Water and Sewer Department
Status Report
November 4, 2026

- **Items of Interest**

  - The **True Reads** map shows that Envocore has worked or is working in multiple routes, installing 54,448 AMR units to date. Thirty-six (36) routes are completed on the dashboard. Lead connectors have been found at 326 locations.

  - The City of Tulsa is offering **walk-in interviews** on Wednesday, November 4, from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm at the Stormwater Operations & Maintenance Facility located at 4502 S. Galveston Avenue.

  - Mayor Nichols will provide a live-streamed **State of the City** on Tuesday, November 10th at 7:00 pm on the City's YouTube page at www.youtube.com/CityofTulsa

    The Tulsa Regional Chamber is also hosting a live State of the City on Thursday, November 19th at 12:00 pm at the Arvest Convention Center. This event is by invitation only.

  - The **Budget kickoff meeting** is scheduled for this Friday, November 6th.

  - RTS Water Solutions, LLC (Envocore) has notified city staff that they will **not** renew their contract for the **True Reads** project.

- **Weather**

Category	2026 October	Normal October	2026 YTD	Normal YTD	Status
Precipitation	4.74"	3.78"	38.32"	36.21"	
Temperature	68.5°F	62.3°F	68.7°F	64.1°F	

For November-to-date, Tulsa has received 0.29-inches of rain.

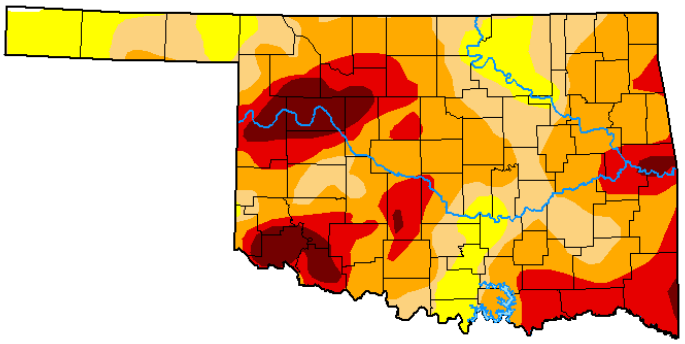
U.S. Drought Monitor

Oklahoma

October 27, 2026

(Released Thursday, Oct. 29, 2026)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx

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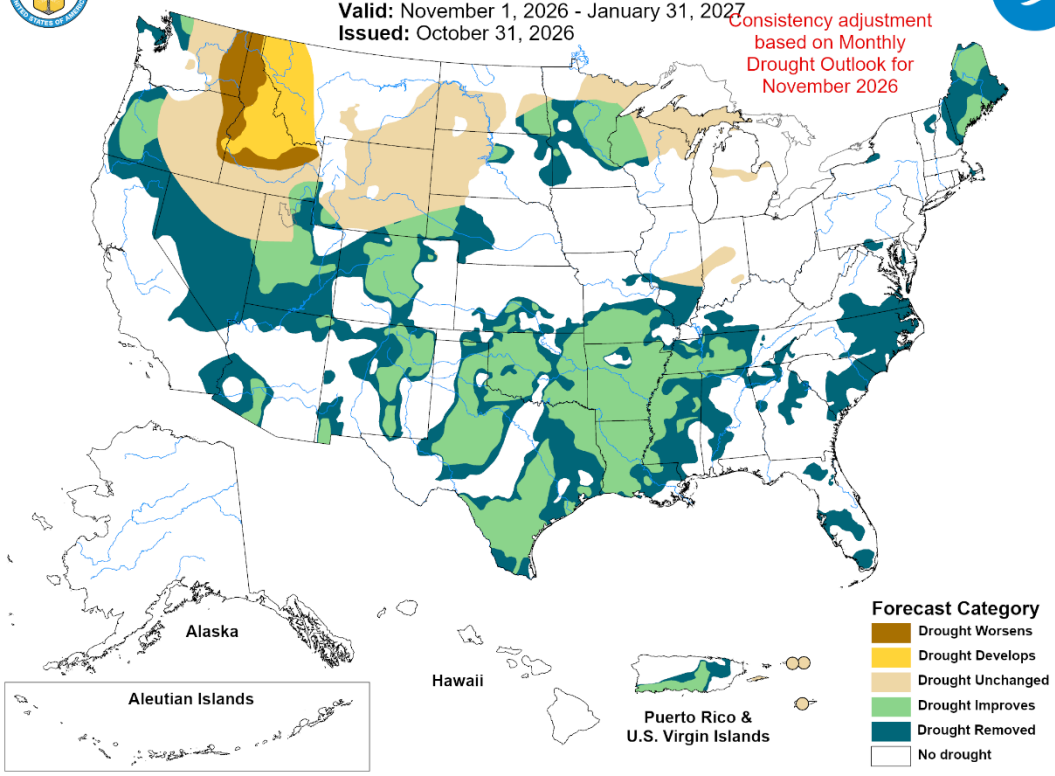
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Seasonal Drought Outlook

Valid: November 1, 2026 - January 31, 2027
Issued: October 31, 2026

Consistency adjustment based on Monthly Drought Outlook for November 2026



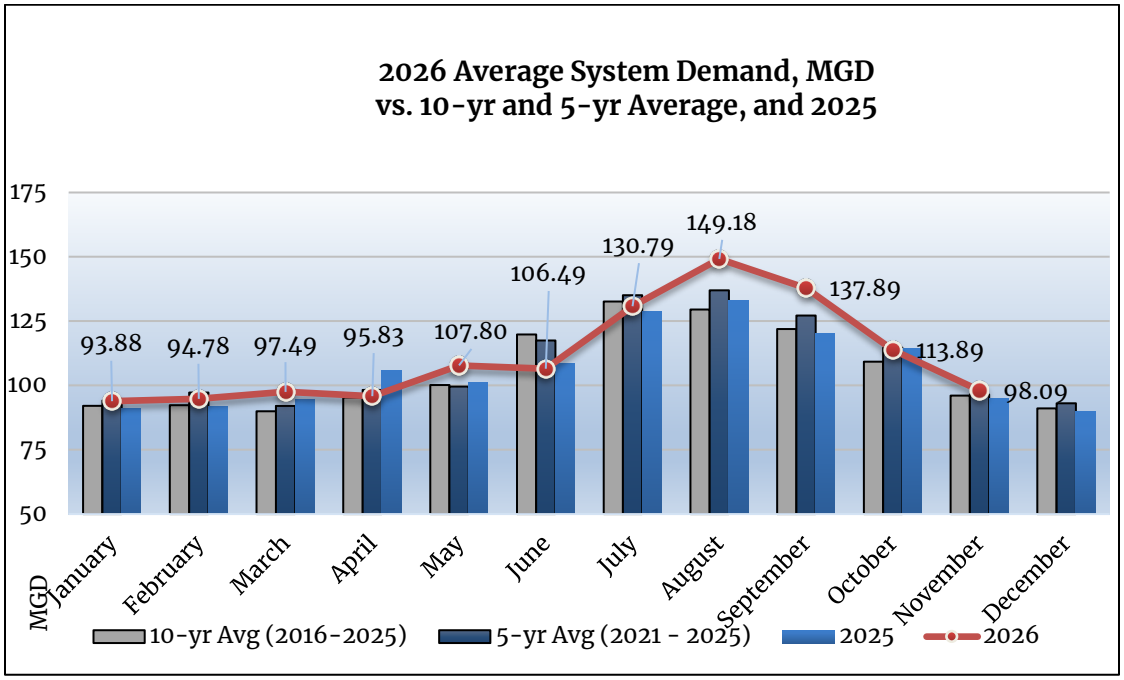
Forecast Category

- Drought Worsens
- Drought Develops
- Drought Unchanged
- Drought Improves
- Drought Removed
- No drought

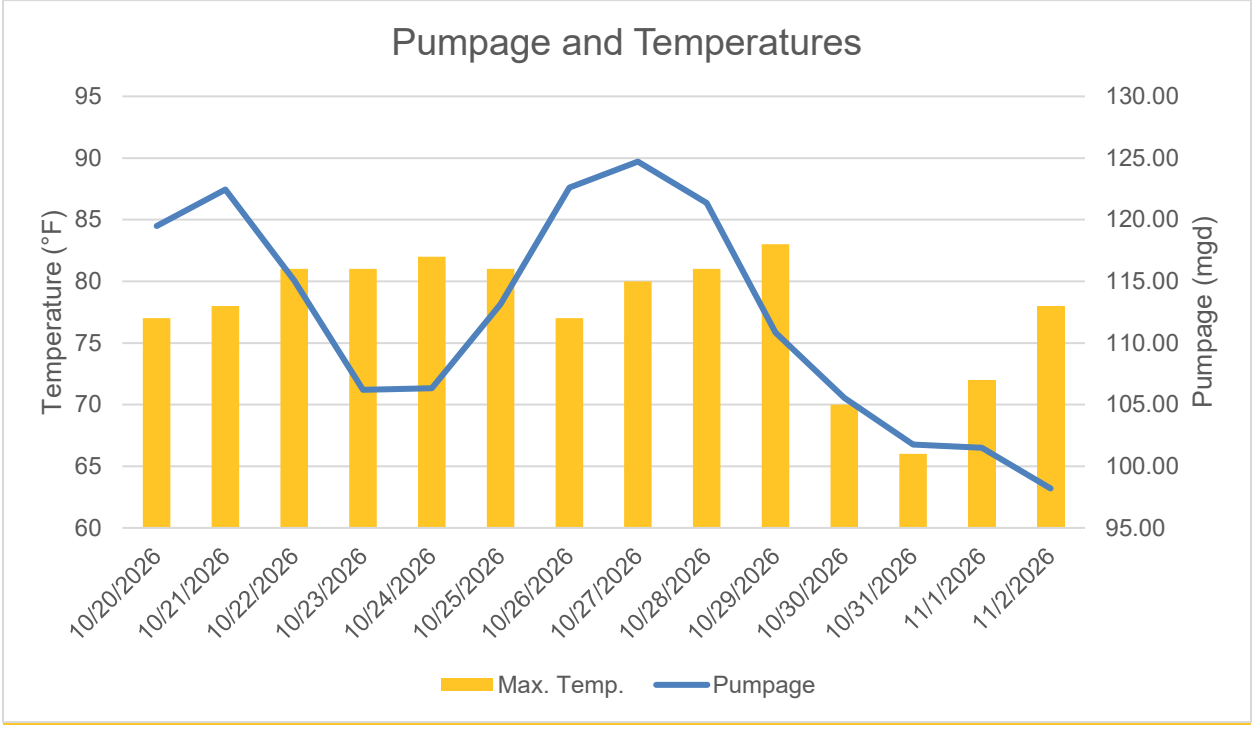
- **Water Supply**

Lake	Top of Dam/Spillway	Top of Conservation Pool	Current level	Difference
Oologah	687.0 ft	638.0 ft	640.4 ft	2.4 ft
Spavinaw	680.0 ft		679.95 ft	-0.05 ft
Eucha	778.0 ft		770.13 ft	-7.87 ft
Hudson	645.0 ft	619.0 ft	620.0 ft	1.0 ft
Pensacola	753.8 ft	742.0 ft	742.0 ft	0.0 ft
Skiatook	756.0 ft	714.0 ft	710.7 ft	-3.3 ft
Ft. Gibson	593.0 ft	554.0 ft	554.5 ft	0.5 ft
Keystone	771.0 ft	723.0 ft	725.2 ft	2.2 ft

Site	Date Sampled	MIB (ng/L)	Geosmin (ng/L)
Spavinaw Dam	11/3/2026	10	BDL (5.0)
Raw 66	11/3/2026	BDL (5.0)	BDL (5.0)
Raw 84	11/3/2026	No sample	No sample
Lake Yahola	11/3/2026	No sample	No sample
Mohawk Top of Filter	11/3/2026	BDL (5.0)	BDL (5.0)
Mohawk Finished Water	11/3/2026	BDL (5.0)	BDL (5.0)
Oologah Flowline 66	11/3/2026	BDL (5.0)	BDL (5.0)
AB Jewell Raw Influent	11/3/2026	BDL (5.0)	BDL (5.0)
AB Jewell Finished Water	11/3/2026	BDL (5.0)	BDL (5.0)
Readings are in nanograms per liter (ng/L). Customer taste and odor is noticed in finished water at 20 ng/L.			

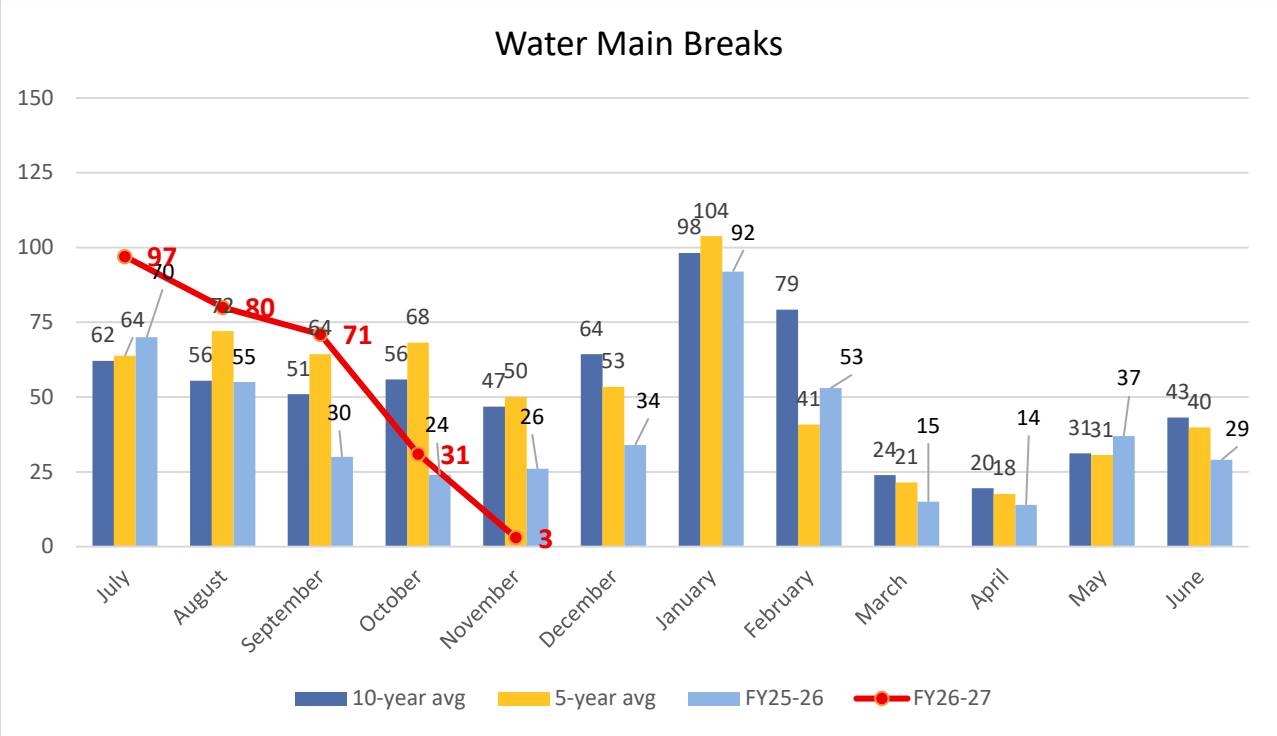


- October usage was 113.89 MGD compared to the five-year average of 114.64 MGD. November usage is 98.09 MGD compared to the five-year average of 96.47 MGD.



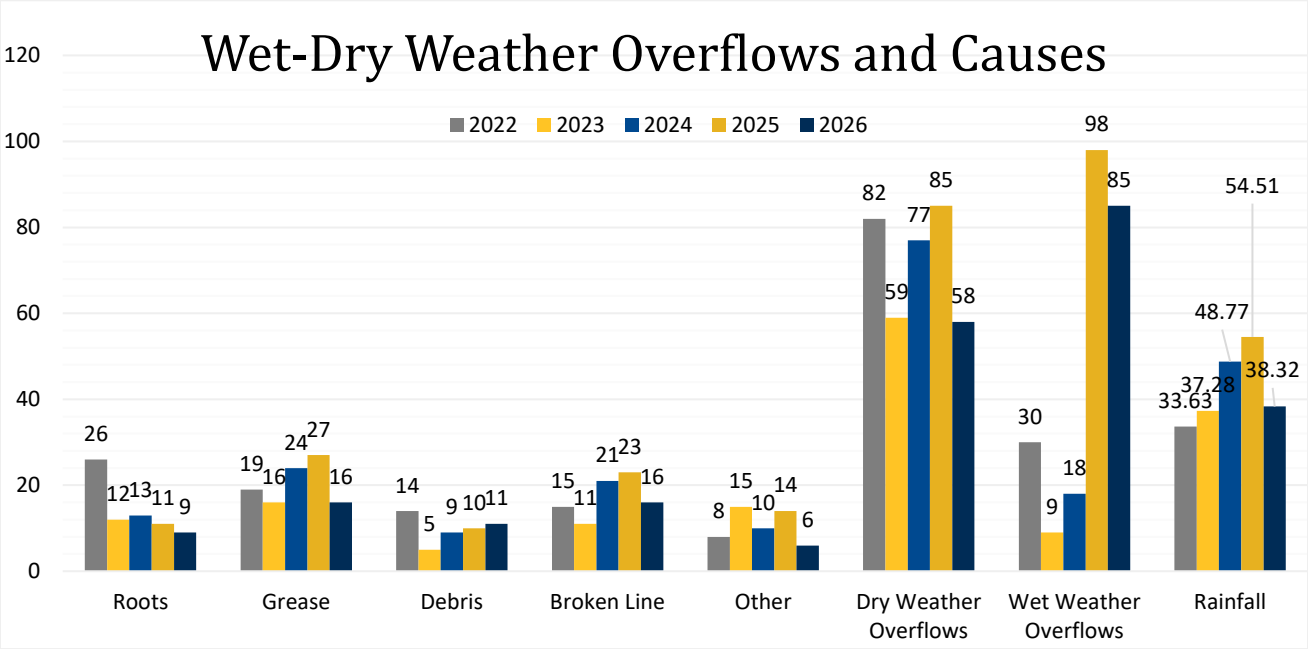
- **Water Distribution Systems**

There were 31 breaks for the month of October compared to the five-year average of 68.



- **Sewer Operations & Maintenance**

There was one overflow in October due to a broken pipe, and there is one in November due to grease.



- **Staffing**

Division of Department	Vacant	FTEs	Rate	Status
Administration	0	14	0.0%	
Water Supply Systems	10	103	9.7%	
Water Quality Assurance	2	56	3.6%	
Water Distribution Systems	38	264	14.4%	
Sewer Operations & Maintenance	21	126	16.7%	
Water Pollution Control	10	113	8.8%	
Design Engineering	3	30	10.0%	
Planning & Asset Management	0	8	0.0%	
Information Systems	3	34	8.8%	
TOTAL	**87**	**749**	**11.6%**	

Classification	Vacant	FTEs	Rate	Status
AT: Administrative Technical	7	95	7.4%	
EX: Exempt	6	106	5.7%	
IS: Information Systems	0	2	0.0%	
IT: Information Technology	0	3	0.0%	
LT: Labor & Trades	65	421	15.4%	
OT: Office Technical	6	69	8.7%	
ST: Scientific Technical	3	53	5.7%	
TOTAL	**87**	**749**	**11.6%**	

01 UPDATED UTILITY RATES

UNDERSTANDING YOUR OCTOBER UTILITY BILL

Beginning with your October utility bill, updated rates are reflected for water, sewer, stormwater, refuse and recycling, and other services. The typical residential customer inside Tulsa city limits will see an approximately $5.82 monthly increase, depending on water usage and elected services.

Residential Rate Changes:

- **Water:**
  $4.80 per 1,000 gallons used | Previous: $4.57
- **Sewer:**
  $11 per 1,000 gallons water used | Previous: $10.82
  Personal usage rates recalculated every May based on historical water usage.
- **Stormwater:**
  $14.65 per month | Previous: $13.69
- **Refuse & Recycling:**
  Rates vary by elected service(s)/cart size. The primary refuse cart sizes each changed by less than $1 per month.

These annual rate changes help operate, maintain, and replace Tulsa's water, sanitary sewer and stormwater systems and provide essential services to residents.

Water and sewer rates are considered annually by the Tulsa Metropolitan Utility Authority (TMUA), while the stormwater fee is considered by the Stormwater Drainage and Hazard Mitigation Advisory Board, and the refuse and recycling rates are considered by the Tulsa Authority for the Recovery of Energy Board (TARE). Approved rates are incorporated into the City's annual budget.

Rate changes are communicated throughout the summer as part of the annual budget process. The October bill reflects these updated rates.

To see this year's updated rate book for all customers, visit: **www.cityoftulsa.org/utilities**



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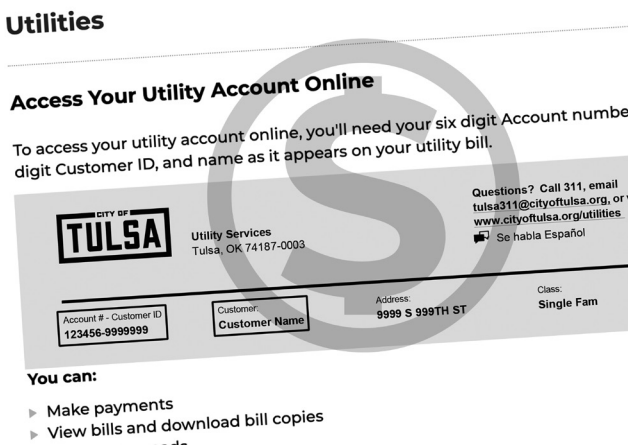
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CITY RATES EXPLAINED
Water, sewer, stormwater revenues fund operation and maintenance of systems.

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WAYS TO PAY UTILITIES
Learn more about new authorized payment locations.

+ PLUS: SALES TAX PROGRAMS
The Sales Tax Overview Committee Summary Status Report is available for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

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02 WAYS TO PAY UTILITY BILLS

NEW AUTHORIZED PAYMENT LOCATIONS AVAILABLE

We've expanded the ways you can pay your City of Tulsa utility bill!

With 21 new authorized payment locations added throughout Tulsa, customers now have even more convenient options to make payments close to home. The new locations offer real-time payment processing, which can be especially helpful for accounts that may be past due or nearing disconnection.

You can pay your utility bill in five convenient ways:

- **At an authorized payment location**
- **Online**
- **In person at City Hall**
- **By mail**
- **By phone through our automated payment system**

When paying your bill, please be sure to have your customer ID, account number, and name as it appears on your bill. To find the payment option that works best for you and learn more about the in-person payment locations, visit **www.cityoftulsa.org/utilitypymt**

SALES TAX OVERVIEW COMMITTEE (STOC) SUMMARY STATUS REPORT

ON PROGRAMS MONITORED BY THE STOC

As of the close of City's Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Prepared by the City of Tulsa Finance Department
Approved by the Committee September 2026

SALES TAX PROGRAMS

2008 Sales Tax Program (Fix Our Streets) In November 2008, voters authorized a temporary increase in the sales tax levy of one and two-twelfths percent (1.167%); to remain effective until June 30, 2014, with the expectation of collecting $166.6 million to be used for the repair, construction, and reconstruction of streets, bridges, and related infrastructure. This program concluded after collecting $150.0 million.

Appropriated:	$150.0 million
Spent:	$145.4 million
Under Contract:	$48 thousand

2014 Sales Tax Program (Improve Our Tulsa) In November 2013, voters authorized a temporary increase in the sales tax levy of one and one-tenth percent (1.1%); to remain effective until June 30, 2021, with the expectation of collecting $563.7 million to be used for the repair, construction, and reconstruction of infrastructure. This program concluded after collecting 563.7 in sales tax revenue. Additional appropriations were made using the interest earned.

Appropriated:	$587.9 million
Spent:	$494.5 million
Under Contract:	$29.4 million

2017 Sales Tax and Advance Revenue Bond Program (Tulsa Vision Economic Development) In April 2016, voters authorized a temporary sales tax levy of a little over 3/10ths of a cent for the purpose of funding economic development projects within the City of Tulsa. The sales tax went into effect on Jan. 1, 2017, and will end on Dec. 31, 2031. The tax will fund over $510.6 million in major capital projects across the City. To date, this fund has collected $539.4 million as collections have outpaced the original estimates.

Appropriated:	$530.7 million
Spent:	715.4 million
Under Contract:	$6.5 million

2020 Sales Tax Program (Improve Our Tulsa II) In November 2019, voters authorized a temporary increase in the sales tax levy of forty-five one hundredths percent (0.45%); to remain effective until June 30, 2025, with the expectation of collecting $193 million to be used for the repair, construction, and reconstruction of streets, bridges, and related infrastructure. The program concluded in August 2025 after collecting the fully approved amount. To date, an additional $4 million is available in fund balance to be appropriated for City wide Community Development Projects as they are identified and approved by Mayor and Council.

Appropriated:	$189.2 million
Spent:	$115.6 million
Under Contract:	$20.3 million

2023 Temporary Sales Tax Program (Improve Our Tulsa III) In August 2023, the electorate approved the extension of ninety-five-one-hundredths of one percent (.95%) sales tax which will provide funding for this program. The fund began receiving sales tax revenue in September 2025 when the Improve Our Tulsa II concluded collections. Budgeting is done on a cash basis for this Governmental Capital Fund. The total program estimate is $430.5 million and will include projects from across the City.

GENERAL OBLIGATION (GO) BOND PROGRAMS

2014 General Obligation Bond Issues (Citywide Streets Package) In November 2013, voters approved a $355 million GO Bond.

Appropriated:	$159.8 million
Spent:	$6.7 million
Under Contract:	$43.9 million

2020 General Obligation Bond Issues (Citywide Streets Package) In November 2019, voters approved a $427 million GO Bond.

Appropriated:	$355.0 million
Spent:	$303.2 million
Under Contract:	$23.1 million

2025 General Obligation Bond Issues (Citywide Streets, Facilities, and Capital Packages) In November 2023, voters approved a $384.9 million GO Bond.

Appropriated:	$278.2 million
Spent:	$133.7 million
Under Contract:	$39.3 million

SUMMARY: The STOC is pleased to report to the citizens of Tulsa that voted projects have either been completed as promised, are in the process of being completed, or are awaiting the availability of funds prior to starting the project. In a few cases, the voted project has been eliminated or changed. The Committee is satisfied that the changes were prompted by valid engineering, budgetary or regulatory reasons not known when the project was presented and, in each case, those monies were appropriated to a similar project. All such changes have been approved by the Mayor and/or City Council as required by the relevant ordinances.

SALES TAX OVERVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

As of: June 30, 2026
Chair: Ashley Webb (District 4)
Vice-Chair: Scott Grizzle (District 9)
Secretary: Kathy Sebert, District 5

Member	District	Member	District
Charles Wilkes	District 1	Matt Meyer	District 7
Linda Jenkins	District 1	James Deming	District 7
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Sylvia Powell	District 2	Steve King	District 8
Brett Friesen	District 3	Paul Hassink	District 9
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Uriah Davis	District 6		

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