



City Council Meeting Minutes

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

July 20, 2026

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 7/20/2026 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 Aspen Room of City Hall. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting in person, via the live broadcast on www.cvtv.org and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, or www.facebook.com/VancouverUS.

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Biennium Budget Community Survey Report

(Approximately 30 minutes)

Laura Shepard, Communications Director, laura.shepard@cityofvancouver.us

Staff led Council through a discussion of the Biennium Budget Community Survey Report.

Councilmember Hansen was absent from the workshop.

2027-2028 Biennial Budget

(Approximately 1.5 hours, to immediately follow the previous workshop)

Lisa Brandl, Deputy City Manager, lisa.brandl@cityofvancouver.us

Staff led Council through a discussion of the 2027-2028 Biennial Budget.

Councilmember Hansen was absent from the workshop.

Council Dinner / Executive Session Re: Disposition of Real Estate (RCW 42.30.110(1)(c)) (6:00 - 6:30 PM)

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle announced the Council would be entering into executive session from 6:00-6:30 p.m. to discuss Disposition of Real Estate.

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 and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, 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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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 McEnerny-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, Mayor McEnerny-Ogle

Absent: Councilmember Hansen

Motion by Councilmember Stober, seconded by Councilmember Fox, and Yes: 6, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to excuse Councilmember Hansen from the Council meeting. Absent from vote: Councilmember Hansen.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes - July 13, 2026

Motion by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Paulsen, and Yes: 6, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve the Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2026. Absent from vote: Councilmember Hansen.

Proclamations

Community-Based Worker Awareness Week

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle read and presented a proclamation to Betsy Larson, Executive Director of Southwest Accountable Community of Health (SWACH), proclaiming July 20–24, 2026, as Community-Based Worker Awareness Week.

Disability Pride Month

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle read and presented a proclamation to Angel Kettwig, Transportation Services Manager of Community in Motion, proclaiming July 2026, as Disability Pride Month.

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.

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle opened Community Communication and received no testimony from community members regarding any matter on the agenda not scheduled for a Public Hearing.

There being no testimony, Mayor McEnerny-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 item 4 for discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Paulsen, seconded by Councilmember Fox, and Yes: 6, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve Items 1-3, and 5-10 on the Consent Agenda. Absent from vote: Councilmember Hansen.

Motion by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Harless, and Yes: 6, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve Item 4 on the Consent Agenda. Absent from vote: Councilmember Hansen.

1. Construction Acceptance - E 18th Street Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation

Staff Report: 135-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, accept the E 18th Street Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation project and authorize release of bond, subject to receipt of all documentation required by law.

Sheryl Hale, Engineering Manager, sheryl.hale@cityofvancouver.us

Motion approved the request.

2. Bid Award – Water Station 14 PFAS Treatment for ITB 26-14 - C-102326

Staff Report: 136-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, award a construction contract for the Water Station 14 PFAS Project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Tapani, Inc of Battle Ground, WA, at the bid price of \$7,816,297.50, which includes Washington State Sales tax, and authorize the City Manager, or designee, to finalize and execute the contract and authorize any legal action necessary to enforce the terms of the same.

Kris Olinger, Utility Engineering Program Manager,
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Motion approved the request.

3. Bid Award - Water Station 1 Wellhouses 3B and 5B for ITB 26-19 - C-102304

Staff Report: 137-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, award a construction contract for the Water Station 1 Wellhouses 3B & 5B Project to the lowest responsive bidder, Rotschy, Inc., of Vancouver, WA, at the bid price of \$3,492,917.41, which includes Washington State Sales tax, and authorize the City Manager, or designee, to finalize and execute the contract.

Patrick Craney, Water Resource Engineer,
patrick.craney@cityofvancouver.us

Motion approved the request with the update of the scrivener's error in the Action Requested section showing that the bid price is \$3,492,917.41.

4. Contract - Spending Threshold Increase — Annual Recreational Vehicle Dismantling and Disposal - C-101768

Staff Report: 138-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to increase the not-to-exceed amount from \$300,000 to a total of \$500,000 for contract C-101768 between the City of Vancouver and Clark County.

Elizabeth Erickson, Solid Waste Supervisor,
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Motion approved the request.

5. Contract - Spending Threshold Increase - Body Armor and Ballistic Resistant Products Purchase for Vancouver Police Department - C-102116 / C-102117

Staff Report: 139-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to increase the spending threshold for contract C-102116 and contract C-102117 between the City of Vancouver and Municipal Emergency Services and Greystone Partners. Increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$600,000 to a total of \$900,000 and extend the termination date to April 30, 2030.

Daphne Harris, Police Business Services Manager,
daphne.harris@cityofvancouver.us

Motion approved the request.

6. Contract – Spending Threshold Increase – True North Equipment Inc. for Purchasing Water Tender Fire Trucks for Vancouver Fire - C-102306

Staff Report: 140-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to authorize an increase to the spending authority under contract C-102306 with True North Equipment, Inc. from \$300,000 to \$1,100,000 to purchase two 3000-gallon water tender fire trucks.

Jacob Mahan, Senior Management Analyst,
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Motion approved the request.

7. Contract - Professional Service Agreements - Final On-Call Transportation Planning Services Contracts - C-102276 / C-102275 / C-102274 / C-102277 / C-102266 / C-102273

Staff Report: 141-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute six professional services agreements between the City of Vancouver and DKS Associates (C-102276), Fehr & Peers (C-102275), HDR Engineering, Inc. (C-102274), Kittleson & Associates, Inc. (C-102277), Nelson\Nygaard Consulting Associates, Inc. (C-102266), and Parametrix (C-102273) for transportation planning services on an as-needed basis for five years with not-to-exceed amounts as indicated below; and authorize the City Manager to approve any legal action necessary to enforce the terms of the same.

Adam Argo, Planner, Adam.Argo@cityofvancouver.us

Motion approved the request.

8. Memorandum of Agreement — Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership and the City of Vancouver

Staff Report: 142-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to finalize and execute the Memorandum of Agreement between Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership and the City of Vancouver.

Brandon Teetsel, Civil Engineer, Brandon.Teetsel@cityofvancouver.us

Motion approved the request.

9. Amendment to the Vancouver Cultural Access Program Policy

Staff Report: 143-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to approve an amendment to the Vancouver Cultural Access Program Policy to support year one grant distribution.

David Perlick, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, Diana Betancourt, Inspire Vancouver Program Supervisor,
david.perlick@cityofvancouver.us, Diana.Betancourt@cityofvancouver.us

Motion approved the request.

10. Approval of the Claim Vouchers

Request: Approve claim vouchers for July 20, 2026.

Motion approved claim vouchers in the amount of \$9,650,657.71.

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.

11. Ordinance Amending Vancouver Municipal Code 14.26 Water Resources Protection

AN ORDINANCE relating to water resources protection by establishing development regulations and minimum standards to reduce the risks of contaminants entering water resources amending sections 14.26.100, 14.26.110, 14.26.112, 14.26.130 and 14.26.135 and adding section 14.26.137 of the Vancouver Municipal Code (VMC).

Staff Report: 119-26

Request: On Monday, July 20, 2026, upon second reading and a public hearing, finalize and approve the ordinance.

Kris Olinger, Utility Engineering Program Manager,
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Kris Olinger, Utility Engineering Program Manager, provided an overview of the Ordinance Amending Vancouver Municipal Code 14.26 Water Resources Protection.

Council discussed the item briefly with staff.

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle opened the public hearing and did not receive testimony from community members.

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

Council asked for an amendment to the code section of the Vancouver Municipal Code and the Ordinance. In Chapter 14.26, Water Resources Protection, Section 14.26.110, Definitions, change the word "man-made" to "human-made" in the definition of "Illicit connection."

Motion by Councilmember Stober, seconded by Councilmember Fox, and Yes: 6, No: 0, Abstaining: 0, to approve Ordinance M-4537, as amended with the correction of "man-made" to "human-made". Absent from vote: Councilmember Hansen.

Communications

A. From the Council

B. From the Mayor

C. From the City Manager

Communication Coordination of I-5 Southbound Closure

Laura Shepard, Communications Director of City of Vancouver, provided a presentation to the Council about the Communication Coordination of the I-5 Southbound Closure. Eric Florip, Manager of Communications and Marketing for C-TRAN, Rose Gerber, Communications Manager for the I-5 Project of Oregon Department of Transportation, and Steve Wall, Director of Public Works for City of Vancouver, answered questions from the Council.

Homeless Situation Report

Jamie Spinelli, Homeless Response Manager, discussed the Homeless Situation Report.

Community Forum

This is the place on the agenda where the public is invited to speak to Council regarding any matter. Members of the public addressing Council are requested to give their name and city of residence for the record. Speakers are to limit their testimony to a total of three minutes. Up to 90 minutes will be allotted for the Community Forum.

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle opened the Community Forum and received testimony from the following community members regarding any matter:

- Mark Hensley, Vancouver
- James Clark, Vancouver

There being no further testimony, Mayor McEnerny-Ogle closed Community Forum.

Adjournment

7:43 p.m.

Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor

Attest:

Anthony Glenn, Deputy City Clerk

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