CITY OF KENNEWICK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
February 18, 2025

City Council Present:

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

City Staff Present:

Erin Erdman, *City Manager*
Laurencio Sanguino, *City Attorney*
Jessica Platt, *Finance Director*
John Cowling, *Public Works Director*
Chris Guerrero, *Police Chief*
Chad Michael, *Fire Chief*
Cary Roe, *Deputy City Manager*
Krystal Johnston, *City Clerk*
Anthony Muai, *Planning Director*
Nick Farline, *Parks Director*
Chad Crouch, *Executive Services Director*
Heath Mellotte, *Design Services Manager*
Jose Santoy, *Police Commander*
Robert Ball, *Deputy Fire Chief*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Ms. Johnston stated all councilmembers were in attendance, noted that Councilmember Millbauer was joining remotely, and announced a quorum was established.

Chief Michael led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joshua Gatherer provided an invocation.

2. VISITORS: None.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

4. CONSENT AGENDA

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

a. **Meeting Minutes: February 4, 2025, City Council Regular Meeting**
Motion to approve the minutes as presented.

b. **Claims Roster: January 2025**
Motion to approve the Claims Roster for January 2025 in the amount of $5,532,982.55 comprised of electronic payments and check numbers 317830-318264.

c. **Payroll Roster: For the Pay Period Ending 01/31/2025**
Motion to approve the payroll roster for the pay period ending 01/31/2025.

d. **Interlocal Agreement: Between Pasco and Kennewick for Convention Center Financing**
Motion to approve the first amendment to the Convention Center Financing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Pasco and the City of Kennewick as presented.

e. **Equipment Purchase: Combination Cleaners for Stormwater & Wastewater**
Motion to approve the purchase of two combination cleaners utilizing Sourcewell #101221-SCA in the amount of $1,449,004.

f. **Contract: Ridgeline Drive Stormwater Improvements Project with Aspect Consulting**
Motion to approve the Agreement with Aspect Consulting for the design of the Ridgeline Drive Stormwater Improvements Project (P2409) as presented.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Resolution 25-02: Approving the Total Project Cost for the Three Rivers Convention Center Expansion

Ms. Erdman provided a brief history of the expansion project before introducing Calvin Dudney, President of the Kennewick Public Facilities District and Corey Pearson, Executive Director of the Three Rivers Convention Center. Mr. Dudney and Mr. Pearson provided a comprehensive project report and together with Ms. Erdman, responded to Council questions.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Torelli moved to approve the resolution as presented.

SECOND: Councilmember Beauchamp.

DISCUSSION: Councilmembers discussed the benefit of this project and expressed appreciation for those involved with bringing it to fruition.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously (7-0).

The City Clerk Assigned Resolution #25-02

b. Contract: Disbursement Agreement with the Kennewick Public Facilities District for the Three Rivers Convention Center Expansion

Ms. Platt provided a staff report.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Torelli moved to approve the agreement as presented.

SECOND: Councilmember Beauchamp.

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously (7-0).

c. Transportation Benefit District 2025 Project List

Ms. Erdman clarified that this item is presented to the Council, which serves as the governing board for the Transportation Benefit District. Mr. Mellotte delivered a staff report and together with Ms. Erdman, and Mr. Roe, addressed questions from the Council. Additionally, Ms. Erdman noted that the establishment of the Transportation Benefit District necessitates the governing board (Council) to approve the annual project list. Before the creation of the Transportation Benefit District, such decision-making authority would have rested with the Public Works Director. Staff will return with a year-end project status update and, if necessary, a request to reallocate excess funds.

MOTION:	Mayor Pro Tem Torelli moved to approve the transportation benefit district 2025 project list as presented.
SECOND:	Councilmember Anderson.
DISCUSSION:	None. A clarifying question was asked; the answer is paraphrased above.
VOTE:	**The motion passed unanimously (7-0).**

6. **VISITORS:** None.

7. **COUNCIL COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**

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

8. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Crawford concluded the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Krystal Johnston

Krystal Johnston, CMC, CPRO
City Clerk

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