

**CITY OF KENNEWICK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2025**

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

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*
Laurencio Sanguino, *City Attorney*
Jason Kiel, *Police Commander*
Michael Heffner, *Fire Chief*
John Cowling, *Public Works Director*

Jessica Platt, *Finance Director*
Anthony Muai, *Planning Director*
Krystal Johnston, *City Clerk*
Trever Davis, *Police Commander*
Jillian Henze, *PIO/Marketing Supervisor*
Dana Dollarhyde, *Communications and Marketing 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 that a quorum was established.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli stated Mayor Crawford provided advanced notice of her absence.

MOTION:	Councilmember Anderson moved to excuse the absence of Mayor Crawford
SECOND:	Councilmember Beauchamp
DISCUSSION:	None.
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (7-0).

Councilmember Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Matthew Huston provided the invocation.

Proclamation: Extra Mile Day Mayor Pro Tem Torelli read the proclamation into the record and presented it to Kevin Veleke on behalf of everyone who goes the extra mile to make Kennewick better. Mr. Veleke spoke about the importance of volunteering and encouraged others to do the same.

Recognition of Excellence: Public Works Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance Award Mayor Pro Tem Torelli announced the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant team were recognized by the Department of Ecology for the fourth year in a row. He read the details of the award into the record on behalf of Ecology and Jeremy Lustig, Deputy Public Works Director, introduced the Wastewater Treatment Plant employees present.

Pinning Ceremony Commemorating Michael Heffner's Promotion to Fire Chief Mayor Pro Tem Torelli elaborated on the history and importance of the pinning ceremony, which serves to officially appoint Fire Chief Heffner to his new role. Ms. Johnston administered the Oath of Office. Mrs. Heffner placed the badge and pins on Chief Heffner's lapels. In a brief address to the audience, Chief Heffner conveyed his gratitude and support for the personnel of the Fire Department.

2. VISITORS:

One visitor commented on the new dog park and also highlighted a connection between the topics from the most recent workshop agenda and the parks system.

Three visitors advocated for an indoor aquatic center.

Two visitors described a charitable event and invited the public and Council to participate.

One visitor advocated for increased City support for small businesses.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Councilmember Anderson moved to approve the agenda as presented.

SECOND: Councilmember McShane.

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: **The motion passed unanimously (6-0)**

4. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Councilmember Trumbo moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

SECOND: Councilmember Anderson.

VOTE: **The motion passed unanimously (6-0)**

- a. **Meeting Minutes: October 7, 2025, City Council Regular Meeting**
Motion to approve the minutes as presented.
- b. **Meeting Minutes: October 14, 2025, City Council Workshop**
Motion to approve the minutes as presented.
- c. **Claims Roster: September 2025**
Motion to approve the Claims Roster for September 2025 in the amount of \$9,072,895.16 comprised of electronic payments and check numbers 320980-321333.
- d. **Payroll Roster: For the Pay Period Ending 09/30/2025**
Motion to approve the payroll roster for the pay period ending 09/30/2025.
- 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 August 2025 in the amount of \$114,104.27 comprised of check numbers 28506-28555 in the amount of \$106,535.02 and electronic transfers in the amount of \$7,569.25.
- f. **Project Acceptance: Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) System Phase 1 Project P1822**
Motion to accept the work of Ferguson Enterprises for contract P1822, Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) System Phase 1 in the amount of \$5,968,536.64
- g. **Project Acceptance: Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Phase 2 Project P1822**
Motion to accept the work of Ferguson Enterprises for contract P1822, Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) System Phase 2 in the amount of \$3,631,394.86
- h. **Project Acceptance: Metaline & Keller/Johnson/Irby Sewer Replacement Project P2027**
Motion to accept the work of Roach Construction Company, LLC. for contract P2027-23 Metaline & Keller/Johnson/Irby Sewer Replacement project, in the amount of \$406,818.45

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Ordinance 25-6142: Right of Way Vacation at 514 E 1st Ave

Ms. Johnston read the ordinance title into the record:

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO VACATION OF STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY
ON A PORTION OF PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ABUTTING 514 EAST 1ST AVENUE

Mr. Cowling provided a combined staff report for items 5.a. and 5.a.1. and answered a brief question.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli opened the public hearing at 7:07 p.m.

Testimony: None.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Millbauer moved to adopt the ordinance as presented.

SECOND: Councilmember McShane

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: **The motion passed unanimously (6-0)**

The City Clerk assigned Ordinance No. 25-6142.

a.1. License Agreement: Right-of-Way Frontage Improvements at 514 E 1st Ave by Gravenslund Lachmann, Inc.

MOTION: Councilmember Anderson moved to authorize the City Manager to sign the License Agreement for 514 E 1st Ave with Gravenslund Lachmann, Inc. as presented.

SECOND: Councilmember Millbauer

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: **The motion passed unanimously (6-0)**

6. COUNCIL COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:

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

7. 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/358877>