

CITY OF KECHI



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November 14, 2025

Statement from the Kechi City Council

Ref: Amending Ordinance 1864-25

At the November 14, 2025 City Council meeting, the council approved long-overdue amendments to the city ordinance governing administrative authority. These updates close a longstanding gap dating back to Kechi's transition from a Mayor/Council system to a Mayor/Council/Administrator structure. Although the City Administrator has operated as the supervisory authority for staff and overseen day-to-day management for years, the written code contained inconsistencies and ambiguities with respect to the responsibilities of the mayor.

This action does not alter the city's operations, it simply ensures our municipal code accurately reflects the form of government that has been in practice. Clear, legally aligned roles are the foundation of a disciplined and effective organization, and updating the ordinance reinforces that foundation.

The City Council remains committed to maintaining ordinances that are precise, legally sound, and supportive of professional city management. These updates strengthen organizational clarity, protect employees, safeguard the city from legal exposure, and reinforce the high standard of service our residents deserve.

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