CITY OF KENNEWICK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
June 4, 2024

City Council Present – In Person:

Gretl Crawford, *Mayor*
Chuck Torelli, *Mayor Pro Tem*
Loren Anderson, *Councilmember*
Brad Beauchamp, *Councilmember*
Jason McShane, *Councilmember*
Jim Millbauer, *Councilmember*
John Trumbo, *Councilmember*

City Staff Present:

Erin Erdman, *City Manager*
Steve Donovan, *Planning Manager*
Christina Palmer, *Mgmt Svcs Director*
Laurencio Sanguino, *Asst City Attorney*
Cary Roe, *Public Works Director*
Chris Guerrero, *Police Chief*
Chad Michael, *Fire Chief*
Nick Farline, *Parks & Planning Director*
Dan Legard, *Finance Director*
Krystal Townsend, *City Clerk*
Health Melotte, *Design Services Mgr*
John Cowling, *Deputy Public Works Director*
Dana Dollarhyde, *Lead Communications Specialist/Executive Assistant*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Councilmember Beauchamp led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Retirement Service Recognition – Officer Chris Buroker: Mayor Crawford honored Officer Buroker with a plaque for his dedicated 28 years of service to the City of Kennewick and the Kennewick Police Department. Officer Buroker reflected on the significant impact his time as an officer had on his life. He introduced and expressed gratitude to his wife and children, while also appreciating his fellow KPD colleagues.

At 6:35, p.m., in honor of Officer Buroker's retirement, the Mayor called a 10-minute recess and resumed the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

2. VISITORS: None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:	Councilmember Anderson moved to approve the agenda as presented.
SECOND:	Mayor Pro Tem Torelli
DISCUSSION:	None.
VOTE:	**The motion passed unanimously (7-0).**

4. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Meeting Minutes: May 21, 2024, City Council Regular Meeting
Motion to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2024, meeting as presented.

b. **Meeting Minutes: May 28, 2024, City Council Workshop Meeting**
Motion to approve the meeting minutes of the May 28, 2024, workshop meeting, as presented.

c. **Claims Roster: April 2024**
Motion to approve the Claims Roster for April 2024 in the amount of $7,133,896.58, comprised of electronic payments and check numbers 314243-314712.

d. **Payroll Roster: For the Pay Period Ending 05/15/2024**
Motion to approve the Payroll Roster for the pay period ending 05/15/2024.

e. **Contract: Amending the Light Industrial Area Utilities Extension Design Contract with J-U-B Engineers, Inc.**
Motion to authorize the City Manager to sign the Supplemental Agreement No. 4 with J-U-B Engineers, Inc., for the design of the Light Industrial Area Utilities Extension Project.

f. **Contract: Amending the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Capacity & Misc. Upgrades Contract with HDR Engineering, Inc**
Motion to authorize the City Manager to sign the Supplemental Agreement No. 2 with HDR Engineering, Inc. for the design of the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Capacity & Miscellaneous Upgrades (P2117)..

g. **Bid: Bonnie & Belfair Lift Station Replacement (Re-Bid) Project**
Motion to award Contract P2310 Bonnie & Belfair Lift Station Replacement (Re-Bid) Project to Industrial Construction of Washington (ICW), LLC in the amount of $523,376.86 plus a 10% contingency amount of $52,337.69, for a total amount of $575,714.54 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.

MOTION:	Mayor Pro Tem Torelli moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.
SECOND:	Councilmember Millbauer
VOTE:	**The motion passed unanimously (7-0).**

5. **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:**

a. **Resolution 24-08: Three Rivers Convention Center Expansion**

Dan Legard, Finance Director, provided a staff report. Mr. Legard responded to Council questions and providing clarifying information.

MOTION:	Councilmember Anderson moved to adopt the resolution as presented.
SECOND:	Councilmember Trumbo
DISCUSSION:	It was acknowledged that although beneficial, the project will affect the completion of other projects. Councilmembers emphasized the importance of this project, comparing it to significant endeavors like Bob Olson Parkway and Columbia Center Boulevard. They noted that the project would greatly influence the community for the next two decades or beyond. Furthermore, they highlighted that the expansion would stimulate development across the entire area and will benefit the community in countless positive ways.
VOTE:	**The motion passed unanimously (7-0).**

6. **PUBLIC HEARING:**

a. **Resolution 24-09: Public Hearing and Adoption of the 2025-2030 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan**

Design Services Manager Heath Melotte provided a staff report and together with Mr. Roe, answered Council questions.

Mayor Crawford opened the public hearing at 7:24 p.m.

No one came forward to speak for or against the resolution.

Mayor Crawford closed the public hearing at 7:24 p.m.

MOTION:	Mayor Pro Tem Torelli moved to adopt the 2025-2030 Six-Year TIP Plan resolution as presented.
SECOND:	Councilmember McShane
DISCUSSION:	The council emphasized the significance of railway crossings at grade and urged a vigorous effort to secure extra funding, especially with the increased demand for expanded rail services in the region. They also highlighted the importance of projects aimed at enhancing safety at intersections, particularly those near Desert Hills Middle School.
VOTE:	**The motion passed unanimously (7-0).**

7. **NEW BUSINESS: None.**

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.**

9. **VISITORS:**

Christopher Tucker, Honor Guard for American Legion Post 34, invited the Council, staff, and the community to join in the dignified disposal of colors ceremony in observance of Flag Day on June 14 at the Regional Veterans Memorial at Columbia Park. During the announcement, he detailed the event and thanked the Council for their collaboration with veterans and the upcoming enhancements to the memorial at Columbia Park.

Donald Kenning, Kennewick resident, spoke to potential budget savings by using Tesla vehicles based on a recent news article. He mentioned additional benefits of Tesla vehicles including resale value. He encouraged consideration of Tesla vehicles for the vehicle replacements referenced in the recent spring budget adjustment.

10. **COUNCIL COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**

Councilmembers reported on their respective activities, upcoming events, and items of concern.

11. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Crawford concluded the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Krystal Townsend

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City Clerk

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https://kennewickwa.new.swagit.com/videos/307072