

Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Commission Chambers

701 N. 7th Street Trafficway, Kansas City, KS 66101

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*Mayor Tyrone Garner*

*Commissioner At-Large Dist. 1 Melissa Bynum – Commissioner At-Large Dist. 2 Tom Burroughs –*

*Commissioner Dist. 1 Gayle E. Townsend – Commissioner Dist. 2 Bill Burns –*

*Commissioner Dist. 3 Christian Ramirez – Commissioner Dist. 4 Dr. Evelyn Hill –*

*Commissioner Dist. 5 Mike Kane – Commissioner Dist. 6 Phil Lopez –*

*Commissioner Dist. 7 Chuck Stites – Commissioner Dist. 8 Andrew Davis*

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### **MINUTES**

## **SPECIAL MEETING**

**Thursday, October 30, 2025**

**5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**

#### **Attendance:**

##### **Commissioners Present:**

- Mayor Tyrone Garner
- Commissioner Burroughs
- Commissioner Bynum
- Commissioner Burns
- Commissioner Lopez
- Commissioner Stites

##### **Commissioners Absent:**

- Commissioner Townsend (absence memo provided)
- Commissioner Ramirez (absence memo provided)
- Commissioner Hill (absence memo provided)
- Commissioner Kane
- Commissioner Davis (absence memo provided)

**Staff Present:**

- Monica L. Sparks (Unified Government Clerk)
- David Johnston (County Administrator)
- Wendy Green (Deputy Chief Counsel)

**Call to Order:**

Mayor Tyrone Garner called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

**Notice and Consent to Meeting:**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING** of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, is scheduled to be conducted on Thursday, October 30, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the fifth floor conference room of the Municipal Office Building for an Executive Session relating to consultation with counsel on matters that would be deemed privileged attorney-client communications, such as conversations regarding litigation or claims against the city. The Execution 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.

Motion made by Commissioner Bynum that the Commission convene into Executive Session in the 5<sup>th</sup> floor conference room for consultation with attorneys which would be deemed privileged regarding risk options related to grants and grant-funded positions as well as an update on a claim and potential litigation regarding the Sheriff's Department for events at the jail, as permitted under the Kansas Open Meetings Act; and that David Johnston, Wendy Green, Casey Meyer, Zee Bishop, and required staff remain as needed to participate in the first discussion, but that only David Johnston, Wendy Green and Casey Meyer remain for the second discussion, and that we reconvene in open session at 6:30 p.m. in the fifth floor conference room.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Burns.

Vote: Motion carries 6/0

- Ayes: Burns, Lopez, Stites, Bynum, Burroughs, Garner
- Nays: None
- Absent: Ramirez, Hill, Kane, Townsend, Davis

Present for the Executive Session: Bynum, Burroughs, Burns, Lopez, Stites, and Garner, Mayor/CEO; presiding. Staff Present: David Johnston, County Administrator, Wendy Green, Deputy Chief Counsel, SueZanne Bishop, Senior Attorney, Casey Meyer, Senior Counsel, Renee Rameriz, Director of Human Resources, Shakeva Christian, Manager, Human Resources, Reginald Lindsey, Budget Director, Shelly Kneuvean, Chief Financial Officer and Alan Howze, Assistant County Administrator.

Mayor Garner reconvened the Special Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

**Adjournment:**

Commissioner Burns made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bynum.

Vote: Motion carries 6/0

- Ayes: Burns, Lopez, Stites, Bynum, Burroughs, Garner
- Nays: None
- Absent: Ramirez, Hill, Kane, Townsend, Davis

**MAYOR GARNER ADJOURNED**

**THE MEETING AT 6:30 p.m.**

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Monica L. Sparks  
Unified Government Clerk

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