

STATE OF KANSAS)
WYANDOTTE COUNTY)) SS
CITY OF KANSAS CITY, KS)

SPECIAL MEETING, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024

The Unified Government Commission of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, met in Special Meeting, Thursday, December 5, 2024, with eight members present: Bynum, Commissioner At-Large First District; Burroughs, Commissioner At-Large Second District; Burns, Commissioner Second District; Hill, Commissioner Fourth District; Lopez, Commissioner Sixth District; Stites, Commissioner Seventh District; Davis, Commissioner Eighth District; and Mayor Garner, Mayor/CEO, presiding. Townsend, Commissioner First District; Ramirez, Commissioner Third District; and Kane, Commissioner Fifth District; were absent. The following officials were also in attendance: David Johnston, County Administrator; Bridgette Cobbins, Assistant County Administrator; Dennis Rubin, Fire Chief; Angela Lawson, Acting Chief Counsel; Casey Meyer, Assistant Counsel; Shakeva Christian, Manager in Human Resources; Michael Peterson, Assistant Budget Director; and Monica L. Sparks, Unified Government Clerk.

Mayor Garner called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, to be conducted in person on Thursday, December 5, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in the fifth floor conference room of the Municipal Office Building for the purpose of going into Executive Session regarding matters relating to employer-employee relations and negotiations. The Executive Session portion of the meeting is closed to the public under the Kansas Open Meetings Act.

CONSENT TO MEETING of the governing body of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, accepting service of the foregoing notice, waiving all and any irregularities in such service and in such notice, and consent and agree that we, the governing body, shall meet at the time and place therein specified and for the purpose therein stated.

ROLL CALL: Burns, Hill, Lopez, Stites, Davis, Bynum, Burroughs, Garner.

Mayor Garner said at this time the Commission will go into Executive Session to discuss matters related to employer-employee relations and negotiations. Do we have a motion for Executive Session?

Commissioner Burroughs made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bynum, to go into Executive Session until 5:35 p.m. in the 5th floor conference room to consult with our attorneys and to discuss confidential matters related to labor negotiations as permitted under the Kansas Open Meetings Act; and that David Johnston, County Administrator; Bridgette Cobbins, Assistant County Administrator; Angela Lawson, Casey Meyer, Ryan Denk, Outside Counsel; Dennis Rubin, Shakeva Christian, Michael Peterson, and Reginald Lindsey, participate in the discussion and that we reconvene in open session at 5:35 p.m. in the fifth floor conference room. Roll call was taken and there were seven “Ayes,” Burns, Hill, Lopez, Stites, Davis, Bynum, Burroughs.

Present for the Executive Session: Bynum, Commissioner At-Large First District; Burroughs, Commissioner At-Large Second District; Burns, Commissioner Second District; Hill, Commissioner Fourth District; Lopez, Commissioner Sixth District; Stites, Commissioner Seventh District; Davis, Commissioner Eighth District; and Garner, Mayor/CEO; presiding. **Staff present:** David Johnston, County Administrator; Bridgette Cobbins, Acting County Administrator; Angela Lawson, Acting Chief Counsel; Casey Meyer, Senior Counsel; Dennis Rubin, Fire Chief; Michael Peterson, Assistant Budget Director; and Shakeva Christian, Manager in Human Resources. **Others present:** Ryan Denk, Outside Counsel.

Mayor Garner reconvened back into Special Meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Mayor Garner said do we have a motion to reconvene back into Executive Session.

Commissioner Burroughs made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bynum, to extend the Executive Session until 5:50 p.m. Roll call was taken and there were seven “Ayes,” Burns, Hill, Lopez, Stites, Davis, Bynum, Burroughs.

Mayor Garner reconvened back into Special Session at 5:50 p.m.

Commissioner Burroughs made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bynum, to adjourn.

Roll call was taken and there were seven “Ayes,” Burns, Hill, Lopez, Stites, Davis, Bynum, Burroughs.

MAYOR GARNER AJOURNED

THE MEETING AT 5:52 p.m.

Monica L. Sparks
Unified Government Clerk

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