

**CITY OF KENNEWICK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
March 17, 2026**

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

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 (Remote)*
Lisa Beaton, *Deputy City Manager*
Cary Roe, *Deputy City Manager*
Laurencio Sanguino, *City Attorney*
Jason Kiel, *Assistant Police Chief*
Michael Heffner, *Fire Chief*
John Cowling, *Public Works Director*

Jessica Platt, *Finance Director*
Chad Crouch, *Executive Services Director*
Anthony Muai, *Planning Director*
Jake Van Horn, *Deputy Fire Chief*
Dylan Doremus, *Deputy City Clerk*
Jose Santoy, *Police Commander*
Jillian Henze, *PIO/Marketing Supervisor*

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Mr. Doremus stated all councilmembers were in attendance with the exception of Mayor McShane and that a quorum was established.

Mayor Pro Tem Torelli stated Mayor McShane provided advanced notice of his absence and requested an excusal.

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

Councilmember Trumbo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tina Gregory provided the invocation.

2. VISITORS:

Seven visitors spoke in appreciation of the work staff, Council, and citizens of Kennewick had put in the past couple months regarding the Less Restrictive Alternative (LRA) home.

One visitor spoke for Council's continued support for downtown Kennewick businesses.

One visitor, in addition to their comments on the LRA, spoke to the City's budget and the rules for Council invocations.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:	Councilmember Beauchamp moved to approve the agenda as presented.
SECOND:	Councilmember Anderson.
DISCUSSION:	None.
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (6-0)

4. CONSENT AGENDA

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

SECOND: Councilmember Anderson.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously (6-0)

- a. **Meeting Minutes: March 3, 2026, City Council Regular Meeting**
Motion to approve the minutes as presented.
- b. **Meeting Minutes: March 10, 2026, City Council Workshop**
Motion to approve the minutes as presented.
- c. **Boards and Commissions: Appoint a Member to the Historic Preservation Commission Position 2**
Motion to appoint Dan Ford to Position 2 of the Historic Preservation Commission with a term expiring March 31, 2030.
- d. **Boards and Commissions: Appoint Members to the Parks & Recreation Commission, Positions 2 & 3**
Motion to appoint Logan Janin to Position 2 and Angela Singleton to Position 3 of the Parks & Recreation Commission with terms expiring March 31, 2030.
- e. **Claims Roster: February 2026**
Motion to approve the Claims Roster for February 2026 in the amount of \$6,938,113.27 comprised of electronic payments and check numbers 323032-323404.
- f. **Payroll Roster: For the Pay Period Ending 2/28/2026**
Motion to approve the payroll roster for the pay period ending 2/28/2026.
- g. **Contract: Amended Priority Habitat Mitigation Interlocal Agreement with Benton Conservation District**
Motion to approve the amended interlocal agreement as presented.
- h. **Contract: Award of W 15th Pl & Bob Olson Traffic Signal Project (P2506-26)**
Motion to award Contract P2506-26 W 15th Pl & Bob Olson Traffic Signal Project to Ellison Earthworks and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.
- i. **Resolution 26-05: Ratifying the Corrected 2025-2027 Interlocal Agreement for Solid Waste and Hazardous Waste Management in Benton County and Repealing Resolution 25-18**
Motion to adopt the resolution as presented.
The Deputy City Clerk assigned Resolution No. 26-05.
- j. **Contract: License Agreement for Construction and Operation of Pathway in KID Right of Way from Kellogg to Edison (P2602)**
Motion to approve the License Agreement with KID as presented.
- k. **Grant: Columbia Park Bridge Replacement Project for Preliminary Engineering — WSDOT Local Agency Agreement and Federal Aid Project Prospectus (P2610)**
Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement and project prospectus as presented.
- l. **Grant: Island View to Vista Field Active Network Project for Preliminary Engineering — WSDOT Local Programs State Funding Agreement and State Funds Project Prospectus (P2527)**
Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement and project prospectus as presented.
- m. **Contract: Three-Year Renewal of the Samsara GPS Contract to Monitor City Fleet Vehicles**
Motion to renew the Samsara GPS vehicle licensing agreement in the amount of \$181,948.18 as described and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.

5. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

a. Ordinance 26-6170: 2025/2026 Budget Amendment.

Mr. Doremus read the ordinance title into the record:
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATION OF THE 2025/2026
BIENNIAL BUDGET.

Ms. Platt provided a staff report. Council had no questions for staff.

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

SECOND: Councilmember Anderson.

DISCUSSION: None

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

The Deputy City Clerk assigned Ordinance No. 26-6170.

b. Ordinance: Virtual Currency Kiosks — Adding Chapter 6.09 to the Kennewick Municipal Code.

Laurencio Sanguino advised he had received several questions from Council regarding the Virtual Currency Kiosks. Mr. Sanguino has suggested removing the ordinance and bringing the topic to an upcoming workshop meeting to allow adequate opportunity to answer Council's questions.

With no disagreement or additional questions, the City Clerk will be advised to schedule this matter for a future workshop meeting.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Contract: Interlocal Agreement for Parking Lot E at the Three Rivers Convention Center, Between the City of Kennewick, the Port of Kennewick, and the Kennewick Public Facilities District.

Ms. Beaton provided a staff report, explaining the purpose of the agreement is to have a three-way shared cost for parking lot E. Parking lot E will provide overflow parking for the Tri-City Convention Center Expansion and Vista Field project.

Council had no questions for staff.

MOTION: Councilmember Millbauer moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement and Reciprocal Parking Licensing Agreement as presented.

SECOND: Councilmember Anderson.

DISCUSSION: None

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

b. Grant: Department of Ecology Electric Emergency Vehicle.

Chief Van Horn provided a staff report regarding a Washington state Volkswagen grant awarded to Kennewick. The grant serves as a tool for the City of Kennewick to obtain Electric Fire Apparatus with hybrid capabilities.

Council raised concerns about the battery life of the fire apparatus, training for city mechanics for service and repairs, and functionality issues.

Chief Van Horn answered Council questions and advised Council that a yes vote today allows the grant process to proceed. However, Council will have another opportunity at to approve or deny final acceptance of the grant

MOTION:	Councilmember Beauchamp moved to accept the grant award as presented.
SECOND:	Councilmember Millbauer.
DISCUSSION:	A comment was made regarding insight gained from a Wisconsin Fire Chief who is familiar with the grant opportunity.
VOTE:	The motion passed unanimously (6-0)

7. COUNCIL COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:

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

8. CONCLUSION: Mayor Pro Tem Torelli concluded the meeting at 07:37 p.m.



Dylan Doremus
Deputy City Clerk

At the time of publishing these minutes, the City Council meeting recording is available at:
<https://kennewickwa.new.swagit.com/videos/378396>