Neodesha, Kansas September 10, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 4:00 p.m., on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, in the Commission Room at City Hall with Mayor Johnson presiding and Commissioners Banzet and Truelove present. The meeting was recorded via Zoom platform.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried.

Civic organization reports were invited and heard.

Commission reports were heard.

Mayor Johnson took a moment to congratulate and recognize Utility Billing Supervisor Anita Buchanan on her upcoming retirement after more than 35 years of dedicated service to the City of Neodesha. Anita's last day will be September 19, 2025. The Governing Body and all City employees extend their deepest gratitude for her many years of commitment and wish her much joy, health, and happiness in this new chapter of life.

City Administrator comments were heard.

Community Development Director reports were heard.

Financial reports were distributed.

Public Comments were invited and heard.

Commissioner Truelove moved to approve the consent agenda as presented consisting of minutes from the August 25, 2025 Special Call Meeting; minutes from the August 27, 2025; and Appropriation (2025) 16. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding a contract agreement with Western Consultants dba Governmental Assistance Services for the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the Granby Street Project Grant process. Discussion held.

Commissioner Truelove moved to approve the contract with Western Consultants dba Governmental Assistance Services in an amount not to exceed \$13,500. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding a resignation request from Public Works Department employee Chris Cook. Discussion held.

Commissioner Banzet moved to accept the resignation of Chris Cook effective September 13, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried. Administrator Jones and the Governing Body extended sincere thanks to Chris for his time with the City. His skills, experience and dedication have been instrumental in helping complete several major projects more efficiently and cost-effectively. Well wishes are extended for his future endeavor.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding the Neodesha Fire/EMS Department 2026 schedules and related budget impacts, including salary costs for stand-by time and alternative scheduling options. Two members of the Fire/EMS Department and Public Safety Director Sam Tomlinson were present to provide input. Discussion was held. No action taken.

At 5:30 p.m. Commissioner Truelove requested a 5-minute recess. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried. The Zoom recording was placed on hold with audio, video and recording functions suspended.

At 5:35 p.m. the regular meeting of the Governing Body reconvened in the Commission Room at City Hall. The Zoom recording resumed with audio, video and recording in progress.

Public Comments were again invited and heard.

The next regular meeting of the Governing Body will be held at City Hall on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Truelove moved to recess to an Executive Session to include the Governing Body, City Administrator, and the City Clerk, in the Commission Room to discuss data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of a corporation, partnership, trust, or individual proprietorship, per KSA 75-4319(B)(4). The open meeting will resume in the Commission Room at 5:50 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried. The Zoom recording was placed on hold with audio, video and recording functions suspended.

At 5:50 p.m. the regular meeting of the Governing Body reconvened in the Commission Room at City Hall. The Zoom recording resumed with audio, video and recording in progress. No action taken.

Commissioner Truelove moved to cancel the Special Call Meeting that is scheduled for September 18, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Commissioner Banzet moved to recess to Crowder Park for the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony with the meeting to resume at Crowder Park at 6:00 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried. The Zoom recording ceased as no further action will be taken at this meeting.

At 6:45 p.m. Commissioner Banzet moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried.

	/s/ Devin Johnson	
ATTEST:	Devin Johnson, Mayor	
/s/ Stephanie Fyfe		
Stephanie Fyfe, City Clerk		