



Beyond Apology Commission

Regular Meeting | August 21, 2026 | 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

City Hall at One Technology Center | Room 10 North

Meeting Minutes

Commissioners Present: TheRese Anderson Aduni, Phil Armstrong, Jacqueline Evans, Vanessa Hall-Harper, Mattece Mason, Krystal Reyes, Taylor West, Corinice Wilson

Commissioners Present Virtually: Greg Taylor, Damali Wilson

Commissioners Absent: Keith Mayes, D'Marria Monday

City of Tulsa Staff Present: Lexi Bollis, Angenette DeBose, Brentom Todd

I. Call to Order

- a. Vice Chair Mason called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm.

II. Ancestral Acknowledgement

- a. Commissioner Aduni led the Ancestral Acknowledgement.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a. Commissioner West arrived at 1:05 pm.
- b. Vice Chair Mason entertained a motion to approve the June meeting minutes.
 - i. Commissioner Armstrong motioned, Councilor Hall-Harper seconded.
 - 1. Aye: 8, Nay: 0
 - a. Commissioners Evans and Corinice Wilson were not yet present in the meeting.
 - ii. Motion carried, June meeting minutes approved.

IV. Guest Speaker: Dr. Tami Moore, Beyond Apology Report

- a. Commissioner Evans arrived at 1:07 pm.
- b. Vice Chair Mason welcomed guests Dr. Tami Moore, Cynthia Soto-Render, and Landon Wolf.
- c. Dr. Moore introduced herself and how she came to be part of the Beyond Apology process. Recognized that OSU-Tulsa had not always been a good neighbor and wanted to leverage the resources she had access to change that. She bought expertise in dialogue facilitation and data collection to gather information from community to help leaders drive planning projects for community-led priorities.
- d. Collected data from 83 participants in four listening sessions.
- e. Commissioner Corinice Wilson arrived at 1:19 pm.
- f. Participants responded to two prompts:
 - i. What should repair or reparation look like?



- ii. Based on your interpretation of repair/reparation, what areas of repair or reparation should be prioritized?
- g. Data was collected through recorded statements and arts-based methods. Analysis took place in three cycles.
- h. Eight themes emerged from the data: education, financial comp, community econ develop, housing, land, health and wellness, policy change, and cultural identity (listed in order of frequency)
- i. Vice Chair Mason remarked that this report gives weight and credence to BAC. Narrative in the data collection provides community voice.
- j. Commission Discussion
 - i. Commissioner Armstrong asked about the difference between the forthcoming detailed report and the published Beyond Apology Report. Dr. Moore shared the detailed report includes raw data and methodological footnotes.

V. Vice Chair Report

- a. Vice Chair Mason shared a report from Chairwoman Williams in her absence.
 - i. 2027 Reparations Summit: If the summit is to move forward, BAC will need to form a planning committee and begin work.
 - ii. Graves Ordinance: Proposed ordinance addressing appropriate treatment of Black remains and historic artifacts has been submitted to the City and is under legal review.
 - iii. First Repair Reparations Summit in Evanston: Registration is open. Commissioners planning to attend are encouraged to register as soon as possible.
 - iv. This work requires persistence and patience to make change.

VI. Committee Reports

- a. Housing – no report
- b. Education – no report
- c. Health and Wellness
 - i. Commissioner Damali Wilson: The committee is mapping health initiatives in north Tulsa and aims create a list identifying individuals, organizations, locations, and points of connection.
 - ii. Oct. 3: Crossover 5k Run
- d. Community, Economic, and Land Development – no report
- e. Systems Change and Financial Compensation – no report
- f. Cultural Identity – no report

VII. Old Business – no old business

VIII. New Business

- a. Commissioners discussed the need to formalize a planning committee for the Reparations Summit if BAC is going to organize, host, or support. Lexi noted that BAC cannot vote to create a planning committee or resolve to hold a summit in perpetuity, as these items do not meet the criteria for New Business under the Open Meetings Act; however, discussion is allowed.
 - i. Commissioner Armstrong suggested it would be helpful for BAC to receive information about 2026 Summit costs, partners, and feedback so



commissioners are armed with information before voting to form a planning committee. Commissioner Corinice Wilson added that better understanding logistics will help inform committees.

IX. Announcements / Public Comments

a. Public Comments

- i. DJ Mercer, Justice for Greenwood: Alpha Phi Alpha is hosting a prostate cancer and health symposium on Sept 19 at First Baptist Church in north Tulsa.

X. Adjournment

a. Vice Chair Mason entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

- i. Commissioner Armstrong motioned, Commissioner Corinice Wilson seconded.
- ii. Meeting adjourned at 2:08 pm.