

**CITY OF KENNEWICK
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 23, 2025**

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

Gretl Crawford, *Mayor*
Chuck Torelli, *Mayor Pro Tem*
Loren Anderson, *Councilmember*

Jason McShane, *Councilmember*
Jim Millbauer, *Councilmember*

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

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

Chad Crouch, *Executive Services Director*
Krystal Johnston, *City Clerk*
Trever Davis, *Police Commander*
Dana Dollarhyde, *Communications Specialist*
Genifer Jadidi, *Administrative Assistant, Fire Department*

CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Crawford called roll; all Councilmembers were present except for Councilmember Beauchamp and Councilmember Trumbo.

MOTION:	Councilmember Anderson moved to excuse the absences of Councilmember Beauchamp and Councilmember Trumbo.
SECOND:	Mayor Pro Tem Torelli
DISCUSSION:	None
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Mayor Crawford announced there were no citizen comments submitted.

1. GROUND AMBULANCE TRANSPORT AND MILEAGE RATES: Chief Heffner presented a detailed staff report that included a historical overview, comparative data from other jurisdictions, and service provision costs. He also described several recent care examples, highlighting how patients were treated and billed, as well as their out-of-pocket expenses under the existing fee structure versus the proposed changes. He outlined deadlines for action and various rate options to consider. Chief Heffner, together with Ms. Erdman and Ms. Jadidi, addressed the Council's inquiries. Councilmembers weighed factors for considering Option A versus Option B. Ms. Erdman and Chief Heffner committed to providing additional financial projections and research in response to Council's inquiries. Chief Heffner stated that this item will be submitted for Council consideration and final decision at the City Council meeting on October 7, 2025. **NO FINAL ACTION.**

CONCLUSION. Mayor Crawford concluded the meeting at 07:24 p.m.

Krystal Johnston

Krystal Johnston, CMC, CPRO
City Clerk

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