

MEETING MINUTES

Group Name: Tulsa Food Advisory Council

Date: June 4, 2025

Members Present: Andrew Arvay, Harry Lentz, Collin Graham, David Chambers, Thomas Hunter, Rod Hammack, Jeffrey H. Townes, Steven Jennings, Marilyn Been

Members Absent: Rocky Sturm, Ruth Young, Brian Hughes, Nicole Wakeham

Others Present: Tanya Harris, Adam Austin, Alex Prieto

MINUTES

- Andrew Arvay called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. The minutes from October 2nd, 2024 were read. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Steven Jennings and seconded by Thomas Hunter. The motion passed. The minutes from February 5th, 2025 were read. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Thomas Hunter and seconded by Marilyn Been. The motion passed.
- Andrew Arvay informed the Council of the two existing Council vacancies. One is under the Health Professionals Group. The other is under the Food Industry Representatives Group. Curtis Price was considered to fill the Food Industry Representatives vacancy. Thomas Hunter moved to delay until the next meeting to compare to Ryan Gray. Steven Jennings seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Adam Austin and Tanya Harris presented the Food Protection Services (FPS) Program updates:
 - Strategic plan for FPS is being rolled out. The goal for FPS is to raise compliance from 94% to 97%.
 - Total number of plans received from Feb 1 -May 31
 - Electronic 103
 - Physical 50
 - Total number of complaints received from Feb 1 -May 31
 - General 221
 - FBI 47
 - Food/ Manager Cert. issued from Feb 1 -May 31
 - FH Permits Online 8576
 - FH Permits In-Person 163
 - Manager Certifications 775
 - Food Establishments - Status from Feb 1 -May 31
 - New Establishments – 152
 - Closed - 127
 - Change of Ownerships - 48

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- Renewals for city food license have been sent out. All city licenses expire June 30th.
- Audits have been requested for voluntary standards. We have passed standard 7 outreach and community involvement.
- Interviews will commence for new inspectors in the next few weeks.
- HB 1076 changes. No longer issuing city licenses starting as of November 1st. Events will be the exception. Each mobile can only be inspected twice per year except for spot checks.
- Collin Graham provided the following updates for the Oklahoma Restaurant Association:
 - Regarding the HB 1076 The goal of the bill was to have one inspection for each license. This bill can be reviewed in 2026.
 - Events:
 - Board of directors' retreat next week.
 - 2025 Oklahoma Conference on Tourism & Red Bud Awards in Norman, OK. Jun 24th
 - OHF Odyssey de Culinaire 2025 in OKC. Jul 9th
 - 2025 ORA EXPO in OKC. Aug 28-29
 - Legislation
 - HB 2369 –provides that an event venue license must authorize the holder to operate the event venue space as defined in the act and allow the service and consumption of beer and wine during events hosted on the licensed premises. The bill was stripped before it was signed. Events only need a \$50 permit and for the bartender(s) to take an in-person course.
 - HB2459 sets forth certain inspection requirements to be conducted by the Oklahoma Liquified Petroleum Gas Board and/or the Oklahoma State Fire Marshal. This legislation aligns fire code to meet international fire code. Health inspector and fire marshal will inspect at initial inspection.
 - SB 1032 provides that certain actions of an employee paid by an establishment licensed by the ABLE Commission shall not be attributable to the establishment and provides for an affirmative defense to such liability. 3 violations in 12-month span. Liability goes to bartender. November 1st can serve tableside, can open and pour ready-made drinks. 18–20-year-olds can hand packaged cocktails. Alcoholic drinks cannot be stored in the driver's compartment.
- Meeting was formally adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

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AGENDA ITEMS	ATTACHMENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approval of Minutes – October 2024 Regular Meeting (Action Required)• Food Protection Services Update (No Action Required)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. October 2024 Minutes2. February 2025 Minutes