



## City Council Meeting Minutes

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Anne McEnergy-Ogle, Mayor • Bart Hansen • Ty Stober • Erik Paulsen • Sarah J. Fox • Diana H. Perez • Kim D. Harless

### September 15, 2025

**Workshops: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

Vancouver City Hall - Council Chambers - 415 W 6th Street, Vancouver WA

*The City Council Meeting was held on 9/15/2025 at 4:00 PM in the Vancouver City Hall, Council Chambers 415 West 6th Street, Vancouver, WA 98660.*

*Workshops were conducted in person in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting in person, via the live broadcast on [www.cvtv.org](http://www.cvtv.org) and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, or [www.facebook.com/VancouverUS](http://www.facebook.com/VancouverUS).*

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#### **Heights District Request for Proposal Developer Selection**

(Approximately 45 minutes)

Amy Stewart, Real Estate Project Manager, Patrick Quinton, Economic Development Director, [amy.stewart@cityofvancouver.us](mailto:amy.stewart@cityofvancouver.us), [patrick.quinton@cityofvancouver.us](mailto:patrick.quinton@cityofvancouver.us)

*Staff led Council through a discussion of the Heights District Request for Proposal Developer Selection.*

#### **Comprehensive Plan Update**

(Approximately 45 minutes, to immediately follow the previous workshop)

Rebecca Kennedy, Deputy Community Development Director, [rebecca.kennedy@cityofvancouver.us](mailto:rebecca.kennedy@cityofvancouver.us)

*Staff led Council through a discussion of the Comprehensive Plan Update.*

#### **Water Center Exhibit Replacement Design Plan**

(Approximately 30 minutes, to immediately follow the previous workshop)

Kristin Smith, Water Resources Supervisor, [Kristin.Smith@cityofvancouver.us](mailto:Kristin.Smith@cityofvancouver.us)

*Staff led Council through a discussion of the Water Center Exhibit Replacement Design Plan.*

## **Council Dinner / Administrative Updates (6:00 - 6:30 PM)**

### **Regular Council Meeting**

6:30 PM

Vancouver City Hall - Council Chambers - 415 W 6th Street, Vancouver WA

*This meeting was conducted as a hybrid meeting with in person and remote viewing and participation over video conference utilizing a GoToMeeting platform. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting in person, via the live broadcast on [www.cvtv.org](http://www.cvtv.org) and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/VancouverUS](http://www.facebook.com/VancouverUS). Public access and testimony on Consent Agenda items and under the Community Forum were also facilitated in person and via the GoToMeeting conference call.*

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*Electronic audio recording of City Council meetings are kept on file in the office of the City Clerk for a period of six years.*

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Call to Order and Roll Call**

*The regular meeting of the Vancouver City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor McEnery-Ogle. This meeting was conducted as a hybrid meeting, including both in person and remotely over video conference.*

**Present:** Councilmember Harless, Councilmember Perez, Councilmember Fox, Councilmember Paulsen, Councilmember Stober, Councilmember Hansen, Mayor McEnery-Ogle

**Absent:** None

### **Approval of Minutes**

## **Minutes - August 18, 2025**

***Motion by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Hansen, and Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve the Meeting Minutes for August 18, 2025.***

#### **Minutes - August 25, 2025**

***Motion by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Stober, and Yes: 6, No: 0, Abstaining: 1, to approve the Meeting Minutes for August 25, 2025. Councilmember Paulsen abstained from the vote.***

#### **Minutes - September 8, 2025**

Councilmember Fox asked for a correction to change two actions with Mayor McEnery-Ogle's name to Mayor Pro Tem Paulsen's name in the Meeting Minutes.

***Motion by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Perez, and Yes: 6, No: 0, Abstaining: 1, to approve the Meeting Minutes for September 8, 2025, with the requested corrections. Mayor McEnery-Ogle abstained from the vote.***

### **Proclamations**

#### **National Preparedness Month**

*Mayor McEnery-Ogle read and presented a proclamation to Scott Johnson, Emergency Management Division Manager of CRESA, proclaiming September 2025, as National Preparedness Month.*

#### **Hispanic Heritage Month**

*Mayor McEnery-Ogle read and presented a proclamation to Kimberly Quiroz, Senior Business Developer for the Hispanic Metro Chamber, and Eric Estrada, Senior Permit Specialist of City of Vancouver, proclaiming September 15 through October 15, 2025, as Hispanic Heritage Month.*

#### **Week Without Driving**

*Mayor McEnery-Ogle read and presented a proclamation to Gerina Hatch, Mobility Manager of Community in Motion, Jeananne Edwards, Vice Chair of the Transportation Mobility Commission and member of Community in Motion, proclaiming September 29 through October 5, 2025, as Week Without Driving.*

### **Community Communication**

This is the place on the agenda where the public is invited to speak to Council regarding any matter on the Agenda not already scheduled for Public Hearing. (Separate instructions are provided for offering testimony on Public Hearing when applicable.) This includes the option to testify about Workshops. Members of the public addressing Council are requested to give their name and city of residence for the audio record. Speakers are to limit their testimony to a total of three minutes for all items

combined. RCW 42.17A.555 and City Council Policy 100-32 prohibit the use of public facilities to support or oppose any ballot measure, or to support or oppose any candidate for elective office. Any violation of these rules could result in a suspension of speaking privileges during public comment periods at City Council Meetings for 90 days or longer for multiple offenses.

*Mayor McEnery-Ogle opened Community Communication and received testimony from the following community members regarding any matter on the agenda not scheduled for a Public Hearing:*

- *Carmen DeLeon, Vancouver*
- *Kimberlee Goheen Elbon, La Center, WA*

*Carmen DeLeon received a warning for disruptive conduct interfering with Council business, per City Council Policy 100-32, Section 10.14.5.*

*There being no further testimony, Mayor McEnery-Ogle closed Community Communication.*

### **Consent Agenda**

The following items will be passed by a single motion to approve all listed actions and resolutions. There will be no discussion on these items unless requested by Council. If discussion is requested, the item will be moved from the Consent Agenda and considered separately – after the motion has been made and passed to approve the remaining items.

*Council pulled items 3 and 4 for discussion.*

***Motion by Councilmember Hansen, seconded by Councilmember Stober, and Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve Items 1-2 and 5-6 on the Consent Agenda.***

***Motion by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Harless, and Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve Item 3 on the Consent Agenda.***

***Motion by Councilmember Stober, seconded by Councilmember Paulsen, and Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve Item 4 on the Consent Agenda.***

### **1. Agreement Amendment - New Public Works Operations Campus Skanska Amendment #1**

#### **Staff Report: 186-25**

Request: On Monday, September 15, 2025, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to authorize the execution of contract amendment #1 with

Skanska USA Building Inc. of Portland, OR for Maximum Allowable Construction Cost (MACC) #1 in the amount of \$6,298,470.

Jean Singer, Capital Projects Manager, jean.singer@cityofvancouver.us

***Motion approved the request.***

**2. Software Services Agreement — Online Rental Registration System Award - Request for Proposal 46-25**

**Staff Report: 187-25**

Request: On Monday, September 15, 2025, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute a software services agreement between the City of Vancouver and OpportunitySpace, Inc., d.b.a. Tolemi, for an estimated amount not to exceed \$538,000 over 5 years to implement and manage the Tolemi rental registration system; authorize the City Manager to take any legal action necessary to enforce the terms of the same.

Samantha Whitley, Housing Programs Manager,  
samantha.whitley@cityofvancouver.us

***Motion approved the request.***

**3. 2026 Affordable Housing Fund Homeownership Funding Award**

**A RESOLUTION** relating to low-income housing; providing for adoption of 2026 funding awards for the Affordable Housing Fund and authorizing the City Manager to execute agreements and other related documents on behalf of the City of Vancouver consistent with Affordable Housing Fund 2026 Council-approved funding awards.

**Staff Report: 188-25**

Request: On Monday, September 15, 2025, finalize and approve the resolution relating to affordable housing; providing for adoption of 2026 funding awards for the Affordable Housing Fund and authorizing the City Manager to execute agreements and other related documents on behalf of the City of Vancouver consistent with Affordable Housing Fund 2026 Council-approved funding awards.

Ian Alger, Housing Project Planner, Ian.Alger@cityofvancouver.us

***Motion adopted Resolution M-4351 to approve the request.***

**4. Vancouver Cultural Access Program Policy**

**A RESOLUTION** adopting the Cultural Access Plan developed by the Culture, Arts & Heritage Commission to implement the Vancouver Cultural Access Program pursuant to chapter 3.45 VMC.

**Staff Report: 189-25**

Request: On Monday, September 15, 2025, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to adopt the Vancouver Cultural Access Program Policy by resolution pursuant to VMC 3.45.050(C).

Stacey Donovan, Cultural Services Manager,  
stacey.donovan@cityofvancouver.us

***Motion adopted Resolution M-4352 to approve the request.***

**5. Proposed Condemnation Ordinance - Assessor's Parcel No. 92002-464**

**AN ORDINANCE** in the public interest relating to construction for the public use of streets, sidewalks, and related improvements; declaring the public necessity for and providing for the acquisition by the City of Vancouver by eminent domain of real property located in the City limits on the northwest corner of the intersection of SE 176th Avenue and SE 29th Street; taking final action to authorize condemnation of the Property; authorizing the City Attorney to prosecute eminent domain proceedings and to negotiate a resolution if possible to mitigate damages; providing for payment of just compensation in exchange for the Property; and providing for an immediate effective date.

**Staff Report: 190-25**

Request: On Monday, September 15, 2025, advance the ordinance, authorizing the use of statutory condemnation powers relating to Assessor's Parcel No. 92002-464, setting the date for the second reading and public hearing for September 22, 2025, and authorize the City Attorney to initiate eminent domain proceedings in compliance with the proposed Ordinance.

Ryan Lopossa, Streets and Transportation Manager, Cary Driskell,  
Assistant City Attorney, ryan.lopossa@cityofvancouver.us,  
cary.driskell@cityofvancouver.us

***Mayor McEnerny-Ogle read the title of the ordinance into the record.***

***Motion approved the request.***

**6. Approval of Claim Vouchers**

Request: Approve claim vouchers for September 15, 2025.

***Motion approved claim vouchers in the amount of \$5,304,258.04.***

## **Public Hearings**

The following item(s) are scheduled for public hearing. Members of the public addressing Council are requested to give their name and city of residence for the audio record. Unless otherwise announced by the Presiding Officer, speakers are to limit their testimony to three minutes for each public hearing.

### **7. 2024 Housing and Urban Development Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report**

#### **Staff Report: 191-25**

Request: On Monday, September 15, 2025, following a public hearing, approve the 2024 CAPER for submission to Housing and Urban Development.

Samantha Whitley, Housing Programs Manager,  
samantha.whitley@cityofvancouver.us

*Samantha Whitley, Housing Programs Manager, provided an overview of the 2024 Housing and Urban Development Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report.*

*Council discussed the item briefly with staff.*

*Mayor McEnery-Ogle opened the public hearing and received testimony from the following community members:*

- *Carmen DeLeon, Vancouver*
- *Kimberlee Goheen Elbon, La Center, WA*

*There being no further testimony, Mayor McEnery-Ogle closed the public hearing.*

***Motion by Councilmember Perez, seconded by Councilmember Harless, and Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve the 2024 CAPER for submission to Housing and Urban Development.***

### **8. Vancouver Cultural Access Program**

**AN ORDINANCE** related to changes to the City's Cultural Access Program Ordinance, amending VMC 3.45.050 to reflect a change to the percentage allocated to start-up program costs and the public school cultural access program.

#### **Staff Report: 185-25**

Request: On Monday, September 15, 2025, upon second reading and a public hearing, finalize and approve the ordinance.

Stacey Donovan, Cultural Services Manager, David Perlick, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services,  
stacey.donovan@cityofvancouver.us, david.perlick@cityofvancouver.us

*Stacey Donovan, Cultural Services Manager, David Perlick, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, provided an overview of the Vancouver Cultural Access Program.*

*Council discussed the item briefly with staff.*

*Mayor McEnerny-Ogle opened the public hearing and received testimony from the following community members:*

- *Michelle Tan, Vancouver*
- *Brad Richardson, Camas, WA*
- *Kimberlee Goheen Elbon, La Center, WA*
- *Carmen DeLeon, Vancouver*

*There being no further testimony, Mayor McEnerny-Ogle closed the public hearing.*

***Motion by Councilmember Perez, seconded by Councilmember Fox, and Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve Ordinance M-4515.***

## **Communications**

- A. From the Council**
- B. From the Mayor**
- C. From the City Manager**

## **Adjournment**

**8:11 p.m.**

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*Anne McEnerny-Ogle*

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Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor

Attest:

DocuSigned by:

*Natasha Ramras*

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Natasha Ramras, City Clerk

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