



Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

November 7, 2025

12:00 PM

Location

City Hall, Aspen Room, Fl 1

415 W 6th Street

Vancouver, WA 98660

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Sarah Fox, Interim Chair

2. Approval of Minutes

Sarah Fox, Interim Chair

a. 10/28/25 Minutes

3. Community Forum

To provide public testimony, please see instructions below.

4. 2026 Lodging Tax Grant Applicant Presentations

Chris Harder, Deputy Director

5. Other Business

Sarah Fox, Interim Chair

6. Adjournment

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee

Members

Sarah Fox

Interim Committee Chair

Janet Kenefsky

Ryan Hart

Steve Bowers

Jennifer Kenney

Carla Rise

Terry Goldman

Temple Lentz

Christie Rust

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Date: October 28, 2025

Time: 12:30 – 4 p.m.

Location

City Hall – Aspen Room, Fl 1
415 W 6th Street
Vancouver, WA

Special Meeting (Convened in-person and via video conference)

The meeting agenda materials referenced in these minutes can be found [online](#). Link to Microsoft Teams meeting video: 25 10 28 LTAC Meeting Video.

Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee was called to order at 12:31 p.m. by Sarah Fox, Interim Committee Chair.

Board Members Present: Carla Rise, Terry Goldman, Christie Rust, Ryan Hart, Janet Kenefsky, Steve Bowers, Jennifer Kenney (virtual), Sarah Fox

Board Members Absent: Temple Lentz

Staff Present: Chris Harder, Andrew Westlund, Kimberly Kerlee, Curtis Burns

Presenters: John Park, Vancouver Arena; Kaloku Holt, Ke Kukui Foundation, Igor Shakhman & Stacey Donovan, Vancouver Symphony Orchestral Carol Ross, The Historic Trust; Amy Easton, ALS Northwest; Becky Moore, Columbia Dance; Anna Cruz, Vancouver Ballet Folklorico; Daniele Clark, Dacia Alexander, and Michal Clark, Asset Fushion; Maria Manzo & Michael Kissinger, Bravo; Karissa Schoene & Marla Stone, WHY Community.

Motion by Rust, seconded by Rise, and carried unanimously to excuse the absence of Temple Lentz.

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

Motion by Goldman, seconded by Hart, and carried unanimously to approve the October 17, 2025, minutes.

Item 3: Community Communications

None

Members

Sarah Fox
Interim Chair

Steve Bowers
Temple Lentz
Janet Kenefsky
Jennifer Kenney
Christie Rust
Terry Goldman
Ryan Hart
Carla Rise

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Item 4: 2026 Lodging Tax Grant Applicant Presentations

The following 2026 Lodging Tax Grant Applicants provided optional 5-minutes presentations with a 5-minute Q & A with the committee:

1. Vancouver Arena – Go Fest
2. Ke Kukui Foundation – 4 Days of Aloha
3. Vancouver Symphony Orchestra – Vancouver USA Arts & Music Festival
4. The Historic Trust – Boosting Heritage Tourism – Marketing Historic Tours
5. ALS Northwest – Southwest Washington Walk ALS
6. Columbia Dance – Fort Vancouver Nutcracker
7. Vancouver Ballet Folklorico – Day of the Dead Luminarias
8. Asset Fushion – Asset Fushion Forum 2026
9. Bravo! – Vancouver Freedom! Celebrating American Music
10. WHY Community – Appletree Marathon & Girlfriends Triathlon

Item 5: Other Business

Chris Harder reviewed the timeline for upcoming meetings, adding that the Administrative Cost Proposal will be discussed at the November 14 meeting. Kimberly Kerlee asked if the committee has a preference over the November 12 and November 14 option. Discussion occurred and the committee requested to cancel the November 12 meeting and keep the November 14 meeting for deliberation and award recommendations. Harder also requested two committee members to represent LTAC at the City Council meeting in December for Award Recommendations.

Item 6: Adjournment

3:35 p.m.

Sarah Fox, Interim Committee Chair

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