

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

November 4, 2025

7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The following members of the Commission were present: Pat Landes, Al Gordon, Ronna Larson, Richard Pinaire, and Ricardo Gutierrez. Staff present was: City Manager Zimmerman, Finance Director/Deputy City Manager Wilcox, City Clerk Diaz Lorenzo De Barreto, and City Attorney Stites.

AGENDA COMMENT(S)

N/A

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Gordon moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Gutierrez. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Gordon, Gutierrez, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- a. Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-21 dated – October 21st, 2025 – November 5th, 2025, in the amount of \$866,653.63.
- b. Consideration of the Agreement for Administration Services for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds between The Flint Hills Regional Council, Inc. & the City of Junction City in the amount of \$25,000 to be paid by the CDBG, with regard to the Highwind Brewery CDBG.
- c. Consideration of Change Proposal Request #026A for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Phase 2 in the amount of \$41,736.
- d. Consideration of Payroll No. 20, Payroll No. 21, & Payroll No. 22.
- e. Consideration of the October 21st, 2025 City Commission Meeting Minutes.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- a. Mayor Landes declared November 3rd - 7th, 2025 as National Veterans Small Business Week.
- b. Mayor Landes declared November 4th, 2025 as Home Rule Day.
- c. Commissioner Pinaire moved to table Resolution No. R-3119, addressing the Grant Avenue/City-wide clean-up, seconded by Commissioner

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Gordon. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Gordon, Gutierrez, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- d. City Attorney Stites & Mike Stagg gave details and answered questions on the PFAS litigation process.

Commissioner Gordon moved to contract Perry & Trent and Stag Liuzza for PFAS litigation, seconded by Commissioner Pinaire. Ayes: Larson, Landes, Gordon, Pinaire & Gutierrez. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

- e. Main Street Quarter 3 update was removed from the agenda, they stated they will be bringing this item back during the first January commission meeting.
- f. United Way was not present.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Janna Williams of Flint Hills Regional Council gave details & answered questions on Local Defense Community Cooperation Installation (OLDCC) Grants.

Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve the OLDCC Installation Resilience Grants for a Tabletop exercise with budget of \$100,000 with a 90/10 match & Comprehensive Plan with a budget of \$250,000 with a 90/10 match, with matches being paid by the City & Geary County, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Larson, Landes, Gordon, Pinaire, & Gutierrez. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

- b. Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve the application for the Kansas Recreational Trails Program Grant, seconded by Commissioner Pinaire. Ayes: Gordon, Landes, Pinaire, Larson, & Gutierrez. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- c. Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve the application to the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) for repairs to Grant Avenue Bridge, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Gordon, Landes, Larson, Pinaire, & Gutierrez. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- d. Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve the award of the replacement of the digital sign at the end of South Washington to Best LED Signs, LLC in the amount of \$36,060, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Gordon, Gutierrez, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- e. The Letter of Understanding between the City of Junction City & Junction City Fire Fighters Association, Local #3309 was removed from the agenda by city staff.
- f. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve Resolution No. R-3118, authorizing the public agent or other agents of the city to abate conditions in violation of Section 235.080 of the City Code at 1608 Westwood Boulevard, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Gordon, Gutierrez, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- g. City Attorney Stites was tasked to draft 3 ordinances for the next commission meeting.
- h. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve the KDOT Transportation Emission Reduction Strategy (TERS) Funding for Traffic Signals with a 80/20 match, with the city's portion being \$76,000, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Gordon, Gutierrez, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- i. Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve the repairs & maintenance on the warning sirens by L&S Electric LLC, in the amount of \$34,875, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Gordon, Gutierrez, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve the request for a 180-day extension for 408 West 7th Street, a dangerous & unsafe structure, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Gutierrez, Landes, Gordon, & Larson. Nays: None. Abstained: Pinaire. Motion carried.
- b. City Attorney Stites discussed legal options regarding Lee Motors litigation.
- c. Commissioner Gutierrez moved to set a public hearing for the consideration of deannexation on Tuesday, December 2nd, 2025, during the normally scheduled City Commission hearing & for City staff to draft & publish a public notice for the same, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Gordon, Gutierrez, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Snipes, 222 East 15th Street, Junction City Kansas, thanked everyone who came out to the Walk of Hope, spoke about her son Felix Snipes and encouraged voting.

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CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

MAYOR, COMMISSIONER & STAFF COMMENTS

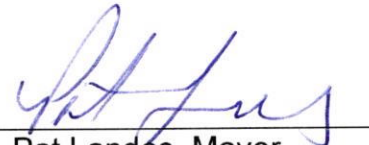
ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gordon moved, seconded by Commissioner Pinaire to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Gordon, Gutierrez, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 18TH DAY OF NOVEMBER AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 4TH, 2025.




Ariana Diaz Lorenzo De Barreto, City Clerk


Pat Landes, Mayor

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