

Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Commission Chambers

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

Mayor Christal E. Watson

Commissioner At-Large Dist. 1 Melissa Bynum – Commissioner At-Large Dist. 2 Andrew Kump –

Commissioner Dist. 1 Jermaine Howard – Commissioner Dist. 2 Bill Burns –

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

Commissioner Dist. 5 Carlos Pacheco – Commissioner Dist. 6 Phil Lopez –

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

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

Saturday, February 21, 2026

8:36 AM – 2:11 PM

Attendance:

Commissioners Present:

- Mayor Christal E. Watson
- Commissioner Bynum
- Commissioner Kump
- Commissioner Howard
- Commissioner Burns
- Commissioner Ramirez
- Commissioner Hill
- Commissioner Pacheco
- Commissioner Lopez
- Commissioner Davis (Arrived at 8:49 a.m.)

Commissioners Absent:

- Commissioner Stites

Staff Present:

- Monica L. Sparks (Unified Government Clerk)
- David Johnston (County Administrator)
- Angela Lawson (Interim Chief Counsel)
- Renee Ramirez (Human Resources Director)
- Alan Howze (Assistant County Administrator)
- Bridgette Cobbins (Assistant County Administrator)
- Rodney Lucas (Interim Assistant County Administrator)
- Shelley Kneuvean (Chief Financial Officer)
- Reginald Lindsey (Budget Director)
- Michael Peterson (Deputy Budget Director)
- Krystal McFeders (Interim Strategic Communications Director)
- Maiyee Lor (Unified Government Deputy Clerk)

Call to Order:

Mayor Christal E. Watson called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.

Notice and Consent to Meeting:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING: You are hereby notified that the Unified Government Board of Commissioners Strategic Retreat will be conducted in person on Saturday, February 21, 2026, beginning at **8:30 a.m.** at the Children's Mercy Park Sporting KC Soccer Stadium, 1 Sporting Way, Mazuma Plaza, Fifth Floor Audi Sports Club, Kansas City, Kansas. The public will be able to attend the event in person.

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.

David Johnston, County Administrator, introduced the event coordinators. Discussion and strategic planning were conducted with input from all commissioners present.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Ramirez made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lopez.

Vote: Motion carries 9/0

- Ayes: Pacheco, Lopez, Burns, Davis, Bynum, Kump, Howard, Ramirez, Hill
- Nays: None
- Absent: Stites

MAYOR WATSON ADJOURNED

THE MEETING AT 2:11 p.m.

February 21, 2026

Monica L. Sparks, CMC
Unified Government Clerk

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