State of Kansas
Amendment

2026

Amended
Certificate
For Calendar Year 2026

To the Clerk of Dickinson County, State of Kansas
We, the undersigned, duly elected, qualified, and acting officers of
City of Chapman
certify that: (1) the hearing mentioned in the attached publication was held;(2) after the Budget Hearing this Budget was duly approved and adopted as the maximum expenditure for the various funds for the year.

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Fund	**K.S.A.**				
Employee Benefits	12-16,102	1		300,000	373,000
Totals		xxxxxxxxx	0	300,000	373,000
Summary of Amendments		2			

Attested date:_____

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County Clerk

Assisted by:

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Address:

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Email:

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Jim Bell, Mayor

Elizabeth Berg, Councilmember

Dusty Heller, Councilmember

Christy Loy, Councilmember

John Vahsholtz, Councilmember

Jackson Wasylk, Councilmember

Governing Body

City of Chapman 2026

Adopted Budget

Employee Benefits	2026 Adopted Budget	2026 Proposed Budget
Unencumbered Cash Balance January 1	104,910	104,910
Receipts:		
Ad Valorem Tax	0	0
Delinquent Tax	0	0
Motor Vehicle Tax	4,526	4,526
Recreational Vehicle Tax	62	62
16/20M Vehicle Tax	3	3
Commercial Vehicle Tax	115	115
Watercraft Tax	41	41
Insurance Premiums	38,000	38,000
Transfers In	160,000	230,000
Interest on Idle Funds		
Total Receipts	**202,747**	**272,747**
Resources Available:	**307,657**	**377,657**
Expenditures:		
KPERS	115,000	135,000
Social Security	65,000	72,000
Unemployment	4,000	4,000
Insurance Premiums	75,000	100,000
Claims and RX Payout	25,000	45,000
Medicare	16,000	17,000
Total Expenditures	**300,000**	**373,000**
Unencumbered Cash Balance December 31	7,657	4,657

CPA Summary

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Bill Flanery
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Published in The Abilene Reflector Chronicle on October 22nd, 2026.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF KANSAS }
DICKINSON COUNTY } ss.

Kathy Hageman being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That I am the editor of the Reflector-Chronicle, a daily newspaper printed in the State of Kansas, and published in and of general circulation in Dickinson County, Kansas, with a general paid circulation on a monthly basis, and that said newspaper is not a trade, religious or fraternal publication.

Said newspaper is a daily published at least 50 times a year; has been so published continuously and uninterruptedly in said county and state for period of more than five years prior to the first publication of said notice; and has been admitted at the post office of Abilene, in said county, as a second class matter.

That the attached notice is a true copy thereof and was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper for 1 consecutive weeks, the first publication thereof being made as aforesaid on the day of 10-22, 2026 with subsequent publications being made on the following dates:

_____, 20____, _____, 20_____

Printer's Fee $ 60.00

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of

PUBLIC NOTICE

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VIEW FROM THE HILL
BY SCOTT HILL

Socialism - The Illusion of Utopia

David Copperfield, one of the great illusionists of our time, recently turned seventy years old. In case you are wondering if we are running out of magicians to entertain us, don't worry. You only have to look to the realm of public policy to see masters of great deception. I believe in a state and country where honesty and integrity are traits that are honored and respected. The motto of our state: "To the stars, through difficulty," boldly indicates that hard work and tenacity are the keys to success. The use of AI, coupled with candidates who seem to spare no effort to stretch the truth, has left many of us wondering if the core values at the heart of our nation still pump the life-giving blood of freedom.

The greatest political deception of the last century seems to be coming to the forefront of American politics. The roots of socialism actually go back more than a century. In fact, two of the ten commandments dictated by Moses directly condemn socialism as a principle for government. Commandment eight says, "Thou shalt not steal" and commandment ten says, "Thou shalt not covet." Socialists in government, in direct contrast, say that you should covet what someone else has and use the government to steal it.

The history of our country has many examples of individuals utilizing their skills and the opportunity that a free economy presented to make great wealth. Some used the wealth they had acquired to help other people, and some did not. Some have chosen to squander wealth, and others have chosen to hoard wealth. Some have invested in institutions that outlived them and others have lived miserable lives having the ability to buy anything except the things in life that really matter. The truth is that characteristics of love, joy, peace, and contentment have no relationship to expendable income.

The illusion of wealth redistribution exists in both political parties. The targeted recipients of excessive taxation collected from the masses varies by political persuasion. The principle however, is the same: "The government is wiser at utilizing the money you have earned than you are." If we examine the countless government resources that have been squandered over the years, that statement becomes even more ridiculous than it appears at first glance.

Our nation was founded on the idea that government would be limited and that the primary role of government was to protect your rights including the right to opportunity.

People from all walks of life have responded to that concept for two and a half centuries.

Freedom lovers from all over the globe have come to our shores to experience economic freedom. Our government has responded to the success of our system with the flawed idea that centralized authority of resources can improve on the concept of individual accountability. While most would agree that the government should help support those who truly cannot support themselves because of disability, etc., socialism kills the incentive to work harder or work smarter to increase your income or standard of living.

Across our state and our nation, the sweeping idea of a "new collectivism" is shrouded in the illusion of compassion. We need to be very clear that while the heart of the individual has great capacity for compassion, government has none. We are experiencing the greatest socialist push our country has ever seen. In New York a successful candidate advocated government provided housing, food, and transportation. Now clones of the New York City mayor are promising utopic redistribution of wealth through either Islamic socialism or Christian socialism depending on whether you are running for Senate in Michigan, Kansas or Texas. Do not be deceived.

The latest version of socialism is no different than the myriad of attempts made previously. Socialism has never worked as a governmental philosophy and the cost in human lives has been horrific. Support candidates who advocate for opportunity, not the sleight of hand that supports the redistribution of wealth using the false cloak of governmental compassion.

Scott Hill
State Senator

Catholic Charities

St. Michael Catholic Church
210 E 6th ST
Chapman, KS 67431
Every 4th Wednesday of the month
9am-10am

St. John Catholic Church
712 Broadway
Herington, KS 67449
Every 1st Wednesday of the month
1pm-2pm

St. Andrew Catholic Church
311 S Buckeye Ave
Abilene, KS 67410
Every 3rd Wednesday of the month

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
3599 N Field Rd
Solomon, KS 67480
Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month

Enterprise Community Church
210 S High St.
Enterprise, KS 67441
Every 4th Wednesday of the Month
10:30am till 11am

First UMC Manhattan
1710 Avery Avenue
Manhattan, KS 66503
785-539-1748
PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM HOURS
Tue- 3rd of each month 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Westview Community Church
615 Gillespie Drive
Manhattan, KS 66502
785-537-7173
PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM HOURS
Fri- 1st of each month 10am-11am

Ogden Community Center
220 Willow Street
Ogden, KS 66517
785-564-0071 or 785-410-6672
PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM HOURS
Tue- 4th of each month 9:30am-10:30am

Highview Church
402 Main Street
Alta Vista, KS 66834
620-767-2844
PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM HOURS
Tue- 4th of each month 11:30 AM 12:30 PM