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Article IX, Section 6

Nominations – Nominations for the Business Committee and the Grievance Committee shall be filed with the Election Committee at least forty-five (45) days prior to the election in accordance with the Election Ordinance.

FILING PROCEDURES

Filing procedures are prescribed by the Election Ordinance and governed by the Constitution of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma.

Candidate For Office: Any qualified member of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma who desires his/her name to be placed on the ballot as a candidate for any elective office, shall file a Declaration of Candidacy form with the Election Committee or the Committee's designated representative. The official form shall be provided by the Peoria Tribe. The prospective candidate's membership shall be verified by the Tribal Enrollment Officer.

Declaration of Candidacy: The Declaration of Candidacy shall be in writing in the form prescribed by the Election Committee and filed in person during normal working hours, at least forty-five (45) days prior to the election, at the Peoria Tribal office building or other designated location. No person shall be a candidate for more than one (1) position on the Business Committee at any time.

Filing Fee: There shall be a non-refundable fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) paid by prospective candidates for the elected offices. The filing fee shall be by cash, certified check, or money order, made payable to the Peoria Tribe. The filing fee shall be paid, in person, on the same date the prospective candidate submits his/her Declaration of Candidacy. This filing fee shall be deposited into the Tribal treasury for the use of the Tribe to defray all expenses incurred as a result of the election.

Withdrawal: A person seeking an elected office may withdraw his/her Declaration of Candidacy by filing a written notice of withdrawal, in person, with the Election Committee or designated representative. The notice of withdrawal shall be filed during normal working hours at the Peoria Tribal office building or other designated location. Such notice shall contain the candidate's name, address and the position for which he/she is a candidate. Also, such notice shall be signed by the candidate and notarized. If a candidate withdraws after ballots have been printed, the Election Committee shall post notices to that effect at the voting place and within the voting booths and

make a line through or otherwise obliterate the candidate's name from the ballots. Any votes cast for a withdrawn candidate shall not be counted.

Verify Qualifications of Candidates: The Election Committee shall review all filings for the elected office to ascertain that the prospective candidates meet the qualifications set forth in Article IX, Section 5 of the Constitution of the Peoria Tribe. The Election Committee shall make these determinations no later than ten (10) days following receipt of Declaration of Candidacy form. If the Election Committee determines that a person is not eligible to be a candidate, the Election Committee or designated representative shall notify that person in writing by certified mail, return receipt requested, of their decision. That person's name shall not be included on the ballot. The ineligible person may appeal, in writing, the Election Committee's decision to the Business Committee at the next monthly meeting of the Business Committee.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2025-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI, OKLAHOMA, AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL ELECTED OFFICIAL AND CITY EMPLOYEES TO CARRY CONCEALED FIREARMS FOR SELF-DEFENSE PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL CARRY ACT; AMENDING SECTION 2-26 OF CHAPTER 2 (ADMINISTRATION), ARTICLE II (OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS Article 2, Section 1 of the Charter provides that all powers of the City shall, unless otherwise provided in this Charter, be exercised by a governing body consisting of four council members and one Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature recently enacted House Bill 1095, known as the Municipal Carry Act, which amends 21 O.S. § 1277 to authorize municipalities to permit qualified municipal officials, judges, and designated employees to carry concealed firearms in municipal buildings under certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami desires to provide for the safety and security of its officials, employees, and the public,

consistent with State law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF MIAMI, OKLAHOMA:

Chapter 2, Article II, Section 2-26 is amended to read as follows:

Section 1 - Amendment. AUTHORIZATION TO CARRY CONCEALED FIREARMS.

Pursuant to the Municipal Carry Act and subject to limitations set forth herein, municipal elected officials and City employees who have obtained a valid Oklahoma Concealed Carry License under the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act (21 O.S. § 1290.1 et seq.) are hereby authorized to carry concealed firearms on City property and during the performance of their official duties for the purpose of lawful self-defense.

Section 2 - Amendment. AMENDMENT TO 21 O.S. 2021, SECTION 1277.

This ordinance shall operate as a local amendment consistent with the authority granted under 21 O.S. § 1277, which permits municipalities to authorize the carrying of concealed firearms by elected officials and employees on municipal property. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to conflict with state law or to authorize the carrying of firearms in locations prohibited by federal or state statute.

Section 3 – Limitations and Conditions.

(a) This authorization applies only to individuals who:

1. Are currently serving as elected officials of the City or are employed by the City;
2. Hold a valid and current Oklahoma Concealed Carry License; and
3. Are not prohibited from possessing firearms under state or federal law.

(b) Concealed firearms may not be carried in any building or facility where carrying is prohibited by state or federal law.

(c) The City Manager may establish administrative policies for notification procedures between the City and employees or elected officials for the purposes of including but not limited to locations where carrying a firearm is unlawful pursuant to state law, recordkeeping, and training related to this ordinance.

Section 4 – Severability

If any provision, paragraph, word, section or article of this Ordinance is invalidated by any

court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions, paragraphs, words, sections and chapters shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 5 – Conflicting Provisions.

If any provision, paragraph, word, section or article of this Ordinance conflicts with the provisions of any other Ordinance, then the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed to have superseded all conflicting provisions previously entered into effect.

Section 6 – Effective Date.

Pursuant to 11 O.S. §14-103, this Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days from its final passage unless the City Council specifies a later date:

PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day of October, 2025.

/s/ Bless Parker
Mayor

ATTEST:
/s/ Melissa Moore,
City Clerk

APPROVED:
/s/ Misty Barnes,
City Attorney

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OTTAWA COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of: KENNETH PERRY BALES, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2024-29 NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, AND FOR DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the duly appointed and qualified Co-Personal Representatives of the above-captioned estate, has filed in this Court a Petition for Determination of Heirship, and for Distribution of Estate and Discharge of such Personal Representative. Hearing of the same has been fixed for the 6th day of November, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., before the Honorable Matt Whalen, Judge of the District Court, in District Courtroom Number 2 of the Ottawa County Courthouse, Miami, Oklahoma, and that all persons interested in this estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why such account should not be settled and allowed,

the estate distributed, and the Co-Personal Representatives discharged.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 2025.

/s/ R. Matt Whalen
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR OTTAWA COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of ROSALIE ROWDEN, Deceased

Case No. PB-2025-44 ORDER FOR HEARING PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

On this 20th day of October, 2025, it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court from the verified Petition of the Personal Representative, Trinity Blizzard, on file herein, that there is good cause to sell the real interests of the Decedent, Rosalie Rowden, as described in said Petition.

IT IS SO ORDERED by the Court that all persons interested, appear before the District Court of the County of Ottawa, State of Oklahoma, on 6th day of November, 2025 at the hour of 9:30 o'clock a.m., then and there to show cause, if any they have, why an Order, as prayed for the in the Petition should not be granted to the Personal Representative to sell said real and personal property of the Decedent at private or public sale at the discretion of the Personal Representative for the reasons and purposes mentioned in said Petition, as she shall judge to be for the best interest of the Decedent and of all parties interested therein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Court that a copy of this Order shall be mailed to all known heirs, legatees and devisees, whose addresses are known, at least ten (10) days prior to the date set for said hearing.

/s/ R. Matt Whalen
Judge of the District Court

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OTTAWA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of CAROL FRANCES MOORE, Deceased.

No. PB-2025-53 ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION WITH WILL ANNEXED, PROBATE OF WILL, AND DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DEVISEES, AND LEGATEES

On this 21st day of October, 2025, Gary L. Moore filed a Petition asking that a certain Last Will and Testament be admitted to probate. The Petition further asked that Gary L. Moore be appointed as Personal Representative of this estate to serve without bond; that Letters of Administration with Will Annexed issue thereon to Gary L. Moore; that the heirs, devisees, and legatees of the decedent be judicially determined; and further that a day of Court be appointed for hearing thereon. A copy of the Will is on file in this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that this Petition for Letters of Administration with Will Annexed, Probate of Will, and Determination of Heirs, Devisees, and Legatees be, and the same is hereby, set for hearing before the Honorable R. Matt Whalen, Judge of the District Court, in District Courtroom Number 3 of the Ottawa County Courthouse, Miami, Oklahoma, on the 12th day of November, 2025, at 2:30 P.M., and that notice of this hearing be given as required by law.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2025.

/s/ R. Matt Whalen
Judge of the District Court

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Eighth annual interim study on innovation economy

Rep. Brian Hill (R-Mustang) convened state leaders, industry experts, and innovators at the State Capitol earlier this month to present findings from an interim study on Oklahoma's innovation economy and the challenges facing businesses within the state. This is Hill's eighth annual study on this topic. He told attendees that he has pursued this study every year because the business landscape in the state is continually evolving. "I believe we'll be able to identify certain factors that have changed since we began this work," Hill said. "And I hope by that, we can actually find solutions to current problems for our largest employers across this great state."

The study, which included presentations from the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology (OCAST), the Oklahoma Defense Industry Association (ODIA), and the Oklahoma City Innovation District, highlighted measurable progress toward a coordinated innovation framework statewide.

Dr. Krista Ratliff, president and CEO of Fires Innovation Science and Technology Accelerator (FISTA) Innovation Park in

Lawton, told attendees about how FISTA converted underused real estate into a thriving defense innovation hub and is now home to 28 partners. Ratliff said she continually receives questions about how to replicate FISTA's model in other states.

Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology (OCAST) Executive Director Dr. Jennifer McGrail shared about how the agency is helping startups access capital and connections.

"Our commitment is clear: Innovation in Oklahoma is statewide," McGrail said. "A founder in Woodward or McAllister or Guymon deserves the same access to the resources as does a founder in downtown Oklahoma City or Tulsa."

She said OCAST has already begun to address access to capital by removing some funding barriers and are now identifying pathways that help startups move from concept to customer. She said Oklahoma needs to concentrate on moving from singular successes to a "coordinated statewide innovation economy."

"The real question before us is what should

come next for Oklahoma?" McGrail said. "We've proven that startups can thrive here. We've proven that investment, talent and bold ideas exist in every region. Now our challenge is to connect them, scale them and position them to compete nationally."

She said that, in addition to closing capital gaps and focusing on the future, Oklahoma must begin by rewarding innovation and risk-taking rather than simply incentivizing "what's familiar and safe."

Wheeler Bio CEO Pat Lucy said of the 42 new employees hired in the last year, 80% of them have been Oklahomans. He also pointed out how one of the biggest challenges their company faces is out-of-state travel, which has been a headache as they work with clients from across the country. He suggested working with airlines to increase frequency of flights to biotech hubs, like Boston or San Francisco, to help the field grow in the state.

Other speakers included Petroleum Alliance President Brook Simmons; Oklahoma Farm Bureau's Amarie Bartel; Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association

Executive Vice President Michael Kelsey; Oklahoma Defense Industry Association Executive Director Allyson Carson; Oklahoma Department of Aerospace and Aeronautics Executive Director Grayson Ardies; Dr. Sharon Harrison representing Harrison Consulting Group; Oklahoma Motion Picture Alliance Chair Cassidy Lunnen; Chase Beasley with Tulsa Innovation Lab; OKC Innovation District President and CEO Jeff Seymour; and Chuck Gray, chair of the Governor's Council on Workforce and Economic Development.

Hill said that an innovation economy and a thriving workforce is crucial for Oklahoma.

"Regardless of partisanship and all of the rural versus urban divide, at the end of the day, we all want better for our children and our grandchildren than what we had," he said. "And by investing in ourselves and infrastructure across this great state, not just two urban hubs, but literally moving our state towards the idea of 10 economic hubs [where] every kid is within one hour of an economic opportunity, that, to me, is success for our long-term play."



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Re: Commercial SWD Acquisition Opportunity

David Payne was recently appointed receiver over three (3) SWD's, one located in McClain County and two in Blaine County. The Receiver has court authority to sell all three properties as a group or individually.

As an example, our McClain County property, the Dibble SWD generates between 7,000 and 11,000 BBL of daily injection volumes with both contracted pipe volume and hauled volumes.

Should your firm or a firm that assists in moving your production water have an interest in this opportunity, please respond and we can execute an NDA and grant access to our virtual data room.

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