



Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas

Board of Commissioners

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AGENDA

Monday, August 24, 2026

5:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

2. REVISIONS TO AGENDA

3. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

3.1 PUBLIC HEARING: (1) PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED 2026 AMENDED BUDGET AND 2027 BUDGET; (2) TO CONSIDER EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

Synopsis: Public hearing:

- Regarding the proposed 2026 Amended Budget and proposed 2027 Budget;
- Governing body's intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate and consideration of a resolution and ordinance approving the same.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

To the Members of the Governing Body of the
Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas:

You are hereby notified that a Special Meeting of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, is scheduled to be conducted in a hybrid format on Monday, August 24, 2026, at 5:30 PM, to receive public comment regarding the amended 2026 and 2027 City and County Budgets and for the governing body's intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate and consideration of a resolution and ordinance approving the same. The meeting will be conducted in the Commission Chambers, Lobby Level, of the Municipal Office Building, 701 N. 7th Street, Kansas City, Kansas.

The public will be able to observe or listen to the special meeting live on YouTube, or through ZOOM; information is below. The public may also view the special meeting from the Commission Chambers, Lobby Level, of the Municipal Office Building, 701 N. 7th Street, Kansas City, Kansas.

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Dated the 20th day of August 2026.



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Jeffrey Conway, Assistant Counsel jconway@wycokck.org x5075	Legal
AGENDA ITEM #3.1.		
PUBLIC HEARING: (1) PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED 2026 AMENDED BUDGET AND 2027 BUDGET; (2) TO CONSIDER EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;		
BACKGROUND		
Public hearing: - Regarding the proposed 2026 Amended Budget and proposed 2027 Budget; - Governing body's intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate and consideration of a resolution and ordinance approving the same.		
RECOMMENDATION		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
Determining approved budget		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
ATTACHMENTS		
2026 - 2027 Ordinance-Resolution Approving Exceeding RNR		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

ORDINANCE NO. O-____-26

RESOLUTION NO. R-____-26

**AN ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF
WYANDOTTE COUNTY/ KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, TO APPROVE EXCEEDING THE
REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE.**

WHEREAS, the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas is the consolidated government for Wyandotte County, Kansas and Kansas City, Kansas;

WHEREAS, on or before June 15, 2026, the Unified Government Clerk calculated the revenue neutral rate for each taxing subdivision and included such revenue rate on the notice of the estimated assessed valuation provided to each taxing subdivision for budget purposes;

WHEREAS, the Unified Government notified the Unified Government Clerk by July 20, 2026, of its proposed intent to exceed the revenue-neutral rate and provided the date, time, and location of the public hearing and its proposed tax rate through the adoption of Resolution No. R-56-26 on July 16, 2026;

WHEREAS, at least 10 days in advance of the public hearing, the Unified Government published notice of its proposed intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate by publishing notice on the website of the governing body and in a weekly newspaper of the county having a general circulation therein;

WHEREAS, at least 10 days in advance of the public hearing, the Unified Government notified each taxpayer with property in the taxing subdivision of the proposed intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate by mail directed to the taxpayer's last known address or by electronic means, if such taxpayer and county clerk have consented in writing to service by electronic means, and such notice contained all content required pursuant to K.S.A. 79-2988(b)(2);

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/ Kansas City, Kansas will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the revenue neutral rate.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND RESOLVED BY THE
GOVERNING BODY OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE
COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS:**

Section 1. The Governing Body of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/ Kansas City, Kansas hereby approves exceeding the revenue neutral rate for Tax Year 2027 for the City of Kansas City, Kansas.

Section 2. The Governing Body of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/ Kansas City, Kansas hereby approves exceeding the revenue neutral rate for Tax Year 2027 for Wyandotte County, Kansas.

Section 3. The Mayor, the County Administrator, and the Unified Government's other officers, agents, and employees are hereby authorized and directed to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates, and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Ordinance and Resolution.

Section 4. This ordinance and resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body.

**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED
GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS
THIS 24th DAY OF AUGUST 2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Attest:

Monica Sparks
Unified Government Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Angela J. Lawson
Chief Counsel

ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION

On a motion by Commissioner _____ and a second by Commissioner _____

William Burns, Jr.	District 2	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____
Christian Ramirez	District 3	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____
Dr. Evelyn Hill	District 4	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____
Dr. Carlos Pacheco, Jr.	District 5	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____
Philip Lopez	District 6	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____
Chuck Stites	District 7	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____
Andrew Davis	District 8	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____
Melissa Bynum	At-Large District 1	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____
Andrew Kump	At-Large District 2	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____
Christal E. Watson (if necessary)	Mayor/CEO	Aye ____	No ____	Absent ____

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

STATE OF KANSAS)
)
COUNTY OF WYANDOTTE)

The undersigned, Clerk of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, does hereby certify that the above roll call vote of the Board of Commissioners of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas on August 24, 2026, is a true and accurate record of the roll call vote on the adoption of Ordinance No. O-____-26 and Resolution No. R-____-26.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

By: _____

(Seal)

Monica L. Sparks

Unified Government Clerk