

**CITY OF KENNEWICK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 2, 2024**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

City Council and Staff Present:

Loren Anderson (<i>remote</i>)	Lisa Beaton	Chad Michael
Brad Beauchamp	Steve Donovan	Nick Farline
Jason McShane (<i>remote</i>)	Christina Palmer	Evelyn Lusignan
Jim Millbauer (<i>remote</i>)	Laurencio Sanguino	Krystal Townsend
John Trumbo	Cary Roe	Brandi Ralston
Chuck Torelli	Chris Guerrero	

MOTION:	Councilmember Beauchamp moved, seconded by Councilmember Trumbo, to excuse the absence of Mayor Crawford.
DISCUSSION:	None.
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

Brad Beauchamp led the Pledge of Allegiance.

No one was present to provide an invocation.

Honors & Recognition: Retiree Service Recognition

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli provided a plaque recognizing Firefighter/EMT Ann Smith's 35 years of service. Firefighter Smith remarked on the importance of earning her position through merit, voiced her appreciation for her colleagues, shared her gratitude for the support of her family, and urged Council to allocate resources for fire department needs.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli provided a plaque recognizing Captain/Paramedic Troy Stratford's 28 years of service. Captain Stratford echoed the sentiments of Firefighter Smith and shared his appreciation for his fellow fire department personnel and his family.

2. VISITORS: None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Millbauer asked to move item 4.k. to New Business. *[Pursuant to Council rules, this action does not require a motion; the item was moved.]*

MOTION:	Councilmember Trumbo moved, seconded by Councilmember Beauchamp to approve the agenda as amended.
DISCUSSION:	Council asked clarifying questions as to whether item 4.k. required further action to move it to new business. Ms. Townsend replied this motion would accept the agenda as amended to include moving item 4.k. to New Business.
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Meeting Minutes: March 19, 2024, City Council Regular Meeting**
Motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2024, meeting as presented.
- b. **Meeting Minutes: March 26, 2024, City Council Special Meeting**
Motion to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2024, special meeting as presented.
- c. **Meeting Minutes: March 26, 2024, City Council Workshop Meeting**
Motion to approve the meeting minutes of the March 26, 2024, workshop meeting, as presented.
- d. **Claims Roster: February 2024**
Motion to approve the Claims Roster for February 2024 in the amount of \$4,766,277.72, comprised of electronic payments and check numbers 313465-313868.
- e. **Claims Roster: Columbia Park Golf Course Account**
Motion to approve the Claims Roster for the Columbia Park Golf Course Account for February 2024 in the amount of \$26,072.68, comprised of check numbers 2802-2805 in the amount of \$6,122.20 and electronic transfers in the amount of \$19,950.48.
- f. **Payroll Roster: Approval for Pay Period Ending 3/15/2024**
Motion to approve the Payroll Roster for the pay period ending 3/15/2024.
- g. **Tourism Promotion Area Reserve Funds**
Motion to approve the transfer of \$176,100 from the Tourism Promotion Area Reserve Account to Visit Tri-Cities to be reinvested in additional tourism marketing projects.
- h. **Resolution: Endorsement of Mid-Columbia Libraries Membership with the Association of Washington Cities Employee Benefit Trust Program**
Motion to sponsor Mid-Columbia Libraries' membership with the Association of Washington Cities Employee Benefit Trust Program through adoption of the proposed resolution and authorizing the mayor to sign the letter as presented.
- i. **Boards and Commissions Appointment: Arts Commission**
Motion to appoint Austin Wingle to the Arts Commission for a term expiring March 31, 2028.
- j. **Boards and Commissions Appointment: Historic Preservation Commission**
Motion to appoint Elisabeth Holt and Marty Robinson, and reappoint KariAnne Clark to the Historic Preservation Commission with terms expiring March 31, 2028.
- ~~k. **Boards and Commissions Appointment: Parks & Recreation Commission**
Motion to appoint Michelle Haffner and Russel Del Gesso to the Parks & Recreation Commission with terms expiring March 31, 2028.~~ ***This item was moved to New Business.***
- l. **Boards and Commissions Appointment: Planning Commission**
Motion to reappoint Lola Franklin to the Planning Commission with a term expiring March 31, 2028.
- m. **Boards and Commissions: Tri-City Regional Hotel Motel Commission Appointment**
Motion to accept the recommendation of the Tri-Cities Hotel & Lodging Association to appoint Mike Brown to fill an unexpired term as Kennewick's representative on the Tri-City Regional Hotel Motel Commission.

n. Grant: Network Infrastructure Security Reimbursement - Grant Agreement Number E24-160

Motion to accept the \$20,0000 grant award from the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) and designate Christina Palmer, Management Services Director, with signature authority for all documents pertaining to the Network Infrastructure Project, Grant Agreement No. E24-160.

o. Grant: P2401 2024 City-Wide HMA Overlay/ADA Improvements - TIB Funding Agreement

Motion to authorize the Interim City Manager to sign the grant agreement to receive Washington State Transportation Improvement Board funding for the P2401 2024 City- Wide HMA Overlay/ADA Improvements project.

MOTION:	Councilmember Beauchamp moved, seconded by Councilmember Trumbo to approve the consent agenda as amended [moving Item 4.k. under new business].
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

5. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS: None

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS: None

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Annexation: AZ Intent 2024-0001 Ranchland Homes, LLC (2107 S Clodfelter Road)

Steve Donovan, Development Services Manager, provided a staff report. Council asked clarifying questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli invited Britton Creer, the property owner/applicant to the podium.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli made the following statements

“You have signed a Notice of Annexation that acknowledges three important factors:

1. The City Council may accept, reject, or geographically modify the proposed annexation.
2. The City Council may require the simultaneous adoption of the zoning for the proposed area in substantial compliance with the Comprehensive Plan.
3. The Council may require the assumption of all or any portion of indebtedness by the area to be annexed.

Pursuant to RCW 35A.14.120, there shall be no appeal from the City Council’s decision on these factors.”

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli asked Mr. Creer, “Do you have questions about the meaning or consequence these factors?” Mr. Creer replied that he did not have questions or concerns.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli asked Mr. Creer, “Do you wish to proceed with this annexation?” Mr. Creer answered affirmatively.

MOTION:	Councilmember Beauchamp moved, seconded by Councilmember Trumbo, to accept the intent to petition for annexation request, to accept the proposed boundary, to require the simultaneous adoption of zoning regulations, and to require the assumption of existing city indebtedness.
DISCUSSION:	Council asked clarifying questions of staff and the applicant.
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

4.k. Boards and Commissions Appointment: Parks & Recreation Commission *This item was moved from Consent.*

Councilmember Millbauer addressed concerns he had with Mr. Del Gesso listing him as a reference without seeking his permission to do so. Council discussed the matter at length.

Councilmembers requested that additional clarifying language be incorporated into the applications to confirm that references have provided consent to be included.

MOTION:	Councilmember Millbauer moved, seconded by Councilmember Beauchamp, to appoint Michelle Haffner to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term to expire March 31, 2028.
DISCUSSION:	None.
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

MOTION:	Councilmember Beauchamp moved, seconded by Councilmember Trumbo, to appoint Russell Del Gesso to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term to expire March 31, 2028.
DISCUSSION:	Council discussed the importance of seeking approval for references before listing them.
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

9. VISITORS: None

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:

Councilmembers reported on their respective activities.

Interim City Manager Lisa Beaton provided a brief update and shared plans for the upcoming workshop meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Pro Tem Torelli concluded the meeting at 7:36 p.m.



Krystal Townsend, CMC, CPRO
City Clerk

At the time of publishing these minutes, the City Council meeting recording is available at:

<https://kennewickwa.new.swagit.com/videos/301672>