site clearing. She stated a 2026 Work Plan will need to be developed and submitted to City Council. This topic can be placed on a later agenda for a more detailed discussion once construction timelines are clearer.</p> <p>Mr. Beckstrom stated that asbestos and demolition timelines can be more definitive after the bid process is completed. He reported after Council approval, work can proceed. He stated he thought demolition may take a month, but asbestos removal is expected to be completed within weeks. Mr. Beckstrom stated that asbestos abatement and demolition work will help protect new construction and cleanup of the T-building must be completed before interior work can begin.</p>

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Adjourn

**MOTION BY BECKSTROM, SECOND BY STEWART TO ADJOURN THE AUGUST 5, 2025
REGULAR MEETING.**

**ROLL CALL: WASHINGTON-YEA, ARATA-YEA, BECKSTROM-YEA, CLARK-YEA, FIELDS-YEA
HOUSTON-YEA, SIMS-YEA, STEWART-YEA, WILSON-YEA.**

MOTION CARRIED WITH NINE YEA VOTES.

Meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Karen Washington, Chair

Teresa Kadavy, Clerk to Board

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➤ Meeting dates are highlighted above