

Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas



Public Works and Safety Meeting

5th Floor Conference Room

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

Commissioner Tom Burroughs, Chair

Commissioner Mike Kane – Commissioner Chuck Stites

Commissioner Bill Burns – Commissioner Phil Lopez

BPU Board Member Mary Gonzales

MINUTES

Monday, June 23, 2025

5:00 PM-5:45 PM

Attendance:

Committee Members Present:

- Commissioner Burroughs (Chair)
- Commissioner Lopez
- Commissioner Stites
- Commissioner Burns
- Ms. Gonzalez (BPU Board Member)

Committee Members Absent:

- Commissioner Kane

Staff Present:

- Brittne MacDonald (Unified Government Clerk's Office)
- Casey Meyer (Senior Counsel)
- Shanee Davis (Captain, Kansas City Kansas Police Department)
- Sarah Shafer (Public Works CMIP Program Manager)
- Alyssa Marcy (Long Range Planner)
- Rodney Lucas (Interim Assistant County Administrator)

Call to Order:

Commissioner Burroughs called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Revisions to Agenda:

No revisions to the agenda were reported.

Approval of Previous Minutes:

Commissioner Burns moved to approve the minutes from the April 22 and May 20, 2024, meetings. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lopez.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0

- Ayes: Gonzales, Lopez, Burns, Stites, Burroughs
- Nays: None
- Absent: Kane

Committee Agenda:**Item 1: ORDINANCE: REPEALING CERTAIN SUPERCEDED PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES (Discussion Begins: 2:19)**

Casey Meyer from the Legal Department presented a request for approval to repeal sections 22-187, 22-188, 22-189, and 22-190 of the Unified Government Code of Ordinances. These sections were originally adopted in 2006 and included various prohibitions on carrying concealed and unconcealed firearms.

The Chairman opened the public hearing. No comments were received. The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Burns moved to approve the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lopez.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0

- Ayes: Gonzales, Lopez, Burns, Stites, Burroughs
- Nays: None
- Absent: Kane

Item 2: RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 2025 COMMUNITY POLICING DEVELOPMENT MICRO GRANT PROGRAM (Discussion Begins: 7:04)

Captain Shanae Davis from the Kansas City Kansas Police Department presented a resolution for approval to apply for the Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Community Policing Development Micro Grant offered through the US Department of Justice under the Office of Community Oriented Police Services.

The anticipated award amount is \$175,000 with no required match from the UG. The project period spans from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2027. If awarded, funds will be used to expand existing homeless outreach initiatives, support allocation of police resources to address issues arising from gatherings of homeless individuals, and host quarterly outreach fairs providing homeless individuals with basic necessities and various resources.

The Chairman opened the public hearing. No comments were received. The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Stites moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gonzales.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0

- Ayes: Gonzales, Lopez, Burns, Stites, Burroughs
- Nays: None
- Absent: Kane

Item 3: PRESENTATION: SAFE STREETS FOR ALL (SS4A) VISION ZERO ACTION PLAN (Discussion Begins: 10:16)

Sarah Shafer, Public Works, introduced the presentation, noting that Troy Shaw was unable to attend. Anthony Gallo from Kimley Horn, the consultant project manager for the Vision Zero plan, provided a comprehensive presentation on the Safe Streets for All program

Key points:

- \$960,000 federal grant plus \$240,000 from KDOT, totaling \$1.2 million with no UG match required
- Partnership between UG and cities of Bonner Springs, Edwardsville, and Lake Quivira
- Analysis of 28,000 crashes over 10 years (excluding interstates) with 150 fatalities and 537 disabling injuries
- 450 public comments received via project website
- High injury network analysis identifying top crash locations

- Top scoring dangerous locations were presented, including State Avenue between 29th and 38th Street and various high-traffic intersections.
- Major crash factors identified:
 - A. Roadway departure (42%)
 - B. Intersection crashes (58%)
 - C. Speeding (34%)
 - D. Pedestrian/bicyclist involvement (19%)
 - E. Unrestrained occupants (35%)

The Chairman opened the public hearing. No comments were received. The Chairman closed the public hearing.

This item was for information only, and no action was required.

Adjournment: (Discussion Begins: 43:12)

BPU Board Member Gonzales moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Burns.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0

- Ayes: Gonzales, Lopez, Burns, Stites, Burroughs
- Nays: None
- Absent: Kane

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM.

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