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Moore City Council Considers Sales Tax Increase

Members of the Moore City Council are weighing options to fund capital improvements (streets, drainage, sewer upgrades, public facilities, etc.) and public safety. General obligation bonds have been used in the past which are then paid

through property taxes. The council understands the impact rising property taxes have on household budgets and are proposing an increase in Moore's sales tax to decrease our dependency on property taxes.



- Currently, the City funds capital projects through general obligation bonds as approved by the voters for specific purposes.
- While committed to a 16.5 millage cap, Moore City Council is concerned about the City's dependence on property taxes to fund capital projects and seeks to lower this cap by 50%. This would require a sales tax increase to be approved.
- Moore's sales tax revenue is derived from sales within our city limits, over 30% (conservatively) of which is paid by those residing outside of our city limits.
- The proposed increase would take Moore's sales tax rate from 8.5% to 9.5%. Currently, Midwest City is 9.1%, OKC is 8.625% and Norman is 8.75%.
- The proposed increase would be permanent and would be used for capital projects (streets, drainage, sewer upgrades, public facilities, etc.) and public safety needs.
- The proposed increase would generate approximately \$12 million per year.
- The increase would have to be voted in by Moore residents during an election.

Visit **cityofmoore.com** to give us your thoughts on the proposition. Survey results will be used to inform the City Council as they consider putting a sales tax increase proposition to a citywide vote.



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The City's website has the most current information on closings, trash service, and stories you'll see here. Please confirm all dates, times, and locations of events at cityofmoore.com.

City Hall: 405-793-5000

Utility Customer Service: 405-793-5032 **After Hours Water/Sewer:** 405-793-5080

Trash & Big Trash: 405-793-5070 **Pothole Hotline:** 405-793-4653



Christmas

December 24 & 25 - City Offices Closed Thurs., December 25 - Trash will be picked up on Wed, December 24

New Years

January 1 - City Offices Closed Thurs., January 1 - Trash will be picked up on Wed., December 31

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 19 - City Offices Closed Trash Service not affected



NEW Christmas Tree Pickup

Christmas Trees *must* be scheduled as a **Special Pickup** through the sanitation dept. Pick-Ups begin Friday, December 26 thru January 16. Upo NOT dispose of trees in your polycarts !!

To schedule this **free** service, go to cityofmoore.com/christmastree *or* call 405-793-5070. Also, trees can be discarded 7am-5pm on Fridays 12/26, 1/2, 1/9 & 1/16. Drop off @ 512 N.W. 27th St.

For more information contact the Moore Parks & Recreation Department or visit cityofmoore.com



New Fee Changes in the Utility Billing Department & Municipal Court

Effective February 1, 2026, the City of Moore will be changing payment card processors. Processing fees will now be paid by the payee at the time of payment. The debit/credit card processing fee will be updated to 2.95%, or a minimum of \$1.50 per utility billing or municipal court transaction. Additional processing fees may apply.

E-Check Option for Payments

The City will offer an E-Check option for payments. A flat fee of \$0.50 will be charged per payment transaction. To avoid processing fees, please pay with cash or check; in person or by mail. This adjustment reflects our commitment to maintaining the quality of our services while responding to evolving operational needs.

We appreciate your continued support and understanding. If you have any questions or need further information, please call the Utility Billing Department at 405-793-5032 or for Municipal Court questions call 405-793-5040.



Dance Classes

Toddler Dance (Ages 3-5)

When: January 15- April 23

(No class 3/19)

Recital Date: April 30 Time: 5:30-6:15 p.m.

Fee: \$40/ month Non-Passholder

\$35/month Passholder

Youth Combo Dance (Ages 6-9)

When: January 15- April 23

(No class 3/19)

Recital Date: April 30 Time: 6:15-7:00 p.m.

Fee: \$40/ month Non-Passholder

\$35/month Passholder

Adult Dance (Ages 18+)

When: January 15- April 23

(No class 3/19)

Recital Date: April 30 Time: 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Fee: \$40/ month Non-Passholder

\$35/month Passholder





Some of my most memorable childhood memories are of Christmas. On Christmas Eve, my father would drive me around looking at Christmas lights. By the time we got to my grandparents' house, Santa had come and gone—I always missed him!

As an adult, Christmas holds a different meaning for me. I also recognize how our diverse community celebrates this season in many ways. Yet, I hope your traditions include family and friends. The city has offered many opportunities to enjoy the season together. Let's unite and celebrate our blessings.

Be sure to visit the city's webpage for a full calendar of upcoming events, information on current G.O. Bond Projects, winter weather events, and safety information. Let me be the first to wish you and your family a joyful, prosperous 2026! Your unique story is still unfolding—embrace it fully.

I am blessed and honored to serve as the mayor of my hometown.

Your Mayor,

Mayor Mark Hamm

Christmas Light Show

Through Thursday, Jan. 1The Station at Central Park
700 S Broadway Ave.