

**CITY OF KENNEWICK  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
July 15, 2025**

**City Council Present:**

**Chuck Torelli**, *Mayor Pro Tem*  
**Brad Beauchamp**, *Councilmember*  
**Jason McShane**, *Councilmember*

**Jim Millbauer**, *Councilmember*  
**John Trumbo**, *Councilmember*

**City Staff Present:**

**Erin Erdman**, *City Manager*  
**Laurencio Sanguino**, *City Attorney*  
**Anthony Muai**, *Planning Director*  
**John Cowling**, *Public Works Director*  
**Chris Guerrero**, *Police Chief*  
**Michael Heffner**, *Acting Fire Chief*

**Cary Roe**, *Deputy City Manager*  
**Lisa Beaton**, *Deputy City Manager*  
**Krystal Johnston**, *City Clerk*  
**Nick Farline**, *Parks Director*  
**Isaac Merkl**, *Police Commander*  
**Dana Dollarhyde**, *Exec Assistant/Lead Communications Specialist*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

Ms. Johnston stated all councilmembers were in attendance with the exception of Mayor Crawford and Councilmember Anderson and that a quorum was established.

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| <b>MOTION:</b>     | Councilmember Millbauer moved to excuse the absence of Mayor Crawford and Councilmember Anderson. |
| <b>SECOND:</b>     | Councilmember McShane.                                                                            |
| <b>DISCUSSION:</b> | None.                                                                                             |
| <b>VOTE:</b>       | <b>The motion passed unanimously (5-0)</b>                                                        |

Councilmember Trumbo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tina Gregory provided the invocation.

**2. VISITORS:**

A written comment was submitted and distributed to Council before the meeting expressing concern with fireworks.

A visitor (virtual attendee) spoke against fireworks.

A visitor advocated for veteran's affairs, urged attendance at an upcoming event, and expressed the role of his organization to eliminate suicide by veterans.

A visitor spoke in support of fireworks, expressed concern with various expenses including a new city hall, and addressed concerns with various regulations, practices.

A visitor expressed concerns from increased traffic and speeding on W 7th Avenue, requested speed bumps in the vicinity, and spoke against fireworks.

A visitor spoke against fireworks.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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| <b>MOTION:</b>     | Councilmember Millbauer moved to approve the agenda as presented. |
| <b>SECOND:</b>     | Councilmember McShane.                                            |
| <b>DISCUSSION:</b> | None.                                                             |
| <b>VOTE:</b>       | <b>The motion passed unanimously (5-0)</b>                        |

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

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| <b>MOTION:</b> | Councilmember McShane moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. |
| <b>SECOND:</b> | Councilmember Millbauer.                                                |
| <b>VOTE:</b>   | <b>The motion passed unanimously (5-0)</b>                              |

- a. **Meeting Minutes: July 1, 2025, City Council Regular Meeting**  
*Motion to approve the minutes as presented.*
- b. **Board & Commissions: Appoint Grace Stalder to Position 2 on the Block Grant Advisory Committee**  
*Motion to approve the Interview Committee's recommendation to appoint Grace Stalder to Position 2 of the Block Grant Advisory Committee with a term expiring March 31, 2029.*
- c. **Board & Commissions: Appoint Joseph Thornton to the Parks & Recreation Commission, Position 7, an Unexpired Term**  
*Motion to approve the Interview Committee's recommendation to appoint Joseph Thornton to Position 7 of the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term expiring March 31, 2028.*
- d. **Claims Roster: June 2025**  
*Motion to approve the Claims Roster for June 2025 in the amount of \$7,615,947.94 comprised of electronic payments and check numbers 319854-320242.*
- e. **Claim Roster: Toyota Center Operations and Box Office Accounts**  
*Motion to approve the Claims Rosters for the Toyota Center Operations and Box Office Accounts for May 2025 in the amount of \$190,962.26 comprised of check numbers 28343-28394 in the amount of \$39,383.14 and electronic transfers in the amount of \$151,579.12.*
- f. **Payroll Roster: For the Pay Period Ending 06/30/2025**  
*Motion to approve the payroll roster for the pay period ending 06/30/2025.*
- g. **Final Plat: Southridge Townhome Estates Phase 2, Located at 6157 W 34th Place; SUB-2025-0006**  
*Motion to authorize the Mayor (or in her absence the Mayor Pro Tem) to sign the Final Plat of Southridge Townhome Estates Phase 2, contingent upon payment of fees and bonding for incomplete sidewalk and landscape work.*
- h. **Grants: Authorizing a Grant Application to TIB Urban Arterial Program Call for Projects**  
*Motion to authorize staff to apply for funding as presented.*
- i. **Contract: Ranney Well Collector 5 (RC5) PFAS Treatment Project with Hazen and Sawyer**  
*Motion to approve the professional services agreement with Hazen and Sawyer for the preliminary design of the Ranney Well Collector 5 (RC5) PFAS Treatment Project as presented.*
- j. **Project Acceptance: 2024 City-Wide Asphalt Patching Project**  
*Motion to accept the work of Central Paving, LLC. for contract P2414-24, 2024 City-Wide Asphalt Patching contract, in the amount of \$774,966.00.*
- k. **Project Acceptance: Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Non-Potable Water System**  
*Motion to accept the work of DDB LLC for contract 2113-23, Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Non-Potable Water System, in the amount of \$1,047,166.48.*

#### 5. ORDINANCE

a. **Ordinance 25-6112: Civil Service Commission Terms, Amending KMC 2.16.300**

Ms. Johnston read the ordinance title into the record:

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND AMENDING SECTION 2.16.300 OF THE KENNEWICK MUNICIPAL CODE

Ms. Johnston provided a staff report; no questions were raised.

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| <b>MOTION:</b> | Councilmember Millbauer moved to adopt the ordinance as presented. |
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**SECOND:** Councilmember McShane.  
**DISCUSSION:** None  
**VOTE:** **The motion passed unanimously (5-0)**

*The City Clerk assigned Ordinance No. 25-6112.*

**6. PUBLIC HEARING**

- a. **Resolution 25-10: Vacation of a 20-Foot Public Utility Easement, a 15-Foot Irrigation & Utility Easement, and a 30-Foot Access Easement Located at 9678, 10072, 10170, 10314, 10600, 10840, 11134 & 11292 W Clearwater Ave and 9304 W Clearwater Dr**

Mr. Cowling provided a comprehensive staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli opened the public hearing at 6:50 p.m.

Testimony: None.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli closed the public hearing at 6:50 p.m.

**MOTION:** Councilmember McShane moved to adopt the resolution as presented.  
**SECOND:** Councilmember Millbauer.  
**DISCUSSION:** Councilmember Beauchamp stated he is a property owner and is a party to the request for vacation; he declared his intent to abstain from voting.  
**VOTE:** **The motion passed unanimously (4-0); Councilmember Beauchamp abstained.**

*The City Clerk assigned Resolution No. 25-10.*

**7. COUNCIL COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**

Council spoke to the various issues, their perspectives on the fireworks matter, and events they recently attended or plan to attend.

Chief Guerrero provided a staff report regarding police department efforts and observations July 3 through July 5. Chief Heffner provided a staff report regarding fire department efforts and observations July 3 through July 5. Council asked various questions which were addressed by Chief Guerrero and Chief Heffner.

**8. CONCLUSION: Mayor Pro Tem Torelli** concluded the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

*Krystal Johnston*

Krystal Johnston, 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/349867>