

CITY OF KENNEWICK
ORDINANCE NO. 24-_____

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO CITY COUNCIL AND REPEALING
SECTION 2.04.048 OF THE KENNEWICK MUNICIPAL CODE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS
FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 2.04.048 of the Kennewick Municipal Code, be, and the same hereby is, re
pealed.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five days from and after its passage,
approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON, this
17th day of September, 2024, and signed in authentication of its passage this 17th day of
September, 2024.

Attest:

GRETLE J. CRAWFORD, Mayor

KRYSTAL TOWNSEND,
City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 24-_____ filed and
recorded in the office of the City Clerk of
the City of Kennewick Washington, this
18th day of September, 2024

Approved as to Form:

LISA BEATON,
City Attorney

KRYSTAL TOWNSEND,
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2.04.048: Remote Attendance.

- ~~(1) — To the extent consistent with applicable state law, Councilmembers may attend and participate in a Council meeting remotely ("Remote Attendance") utilizing a City-approved virtual platform. Any Councilmember intending to utilize Remote Attendance for a meeting shall provide notice prior to the scheduled meeting of such intent to the Mayor, City Manager, or City Clerk to allow time for staff to setup the required equipment prior to the specified City Council meeting or meetings. The use of virtual platform equipment shall allow members of the public to fully participate in the meeting, allow the official minute recording staff person to observe all activity, allow the recording system to capture, in open session, all activity and discussion, and allow the Councilmembers and the public to adequately see and hear the meeting proceedings including all discussion, comments, and any voting by the Councilmember attending remotely.~~
- ~~(2) — During any meeting that a Councilmember is attending via remote communication, the Mayor or presiding officer shall state for the record that a particular Councilmember is attending via remote communication.~~
- ~~(3) — Any Councilmember utilizing Remote Attendance shall bear the risk that the virtual platform being used to effectuate the Remote Attendance may malfunction or otherwise fail to operate properly in a manner that effectively prevents the Councilmember's attendance and participation at the meeting. Except to the extent necessary to ensure a quorum, no such malfunction or operational failure shall require the adjournment, continuation or cancelation of any Council meeting, or the postponement of any Council vote; provided, that the City Council may in its sole discretion vote to adjourn, continue or cancel a meeting, or postpone a Council vote, as deemed appropriate to respond to a malfunction or operational failure of the virtual platform.~~
- ~~(4) — Councilmembers utilizing Remote Attendance are responsible for ensuring adequate Wi-Fi connectivity is available at the physical location they are participating from and are solely responsible for the cost of such connectivity.~~

- ~~(5) — Councilmembers should immediately report any technical difficulties with assigned equipment to the technology department prior to the meeting in order to resolve any problems prior to the scheduled meeting.~~
- ~~(6) — In the case of executive sessions, the Council may permit participation from remote location(s) only when the Council on a case-by-case basis considers such participation to be necessary and the Council is confident in the security of such remote communications.~~

~~(Ord. 5956 Sec. 1, 2021)~~

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