

**CITY OF KENNEWICK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 16, 2025**

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

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

Brad Klippert, *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*
Chris Guerrero, *Police Chief*
Michael Heffner, *Fire Chief*
John Cowling, *Public Works Director*

Jessica Platt, *Finance Director*
Chad Crouch, *Executive Services Director*
Anthony Muai, *Planning Director*
Krystal Johnston, *City Clerk*
Trever Davis, *Police Commander*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Ms. Johnston stated all councilmembers were in attendance and that a quorum was established.

Ms. Beaton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joshua Gatherer provided the invocation.

Service Recognition: Mayor Gret Crawford

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli and the full City Council presented Mayor Crawford with a plaque and read it into the record.

Mayor Crawford spoke to her time on the Council and expressed appreciation to individuals who've had a positive impact on the City during her time on the Council.

At 6:42 p.m. Mayor Crawford announced a 10-minute recess; the meeting was called back to order at 6:52 p.m.

2. VISITORS:

Three visitors shared their thoughts on the proposed zoning changes on South Vancouver Street:

One visitor acknowledged the swift repairs made to a damaged traffic signal and expressed gratitude for Mayor Crawford's dedication.

Another visitor spoke about the need for an aquatic facility.

A different visitor addressed item 4.k.

Lastly, a visitor conveyed their concerns about how today's decisions will affect future generations.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

SECOND: Councilmember Millbauer.

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: **The motion passed unanimously (7-X)**

4. CONSENT AGENDA

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

SECOND: Mayor Pro Tem Torelli.

VOTE: **The motion passed unanimously (7-X)**

- a. **Meeting Minutes: December 2, 2025, City Council Regular Meeting**
Motion to approve the minutes as presented.
- b. **Meeting Minutes: December 9, 2025, City Council Workshop**
Motion to approve the minutes as presented.
- c. **Meeting Cancellation: December 23, 2025, City Council Workshop**
Motion to cancel the December 23, 2025, City Council Workshop.
- d. **Proclamations: Approval of 2026 List of Ceremonial Proclamations**
Motion to approve the 2026 proclamation list as presented.
- e. **Claims Roster: November 2025**
Motion to approve the Claims Roster for November 2025 in the amount of \$9,441,409.98 comprised of electronic payments and check numbers 321771-322144.
- f. **Payroll Roster: For the Pay Period Ending 11/30/2025**
Motion to approve the payroll roster for the pay period ending 11/30/2025.
- g. **Northwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) 2026 Contracts**
Motion to approve the 2026 Northwest HIDTA contracts as presented.
- h. **Final Plat: Sherman Heights Phase 5, SUB-2025-0011**
Motion to authorize the Mayor (or in their absence the Mayor Pro Tem) to sign the Final Plat of Sherman Heights Phase 5, contingent on payment of fees and bonding for incomplete sidewalks and landscaping.
- i. **Project Acceptance: Light Industrial Area (LIA) Utility Extensions Project P2211**
Motion to accept the work of Culbert Construction, Inc. for contract P2211-24 Light Industrial Area (LIA) Utilities Extensions, in the amount of \$2,790,941.64.
- j. **Resolution: Ratifying the 2025-2027 Interlocal Agreement for Solid Waste and Hazardous Waste Management in Benton County**
Motion to adopt the resolution as presented.
- k. **Contract Award: 2025 Miscellaneous Water/Storm Project P2507-25 2025**
Motion to approve Contract P2507-25 2025 Miscellaneous Water/Storm Project to Ellison Earthworks LLC as presented.
- l. **Contract: Amendment to Interlocal Agreement with Northwest Open Access Networks (NoaNet) to Provide Fiber Optics to 17 Traffic Signals (Term Extension)**
Motion to amend the Interlocal Agreement with NoaNet as presented.

5. **COUNCIL COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**

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

6. **CONCLUSION:** Mayor Crawford concluded the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Krystal Johnston

Krystal Johnston, CMC, CPRO
City Clerk

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<https://kennewickwa.new.swagit.com/videos/364806>