

STATE OF KANSAS)
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REGULAR SESSION
NOVEMBER 4, 2021

The Unified Government Commission of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, met in regular session Thursday, November 4, 2021, with ten members present via Zoom: Bynum, Commissioner At-Large First District; Burroughs, Commissioner At-Large Second District; McKiernan, Commissioner Second District; Ramirez, Commissioner Third District; Johnson, Commissioner Fourth District; Kane, Commissioner Fifth District; Markley, Commissioner Sixth District; Walters, Commissioner Seventh District; Philbrook, Commissioner Eighth District; and Alvey, Mayor/CEO, presiding. Townsend, Commissioner First District, was absent. The following officials were also in attendance: Doug Bach, County Administrator; Melissa Sieben, Emerick Cross, and Bridgette Cobbins, Assistant County Administrators; Misty Brown, Chief Counsel; Susan Alig, Senior Attorney; Wilba Miller, Director of Community Development; Stephanie Stauffer, Community Development Program Coordinator; Jack Andrade, First Deputy Fire Chief; Kathleen VonAchen, Chief Financial Officer; Wendy Medina, Program Supervisor of KCKPD Victim Services; Brett Deichler, Interim Unified Government Clerk; Ashley Hand, Director of Strategic Communication; Alley Porter, Commission Liaison; and Carol Godsil, Deputy UG Clerk.

Mayor Alvey said before I call the meeting to order, I'd like to announce that due to COVID-19, commissioners, staff, and public are attending remotely or on-site. All participants joining by phone should mute their phones when not speaking to avoid background noise.

Please make sure that you announce yourself by name and title every time you speak so the public that is observing knows who is speaking. This is critical given the number of remote participants and is current guidance from the Kansas Attorney General.

Due to COVID-19 requirements, the public is allowed to participate by Zoom or submit comments by email prior to the meeting. Those comments are included in the record. The public also has an opportunity to provide brief comments from the lobby of the Municipal Office Building.

Roll call: Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson, Alvey.

Mayor Alvey said our invocation is being given by Commissioner Harold Johnson of Faith Deliverance Church of God in Christ.

Mayor Alvey asked, are there any revisions to tonight's agenda? **Brett Deichler, Interim Unified Government Clerk**, said, Mayor Alvey, there were no changes to tonight's agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Alvey said, all the items this evening are on the Consent Agenda. Does any member of the Commission or the County Administrator wish to set aside any item on the Consent Agenda? If an item is not set aside, all items on the Consent Agenda will be voted on by one vote.

Action: **Commissioner Kane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Philbrook, to approve.** Roll call was taken and there were nine "Ayes," Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson.

Item No. 1 – 211091...ORDINANCE: RESPONSIBLE BIDDER ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Synopsis: An ordinance amending the definition of "Responsible Bidder" that would enable the Unified Government to adopt an SOP that would require OSHA-10 certification and a drug and alcohol abuse prevention program for certain construction contracts, submitted by Susan Alig, Assistant Counsel. There is no budget impact. On October 25, 2021, the Public Works and Safety Standing Committee, chaired by Commissioner Bynum, voted unanimously to approve and forward to full commission.

Action: **ORDINANCE NO. O-144-21, "An ordinance relating to further definition of responsible bidder; amending original Section 29-1." Commissioner Kane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Philbrook, to approve the ordinance.**

Roll call was taken and there were nine “Ayes,” Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson.

Item No. 2 – 211094...GRANT: PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING FACILITY

Synopsis: Request to apply for an EDA Grant for a public safety training facility, submitted by Jack Andrade, First Deputy Fire Chief. On October 25, 2021, the Public Works and Safety Standing Committee, chaired by Commissioner Bynum, voted unanimously to approve and forward to full commission.

Action: Commissioner Kane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Philbrook, to approve. Roll call was taken and there were nine “Ayes,” Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson.

Item No. 3 – 211086...REQUEST: GRANT FUNDED PROGRAM COORDINATOR POSITION

Synopsis: Request approval to create a grant funded Program Coordinator position in the Police Department Victim Services Unit, submitted by Wendy Medina, Program Supervisor of KCKPD Victim Services. On October 25, 2021, the Public Works and Safety Standing Committee, chaired by Commissioner Bynum, voted unanimously to approve and forward to full commission.

Action: Commissioner Kane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Philbrook, to approve. Roll call was taken and there were nine “Ayes,” Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson.

Item No. 4 – 211093...OVERVIEW/REQUEST: LEVEE BETTERMENTS

Synopsis: Work has completed on the design for betterments for the levee trail system, which includes a trail head park on either side of the Rock Island Bridge. Staff will provide an overview of the project and discuss how the expenses to construct these amenities can be handled within the levee projects funds, submitted by Melissa Sieben, Assistant County Administrator. On October 25, 2021, the Public Works and Safety Standing Committee, chaired by Commissioner Bynum, voted unanimously to approve and forward to full commission.

Action: **Commissioner Kane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Philbrook, to approve.** Roll call was taken and there were nine “Ayes,” Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson.

Item No. 5 – 211088...RESOLUTION: HOME-ARP GRANT AGREEMENT

Synopsis: Resolution for the acceptance of federal funds for homelessness assistance and supportive services, and enter into an agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, submitted by Wilba Miller, Director of Community Development. On October 25, 2021, the Administration and Human Services Standing Committee, chaired by Commissioner Markley, voted unanimously to approve and forward to full commission.

Action: **RESOLUTION NO. R-82-21**, “A resolution for the acceptance of federal funds by the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas for homelessness assistance and supportive services, and to authorize the Mayor to enter into agreements with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.” **Commissioner Kane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Philbrook, to adopt the resolution.** Roll call was taken and there were nine “Ayes,” Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson.

Item No. 6 – 211092...REQUEST: MT. CARMEL REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Synopsis: Request approval of Mt. Carmel Redevelopment Corporation's budget revision, submitted by Wilba Miller, Director of Community Development. On October 25, 2021, the Administration and Human Services Standing Committee, chaired by Commissioner Markley, voted unanimously to approve and forward to full commission.

Action: **Commissioner Kane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Philbrook, to approve.** Roll call was taken and there were nine “Ayes,” Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson.

Item No. 7 - WEEKLY BUSINESS MATERIAL

Synopsis: Weekly business material for October 28, 2021.

Action: Commissioner Kane made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Philbrook, to receive and file. Roll call was taken and there were nine “Ayes,” Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson.

Mayor Alvey said, I’d entertain a motion to go into executive session.

Action: Commissioner McKiernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Markley, for the Commission to go into Executive Session until 7:13 p.m. to consult with our attorneys and to discuss confidential matters related to pending claims and litigation as permitted under the Kansas Open Meetings Act and that staff designated by the County Administrator be present to participate in the discussion and that we reconvene in open session at 7:13 p.m. in the 5th floor conference room. Roll call was taken and there were ten “Ayes,” Kane, Markley, Walters, Philbrook, Bynum, Burroughs, McKiernan, Ramirez, Johnson, Alvey.

MAYOR ALVEY

ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:03 P.M.

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Brett A. Deichler, PMP|CPM
Interim Unified Government Clerk

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