

**CITY OF KENNEWICK
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
October 29, 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
Lisa Beaton, Deputy City Manager
Cary Roe, Deputy City Manager
Anthony Muai, Planning Director
Laurencio Sanguino, City Attorney
Chris Guerrero, Police Chief
Chad Michael, Fire Chief
John Cowling, Public Works Director

Chad Crouch, Human Resources Director
Jessica Platt, Finance Director
Robert Ball, Deputy Fire Chief
Jose Santoy, Police Commander
Cody Lewis, Information Technology Director
Krystal Townsend, City Clerk
Dana Dollarhyde, Exec Assistant/Lead Communications Specialist

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **PRESENTATION: 2025/2026 PRELIMINARY BUDGET.** Ms. Erdman stated the preliminary budget had been distributed to the City Council and published to CivicClerk, the online meeting portal. Ms. Platt provided a comprehensive overview of the upcoming public hearings, key meeting dates and the 2025/2026 preliminary budget. Ms. Erdman, Ms. Platt and other key staff answered Council’s questions. **No final disposition of this matter taken.**
3. **BUDGET DISCUSSION: PROPERTY TAX LEVY.** Ms. Platt provided a historical perspective of the property tax levies, how the funds are distributed, how the rate is calculated, and the proposed rate for 2025. Ms. Platt responded to Council questions. **No final disposition of this matter taken.**
4. **ADJOURNMENT.** Mayor Crawford concluded the meeting at 8:01 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/318983>