

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

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Commissioner Dist. 1 Jermaine Howard – Commissioner Dist. 2 Bill Burns –
Commissioner Dist. 3 Christian Ramirez – Commissioner Dist. 4 Evelyn Hill –
Commissioner Dist. 5 Carlos Pacheco – Commissioner Dist. 6 Phil Lopez –
Commissioner Dist. 7 Chuck Stites – Commissioner Dist. 8 Andrew Davis*

AGENDA

Thursday, September 3, 2026

5:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

2. INVOCATION

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. REVISIONS TO AGENDA

5. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. MAYOR'S AGENDA

**6.1 RESOLUTION: AMEND SCHEDULE OF MEETING TIMES FOR THE
UNIFIED GOVERNMENT THROUGH JANUARY 2028**

Synopsis: Adopt a resolution to amend the schedule of meeting times for the
Unified Government through January 2028.

Tracking #: 21872

7. REGULAR CONSENT AGENDA

7.1 RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 26 COPS HIRING PROGRAM

Synopsis: Adopt a resolution to accept a Fiscal Year 2026 COPS Hiring Program grant award in the amount of \$4,367,592 to fund 12 patrol officer positions for a three-year period. The grant solicitation indicates that the federal share would only cover \$125,000 per position for the period of the grant, which equates to \$1,500,000, but the Police Department has requested a full match waiver in order to cover these positions at 100%.

*On August 17, 2026, the **Public Works and Safety Standing Committee**, chaired by Commissioner Kump, voted unanimously to approve and forward to the Board of Commissioners meeting.*

Tracking #: 21801

7.2 RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 2027 KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (STEP) GRANT

Synopsis: Adopt a resolution to accept a Fiscal Year 2027 Special Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant award in the amount of approximately \$160,000. There is no match required from the Unified Government.

*On August 17, 2026, the **Public Works and Safety Standing Committee**, chaired by Commissioner Kump, voted unanimously to approve and forward to the Board of Commissioners meeting.*

Tracking #: 21806

7.3 RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 2027 VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) GRANT PROGRAM

Synopsis: Adopt a resolution to accept a Fiscal Year 2027 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant award in the amount of \$426,019. The VOCA grant program requires a 20% cash match of the total program cost. Matching funds have already been identified in the Police Department's general fund budget.

*On August 17, 2026, the **Public Works and Safety Standing Committee**, chaired by Commissioner Kump, voted unanimously to approve and forward to the Board of Commissioners meeting.*

Tracking #: 21802

7.4 **RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 2027 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT - KANSAS GOVERNOR'S GRANTS PROGRAM**

Synopsis: Adoption of a resolution to apply for and accept the Fiscal Year 2027 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant award in the amount of \$76,535. There is no match required from the Unified Government.

*On August 17, 2026, the **Public Works and Safety Standing Committee**, chaired by Commissioner Kump, voted unanimously to approve and forward to the Board of Commissioners meeting.*

Tracking #: 21688

7.5 **RESOLUTION: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL**

Synopsis: Adoption of a resolution approving the Memorandum of Understanding with the Office of the State Fire Marshal to identify the roles and responsibilities of each party as they relate to the development and deployment of Urban Search and Rescue resources.

*On August 17, 2026, the **Public Works and Safety Standing Committee**, chaired by Commissioner Kump, voted unanimously to approve and forward to the Board of Commissioners meeting.*

Tracking #: 21808

7.6 **RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 2026 KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS JUVENILE CASE PLAN REPORT**

Synopsis: Adoption of a resolution approving the annual case plan report to the Kansas Department of Corrections for the Juvenile Services Program.

*On August 17, 2026, the **Public Works and Safety Standing Committee**, chaired by Commissioner Kump, voted unanimously to approve and forward to the Board of Commissioners meeting.*

Tracking #: 21810

7.7 **RESOLUTION: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN FLEET SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND TURNER SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Synopsis: Adoption of a resolution authorizing an MOU with the Turner School District to provide a Fleet Services Training Program to eligible students from USD 202.

*On August 17, 2026, the **Administration and Human Services Standing Committee**, chaired by Commissioner Ramirez, voted unanimously to approve and forward to the Board of Commissioners meeting.*

Tracking #: 21667

7.8 **APPOINTMENT: BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

Synopsis: **Community Benefit Advisory Board:**

Appointment of Korri Hall-Term 9/3/26 to 9/3/28, submitted by Commissioner Howard.

Golf Advisory Board:

Appointment of Richard Chungong – Term 9/3/26 to 12/15/2029, submitted by Commissioner Howard.

Landmarks Commission:

Appointment of Olivia Moore-Term 9/3/26 to 12/15/29, submitted by Commissioner Howard.

WY/LV Area Agency on Aging:

Appointment of Carla Jones-Term 9/3/26 to 12/15/29, submitted by Commissioner Howard.

Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District:

Appointment of Shelley Coulter-Term 9/3/26 to 12/15/29, submitted by Commissioner Howard.

Commission on Human Relations & Disabilities Issues:

Appointment of Joshua Yoakum-Term 9/3/26 to 12/15/29, submitted by Commissioner Ramirez.

Tracking #: 21866

7.9 **MINUTES**

Synopsis: Minutes from the Regular Session meeting on July 16, 2026.

Tracking #: MINUTES

7.10 **WEEKLY BUSINESS**

Synopsis: Weekly business materials dated August 6, 2026.

Tracking #: WEEKLY BUSINESS

8. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

8.1 **PUBLIC HEARING: SELF-SUPPORTING MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (SSMID)**

Synopsis: A public hearing to discuss consideration of the establishment and renewal of the District and on the advisability of said improvements and services for the District.

Tracking #: 21711

9. STANDING COMMITTEES' AGENDA

10. ADMINISTRATOR'S AGENDA

10.1 **APPOINTMENTS: VOTING DELEGATES FOR THE LEAGUE OF KANSAS MUNICIPALITIES (LKM) CONFERENCE**

Synopsis: Designation of voting delegates: Commissioner Jermaine Howard and Assistant County Administrator Rodney Lucas as the alternate for the League of Kansas Municipalities Annual Conference in Overland Park, KS.

Tracking #: 21862

10.2 **RESOLUTION: ALLOWING THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT TREASURER TO CHARGE A TRANSACTION FEE FOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL**

Synopsis: Adopt a resolution authorizing the county treasurer to charge an applicant for vehicle registration or renewal a transaction fee not to exceed five dollars (\$5); and from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029. As such, the Unified Government Treasurer recommends that the transaction fee charged for vehicle registration or renewal be increased by three dollars (\$3) to eight dollars (\$8) from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029, as allowed by state statute.

Tracking #: 21863

10.3 **BUDGET ITEMS**

Synopsis: Request adoption of the following resolutions and ordinances regarding the Unified Government 2026 Amended for the County of Wyandotte and City of Kansas City, Kansas, and the 2027 Budget for the County of Wyandotte and City of Kansas, City, Kansas, BPU PILOT, and the Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District as follows:

1. A resolution approving the amended 2026 Budget and the 2027 Budget for the County of Wyandotte.
2. An order approving the amended 2026 budget and the 2027 budget for the City of Kansas City, Kansas.
3. A Resolution setting the percentage of gross operating revenue to be set over by the Board of Public Utilities to the Unified Government for the fiscal year 2027 (**the PILOT**).
4. An Ordinance expressing the property taxation policy of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas with respect to financing the 2026 annual budget for the **Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District** and approving, adopting, and appropriating the budget of the Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District and levying a tax for the year beginning January 1, 2026.

Tracking #: 21860

11. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA

LAND BANK BOARD OF TRUSTEE

12. LAND BANK BOARD OF TRUSTEES' CONSENT AGENDA

12.1 LAND BANK EXTENSION REQUEST

Synopsis: The Land Bank Manager respectfully requests that the Land Bank Board of Trustees review final consideration.

Please visit the site to review the applications below.

<https://gisapp.wycokck.org/Landbank.html>

5 Single-Family Homes

On August 3, 2026, the Neighborhood and Community Development Standing Committee, chaired by Commissioner Davis, voted unanimously to approve and forward to the Land Bank Board of Trustees.

Tracking #: 21867

13. ADJOURN

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Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Michael Farley, Assistant Counsel mfarley@wycokck.org x5679	Legal
AGENDA ITEM #6.1.		
RESOLUTION: AMEND SCHEDULE OF MEETING TIMES FOR THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT THROUGH JANUARY 2028		
BACKGROUND		
Adopt a resolution to amend the schedule of meeting times for the Unified Government through January 2028.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
ATTACHMENTS		
Resolution_BOC P&Z Meeting Schedule_Amendment_Effect.Imm, Full Commission Schedule 2026-28_Amended.Imm.CLEAN		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. R-_____ - _____

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF MEETING TIMES FOR THE
UNIFIED GOVERNMENT COMMISSION THROUGH JANUARY 2028.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Appendix C, Section 107 of the 2008 Code of Ordinances and Resolutions of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, the Commission is authorized to set the time for regular meetings of the Commission as well as meetings that include planning and zoning matters (“P&Z meetings”) and to do so for a two-year period;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 12-757, a protest petition against a proposed change of zone amendment can be filed with the Unified Clerk within 14 days of the conclusion of the City Planning Commission meeting at which a recommendation to the amendment was made;

WHEREAS, the Kansas courts have also extended protest petitions to special use permit amendments, under the same provisions as change of zone amendments in K.S.A. 12-757;

WHEREAS, R-105-25 (“A RESOLUTION SETTING THE SCHEDULES OF MEETING TIMES FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT COMMISSION AND FOR THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT COMMISSION THROUGH JANUARY 2028”), made effective by publication on January 1, 2026, established the dates for P&Z meetings, including a meeting on September 24, 2026;

WHEREAS, the aforementioned meeting date is less than 14 days after the scheduled September 14, 2026 City Planning Commission (“CPC”) meeting, thereby not providing the full amount of time for a protest petition to a change of zone amendment to be filed;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with both K.S.A. 12-757 and R-105-25, all change of zone and special use permits receiving a public hearing at the September 14, 2026 CPC meeting will not be eligible for a scheduled P&Z meeting until October 29, 2026;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Appendix C, Section 107, the Commission is authorized to change the time and date of a meeting if a holiday falls on or near that meeting date, or if the preceding planning commission meeting is less than 14 days before the scheduled P&Z meeting;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Commission to promote local development and growth by avoiding unnecessary delays in the planning and zoning process.

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

Section 1. The attached schedule of meeting times of the Unified Government Commission, established pursuant to the provisions of Appendix C, Section 107 of the 2008 Code of Ordinances and Resolutions of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, amends the scheduled set by R-105-25 and is hereby itself set.

Section 2. The meeting times of the standing committees of the Unified Government Commission, established pursuant to the provisions of Appendix C, Section 202 of the 2008 Code of Ordinances and Resolutions of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, is not amended and shall remain as set.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon passage.

**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT
OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, THIS ____ DAY OF _____,
2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Attest:

Monica Sparks, Unified Government Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Angela J. Lawson, Acting Chief Counsel

OPTION B - AMENDED

3 meetings per month

FEBRUARY 2026- JANUARY 2028 COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. (unless otherwise specified)

Location: Commission Chambers (or as otherwise provided by notice of the UG Clerk)

BOC=Full Commission

PZ=Planning & Zoning

2026

February	5	BOC
	19	BOC
	26	PZ
March	5	BOC
	19	BOC
	26	PZ
April	9	BOC
	23	BOC
	30	PZ
May	7	BOC
	21	BOC
	28	PZ
June	4	BOC
	18	BOC
	25	PZ
July	9	BOC
	23	BOC
	30	PZ
August	6	BOC
	20	BOC
	27	PZ
September	3	BOC
	17	BOC
	24	BOC & PZ
October	1	BOC & PZ
	15	BOC
	29	PZ
November	5	BOC
	12	BOC
	19	PZ
December	3	BOC
	10	BOC
	17	PZ

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2027

January	7	BOC
	21	BOC
	28	PZ
February	4	BOC
	18	BOC
	25	PZ
March	4	BOC
	18	BOC
	25	PZ
April	8	BOC
	22	BOC
	29	PZ
May	6	BOC
	20	BOC
	27	PZ
June	3	BOC
	17	BOC
	24	PZ
July	1	BOC
	15	BOC
	29	PZ
August	5	BOC
	19	BOC
	26	PZ
September	2	BOC
	16	BOC
	30	PZ
October	7	BOC
	21	BOC
	28	PZ
November	4	BOC
	10	BOC
	18	PZ

December	2	BOC
	9	BOC
	16	PZ

2028

January	6	BOC
	20	BOC
	27	PZ



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Laura Cromwell LCromwell@kckpd.org	Police Department
AGENDA ITEM #7.1.		
RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 26 COPS HIRING PROGRAM		
BACKGROUND		
The KCKPD has submitted an application for funding to hire 12 additional patrol officers under the FY26 COPS Hiring Program. The addition of 12 patrol officers will enhance KCKPD's ability to increase officer visibility, conduct proactive patrols in high-crime areas, and respond more effectively to calls for service. These officers will support targeted enforcement efforts focused on violent offenders, drug trafficking networks, and gang activity while continuing to build strong partnerships with residents, businesses, schools, and community organizations. Increased patrol staffing will allow officers to engage with community members, gather valuable intelligence, deter criminal activity, and improve overall public safety. The illegal distribution of fentanyl and methamphetamine, coupled with gang-related violence, presents a significant challenge for communities across Kansas, including Kansas City, Kansas. Investing in additional patrol officers will provide KCKPD with the personnel needed to proactively identify emerging crime trends, intervene before violence occurs, and reduce the impact of drug trafficking and gang activity that is infiltrating Kansas City, Kansas, from the southern border. The COPS Hiring Program is a competitive grant program providing funding for a three-year period for entry-level patrol officer positions. The Police Department has indicated severe fiscal distress in its application in hopes of receiving a full match waiver. If a full match waiver is not offered as part of an award, the KCKPD can choose not to accept the award.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve Approval of resolution		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
At minimum, the federal grant would cover approximately 34% of the cost to hire 12 new patrol officers. If a full match waiver is not approved, the UG would need to invest a total of \$2,867,586 to cover these positions over a three-year period. This would roughly equate to \$873,614 in 2027, \$909,289 in 2028, and \$1,084,683 in 2029. It is also possible that a partial match waiver will be granted. This will be outlined in the award document, should we be selected. At that time, we can choose not to accept the award if the UG cannot meet the financial obligation. In addition, no matter the amount of the match waiver, the UG will be required to fund these 12 positions for an additional twelve-month period following the three-year grant-funded period. We can choose to stagger the hiring of these positions so that the financial impact following the grant-funded period would be spread out over a few years.		

LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS
There will be award terms and conditions that Legal will review, if we are selected for an award. Historically, there have been no conditions associated with this grant program that have precluded us from program participation.
ATTACHMENTS
Resolution - FY26 COPS Hiring Program Grant

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department through the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, to accept a grant award if awarded with a full match waiver, for the FY26 Community Oriented Policing Services Hiring Program offered by the U.S. Department of Justice.

WHEREAS, an application has been submitted by the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department requesting grant funds to fund twelve patrol officer positions for a three-year period; and

WHEREAS, the grant solicitation indicates that the federal share would only cover \$125,000 per position for the period of the grant, which equals \$1,500,000; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department has requested \$4,367,592 in grant funds and a full match waiver to cover these positions at one hundred percent; and

WHEREAS, if the grant is awarded with anything less than a full match waiver, the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department will return to the Board of Commissioners to seek approval prior to acceptance of the grant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County Administrator and/or his designee is hereby authorized to accept such grant if it is awarded with a full match waiver, on behalf of the Unified Government and to take the steps necessary to fulfill the conditions of the grant and execute documents in furtherance of the grant.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS,
THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Unified Government Clerk

Approved As To Form:

**Angela J. Lawson
Chief Counsel**



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Laura Cromwell LCromwell@kckpd.org	Police Department
AGENDA ITEM #7.2.		
RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 2027 KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (STEP) GRANT		
BACKGROUND		
KDOT's Special Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) provides funding to local law enforcement agencies to conduct high-visibility enforcement during coordinated periods to address primary driver behaviors contributing to injury and fatality crashes in Kansas. The Police Department has been receiving funding through the STEP program for many years now. In years past, funding has been provided for select enforcement campaigns throughout the year and has primarily only funded overtime hours. Allocated annual totals have historically been less than \$50,000. However, the FY27 STEP program has been enhanced to include additional funding for equipment items, training opportunities, and educational events hosted by Traffic Support officers. Our application for the FY27 program includes approximately \$100,000 for overtime for officers to work enforcement operations, specifically focused on aggressive driving and DUI-related violations, as well as approximately \$60,000 to fund various equipment items, such as radars, stop sticks, and traffic cones, instructor schooling for our traffic officers, and overtime for officers to host educational events, such as car seat checks. As in previous years, there is no match required from the UG.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve Approval of resolution		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
There is no match required by the UG. All proposed costs are one-time purchases with no recurring funding obligations.		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		

Once the award document has been issued, it will be sent to Legal for review and approval prior to award acceptance. Historically, there have been no conditions associated with this grant program that have precluded us from program participation.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution - FY27 STEP Grant

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department through the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas to accept a grant for the FY27 Special Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant.

WHEREAS, Kansas Department of Transportation's Special Traffic Enforcement Program Grant provides funding to local law enforcement agencies to conduct high-visibility enforcement during coordinated periods to address primary driver behaviors contributing to injury and fatality crashes in Kansas.

WHEREAS, the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department has applied for grant funding for overtime for officers to work enforcement operations, specifically focused on aggressive driving and DUI-related violations, and for equipment items, such as radars, stop sticks, and traffic cones, instructor schooling for our traffic officers, and overtime for officers to host educational events, such as car seat checks; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas City Kansas Police Department has been approved for \$167,392 in grant funding, with no matching funds required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County Administrator and/or his designee is hereby authorized to accept such grant if awarded, on behalf of the Unified Government and to take the steps necessary to fulfill the conditions of the grant and execute documents in furtherance of the grant.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS,
THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Unified Government Clerk

Approved As To Form:

**Angela J. Lawson
Chief Counsel**



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Laura Cromwell LCromwell@kckpd.org	Police Department
AGENDA ITEM #7.3.		
RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 2027 VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) GRANT PROGRAM		
BACKGROUND		
VOCA, which is an annual grant program offered through the Kansas Governor's Grants Program office, has funded the Victim Services Unit, or VSU, at the Police Department since its inception in 1999. Three full-time VSU personnel are currently funded by our FY26 VOCA grant at 75 percent, and two full-time positions at the Order of Protection Office are funded at 100 percent. Federal funds through the VOCA grant program will allow for continued direct services to victims, such as emergency shelter, emergency transportation, and crisis intervention supplies, including meals, clothing, replacement cell phones, broken door & window repair, crime scene cleanup, and lock replacement. Funds will also be used for communication supplies, training & travel for staff, and case management software. If the VSU was not able to receive VOCA funding, it would be reduced to one advocate, significantly limiting the services available to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, and survivors of homicide. Our FY27 VOCA application will include the same level of federal dollars requested in previous years, adding no new programs or positions, and will utilize existing budget within our general fund as well as in-kind contributions to meet the match requirement.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve Approval of resolution		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
The total program cost, which includes the federal funding request, is equal to \$532,524. Accordingly, the 20% match amount required of the UG will be \$106,505. The match requirement will be satisfied with current PD general fund money and in-kind contributions. No additional funds are being requested to meet the match requirement.		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
Once awarded, the PD will receive an award document containing grant assurances that must be reviewed by Legal prior to award acceptance. Historically, there have been no conditions associated with this grant program that have precluded us from program participation.		
ATTACHMENTS		
Resolution KCKPD Federal Victims of Crime Act Victim Assistance Grant Program 2027, FY 2027 memo request for application		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department through the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas accept a grant award for the Federal Victim Assistance of Crime Act (VOCA) Victim Assistance Grant.

WHEREAS, the US Department of Justice Programs Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) is the federal agency responsible for administration of the Victims of Crime Act of 1984; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas Governor's Grants Program (KGGP) is the state administering agency and establishes policies and procedures for the VOCA grant program, consistent with the requirements of the VOCA Program Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, an application has been submitted by the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department to apply for grant funds, that if awarded, would be used to support the Victim Services Unit; and

WHEREAS, the value of the grant request is \$426,019, with 20% matching funds (106,505) required, for a total project value of \$532,524.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County Administrator and/or his designee is hereby authorized to accept such grant if awarded, on behalf of the Unified Government and to take the steps necessary to fulfill the conditions of the grant and execute documents in furtherance of the grant.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS,
THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Unified Government Clerk

Approved As To Form:

**Angela J. Lawson
Chief Counsel**



Karl A. Oakman
Chief of Police

Major Shane Turner
Assistant Chief

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ltc. Raymond Nuñez
Major Brittanie Pruitt

FROM: Maya Banks

DATE: 07/17/2026

SUBJECT: VOCA Fiscal year 2027 Application-requesting assistance with Standing Committee meeting

I am requesting permission to apply for VOCA fiscal year 2027 application. VOCA has funded the Victim Services Unit since its initiation in 1999. The current VOCA grant (FY 2026) was awarded \$410,353 in federal funds and KCKPD contributing \$102,588 in match funds. For the 2027 fiscal year an **estimated** budget and subject to change, \$405,918 is being requested for 80% in federal funds with \$101,479 required in 20% match funds to be contributed by KCKPD.

The budget is similar to the current fiscal year however changes were made to reflect accurate salaries including cost of living and benefits. In 2027, the unit expects to be fully staffed with a Program Supervisor, two response advocates, two order of protection advocates, and one Program Aide. In summary, I am requesting essentially the same federal funding level as FY 2026, and utilizing existing Match, resulting in no additional funds from the Police Department than already committed.

I am requesting permission and assistance to submit an agenda item for the Public Safety & Works meeting on August 17th. It is preferred to obtain approval before submitting the grant application however, the application is due by July 28th through the Kansas Governor's Grant Program. In the event, that the standing committee denies our request, it should be known that if we are awarded the grant funds we are able to respectfully decline.



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Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Laura Cromwell LCromwell@kckpd.org	Police Department
AGENDA ITEM #7.4.		
RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 2027 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT - KANSAS GOVERNOR'S GRANTS PROGRAM		
BACKGROUND		
- The FY27 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program is a competitive grant program overseen by the Kansas Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (KCJCC). - JAG funds are intended to support criminal justice systems/partners in their efforts to address crime and improve public safety. - The KCJCC has approximately \$2.2 million available for grant awards for FY27, which will span from 10/1/26-9/30/27. - The Police Department will be requesting funds to procure and implement a Long-Range Acoustic Device (LRAD) communication system to enhance public safety, emergency response, and critical incident management capabilities.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve The Police Department respectfully requests approval to apply for funding under the FY27 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program as outlined in this report.		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
- The FY27 JAG program offered through the KCJCC requires no match from the Unified Government. - All items will be funded at 100% through the grant. - The Police Department will be requesting \$76,535 in grant funding. All items will be a one-time purchase with no recurring costs. Maintenance/repair costs for our equipment items will be absorbed into our general fund budget.		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
- If awarded funding under this grant opportunity, we will be required to sign an award document that outlines assurances we must comply with before we are able to expend any grant funding. - Those assurances will be distributed to agencies selected to receive an award.		

- If there are any assurances we are unable to comply with, we have the option to decline acceptance of the award.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution - FY27 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department through the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas to accept a grant for the FY27 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant.

WHEREAS, the Kansas Criminal Justice Coordinating Council oversees the Federal Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program.

WHEREAS, the Justice Assistance Grant funds are provided to criminal justice system partners to address crime and improve public safety.

WHEREAS, the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department has applied for grant funding for a long-range acoustic device communication system; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas City Kansas Police Department has requested \$76,535 in grant funding, with no matching funds required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/ KANSAS CITY, KANSAS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County Administrator and/or his designee is hereby authorized to accept such grant if awarded, on behalf of the Unified Government and to take the steps necessary to fulfill the conditions of the grant and execute documents in furtherance of the grant.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS,
THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Unified Government Clerk

Approved As To Form:

**Angela J. Lawson
Chief Counsel**



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Dilini Lankachandra, Assistant Counsel dlankachandra@wycokck.org x5077	Legal
AGENDA ITEM #7.5.		
RESOLUTION: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL		
BACKGROUND		
<i>RESOLUTION: A resolution authorizing the County Administrator to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Office of the State Fire Marshal to identify the roles and responsibilities of each party as they relate to the development and deployment of Urban Search and Rescue resources.</i>		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve To adopt the resolution.		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
N/A		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
To adopt the resolution.		
ATTACHMENTS		
OSFM KCKFD Reso 7.29.26, OSFM KCKFD MOU		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED
GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS:**

That the County Administrator of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, is hereby authorized and directed to execute in the name of the Unified Government the attached Memorandum of Understanding between the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) and the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, KS as a Participating Agency in the Kansas Search and Rescue Response System.

Be it further resolved by the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas that the Chief of the Kansas City, Kansas Fire Department is hereby authorized to participate in the Kansas Search and Rescue Response System with the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WYANDOTTE
COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS THIS ____ DAY OF _____ 2026.**

Mayor/CEO
Christal Watson

Attest:

Unified Government Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Angela J. Lawson, Chief Counsel



PARTICIPATING AGENCY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

*Between the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) and
Unified Government of Wyandotte County / KCK
As a Participating Agency in the Kansas Search & Rescue Response
System*

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to identify the roles and responsibilities of each party as they relate to the development and deployment of Urban Search & Rescue (US&R) resources.

This MOU is intended to:

- Coordinate and support the development of comprehensive regional and state plans that will provide for a coordinated response by Urban Search & Rescue (US&R) resources.
- Coordinate regional and state efforts through equipment standardization, training, and operational guidelines.
- Maintain consistency and coordination with other regional, state, and federal resources, including federal and state US&R task forces and/or teams.
- Provide for the availability of services and expertise required to respond to disaster events where such services and expertise are not available on staff at a Participating Agency in the state.

2.0 Background

Urban Search & Rescue is a multi-hazard discipline that involves the location, extrication, and initial medical stabilization of victims trapped or missing because of a man-made or natural disaster. While a tornado or other significant weather event is often the cause, victims can also be trapped by events such as winter storms, mine or bridge collapses, wide area flooding, or other significant events. These events can occur in rural areas, suburban areas, or in densely populated urban areas. They may be slow in developing, as in the case of winter storms or wide area river flooding, or they may be sudden, as in the case of an earthquake, explosion, or tornado.

Since these types of catastrophic events can quickly overwhelm first responders, it is critical that there is a comprehensive statewide response system in place that can quickly provide resources for search and rescue operations that are beyond the capabilities of local responders. These events require a highly coordinated response by personnel specially trained and equipped to deal with the unique challenges presented by collapsed or unstable structures, floods, or other complex rescue situations.

House Bill 2097, which was enacted by the Kansas Legislature in May 2015 and codified at K.S.A. 75-1518, et seq., designated the OSFM as the Administrative Agency for the Kansas Search & Rescue Response System, and authorized the OSFM to enter into Agreements to establish regional search and rescue teams to respond to search and rescue incidents. HB 2097 further authorized the OSFM to develop rules and regulations governing the composition, training requirements, response, and operations of those regional search and rescue teams.

The State of Kansas is divided geographically into seven (7) Homeland Security regions: Northwest (NW), Southwest (SW), North Central (NC), South Central (SC), Northeast (NE), Southeast (SE), and the Kansas City Metro (KCM). According to the capability identified in each region, a US&R resource (Task Force or Team) made up of **Participating Agencies** and **Affiliated Members** was formed and typed according to the National Incident Management System (NIMS) "Resource Typing Definitions for Mass Search and Rescue Operations." To provide oversight and coordination for each regional US&R resource, one (1) Participating Agency in each region was designated as the **Sponsoring Agency**.

Affiliated Members are individuals that are not employed by one of the Participating Agencies in a region and generally staff critical positions required on a US&R resource, i.e. canine handlers, physicians, or engineers. Other positions on a US&R resource may also be filled by professionals not employed by a Participating Agency.

3.0 Office of the State Fire Marshal Responsibilities

The OSFM agrees to:

- Serve as the primary point of contact for interstate or intrastate requests for US&R resources.
- Provide administrative oversight for the typing and credentialing of the regional US&R resources.
- Coordinate and support strategic planning for the development of the Kansas Search Rescue Response System and assist with strategic planning for each regional US&R resource.
- Adopt and support the national US&R standard and assist the regional US&R resources in meeting that standard as it applies to the typing of each resource.
- Develop plans, policies & procedures, standard operating guidelines, etc. to support the Kansas Search & Rescue Response System and assist in the development of the same for each regional US&R resource.
- Coordinate the statewide standardization of US&R equipment and personnel using the state's Comprehensive Resource Management & Credentialing System (CRMCS).
- Provide and maintain system wide communications through policy development and the management of a statewide notification and alerting system.
- Pursue Agreements, policies/procedures, etc. that will allow other deployable individuals to respond with or assist the regional US&R resources. *Examples include canine handlers, physicians, engineers, or other professionals not employed by a Participating Agency.*
- Develop other ancillary resources and Agreements that will support the individual and regional US&R resources during training, exercise, and disaster response.
- Coordinate and/or deliver the training and exercise required for members to meet the position specific training requirements contained in the national US&R standard.

3.5 Reimbursement

Training/Exercise

- Reimbursement for training and/or exercise attended by any Agency member is subject to the guidelines set forth in Administrative Guideline 03 – Member & Agency Reimbursement.

Incident Response

- Reimbursement for incident response by any Agency member is subject to the guidelines set forth in Administrative Guideline 03 – Member & Agency Reimbursement.

4.0 Participating Agency Responsibilities

As a Participating Agency, the Agency agrees to:

- Provide an “enabling authority” through resolution, executive order, or other such document as utilized by the Agency’s governing body to authorize the Chief/Director to participate in the Kansas Search and Rescue Response System.
- Participate in strategic planning at the agency, regional and state level for the development of a state search and rescue response system.
- Participate in the development and maintenance of a regional US&R resource that is typed according to the NIMS Resource Typing Definitions for Mass Search & Rescue Operations.
- Develop and maintain an internal notification system that will ensure the timely notification of all deployable members.
- Identify and maintain the agency commitment for personnel and equipment that will contribute to the development of a deployable regional US&R resource, including the formation of organizational charts (red/white/blue) that provide 24/7 staffing at least 2-3 deep in each functional position, except those positions identified as the responsibility of the OSFM. *(This bullet only applies to Type 3 and 4 US&R task forces)*
- Assist in the development and maintenance of regional response plans, policies & procedures, standard operating guidelines, etc. as required to support the regional US&R resource and the Kansas Search & Rescue Response System.
- Follow all administrative policies, procedures, and guidelines set forth in the Kansas Search & Rescue Response System Administration Manual and supporting documents.
- Participate in the development and support of regional Homeland Security projects to support the regional US&R resource and the Kansas Search & Rescue Response System.
- Provide for the visibility in the state’s Comprehensive Resource Management & Credentialing System (CRMCS) of Agency personnel and equipment designated for deployment as part of the state or regional US&R resource.
- Maintain a personnel file for each Agency member that follows the standardized content and structure designated in the Administration Manual.
- Ensure that deployable members are prepared to deploy with the regional US&R resource, enabling the US&R resource to respond within 2 hours of notification, with the capability of being self-sufficient for up to 72 hours.
- Maintain the readiness of all Agency equipment and vehicles designated for deployment as part of the US&R resource, including the documentation of appropriate safety inspections, maintenance, and replacement schedules.

- Maintain worker's compensation insurance, or equivalent coverage meeting statutory requirements under K.S.A. 44-501 *et seq.*, for agency members during authorized training, exercise, or deployment as part of a regional or state US&R resource, or as an individual resource.
- Provide the necessary personal protective equipment and other required equipment for Agency members assigned to a regional or state US&R resource, or as an individual resource.
- Complete the supplement regarding Participation/ Non-Participation on a state US&R resource designated as Kansas Task Force 1 (KS-TF1).

5.0 Compliance Standards

Both parties agree to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes and regulations, including the national US&R standard and the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

6.0 State Tort Claims Act

The Kansas Tort Claims Act (KTCA), K.S.A. 75-6101 *et seq.*, applies to all claims for liability related to the performance of this Agreement. Persons performing under this Agreement shall be deemed employees for purposes of the KTCA. This Agreement does not waive any sovereign or governmental immunity or other defenses of the OSFM, the State of Kansas, or the Agency.

The Agency shall immediately give notice in writing to the OSFM and the Kansas Attorney General of any demand, request, or occurrence that may potentially give rise to a claim against the Agency, the OSFM, or the State of Kansas. The Agency shall follow the procedural requirements for notice to the Attorney General and all other provisions of the KTCA.

7.0 Severability

If any provision of this Agreement is declared by a court to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions shall not be affected; and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the Agreement did not contain the provision held to be invalid.

8.0 Confidentiality

Each party agrees that except as otherwise required by law, they shall not disclose each other's confidential information to a third party without the written consent of the other party. The rights and obligations set forth herein shall survive termination of the Agreement. Any duty under this section shall be subject to and interpreted consistently with the Kansas Open Records Act, K.S.A. 45-201 *et seq.*, and other provisions of law.

9.0 Amendments

The terms of this Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented, or amended in any manner whatsoever without the prior written approval of both the OSFM and the Agency.

10.0 Right of Refusal

The Agency agrees to respond to all OSFM requests as part of the regional US&R resource except when the Agency's resources are committed to an emergency in its own jurisdiction or committed to an emergency in another jurisdiction pursuant to existing inter-local Agreements or conditions in the Agency's response area are such that adequate emergency services cannot be maintained. In that event, the local response and concerns shall have priority.

The Agency is responsible for ensuring that the Sponsoring Agency/ Duty Officer for the US&R resource and OSFM have ongoing situational awareness of the Agency's status and ability to respond as part of the regional US&R resource, so that positions and/ or equipment committed by the Agency as a part of the regional US&R resource can be replaced by another agency, or the US&R resource can be designated as "non-deployable."

11.0 Termination

This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days' written notice or at any time by mutual consent of the parties. Such mutual consent must be recorded in writing and signed by both parties.

12.0 Approvals

Agency Chief/Director certifies by their signature herein that he/she has the necessary and lawful authority to enter into this Agreement with the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

Participating Agency Chief/ Director

Office of the State Fire Marshal

Alan Howze

Printed Name

Printed Name

Signature

Signature

Date

Date

Participation on Kansas Task Force 1

This is a supplement to the MOU between the Office of the State Fire Marshal and each Participating Agency in the Kansas Search & Rescue Response System, specifically regarding the Agency's participation on Kansas Task Force 1 (KS-TF1).

In order to ensure a high level of readiness to deploy resources out of Kansas in response to a request for assistance from another state, through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC), the OSFM will recruit the personnel and equipment necessary to maintain a NIMS Type 3 US&R task force and a NIMS Type 2 Swiftwater/Flood Rescue Team. In keeping with the requirements of the national US&R standard, each position will be filled three-deep with individuals that are fully qualified according to their assigned position. Each resource will be divided into a Red, White, and Blue team, each of which can be deployable out of state on a rotational basis, for as long as fourteen (14) days.

Select one of the following options:

Our Agency will not participate in interstate responses as a part of KS-TF1 but will continue to be available for local, regional, and intrastate responses as part of our regional task force or team.

Printed Name

Agency

Signature

Date

Our Agency will participate in interstate responses as a part of KS-TF1 and continue to be available for local, regional, and intrastate responses, as part of our regional task force or team.

Alan Howze

Printed Name

Unifed Governement Of Wyandotte Co. / KCKFD

Agency

Signature

Date



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Phillip Lockman, Director plockman@wycokck.org x8099	Community Corrections
AGENDA ITEM #7.6.		
RESOLUTION: FISCAL YEAR 2026 KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS JUVENILE CASE PLAN REPORT		
BACKGROUND		
Approval of the annual case plan report for our juvenile Kansas Department of Corrections program.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve Approve and forward to full commission.		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
None		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
None		
ATTACHMENTS		
Resolution - FY26 Community Corrections Juvenile Case Plan, FY2026 Juvenile Year End Agency Plan		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Corrections Juvenile Case Plan.

WHEREAS, the agency director of the 29th Judicial District of Wyandotte County Community Corrections assisted in the compilation and analysis of data from which a report was generated summarizing the Fiscal Year 2026 Juvenile Case Plan;

WHEREAS, in July of 2026 the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board/Governing Board for the 29th Judicial District of Wyandotte County reviewed the aforementioned report and agreed with the findings and discussion therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Unified Government Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Corrections Juvenile Case Plan attached hereto.

Section 2. The County Administrator and/or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to take such actions to execute any other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately after its adoption by the Governing Body of the Unified Government.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS,
THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Unified Government Clerk

Approved As To Form:

**Angela J. Lawson
Chief Counsel**

JISP.CM FY26 AGENCY CASE PLAN

Agency Name:	29th Wyandotte County Community Corrections		
Principle #1:	Provide measurement feedback.		
GOAL #1		BARRIERS	SUPPORT ENTITIES
In FY2026, this agency will create and implement a structured, individualized coaching and feedback method for juvenile staff.		Staff buy-in	Crystal Sprague, UG Open Forms Administrator; Administrator Lockamy
ACTION STEPS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	TARGET DATE
1. Standardize Report Prompts: Supervisory staff will collaboratively develop and finalize a single, standardized set of prompts for the 5/15 (5 minutes to read/15 minutes to write) monthly report template.		Adminstrator Mejia; Supervisors Stewart, Schroeder, Peterson, & Rodriguez	09/30/2025
2. Create Digital Template: The approved questions and prompts will be integrated into a standardized electronic template via an open forms system.		Administrator Mejia	09/30/2025
3. Supervisor Training: Supervisors will complete a comprehensive training session on the new coaching and feedback framework, covering the purpose, application, and technical operation of the electronic 5/15 weekly report		Adminstrator Mejia; Supervisors Stewart, Schroeder, Peterson, & Rodriguez	10/30/2025
4. Staff Training and Rollout: Supervisors will conduct staff training to introduce the new coaching framework and provide clear instructions on the purpose and utilization of the electronic 5/15 weekly report.		Adminstrator Mejia; Supervisors Stewart, Schroeder, Peterson, & Rodriguez	10/30/2025
5. Full Implementation: By the close of the second quarter, the new coaching and feedback report will be fully operational. Implementation success will be verified by the initial submission and return of the 5/15 reports.		Adminstrator Mejia; Supervisors Stewart, Schroeder, Peterson, & Rodriguez	12/31/2025
6. Monthly Staff Check-ins: Staff will be engaged for feedback and progress updates during monthly staff meetings.		Adminstrator Mejia; Supervisors Stewart, Schroeder, Peterson, & Rodriguez	On-going
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1 ST QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
During Q1, Administrator Mejia met with supervisory staff to explain the 5/15 process. Supervisors and Administrator came up with a set of quesitons that we believe would benefit staff/supervisor			Our goal in Q2 is to get the template

discussions monthly. Administrator Mejia informed staff of the 5/15 plan during the September team meeting. Our goal in Q2 is to get the template finalized and have staff start completing the 5/15 prompts monthly by the start of 2026.		finalized and have staff start completing the 5/15 prompts monthly by the start of 2026.
KDOC FEEDBACK		
2 ND QUARTER PROGRESS	CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
A meeting is scheduled with the Performance and Innovation team in January to finalize 5/15 prompts. Once final, staff will begin submitting 5/15 reports monthly.	Due to staff shortages and leaves of absences, we have had to cover extra duties in the office. This has increased the timeline for this goal.	After January's meeting to finalize prompts, they will be discussed at February's team meeting. The goal is to begin utilizing the prompts by April, 2026.
KDOC FEEDBACK		
3 rd QUARTER PROGRESS	CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Administrator Mejia meets with the Performance and Innovation team at the end of April to finalize the prompts.	Due to staffing and other initiatives this office has been working on (RePath, IIP, Day Reporting), we have had a hard time starting this goal. We should start 5/15 meetings in Q3.	
KDOC FEEDBACK		
END OF YEAR PROGRESS	CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Administrator Mejia will continue to work towards getting this goal going. Due to multiple staff on leave, open positions, and other initiatives (RePath, IIP, Day Reporting), it has been hard to sit down with staff to finalize it. We are going steady with RePath; IIP started July 1; Day Reporting is taking a break until school starts; one candidate is in hiring process; and two staff are projected to be back from leave by end of July. Administrator Mejia will make an effort to have this goal complete by end of first quarter in FY27.	Due to staffing and other initiatives this office has been working on (RePath, IIP, Day Reporting), we have had a hard time starting this goal.	
KDOC FEEDBACK		

Principle #2:	Skill train with directed practice (use cognitive behavioral methods).		
GOAL #2		BARRIERS	SUPPORT ENTITIES
In FY2026, all Intensive Supervision Officers and Supervisors will participate in modules from Carey Group's BriefCASE Series to enhance their application of evidence-based practices.		Scheduling Conflicts/ Staff Turnover	KDOC/ Administrator Lockamy
ACTION STEPS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	TARGET DATE
1. Administrator Mejia will create a comprehensive schedule of the monthly Carey Group BriefCASE Series trainings throughout FY2025.		Administrator Mejia	09/15/2025
2. Administrator Mejia will send an electronic invitation to all Intensive Supervision Officers and Supervisors detailing the dates, times, and BriefCASE training plan for FY2026.		Administrator Mejia	09/30/2025
3. Administrator Mejia will ensure that pre-session BriefCASE materials are sent to staff at least two weeks prior to the scheduled BriefCASE session.		Administrator Mejia	On-going
4. Staff will attend monthly BriefCASE sessions and make up the session with their supervisor before the next session if they have to miss.		All Staff	On-going
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1 ST QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Administrator Mejia completed action steps 1 and 2 during Q1. Additionally, Administrator Mejia ensured that pre-session BriefCASE materials were sent to staff two weeks prior to the scheduled session. Staff have done an amazing job at attending sessions as scheduled. In October, we will be completing Module 7.		There are months that it is a challenge to set aside time to prepare for each BriefCASE module. In the future, Administrator Mejia plans to involve supervisors to assist in facilitating BriefCASE when she is not available.	
KDOC FEEDBACK			
This is great that you are getting this implemented with your staff and have come up with a plan to maintain this with supervisors ongoing when you are not able. Has their been positive feedback from your staff so far?			
2 ND QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Supervisors Peterson and Rodriguez have gone through the initial BriefCASE training so that they may continue BriefCASE sessions in the event that Administrator Mejia is not able to attend. Monthly BriefCASE sessions are going well and new hired staff are now attending.		Due to staff shortages and leaves of absences, we have had to cover extra duties in the office. Staff have continued to come to	
KDOC FEEDBACK			

	monthly BriefCASE trainings.	
3rd QUARTER PROGRESS	CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Supervisors Peterson and Rodriguez have gone through the initial BriefCASE training so that they may continue BriefCASE sessions in the event that Administrator Mejia is not able to attend. Monthly BriefCASE sessions are going well and new hired staff are now attending.	Due to numerous staff trainings in March, Administrator Mejia did not host a BriefCASE session. The next module will be completed with staff on April 23, 2026.	
KDOC FEEDBACK		
Are the staff feeling like this will help increase their skills? I have seen other agencies ask after the training on scale 1-10 how did you feel about the training, will this increase your skills. Any barriers? and then from there is there any individual attention that needs to be given.		
END OF YEAR PROGRESS	CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Staff have given positive feedback regarding BriefCASE. In August, we will start Module 11. Although evidence-based supervision is coached regularly, staff enjoy the booster that the curriculum provides.		
KDOC FEEDBACK		

Principle #3:	Enhance intrinsic motivation.		
GOAL #3		BARRIERS	SUPPORT ENTITIES
In FY2026, staff will complete required training and facilitate CFT (Child and Family Team) meetings in accordance with KDOC Standard CSS-04-121 (Family Engagement).		Scheduling full circles	Community partners,
ACTION STEPS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	TARGET DATE
1. Staff will attend of the Family Engagement Trainings offered by KDOC staff.		Supervisors Schroeder & Stewart; Line Staff Alonso & Hall	09/30/2025
2. Once training is complete, trained staff will meet with rest of staff at monthly team meeting to inform them of expectations of CFTs.		Supervisors Schroeder & Stewart; Line Staff Alonso & Hall	10/30/2025
3. Establish process to schedule CFTs to ensure CFTs are conducted in required timeframe.		Supervisors Schroeder & Stewart; Line Staff Alonso & Hall	On-going
4. CFT facilitators will be observed and coached once a quarter to ensure they are being done according to fidelity.		Supervisor Schroeder Supervisor Stewart	Quarterly
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1 ST QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
All required Wyandotte County (29th) staff attended the Family Engagement/CFT trainings required by KDOC. Trained staff have met with the team to discuss expectations of CFTs moving forward, as well as schedules for CFTs to ensure we are meeting with youth/families in the required timeframe. Moving into Q2 and the remainder of the fiscal year, supervisors will observe CFTs and coach staff to ensure they are being done to fidelity.		One of our supervisors that completes the QA process for CFTs is on military leave until the end of the year. This means that another supervisor will cover for her during the timeframe.	
KDOC FEEDBACK			
Have you already implemented having CFT meeting into caseplans and monthly meetings? How is this process going?			
2 ND QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
CFT meetings are taking place monthly. Staff are more comfortable facilitating CFTs. At least one supervisor sits in on every CFT to ensure process is running smoothly.			
KDOC FEEDBACK			
3 rd QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS

CFT meetings are taking place monthly. Staff are more comfortable facilitating CFTs. At least one supervisor sits in on every CFT to ensure process is running smoothly. KDOC staff invited two Wyandotte County staff to attend Child Family Team Meeting "Train the Trainer" training in July.		
KDOC FEEDBACK		
Are you also seeing the CFT incorporated into case plans? With the CFT meetings how has it been getting other people to attend?		
END OF YEAR PROGRESS	CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Two staff attended the CFT Train the Trainer in July. Staff have been good about scheduling CFT meetings according to standard and supervisors have made it a point to sit in on them regularly. There has been some difficulty getting outside programs to attend, but we will continue to work with them and give them notice so that they may attend.		
KDOC FEEDBACK		

Principle #4:	Engage ongoing support in natural communities.		
GOAL #4		BARRIERS	SUPPORT ENTITIES
JIAC will meet with two community providers per quarter to review the programming offered and establish the referral process.		Engaging families	Bonnie Mejia & James Schroeder - Community Corrections
ACTION STEPS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	TARGET DATE
1. Identify two community providers per quarter to review.		Mary Pollock	Quarterly
2. Contact the providers to schedule a meeting to review programming.		Mary Pollock	Quarterly
3. Meet with providers to gather information about program.		Mary Pollock	Quarterly
4. Review/establish referral process with program.		Mary Pollock	Quarterly
5. Share gathered information with staff and add to referral lists/documents.		Line Staff	Quarterly
6.			
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1 ST QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Our first action was to clean up our referral document, deleting programs that have closed. Once we accomplished this, we turned to seeking out new referrals, rather than contacting current referrals. Mary was out for the month of September, which resulted in less follow through than planned. One in person meeting with Robert's Place, a shelter for PPC youth.		Being able to meet in person due to scheduling has been a consistant challenge.	We need to focus on both old and new resources.
KDOC FEEDBACK			
2 ND QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Due to low staffing, we were not able to reach out in person to the various referrals. We were able to confirm by telephone. We're able to confirm and ask for brochures from the resource.		Due to low staffing, we have not been able to send a staff member out for in person visits.	Staff have been calling and talking to referrals, requesting brochures.
KDOC FEEDBACK			
3 rd QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Due to low staffing, we were not able to reach out in person to the various referrals. We were able to confirm by telephone. We're able to confirm and ask for brochures from the resource.		Same issue as last quarter, low staffing, we have not been able to send a staff member out for in person visits.	Staff have continued calling and talking to referrals, requesting brochures, which has been successful.
KDOC FEEDBACK			

END OF YEAR PROGRESS	CHALLENGES	MODIFICATIONS
Staff was able to make in-person contact with three community resouces. Staff also worked with providers to establish a referral process. Staff will remain in contact with community resources.		
KDOC FEEDBACK		

Principle #5:	Choose an item.	
GOAL #5		BARRIERS
		SUPPORT ENTITIES
ACTION STEPS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE
1.		TARGET DATE
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1 ST QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES
		MODIFICATIONS
KDOC FEEDBACK		
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		MODIFICATIONS
KDOC FEEDBACK		
3 RD QUARTER PROGRESS		CHALLENGES
		MODIFICATIONS
KDOC FEEDBACK		
END OF YEAR PROGRESS		CHALLENGES
		MODIFICATIONS
KDOC FEEDBACK		



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Casey Meyer, Interim Assistant County Administrator/Deputy Chief Counsel cmeyer@wycokck.org x2851	Public Works
AGENDA ITEM #7.7.		
RESOLUTION: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN FLEET SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND TURNER SCHOOL DISTRICT		
BACKGROUND		
Request approval to enter into an MOU with the Turner School District to provide a Fleet Services Training Program to eligible students from USD 202. The presenters will be Russ Owen, Fleet Services, Gina Nick, Human Resources, and Casey Meyer, Deputy Chief Counsel.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve Request approval to enter into the MOU.		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
n/a		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
Request approval to enter into the MOU.		
ATTACHMENTS		
Resolution for Fleet Services Training Program USD Turner, Fleet Services Training Program MOU USD 202 Turner Final 6.24.26		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS AND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 202 TO ADMINISTER A FLEET SERVICES TRAINING PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 12-2908, Turner Unified School District No. 202 (hereinafter, "Turner") and the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, (hereinafter, "Unified Government") have determined that the interests and welfare of the public and the interest of both parties will be served by an Agreement for the Unified Government to establish and administer a Fleet Services Training Program through the Fleet Services Department of the Unified Government; and

WHEREAS, the parties have reached and prepared an Agreement describing the responsibilities of the parties concerning the above relationship;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, AS FOLLOWS: That the Unified Government is hereby authorized to enter said agreement by signature of the County Administrator and who is hereby authorized to take any action required and necessary to implement and satisfy the intent of said Agreement.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2026.

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Attest:

Unified Government Clerk

Approved as to form:

Chief Counsel

**Memorandum of Understanding between the Unified Government of Wyandotte
County/Kansas City, Kansas, Fleet Services Department and Unified School District No.
202 (Turner School District) for the Fleet Services Training Program.**

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into between the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas (hereinafter referred to as the “UG” and the Unified School District 202. (hereinafter referred to as “USD 202”).

WHEREAS, the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas wishes to partner with USD 202 through the Fleet Services Department to establish a Fleet Services Training Program (“Program”) to prepare students for the potential of a career in Fleet Maintenance;

WHEREAS, the sole purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to document the terms under which the parties will cooperate in offering the Program to qualified students from USD 202.

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements contained in herein, the parties agree to the **Program Overview** hereto attached in Appendix A, incorporated as if fully set forth herein, which may be amended from time to time as required, by request, in writing, and with the mutual consent of both parties;

WHEREAS, the parties recognize a career path to the Fleet Services Department requires stringent eligibility requirements and thus a potential intern must meet and maintain certain **eligibility criteria** as defined and set forth in Appendix B, which may be amended from time to time as required, in writing and with thirty days (30) notice, at the direction and in the sole discretion of the Unified Government Director of Public Works;

WHEREAS, pursuant to these goals, the UG-Fleet Services agrees to assume the **roles and responsibilities** as set forth and provide support of the program in the manner outlined in Appendix C, incorporated as if fully set forth herein, which may be amended from time to time as required, by request, in writing, and with the mutual consent of both parties;

WHEREAS, pursuant to these goals, USD 202 agrees to assume the **roles and responsibilities** as set forth provide support of the program in the manner outlined in Exhibit C, incorporated as if fully set forth herein, which may be amended from time to time as required, by request, in writing, and with the mutual consent of both parties;

THEREFORE, the UG – Fleet Services, and USD 202 agree that it is in the best interest both parties to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding. The WHEREAS clauses above are incorporated into and are made part of this Memorandum of Understanding.

I. TERM

This Agreement will be in effect from the date signed by both parties through July 31, 2027. This Agreement will be renewed by mutually agreed written amendment with the same terms and conditions annually thereafter except where any party provides written notice of non-renewal sixty (60) days before the annual termination date. Otherwise, this Agreement may be terminated in accordance with Section VII: Termination.

II. TERMINATION

This Agreement may be terminated by either party for any reason by giving sixty (60) days written notice prior to the termination.

III. CONFIDENTIALITY

The parties acknowledge that by virtue of entering into this Agreement they may, at times, have access to confidential information regarding each other's operations as it relates to the Program. Both parties agree that they will not disclose confidential information and/or material without the consent of the other party, and unless such disclosure is authorized by this Agreement or required under law.

IV. NONDISCRIMINATION

There will be no discrimination of any eligible student on account of any protected characteristic.

V. SEVERABILITY

In the event any provision of this Agreement is found to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability will not affect the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remainder of the Agreement.

VI. KANSAS CASH BASIS

This Agreement is subject to the Kansas Cash Basis Law, K.S.A. 10- 1101 *et seq.* and amendments thereto. Any automatic renewal of the terms of the Agreement shall create no legal

obligation on the part of the Unified Government. This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted so as to ensure that the Unified Government shall at all times stay in conformity with such laws and, as a condition of this Agreement, the Unified Government reserves the right to unilaterally sever, modify, or terminate this Agreement at any time if, in the opinion of its legal counsel, the Agreement is reasonably deemed to violate the terms of such law. The Unified Government is obligated only to pay periodic payments or monthly installments under the Agreement as may lawfully be made from (a) funds budgeted and appropriated for that purpose during the Unified Government's current budget year or (b) funds made available from any lawfully operated revenue producing source.

VII. AMENDMENTS

Unless otherwise stated herein, this Agreement may be amended only with the mutual consent of the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed and executed this COOPERATION AGREEMENT, after resolutions duly and lawfully passed, on the dates listed below.

For the Unified Government of Wyandotte County / Kansas City, Kansas

Signed: _____ Date: _____
County Administrator

For the Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools USD 202

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Dr. Jason Dandoy, Superintendent of Schools

APPENDICES

Appendix A – Program Overview

Appendix B – Criteria for Student Eligibility

Appendix C – USD 202 Roles and Responsibilities

Appendix D – Contact Information

Appendix A – Program Overview

The Fleet Services Cadet program is a semester long program of study that leads to a comprehensive knowledge of preventative maintenance and brake system on gas and diesel engines. This program will be an introduction to the many roles that are essential in the daily operations and maintenance of gas and diesel engines for the Unified Government's Fleet vehicles and equipment. Candidates of this program must be able to work independently and side by side with a qualified Technician in an auto shop environment. The program is intended for students who wish to move into the role of Full-Time Fleet Maintenance positions or for those that seek to continue their training beyond the completion of this program. The student will learn a variety of tasks including and not exclusively: basic oil changes, preventative maintenance, brakes and rotors, tire mount and balancing, front end alignment machine, customer service, and shop etiquette. Students will be introduced to Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) and strive towards successful completion post-graduation. Students are expected to complete the requirements within the semester.

Eligible candidates that are selected for the program will earn \$15.00 per/hour.

Graduation from the program does not represent or guarantee a conditional offer of employment from the Unified Government.

Appendix B – Criteria for Student Eligibility

- Dependable, on time, self-motivated and team-oriented, with a desire to provide a service to the community.
- Must be able to adapt and function in high-stress situations.
- Must be able to lift up to 50 pounds as needed.
- Must be in good standing academically and behaviorally in school.

The applicant shall follow and complete all other pre-employment and employment procedures required by the Unified Government Human Resources Department. This may include a pre-employment physical and drug screen which will require parental consent for participants under the age of 18.

Appendix C – USD 202 Roles and Responsibilities

Will coordinate to meet/ensure high school graduation qualifications of its Students; and

- Shall have sole responsibility for recommending the Students who apply for participation in the Program and will recommend to the Unified Government only those Students who have satisfactorily completed the prerequisites of the educational

program and who meet the criteria under Appendix B.

- USD 202 or the Student shall provide the Student's travel to the assigned location (as applicable and needed given work situation).

- USD 202 shall designate a member of its faculty to supervise the Student's progress in the Program and will coordinate a final review of the Student with the student's manager or the coordinator of the Training Program.

- USD 202 shall have the right to withdraw a Student from the program upon providing written notice to such withdrawal.

Appendix D – Contact Information

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Kansas City, KS 66106
913-288-4161
dandoyj@turnerusd202.org

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Kansas City, Kansas 66101
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tshaw@wycokck.org



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Alan Howze
Interim County Administrator

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Fax: (913) 573-5540

NOTICE OF PENDING APPOINTMENT

DATE: 8/28/26

BOARD POSITION: Community Benefit Advisory Board

INCUMBENT REPLACED: Vacant

ADDRESS: _____

TERM EXPIRATION DATE: _____

APPOINTING COMMISSIONER: Jermaine Howard

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

NAME OF APPOINTMENT: Korri Hall

TERM OF OFFICE: 9/3/26 – 9/3/28

Jermaine Howard

SIGNATURE OF APPOINTING COMMISSION MEMBER



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NOTICE OF PENDING APPOINTMENT

DATE: 8/28/26

BOARD POSITION: Golf Advisory Board

INCUMBENT REPLACED: Vacant

ADDRESS: _____

TERM EXPIRATION DATE: _____

APPOINTING COMMISSIONER: Jermaine Howard

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

NAME OF APPOINTMENT: Richard Chungong

TERM OF OFFICE: 9/3/26 – 12/15/29

Jermaine Howard

SIGNATURE OF APPOINTING COMMISSION MEMBER



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NOTICE OF PENDING APPOINTMENT

DATE: 8/28/26

BOARD POSITION: Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District Advisory Board (SSMID)

INCUMBENT REPLACED: Robert L Hughes

ADDRESS: _____

TERM EXPIRATION DATE: 12/15/25

APPOINTING COMMISSIONER: Jermaine Howard

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

NAME OF APPOINTMENT: Shelley Coulter

TERM OF OFFICE: 9/3/26 – 12/15/29

Jermaine Howard

SIGNATURE OF APPOINTING COMMISSION MEMBER



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NOTICE OF PENDING APPOINTMENT

DATE: 8/28/26

BOARD POSITION: Landmarks Commission

INCUMBENT REPLACED: Vacant

ADDRESS: _____

TERM EXPIRATION DATE: _____

APPOINTING COMMISSIONER: Jermaine Howard

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

NAME OF APPOINTMENT: Olivia Moore

TERM OF OFFICE: 9/3/26 – 12/15/29

Jermaine Howard

SIGNATURE OF APPOINTING COMMISSION MEMBER



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NOTICE OF PENDING APPOINTMENT

DATE: 8/28/26

BOARD POSITION: WY/LV Area Wide Advisory Council on Aging

INCUMBENT REPLACED: Sharon Davis

ADDRESS: _____

TERM EXPIRATION DATE: 12/15/25

APPOINTING COMMISSIONER: Jermaine Howard

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

NAME OF APPOINTMENT: Carla Jones

TERM OF OFFICE: 9/3/26 – 12/15/29

Jermaine Howard

SIGNATURE OF APPOINTING COMMISSION MEMBER



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NOTICE OF PENDING APPOINTMENT

DATE: 8/28/26

BOARD POSITION: Advisory Committee on Human Relations & Disability Issues

INCUMBENT REPLACED: Vacant

ADDRESS: _____

TERM EXPIRATION DATE: _____

APPOINTING COMMISSIONER: Christian Ramirez

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

NAME OF APPOINTMENT: Joshua Yoakum

TERM OF OFFICE: 9/3/26 – 12/15/27

SIGNATURE OF APPOINTING COMMISSION MEMBER

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 Evelyn Hill –
Commissioner Dist. 5 Carlos Pacheco – Commissioner Dist. 6 Phil Lopez –
Commissioner Dist. 7 Chuck Stites – Commissioner Dist. 8 Andrew Davis*

MINUTES

**Thursday, July 16, 2026
5:32 PM – 8:42 PM**

Attendance:

Commissioners Present:

- Mayor CEO Christal E. Watson
- Commissioner Melissa Bynum
- Commissioner Andrew Kump
- Commissioner Evelyn Hill
- Commissioner Jermaine Howard
- Commissioner Carlos Pacheco
- Commissioner Bill Burns
- Commissioner Chuck Stites
- Commissioner Andrew Davis
- Commissioner Phil Lopez

Commissioners Absent:

- Commissioner Christian Ramirez

Staff Present:

- Monica L. Sparks, Unified Government Clerk
- Alan Howze, Interim County Administrator
- Angela Lawson, Acting Chief Counsel
- Rodney Lucas, Assistant County Administrator & Interim Director of Planning
- Reginald Lindsey, Budget Director
- Michael Peterson, Deputy Budget Director
- Mike Grimm, Research Manager
- Debbie Jonscher, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
- Lesley Strohschein, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
- Angel Ferrara, Parks and Recreation Director

Call to Order

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 5:32 P.M. The invocation was led by Chaplain Stella Ruiz of Oak Grove Christian Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Revisions to Agenda: (Discussion Begins 6:08)

The Clerk reported there was an agenda update issued, removing Item No. 5.1, the Executive Session, and documents were added to Item No. 10.1 under the Commissioner's Agenda and Item No. 13.1 under the Administrator's Agenda.

Public Announcement: (Discussion Begins 6:33)

Mayor Watson made the following announcements:

1. **Welcome — New Administrative Leadership:** Mayor Watson recognized Mr. Alan Howze as the Unified Government's new Interim County Administrator, noting this was his first meeting in that capacity. She also recognized Mr. Rodney Lucas as the new Permanent Assistant County Administrator, noting this was his first meeting in that role as well. The commission extended a warm welcome to both individuals.
2. **Wyandotte County Public Health Department — Calendar Art Contest:** The Wyandotte County Public Health Department invited all ages residing in Wyandotte County to participate in a health-themed calendar art contest. Winning artwork will be featured in the 2027 WyCo Public Health Department calendar. Each winner will receive a \$100 gift card. The contest officially opened June 1, 2026, and will accept entries through July 31, 2026.

3. **Free Swim Event at Parkwood Pool:** Residents were encouraged to attend a free summer swim event at Parkwood Pool on Friday, July 17, beginning at 2:00 p.m. The event is free for the first 200 swimmers and is sponsored by the Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office.
4. **Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event:** A household hazardous waste disposal event is scheduled for Saturday, July 18, 2026, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the center located at 2443 South 88th Street, Kansas City, Kansas. Proof of residency is required.
5. **Christmas in July — Wyandotte County Lake Park:** The Unified Government is celebrating 12 years of Christmas in July at Wyandotte County Lake Park on Saturday, July 18, at 6:00 p.m., with an America 250 theme. Sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department, the event will feature a fishing derby, music, glow party, fireworks, a boat parade, raffle prizes, inflatables, and food. Mayor Watson personally encouraged residents to attend.
6. **Christal Clear Conversations:** The next Christal Clear Conversation forum is scheduled for Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., at the Armourdale Community Center, 730 Osage Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas. Mayor Watson encouraged residents to connect with their elected officials.
7. **Eighth Annual Expungement Fair:** The Wyandotte County District Attorney's Office will host its Eighth Annual Expungement Fair on July 21 and 22, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Kansas City, Kansas Community College Career and Technical Education Center, 6565 State Avenue. The event provides eligible individuals an opportunity to begin the process of clearing their records. Those interested were encouraged to complete pre-screening in advance.

Commissioner Bynum made a motion to adjourn and reconvene as the Land Bank Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kump. (Discussion Begins 11:05)

Vote: Motion carries 9/0

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

Land Bank Board of Trustees' Consent Agenda (Discussion Begins 11:46)

Item No. 1 - LAND BANK PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Item No. 2 - LAND BANK OPTIONS

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve all items as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Howard.

Vote: Motion carries 9/0

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

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn and reconvene as the Board of Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Howard. (Discussion Begins 12:20)

Vote: Motion carries 9/0

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

Mayor's Agenda:

Item No. 1 – PROCLAMATION: CARMELL JONES (Discussion Begins 12:50)

This item was read into the record of the meeting, and no commission action was required.

Item No. 2 – PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION MONTH (Discussion Begins 19:15)

This item was read into the record of the meeting, and no commission action was required.

Consent Agenda: (Discussion Begins 26:23)

Item No. 1 – RESOLUTION: SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND RENEWAL OF THE DOWNTOWN KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, SELF-SUPPORTED MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Item No. 2 – RESOLUTION: CREATE REINVESTMENT HOUSING INCENTIVE DISTRICT (RHID) POLICY

Item No. 3 – ORDINANCE: REMOVING PROPERTY FROM RIVERFRONT REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Item No. 4 – RESOLUTION: 5-YEAR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Item No. 5 – RESOLUTION: HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA) -26-103 GRANT OPPORTUNITY

Item No. 6 – MINUTES

Item No. 7 – WEEKLY BUSINESS

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve all items on the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Howard.

Vote: Motion carries 9/0

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

Commissioner's Agenda:

Item No. 1 – RESOLUTION: APPROVING 2026 HOLLYWOOD CASINO GRANT AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS (DOCUMENTS ADDED PER AGENDA UPDATE) (Discussion Begins 27:05)

Mayor Watson turned the matter over to Interim County Administrator Alan Howze for opening remarks and introduction of staff.

Alan Howze, Interim County Administrator, explained that this is the annual process by which the commission allocates funding received from Hollywood Casino per the casino's agreement with the Unified Government. He introduced Lesley Strohschein, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, to walk through the details.

- This year, \$500,000 was available from the agreement to award. She noted that beginning next year, the amount will increase per recent changes in the amendment to the agreement.
- The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation was engaged to help manage the selection and awarding process, with at least \$43,000 for each commissioner and the mayor to make their selections.
- The list of recommendations included 97 organizations selected from 129 applications.
- The average award recommendation per commissioner was just over \$2,000 per organization, and each organization received an average award of \$4,876.
- Most awards were in the \$5,000 to \$10,000 range, with some as low as \$250. The largest single award was just over \$21,000.

Commissioner Burns made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis.

Vote: Motion carries 9/0

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

Administrator's Agenda:

Item No. 1 – RESOLUTION: NOTICE OF INTENT TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE, SET PUBLIC HEARING, AND MAXIMUM MILL LEVY/PROPOSED TAX RATE (DOCUMENTS ADDED PER AGENDA UPDATE) (Discussion Begins 31:28)

Mayor Watson turned the matter over to Interim County Administrator Alan Howze for opening remarks and introduction of staff.

Mr. Howze acknowledged this was his first meeting as interim administrator and noted the topic of budget and taxes. He summarized that the commission had seen, over several months of budget presentations, challenges related to rising personnel costs, capital needs, and deferred maintenance. He noted progress in roads and parks in recent years but stated that much of that funding was one-time in nature. He identified the challenges of low reserves on the county side and outlined the purpose of the evening's action: to set the upper threshold (ceiling) for the property tax rate in the budget process — not to set the final budget or tax rate. The budget will be formally introduced on August 6, with the final hearing and adoption scheduled for August 27, 2026.

Mr. Howze introduced the budget presentation team: Budget Director Reginald Lindsey, Deputy Budget Director Michael Peterson, Research Manager Mike Grimm, and Deputy Finance Director Debbie Jonscher.

Presentation — Mike Grimm, Research Manager

Mike Grimm presented information on mill levy and budget-related action dates.

- By July 20, 2026, the governing body must notify the clerk of: (1) intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate; (2) the date, time, and location of the public hearing; and (3) the proposed maximum mill levy (the highest mill levy that can be considered during the budget process — a ceiling, not a final rate).
- The proposed public hearing date is August 24, 2026, to be held in conjunction with the budget hearing and revenue neutral rate vote.
- August 27, 2026, is the calendar date for budget adoption of the 2026 amended and 2027 budget (no vote required that evening).
- **Ten-Year Mill Levy History for Wyandotte County:** In 2016, the county mill rate was 38.813; in 2025, it was 35.704 — a decrease of 3.1 mills or 8%. The city mill levies went

from 41.875 in 2016 to 36.219 in 2025 — a decrease of 5.7 mills or 14%. The 2024 tax year reflected the revenue neutral year.

- **Statewide Comparison:** Kansas City, Kansas's current city mill rate of 36.219 ranks 14th out of 26 first-class cities statewide — approximately in the middle. The Wyandotte County mill rate of 35.704 ranks 98th out of 105 counties in Kansas, with only seven counties having a lower total mill levy.

Presentation — Michael Peterson, Deputy Budget Director

Michael Peterson addressed property tax comparisons normalized by per capita and per square mile metrics:

- **City comparison:** Across first-class cities in Kansas, average property tax levied per person is approximately \$460–\$490. The Unified Government levies approximately \$485 per person. However, comparing per square mile, similar-sized communities (Lawrence, Wichita, Topeka, Overland Park, Olathe) collect on average \$1.17 million per square mile to support city services. Kansas City, Kansas collects only 52% of that average — approximately \$600,000 per square mile.
- **Infrastructure burden:** Using feet of sewer per person as a proxy for infrastructure burden, while the population grew approximately 1.8 times since World War II, sewer infrastructure grew approximately 27 times. In comparison, Overland Park and Olathe have population densities of approximately 2,300–2,700 people per square mile, while Kansas City, Kansas is approximately 1,250 people per square mile. Median household income in KCK is \$59,000, compared to \$112,000 in Olathe and \$104,000 in Overland Park (2023 Census data).
- **County comparison:** Wyandotte County's per-person levy of approximately \$493 is within range of similar-sized counties. Douglas and Shawnee counties levy \$600–\$700 per person. Johnson and Sedgwick are at the lower end.
- **Distribution of property taxes collected:** The Unified Government collects all property taxes in Wyandotte County and distributes to various taxing entities. The UG retains approximately 44–45% (city and county portions combined) of the overall tax bill in the Kansas City, Kansas school district areas, with approximately 53–56% going to education. In Bonner Springs and Edwardsville areas, the UG retains approximately 23–24% of the tax bill.

Budget Actions/Trade-offs from the Last Two Budget Cycles (FY2023–2025):

- BPU pilot reduction by 2% for residential customers: \$2.2 million annual revenue impact to the UG.
- Revenue foregone due to mill levy reductions: \$24.6 million not realized.
- Senior citizen rebate program enhancements (increased amounts; BPU bill relief for eligible recipients).
- Community Benefit Fund designation from incentive agreements: \$400,000–\$430,000 foregone from general fund revenues.
- Personnel costs (prioritized staffing capacity and labor agreements): increased by \$18 million across all tax levy funds over two years.
- Debt strategy: approximately \$10 million per year impact in reduced debt issuance.
- Trade-offs/Deferred items: Approximately \$60 million per year of deferred maintenance; \$15 million in frozen positions; reduction of abatement team; cash capital declined by approximately 36% on both city and county sides, approximately \$3.2 million.

Presentation — Reginald Lindsey, Budget Director

Reginald Lindsey presented the following:

County Side — Revenue and Expense Structure:

- 82% of county mills are allocated to the county general fund; nine dedicated mill levies exist on the county side.
- Revenue sources: Property tax — 66%; sales tax — 8%; motor vehicle — 5%.
- Expense drivers: Personnel — 69% (Sheriff: 34%; Other: 35%). Sheriff combined personnel and contractual services: 44% of the total expense pie.

City Side — Revenue and Expense Structure:

- Approximately 60% of city mill levy supports operations; approximately 40% supports debt.
- Revenue sources: Sales tax — 32%; property tax — 22%; BPU pilot — 20%; other taxes — 17%.
- Expense drivers: Total personnel — 74% (Fire: 31%; Police: 28%; Other: 15%). Fire and police combined represent 60% of the total city general fund budget.

Grant Obligations — COPS Grant:

- The Police Department has a federal COPS grant funding 12 patrol officers. The grant is approaching expiration. The FY2027 impact would be approximately \$783,000, rising to approximately \$1.5 million annually by FY2028 that would need to be absorbed into the city general fund.

Grant Obligations — SAFER Grant:

- The Fire Department has a SAFER grant funding 17 firefighters. This grant expires in March 2027. The FY2027 budget impact would be approximately \$1.6 million, rising to approximately \$1.9 million annually in FY2028. Reducing staffing below SAFER levels would result in overtime. Together, the COPS and SAFER grant expirations add nearly \$3.3 million in new ongoing personnel costs to the city general fund.

Street Investment:

- Street maintenance was identified as the single highest priority in the community survey, also carried the lowest satisfaction scores.
- Street funding dropped from \$12.6 million in 2023 to \$7.4 million in the 2026 budget. Street Division staffing dropped by eight positions following revenue neutral.

Presentation — Alan Howze, Interim County Administrator: Mill Levy Scenarios

Mr. Howze presented financial scenarios for both the county and city general funds:

County General Fund Scenarios:

- Revenue Neutral: Net change in fund balance — negative
- Base revenue assumption (4% growth): Modest improvement
- Current mill at full valuation (~5.6–5.8% assessed value growth): Near break-even
- One additional mill: Net change of approximately +\$1.6 million
- Two additional mills: Further positive fund balance impact

County Capital/Program Needs (not currently budgeted):

- County infrastructure funding and CIFI program (proportional distribution to cities for road/infrastructure projects)
- Facility needs
- Wyandotte County Lake Park and Pierson Park capital improvements

- Emergency management radio system (end of life) and backhaul network
- Voting equipment refresh
- Health Department electronic medical records system
- Tax management system

City General Fund Scenarios:

- Revenue Neutral: Net change — minus \$6.3 million
- Base revenue assumption: minus \$4.6 million
- Current full valuation: minus approximately \$4 million
- One additional mill: minus \$1.9 million (near break-even)
- Two additional mills: approximately break-even
- Three additional mills: approximately +\$2 million
- Four additional mills: approximately +\$4 million

City Capital/Program Needs (not currently budgeted):

- Infrastructure: \$30 million pavement preservation (Public Works); bridge needs
- Facilities: Police West Patrol, fire stations, homeless shelter, Parkwood Pool
- Productivity investments for operational efficiency

Staff Recommendation: House stated the staff recommendation was:

- **City side maximum mill levy increase:** 4 mills (approximately \$3.5 million to cover COPS/SAFER grant expirations, plus approximately 2 mills for additional commission flexibility)
- **County side maximum mill levy increase:** 2 mills

Impact on \$200,000 Home:

- At current mill with assessed value increase of 5.6%: City increase of \$44.50, County increase of \$43.50
- At maximum mill recommendation: City increase of \$135.50, County increase of \$90.50

Statewide Context at Maximum Mills:

- At the maximum recommended increases, the city would approach the top quartile of first-class cities statewide; the county would be near the midpoint of all Kansas counties.

Other Jurisdictions Setting Maximum Mill Levies (as of the prior day):

- City of Bonner Springs: +4.39 mill increase set as maximum
- City of Edwardsville: +2.124 mill increase set as maximum
- KCK School District: +1.6 mill increase set as maximum
- Fairfax Drainage District: +0.73 mill increase set as maximum

Commissioner Pacheco made a motion to declare intent to exceed revenue neutral, set the public hearing for August 24, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., set the maximum mill levy for the City of Kansas City, Kansas at 40.219 mills (an increase of 4 mills), and set the maximum mill levy for Wyandotte County at 37.704 mills (an increase of 2 mills), and to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Mayor Watson.

Vote: Motion fails 2/7

- Ayes: Pacheco, Hill,
- Nays: Bynum, Kump, Burns, Davis, Stites, Howard, Lopez
- Absent: Ramirez

Commissioner Stites made a motion that the governing body does not exceed the revenue neutral rate. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lopez.

Vote: Motion fails 2/7

- Ayes: Stites, Lopez
- Nays: Bynum, Kump, Burns, Davis, Pacheco, Howard, Hill
- Absent: Ramirez

Commissioner Bynum made a motion to set a public hearing regarding the governing body's intent to exceed revenue neutral for August 24, 2026; to express intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate with a proposed tax rate and maximum mill levy for the City of Kansas City, Kansas set at the current rate of 36.219 mills (no mill increase); and to express intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate with a proposed tax rate and maximum mill levy for Wyandotte County set at the current rate of 35.704 mills (no mill increase); and to adopt the resolution be sent to the Unified Government Clerk as notice of the proposed intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kump.

Vote: Motion fails 4/6

- Ayes: Bynum, Kump, Burns, Hill
- Nays: Davis, Pacheco, Stites, Howard, Lopez, Watson
- Absent: Ramirez

Commissioner Pacheco made a motion to declare intent to exceed revenue neutral, set the public hearing for August 24, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., set the maximum mill levy for the City of Kansas City, Kansas at 38.219 mills (an increase of 2 mills), and set the maximum mill levy for Wyandotte County at 36.704 mills (an increase of 1 mill), and to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis.

Vote: Motion fails 4/5

- Ayes: Davis, Pacheco, Howard, Hill
- Nays: Bynum, Kump, Burns, Stites, Lopez
- Absent: Ramirez

Commissioner Davis made a motion to set the public hearing to exceed revenue neutral, express the governing body's intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate, set the public hearing for August 24, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in Commission Chambers, First Floor, City Hall, 701 North Seventh Street, Kansas City, Kansas; set the maximum mill levy for the City of Kansas City, Kansas at 37.219 mills (an increase of 1 mill); set the maximum mill levy for Wyandotte County at 36.704 mills (an increase of 1 mill); and adopt the resolution in its entirety. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pacheco.

Vote: Motion carries 6/3

- Ayes: Bynum, Burns, Davis, Pacheco, Howard, Hill
- Nays: Kump, Stites, Lopez
- Absent: Ramirez

Adjournment: (Discussion Begins 3:10:27)

Commissioner Davis moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pacheco.

Vote: Motion carries 9/0

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

MAYOR WATSON

ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 8:42 P.M.

July 16, 2026

Monica L. Sparks, CMC

Unified Government Clerk

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Unified Government Clerk's Office

Monica Sparks, CMC
Unified Government Clerk

701 North 7th Street, Suite 323
Kansas City, Kansas 66101-3070

Phone: 913-573-5260
Fax: 913-573-5299
<http://www.wycokck.org>

Memorandum

To: Alan Howze
Interim County Administrator

From: Monica L. Sparks
UG Clerk

Date: August 6, 2026

Re: Weekly Business Material

Attached is a listing of weekly business items presented to the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, for informational purposes.

In addition to the listing of the items, we have indicated the action taken by the Unified Government Clerk.

Attachments

BJS

Weekly Business Material for July 31, 2026 – August 6, 2026

1. CLAIMS:

- Cynthia Elijah, Kansas City, KS, alleging damage to personal vehicle on 06/03/2026.
- Erick Robledo Martinez, Overland Park, KS, alleging damage to personal vehicle on 07/01/2026.

Action: Received and filed. Copies previously forwarded to Legal.

2. SUMMONS:

- KCK Professional Firefighters Association, IAFF Local 64 v. Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas, and UG Board of Commissioners, Case No. 26-CV-02457.

Action: Received and filed. Copies previously forwarded to Legal.

3. TRAVEL REQUESTS:

- Christopher Blake, Edgar Estrada, Miguel Leal, Nikolay Pleshka, Chad Shore, Paul Simonich, and Daniel Vance, Kansas City, Kansas, Police Department/Special Operations Unit, travel to Johnston, IA, from 09/20/2026 through 09/25/2026, to attend Advanced Swat Instruction, Employee Training and Travel.
- Katrina Brennan and Natasha James, Health/PHS/WIC, travel to Atlanta, GA, from 11/15/2026 through 11/18/2026, to attend 2026 NWA Nutrition and Breastfeeding Conference, covered by WIC GRN010051.
- Alicia Deville, Office of the Mayor/CEO, travel to New York, NY, from 08/09/2026 through 08/13/2026, to attend Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Program, covered by Bloomberg and Employee Training and Travel.
- Brandon Holloway, Kansas City, Kansas, Police Department/Special Operations Unit, travel to Nashville, TN, from 08/29/2026 through 09/05/2026, to attend NTOA National Conference, covered by MARC and Employee Training and Travel.
- Rodney Lucas, County Administrator's Office, travel to New York, NY, from 08/09/2026 through 08/13/2026, to attend Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Program, covered by Bloomberg and Employee Training and Travel.
- Shawn Magee, Kansas City, Kansas, Police Department, travel to Osage Beach, MO, from 09/08/2026 through 09/11/2026, to attend F.B.I.N.A. Conference, Employee Training and Travel.

- Philip Mathis, Kansas City, Kansas, Police Department, travel to Bartlesville, OK, from 09/27/2026 through 10/02/2026, to attend CIRT Certification Conference, Employee Training and Travel.

Action: Approved by Administrator's Office and received and filed.



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Jeffrey Conway, Assistant Counsel jconway@wycokck.org x5075	Legal
AGENDA ITEM #8.1.		
PUBLIC HEARING: SELF-SUPPORTING MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (SSMID)		
BACKGROUND		
A public hearing to discuss consideration of the establishment and renewal of the District and on the advisability of said improvements and services for the District.		
RECOMMENDATION		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
ATTACHMENTS		
R-51-26, SSMID + DowntownShareholders		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

(Published: August 6, 2026; August 13, 2026; August 20, 2026)

RESOLUTION NO. R-51-26

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONSIDERATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF A SELF-SUPPORTED MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1796, the governing body of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas ("Unified Government"), may initiate proceedings for consideration of the establishment of a Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District ("SSMID") on its own motion;

WHEREAS, a description of the boundaries of the proposed district is contained in Exhibit 1, attached to this Resolution.

WHEREAS, the name of the proposed district shall be the Downtown Kansas City, Kansas Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District ("the District");

WHEREAS, the purpose of the District is to provide improvements and services as allowed by law, within and for the benefit of the District, including, but not limited to, safety services, maintenance services, landscape enhancements, marketing and promotions, program management and reserve funds for the District;

WHEREAS, the proposed method by which to raise revenues to finance such improvements and services as through an ad valorem tax levied upon the property within the District. The maximum combined rate of ad valorem tax, for both services and operations, which may be levied upon the property within the District, shall not exceed 11.000 mills per annum;

WHEREAS, the proposed term of the existence of the District shall be from January 1, 2027, and terminating on December 31, 2036, unless sooner dissolved pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1799;

WHEREAS, there shall be an Advisory Board for the District consisting of eleven (11) voting members; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing to discuss consideration of the establishment and renewal of the District and on the advisability of said improvements and services for the District shall be held as part of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Unified Government Board of Commissioners on Thursday, September 3, 2026, at 5:30 pm, in the Commission Chambers, lobby level of the Municipal Office Building, 701 N. 7th St., Kansas City, Kansas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Action to be taken. The statutory requirements set forth in K.S.A. 12-1796 and K.S.A. 12-17,101a, having been met, consideration of the establishment and renewal of the Downtown Kansas City, Kansas Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District and on the advisability of said improvements and services for the District, as described in this Resolution and Exhibits attached thereto, shall be taken up at the public hearing on September 3, 2026, at 5:30 pm, in the Commission Chambers on the First Floor of City Hall.

Section 2. Notice of Public Hearing. The Unified Government Clerk is hereby authorized, ordered and directed to give notice of said public hearing by publishing a copy of this Resolution, along with the date, time, and location of said public hearing, in the official city newspaper once each week for three consecutive weeks, beginning on August 6, 2026.

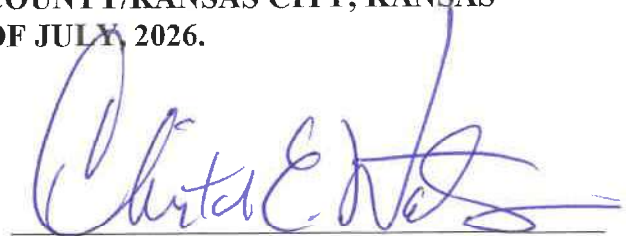
The Unified Government Clerk is further authorized, ordered and directed to mail a copy of this Resolution to the Unified Government Planning Commission. Pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1796(e), and prior to the September 3, 2026, public hearing, the Unified Government Planning Commission shall make a finding stating whether the District is consistent with the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas City-Wide Master Plan, and shall direct a copy of its finding to the Unified Government Board of Commissioners.

The Unified Government, through its officials and employees, is authorized, ordered and directed to mail a copy of this Resolution by certified mail to each owner of land within the District not less than 15 days prior to the September 3, 2026, public hearing.

Section 3. Further Action. The Mayor/CEO, County Administrator, Unified Government Clerk and other officials and employees of the Unified Government, including the County Attorney, are hereby further authorized and directed to take such other actions as may be appropriate or desirable to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption by the Governing Body of the Unified Government.

**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED
GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS
THIS 16th DAY OF JULY, 2026.**



Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Attest:


Monica Sparks, Unified Government Clerk



Approved as to Form:


Angela J. Lawson, Chief Counsel

SSMID + DOWNTOWN SHAREHOLDERS

**CLEAN. SAFE. ACTIVATED. GROWING.
STRENGTHENING DOWNTOWN THROUGH PLACEMAKING,
BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT, SAFETY INITIATIVES, AND LONG-
TERM PLANNING.**





**Downtown property owners are
investing in their own district.**

Funded by property tax assessments, and other funds

2026 - \$233,164

2027 - \$176,885

Annual Contributions in lieu of tax assessments

UG - \$128K, BPU - \$17.5K KU Health Systems - \$26k

Active since 2008

Primary focus: Cleaning, Security, Marketing

Renewed every 10 years

Managed by DTS

Commission Appointed Advisory Board

DTS

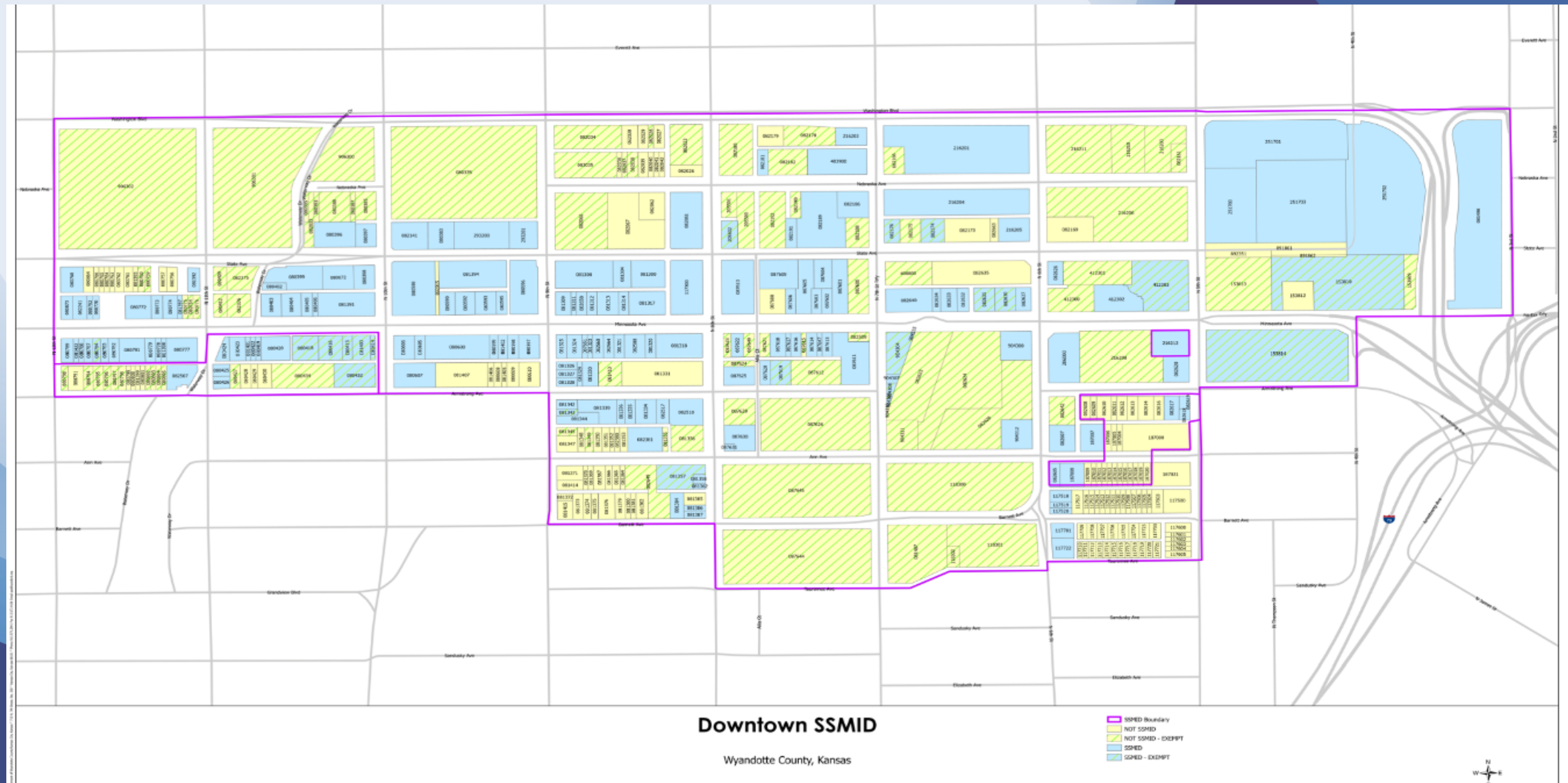
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Founded 2005

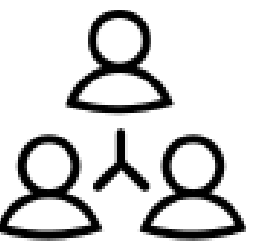
Mission of Downtown Shareholders of Kansas City, Kansas is to bring together energetic leaders and diverse partners that:

- Provide support and resources connecting engaged businesses, property owners, and residents
- Facilitate inclusive economic growth and housing development
- Revitalize a safe, welcoming, and historic Downtown KCK





NORTH - SOUTH: WASHINGTON AVE TO TAUROMEE
EAST - WEST: 3RD STREET TO 12TH STREET



Downtown Shareholders Board

Mike Simmons – The Shop (Chair)
Fran Sutton – Fran Sutton Homes
Mike Sutton – UG, Economic
Development
Ashley Dugan – KU SH
Aaron Ward - Security Bank
Nick Moreno -- BPU
Gabe Munoz – The Toolbox
Laura Pelligrino -- KCK Public Library
Randy Callstrom – WBHN
Raul Villegas – Padrinos/Soccer Nation
Matt Watkins – Reece Commercial
Rose Eilts – Strawberry Hill
Neighborhood Assc.
Devin Stroman -- KCKCC
Edwin Birch -- KCKPS/SSMID

SSMID Advisory Board

Edwin Birch, KCKPS Chair
Tim Ryan
Robert Hughes Jr. – Crosslines
Tower
Jason Glasrud – KU SH
Clayton Hunter - YMCA
Frank Aguilar – Sol's
Jerrell Royal – 7th Street Casino
William Hutton - Corkhouse
Mike Simmons – The Shop
Jen O'Brien – Community Member



Cleaning

The Cleaning Ambassador program continued uninterrupted through 2024–2026, maintaining consistent service levels Monday through Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Services include:

- Daily trash and debris removal from public properties.
- Limited snow removal at the crosswalk
- Graffiti reporting and code enforcement referrals
- Reporting to 311 and coordinating with UG departments



Safety

Transition to Kansas City, Kansas Police Department (KCKPD):

In July 2025, the SSMID implemented a significant improvement to its safety strategy by transitioning from contracted private security services to a formalized partnership with the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department (KCKPD).

This shift reflects a strategic investment in:

- Increased accountability and transparency
- Improved response coordination
- Enhanced credibility and visibility for Downtown safety

Increased safety and public confidence



Financial Stewardship



- ➔ The proposed SSMID renewal maintains a revenue-neutral mill levy for both this year and next year while continuing essential downtown services and initiatives.
- ➔ The Advisory Board reduced the maximum mill levy in proposed resolution
- ➔ Audit completed by Novak Birks
August 2026
- ➔ For the past 10 years, the SSMID tax assessments have brought in approximately \$2.1M of revenue (average \$210k per year) that allowed the SSMID to fund the Cleaning & Safety program for downtown at a cost of \$2.7M over the past 10 years. That tax amount along with the voluntary contributions from the SSMID's partnership with the UG, BPU, and University of Kansas Health System has allowed DTS to help run and administer this program along with several smaller beautification projects such as Banners, Facade fixup, and landscaping with larger big picture plans coming to help with the downtown revitalization Master Plan and other beautification projects such as the CrossWalk project

BY THE NUMBERS

Year	Cleaning Hours	Trash Bags Collected
2024	5782.25	1137
2025	5724.99	1130

Year	Security Hours	Calls	Reports	Arrests
2024	9309.5	15735	298	2
2025 (1/1-6/30)	4513.75	7880	103	0
2025 (KCPD 7/1 -12/31)	1219	1890	133	123

Year	Total Revenue	Total Expenditures	Net Revenue
2024	\$ 383,836.00	\$ 383,836.00	0
2025	\$ 516,227.00	\$ 503,528.00	\$12,699.00

RESULTS

\$160K in Grants in 2025

Standing room only mayoral candidate forum

Downtown business crawls - Visit KCK collaboration 2026

Book signing with Commissioner Hill

Dedicated downtown KCKPD officer

Facade improvement launch

KCDC Partnership

Bilingual Capability

Open Space tour

Downtown banners

Refreshed visual assets for Downtown

Launched Large Employer Coalition

SWOT Analysis with stakeholders

Supplemental Biohazard Cleaning

Opportunity Walk with Mayor Watson & Community

10 Summer interns - creating future WyCo leaders

Evolution Triangle

Monthly SSMID meetings + board engagement

Main Street Designation

Generating positive buzz & engagement!



Projects

Redevelopment Plan*

Christmas Parade and Light Show*

Small Business Incubator

Pop Ups*

Renew Self Supporting Municipal District

Cultural Crosswalks*

Open Space Tour – Fall

Façade Fixup*

Downtown Champion Awards

Youth engagement*

Fund development

District Marketing

Seek out additional collaborative projects*

Increase volunteers, partners, and investors

Increase visits and engagement at Downtown events

Tell our story*

*Grants or
Collaborations



Business survey... what we heard

- **Most support continuing the SSMID**
- **Businesses recognize positive momentum downtown.**
- **Police presence has improved perceptions of safety.**
- **Top concerns remain homelessness, cleanliness, and safety.**
- **Strong support for biohazard cleaning and beautification.**
- **Future investments should focus on security, redevelopment, marketing, events, and attracting new businesses.**
- **When asked what single improvement would make the biggest difference, responses focused on:**
 - **Addressing homelessness and loitering**
 - **Continued economic development and redevelopment**
 - **Attracting more businesses and tenants**
 - **Improving public safety**
 - **Increasing marketing and foot traffic**
 - **Redeveloping key properties such as the Reardon Center**

ROI

- Safer environment
- Increased business activity
- Stronger community engagement
- The hottest place to live in the metro
- Reduction in vacant or underutilized storefronts
- Pipeline for emerging entrepreneurs and small businesses
- Increased downtown visits and dwell time
- Activities and community gathering spaces for downtown workers & residents
- Build wealth and economic self determination in historically underinvested communities
- Strengthen the downtown corridor's identity as a destination for authentic, unique, locally rooted experiences
- ALL of KCK thrives
- Rewrite the story on the reputation of KCK. We become the cool place in the metro to hang out!





Downtown Evolution

Strategic Development Goals

Kansas City Kansas Downtown Shareholders



From Forgotten to Unforgettable From Vacancies to Vibrance

**With a clear strategy to sustain momentum
& make an impact with SSMID**

Downtown KCK makes a comeback





Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Lisa Rangel, Professional Assistant lrangel@wycokck.org x5141	Commissioners' Office
AGENDA ITEM #10.1.		
APPOINTMENTS: VOTING DELEGATES FOR THE LEAGUE OF KANSAS MUNICIPALITIES (LKM) CONFERENCE		
BACKGROUND		
Designation of voting delegates: Commissioner Jermaine Howard and Assistant County Administrator Rodney Lucas as the alternate for the League of Kansas Municipalities Annual Conference in Overland Park, KS.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
ATTACHMENTS		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Shelley Kneuvean, Chief Financial Officer skneuvean@wycokck.org x5849	Finance
AGENDA ITEM #10.2.		
RESOLUTION: ALLOWING THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT TREASURER TO CHARGE A TRANSACTION FEE FOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL		
BACKGROUND		
K.S.A. 8-145d(a)(2)(A), as amended, authorizes the county treasurer to charge an applicant for vehicle registration or renewal a transaction fee not to exceed five dollars (\$5); and from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029, K.S.A. 8-145d(a)(2)(B), provides for an increase in the transaction fee charged for vehicle registration or renewal to an amount greater than five dollars (\$5) but not more than ten dollars (\$10) upon recommendation of the county treasurer, subject to approval by the board of county commissioners. As such, the Unified Government Treasurer recommends that the transaction fee charged for vehicle registration or renewal be increased by three dollars (\$3) to eight dollars (\$8) from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029 as allowed by state statute.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve Adopt the resolution allowing the Unified Government Treasurer to charge a transaction fee for vehicle registration or renewal to be increased by three dollars (\$3) to eight dollars (\$8) from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029.		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
It is estimated that this will generate additional revenues to reduce reliance on the the county general fund to pay for the Office of Motor Vehicles in Wyandotte County. The additional revenue of a total of \$8 is included in the proposed 2027 budget.		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
Legal drafted the resolution to ensure compliance with State statute.		
ATTACHMENTS		
Resolution for MV Transaction Fee_v3		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT
TREASURER TO CHARGE A TRANSACTION FEE FOR VEHICLE
REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL.**

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 8-145d(a)(2)(A), as amended, authorizes the county treasurer to charge an applicant for vehicle registration or renewal a transaction fee not to exceed five dollars (\$5); and

WHEREAS, From January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029, K.S.A. 8-145d(a)(2)(B), provides for an increase in the transaction fee charged for vehicle registration or renewal to an amount greater than five dollars (\$5) but not more than ten dollars (\$10) upon recommendation of the county treasurer, subject to approval by the board of county commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Government Treasurer recommends that the transaction fee charged for vehicle registration or renewal be increased by three dollars (\$3) to eight dollars (\$8) from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Government Board of Commissioners deems it advisable to adopt the Unified Government Treasurer's recommendation to increase the transaction fee for vehicle registration or renewal by three dollars (\$3) to eight dollars (\$8) for the time allowed by statute.

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

Section 1. From January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029, the Unified Government Treasurer shall charge and collect a transaction fee of eight dollars (\$8) for vehicle registration or renewal as allowed under K.S.A. 8-145d(a)(2)(A) and (B).

Section 2. The County Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Unified Government Treasurer, and all other employees and agents of the Unified Government are authorized to take all actions and to approve all instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.

Section 3. This Resolution will take effect and be in full force from and after its passage by the Board of Commissioners.

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

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Attest:

Monica Sparks, Unified Government Clerk

Approved as to form:

Angela J. Lawson, Chief Counsel



Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Reginald Lindsey, Director rlindsey@wycokck.org x5292	Budget
AGENDA ITEM #10.3.		
BUDGET ITEMS		
BACKGROUND		
Request adoption of the following resolutions and ordinances regarding the Unified Government 2026 Amended for the County of Wyandotte and City of Kansas City, Kansas, and the 2027 Budget for the County of Wyandotte and City of Kansas, City, Kansas, BPU PILOT, and the Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District as follows: 1. A resolution approving the amended 2026 Budget and the 2027 Budget for the County of Wyandotte. 2. An order approving the amended 2026 budget and the 2027 budget for the City of Kansas City, Kansas. 3. A Resolution setting the percentage of gross operating revenue to be set over by the Board of Public Utilities to the Unified Government for the fiscal year 2027 (the PILOT). 4. An Ordinance expressing the property taxation policy of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas with respect to financing the 2026 annual budget for the Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District and approving, adopting, and appropriating the budget of the Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District and levying a tax for the year beginning January 1, 2026.		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
See attached.		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
ATTACHMENTS		
2026 - 2027 Budget and CIP Resolution (County) (2), 2026 - 2027 Budget and CIP Ordinance (City) (2), 2027 BPU PILOT Resolution (2), 2027 SSMID Budget and Mill Levy Ordinance (2)		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION APPROVING, ADOPTING AND APPROPRIATING THE OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BUDGETS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/ KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, FOR WYANDOTTE COUNTY, KANSAS, AS SUBMITTED AND AMENDED BY ATTACHMENT A, FOR THE FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026 AND THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2027; APPROVING THE FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2026 THROUGH 2031.

WHEREAS, Section 3.06 of Resolution R-1-97 of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas (the “Unified Government”) requires the Unified Government Board of Commissioners to adopt an annual budget for both Wyandotte County and the City of Kansas City, Kansas, and such budgets shall constitute the appropriation for purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as the appropriation and authorization of the amount to be raised by taxation for the purposes of Wyandotte County and of the City of Kansas City, Kansas;

WHEREAS, the Unified Government Commission has fully complied with all of the requirements of said Unified Government resolution and Kansas state statutes with respect to reviewing these budgets and holding a public hearing thereon;

WHEREAS, the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) has been prepared by staff for the purpose of planning for and prioritizing public improvement projects over the next five years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT 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 a rate of _____ mills for Tax Year 2027 for Wyandotte County, Kansas.

Section 2. The governing body certifies that the amounts to be raised by ad valorem property tax levies are within the statutory limitations.

Section 3. The 2026 Amended Budget and the 2027 Annual Budget of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, for Wyandotte County, as submitted by the County Administrator and available at <https://www.wycokck.org/Departments/Finance/Budget>, a copy of which is also available in the Unified Government Clerk’s Office and which is incorporated by reference herein, and amended by the Unified Government Commission as set out in **Attachment**

A (if necessary) are hereby approved and adopted for which the obligations may be made on behalf of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, and funds are hereby appropriated in support of such budget.

Section 4. The governing body approves and adopts the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program contained in the Capital Improvement Program Section of the 2026 Amended Budget and the 2027 Annual Budget of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, for Wyandotte County, as submitted by the County Administrator, amended by the Unified Government Commission as set out in **Attachment A** (if necessary) and available at <https://www.wycokck.org/Departments/Finance/Budget>, a copy of which is also available in the Unified Government Clerk's Office and which is incorporated by reference herein.

Section 5. The governing body of the Unified Government hereby authorizes and orders the construction of the improvements and acquisition of equipment, and financing of the costs related thereto, as set forth in the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program and the Amended 2026 and 2027 Capital Budget, contained in the Capital Improvement Program Section of the 2026 Amended Budget and the 2027 Annual Budget of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, for Wyandotte County, as submitted by the County Administrator, amended by the Unified Government Commission as set out in **Attachment A** (if necessary), and available at <https://www.wycokck.org/Departments/Finance/Budget>, a copy of which is also available in the Unified Government Clerk's Office and which is incorporated by reference herein.

Section 6. The Mayor/CEO, Unified Government Clerk, County Administrator, Unified Government Chief Financial Officer and Unified Government Chief Counsel and other appropriate officers and agents of the Unified Government are hereby authorized and directed to take such action, expend such funds and execute such documents, certificates, and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.

Section 7. This Resolution, as the expression of the governing body's official intent regarding the matters described herein, will be available for public inspection in the Unified Government Clerk's office at 701 N. 7th St., Kansas City, Kansas, during regular business hours of the Unified Government.

Section 8. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force upon its approval, passage, and publication (or publication of a summary thereof) in the official Unified Government newspaper.

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**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED
GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS
THIS _____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Attest:

Monica Sparks
Unified Government Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Angela J. Lawson
Chief Counsel

ATTACHMENT A

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED 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 a rate of _____ mills for Tax Year 2027 for the City of Kansas City, Kansas.

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Government Clerk's Office and which is incorporated by reference herein, and amended by the Unified Government Commission as set out in **Attachment A** (if necessary) are hereby approved and adopted for which the obligations may be made on behalf of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, and funds are hereby appropriated in support of such budget.

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Section 7. This Ordinance, as the expression of the governing body's official intent regarding the matters described herein, will be available for public inspection in the Unified Government Clerk's office at 701 N. 7th St., Kansas City, Kansas, during regular business hours of the Unified Government.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its approval, passage, and publication (or publication of a summary thereof) in the official Unified Government newspaper.

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**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED
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THIS _____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Attest:

Monica Sparks
Unified Government Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Angela J. Lawson
Chief Counsel

ATTACHMENT A

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RESOLUTION NO. R-____-26

**A RESOLUTION SETTING THE PERCENTAGE OF GROSS OPERATING
REVENUE TO BE SET OVER BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC
UTILITIES TO THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR 2027.**

WHEREAS, Unified Government Charter Ordinance No. CO-3-02 requires the annual setting over of funds by the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) to be used for governmental functions, known as a payment in lieu of taxes or “PILOT”;

WHEREAS, Section 18 of said Charter Ordinance states that the percentage of gross operating revenues to be set over to funds to be used for governmental purposes shall be determined by resolution, by the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas (“Unified Government”) in an amount not less than 5 percent nor more than 12 percent of its gross revenues for a fiscal year;

WHEREAS, Section 18 of said Charter Ordinance provides that the transfer may be set as a percentage of gross operating revenue of each utility attributable solely to its residential accounts and a different percentage of gross operating revenue attributable to all other accounts; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Government Board of Commissioners believes it is necessary to set the PILOT at 9.9% of gross revenues attributable to residential accounts, and at 11.9% of gross revenues attributable to all other accounts, for the 2027 fiscal year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE
COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS:**

Section 1. That the transfer payment based on a percentage of gross revenues to be set over by the Board of Public Utilities to the Unified Government to be used for governmental purposes shall be 9.9% of gross revenues attributable to residential accounts and shall be 11.9% of gross revenues attributable to all other accounts for the 2027 fiscal year.

Section 2. The Unified Government Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice to the Board of Public Utilities of this resolution immediately following its adoption.

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GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS
THIS _____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026.**

Christal E. Watson, Mayor/CEO

Attest:

Monica Sparks
Unified Government Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Angela J. Lawson
Chief Counsel

(Published _____)

ORDINANCE NO. O-__-26

AN ORDINANCE EXPRESSING THE PROPERTY TAXATION POLICY OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS WITH RESPECT TO FINANCING THE 2027 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE SELF-SUPPORTED MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND APPROVING, ADOPTING AND APPROPRIATING THE BUDGET OF THE SELF-SUPPORTED MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND LEVYING A TAX FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2027.

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2016, pursuant to Ordinance 0-52-16 the Downtown Kansas City, Kansas Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District (the “SSMID”) was established;

WHEREAS, Ordinance 0-52-16 also established a maximum mill levy rate of 13.301 mills for the SSMID;

WHEREAS, Ordinance 0-52-16 also established the SSMID Advisory Board;

WHEREAS, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-17,102(b), the annual levy of taxes within the SSMID shall not be made until the SSMID Advisory Board has provided their recommendation to the Unified Government Board of Commissioners, which is the governing body for the SSMID;

WHEREAS, on July 3, 2026, the SSMID Advisory Board met in open session to discuss their recommendation for the mill levy rate within the SSMID for the year 2026, and the Advisory Board voted to recommend that the mill levy within the SSMID be set at no greater than the revenue neutral rate of 8.954 mills for the year 2027;

WHEREAS, the Advisory Board provided this recommendation to the Unified Government Board of Commissioners by filing their recommendation with the Unified Government Clerk’s Office on July 9, 2026, a copy of which is attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, the Unified Government Board of Commissioners sits as the governing body of the SSMID, and, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-17,102(b), the governing body of the District may levy taxes annually within the District to carry out the purposes of the District, if approved by ordinance;

WHEREAS, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1796, the SSMID seeks to renew the district for an additional term of ten years, and pursuant to Resolution No. R-51-26, a public hearing has been set for September 3, 2026, and an ordinance to so renew the SSMID is expected to be adopted by the Board of Commissioners on October 15, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Government Board of Commissioners has fully complied with all of the requirements of the Unified Government Code of Ordinances and Kansas state statutes with respect to reviewing this budget and holding a public hearing thereon.

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

Section 1. The Unified Government Board of Commissioners notified the public on August 14, 2026, in the official county newspaper of the proposed ad valorem tax levies for the 2027 budget for the Downtown Kansas City, Kansas Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District and that all persons were invited and encouraged to attend a public hearing conducted by the Board of Commissioners on August 24, 2026 at 5:30 p.m., in the 1st Floor Chambers at City Hall, 701 N. 7th St., Kansas City, Kansas, for the purpose of considering such 2027 budget.

Section 2. After careful public deliberations, the Unified Government Board of Commissioners has determined that in order to maintain the public services, contracts and improvements which are essential for the Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District in 2027, the Unified Government Board of Commissioners hereby accepts the determination of the SSMID Advisory Board that, in order to carry out the purposes of the SSMID, it will be necessary to levy a rate of not more than _____ mills within the District to fund the budget proposed by the Advisory Board.

Section 3. The 2027 Annual Budget for the Downtown Kansas City, Kansas Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District provided to the Unified Government on August 14, 2027 (Exhibit B) is hereby approved and adopted, and a tax for the SSMID is hereby levied in the amount of _____ mills within the limits of the District, and the funds from such levy are hereby appropriated on behalf of the SSMID.

Section 4. The governing body certifies that the amounts to be raised by ad valorem property tax levies are within the statutory limitations.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its approval, passage, and publication in the official Unified Government newspaper.

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Report to Board of Commissioners

MEETING DATE	PRESENTER	DEPARTMENT
	Michael Sutton, Redevelopment Coordinator mjsutton@wycokck.org X5749	Land Bank Approvals
AGENDA ITEM #12.1.		
LAND BANK EXTENSION REQUEST		
BACKGROUND		
The Land Bank Manager respectfully requests that the Land Bank Board of Trustees review final consideration. Please visit the site to review the applications below. https://gisapp.wycokck.org/Landbank.html 5 Single-Family Homes <i>On August 3, 2026, the Neighborhood and Community Development Standing Committee, chaired by Commissioner Davis, voted unanimously to approve and forward to the Land Bank Board of Trustees.</i>		
RECOMMENDATION		
Approve		
BUDGET IMPACTS / FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS		
LEGAL/ POLICY CONSIDERATIONS		
ATTACHMENTS		
FC Memo Land Bank Extension Request 9.03.26		

Approved by Mayor/Administrator to add to agenda.



Wyandotte County Land Bank
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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Full Commission

FROM: Michael Sutton, Land Bank Manager

DATE: August 25, 2026

SUBJECT: Land Bank Extension Request

This item includes all Land Bank applications that have requested an additional extension on their option agreement. Per Land Bank policy, any additional extension beyond two years must be approved by the Land Bank Board of Trustees.

Please visit the site to review the applications below <https://gisapp.wycokck.org/Landbank.html>

Item	Name	Type	Address	Parcel
X 1	Ashley Scott	Extension Request	5551 LEAVENWORTH RD	037513
			5563 LEAVENWORTH RD	037516
			3003 N 56TH ST	037511

