

**CITY OF KENNEWICK
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
July 22, 2025**

City Council Present:

Gretl Crawford, *Mayor*
Chuck Torelli, *Mayor Pro Tem*
Brad Beauchamp, *Councilmember*

Loren Anderson, *Councilmember*
Jason McShane, *Councilmember*
Jim Millbauer, *Councilmember*

City Staff Present:

Erin Erdman, *City Manager*
Lisa Beaton, *Deputy City Manager*
Laurencio Sanguino, *City Attorney*
Chris Guerrero, *Police Chief*
Michael Heffner, *Fire Chief*
John Cowling, *Public Works Director*
Jessica Platt, *Finance Director*

Krystal Johnston, *City Clerk*
Jason Kiel, *Police Commander*
Chad Crouch, *Exec Services Director*
Anthony Muai, *Planning Director*
Nick Farline, *Parks & Recreation Director*
Martin Nelson, *Solid Waste Program Engineer*

Guest Presenters from Waste Management:

Tyler MacKay, *Senior Manager Public Sector Solutions*

Zack Stravos, *Senior Accounts Executive*

CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Crawford called roll; all Councilmembers were present with the exception of Councilmember Trumbo.

MOTION:	Mayor Pro Tem Torelli moved to excuse the absence of Councilmember Trumbo.
SECOND:	Councilmember Anderson
DISCUSSION:	None.
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

Mayor Crawford announced there were no citizen comments submitted.

1. WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT: Mr. Cowling, together with Mr. MacKay and Mr. Stravos, presented a comprehensive report concerning the history of the contract with Waste Management, trends in the industry, recommended upgrades, transitions regarding recycling frequency and tote sizes, and changes to the contract rates. Council asked clarifying questions, proposed various alternatives, and debated various elements of the proposed contract.

Ms. Erdman summarized her understanding of the conversation outcome: Council appears to lean toward interest in offering smaller recycle bins options, eliminating leaf collection, continuation of Toyota Center collection services, and maintaining the no-cost dump services as is. Council agreed with the summarization. Mr. Cowling advised final action must occur no later than the end of October to allow adequate public notice and enactment of a new contract before the current contract expires. **No final action taken.**

UPDATE

Mr. Muai provided a brief update regarding the comprehensive plan update and encouraged responses to survey emails they receive from MAKERS and Berk.

CONCLUSION. Mayor Crawford concluded the meeting at 8:13 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/350571>