

City of Mount Vernon, New York

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Meeting Agenda - Final

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

7:00 PM

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL**

City Council

TANESIA M. WALTERS, J.D., M.P.A.
City Clerk

NICOLE J. BONILLA, M.B.A.
Deputy City Clerk

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF THE MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2024
Scheduled for 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Mount Vernon, New York.**

**** This meeting was held in the City Council Chambers, with virtual participation via ZOOM and CMVNY Facebook. The meeting was not closed to the public.****

PRESIDING: Cathlin B. Gleason, President

OTHERS: Tanesia M. Walters, City Clerk; Antoinette Anderson, Legislative Aide; Johan Powell, Deputy Corporation Counsel.

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Cathlin B. Gleason called the meeting to order and provided general house-keeping rules, including encouraging citizens to share the meeting on social media and what to do “in case of emergency”. Council President Gleason explained the 3-minute-plus-1 public comment rule. She then asked a Councilperson to lead the council in the Pledge of Allegiance. Council President then proceeded to the Public Speakers session of the evening (listed below as public comment).

PRESENTATION

PUBLIC COMMENT

REFERRAL SESSION

Roll Call administered by City Clerk Tanesia M. Walters

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND ACTION THEREON

To the Council:

LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC WORKS

1. Law Department: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Contract with Gallagher Bassett for Third-Party Administrator Services

Code: LPW

2. Department of Management Services: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2, Adopted by the City Council on June 26, 2024, Entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR A SUPPORT CONTRACT FOR THE DELL VXRAIL ENVIRONMENT”

Code: LPW

3. Department of Management Services: An Ordinance Authorizing the Transfer of Funds Within the Department of Management Services Budget

Code: LPW

4. Department of Management Services: An Ordinance Retroactively Approving the Attendance of Director Allen at the National Association of Black Journalists' Convention (July 31st to August 4, 2024)

Code: LPW

5. Office of the Mayor: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sponsorship of the 3rd Annual Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration (to be sponsored by the Mayor's Office, Recreation Department, and Westchester Latinos Unidos).

Code: LPW

6. Office of the Mayor: An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative for the On-boarding of a Fellow (two years)

Code: LPW

7. Office of the Mayor: An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to Accept Funding from the Urban Renewal Agency for the Office of Neighborhood Safety & Engagement - (\$400,000.00 from the URA)

Code: LPW

8. Office of the Mayor: An Ordinance authorizing the Transfer of Funds within the Office of the Mayor for the Purchase of Office Furniture

Code: LPW

9. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance authorizing a Budget Line Transfer to Cover the Purchase of Lactation Pods for Mount Vernon City Hall

Code: LPW

10. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Payment Contract Agreement with A+ Technology & Security Solutions Inc. for the Installation of Avigilon Cameras at DPW's Main Building (Canal Street) and Marina

Code: LPW

11. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Payment Contract Agreement with A+ Technology & Security Solutions Inc. for the Installation of Interior and Exterior Avigilon Cameras at Memorial Field

Code: LPW

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12. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Payment Contract Agreement with A+ Technology & Security Solutions, Inc. for the Installation of Avigilon Cameras at City Hall
- Code:** LPW
13. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance to Establish a 2024 List of Qualified Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (MWBE) General Contractors
- Code:** LPW
14. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance to Approve Engagement with Safety Kleen Systems, Inc. for Cleaning the Oil Water Separator at the Department of Public Works Facility (NYSDEC Consent Order Compliance)
- Code:** LPW
15. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Retroactively Authorizing the Use of Purdys Park for a Community Outreach Event Organized by Con Edison Community Outreach Team (Saturday, August 3rd, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
- Code:** LPW
16. Department of Public Works : An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2, Adopted by the City Council on October 25, 2023, Entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF SMART COVER TECHNOLOGY FOR MS4 MANAGEMENT AND DATA COLLECTION"
- Code:** LPW
17. Department of Recreation: An Ordinance Authorizing the Co-Sponsorship of the Mount Vernon Seventh Day Adventist Health Fair - (to be held at Hartley Park on Saturday, August 24, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)
- Code:** LPW
18. Department of Recreation: An Ordinance Retroactively Authorizing the Co-Sponsorship of "the Twilight Series" by the Department of Recreation and Friends of Mount Vernon, Recreation and Youth Programs, Inc.
- Code:** LPW
19. Department of Recreation: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mount Vernon Recreation Department to Co-Sponsor the "MVP Fitness Court Challenge with MVP Healthcare"
- Code:** LPW
20. Department of Recreation: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mount Vernon Recreation Department to Co-Sponsor the Big Block party with Buttafly LLC - (Saturday, August 31, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
- Code:** LPW
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21. Board of Water Supply: An Ordinance Authorizing the Renewal of the Accounting Consultancy with Ms. Cynthia Owens for the Board of Water Supply

Code: LPW

22. Board of Water Supply: An Ordinance authorizing a Water Rate Increase Effective January 1, 2025

Code: LPW

23. City Council: An ordinance Regulating Business Video Cameras in the City of Mount Vernon, New York

Code: LPW

24. Office of the City Clerk: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon Acknowledging the City Council's Appointment to the Mount Vernon Charter Review Commission - (Morenike (Nike) E. Williams, SPHR)

Code: LPW

25. Office of the City Clerk: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon acknowledging the Mayoral appointment to the Mount Vernon Charter Review Commission (Rosia Blackwell Lawrence)

Code: LPW

To the Council:

HUMAN RESOURCES

26. Department of Recreation: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Feeding Westchester

Code: HR

27. Youth Bureau: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement with Smart Steps for the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau's Safe Place

Code: HR

28. Youth Bureau: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Retroactively Enter Into an Agreement with Break Bread, Not Hearts for the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau's Safe Place for Our Girls and Safe Haven Summer Programs

Code: HR

29. Youth Bureau: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Retroactively Enter into an Agreement with Inferno365 Fitness for the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau's Safe Place for Our Girls and Girls Embracing Maturing Programs (from July 9, 2024 to August 16, 2024)

Code: HR

To the Council:**PUBLIC SAFETY AND CODES**

30. Fire Department: An Ordinance Authorizing the Transfer of Funds for the Purchase of a Fire Department Command Vehicle
- Code:** PSC
31. Fire Department: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 17, approved by the City Council on September 14, 2022, entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE TWO (2) COMMAND VEHICLES AND PAYMENT OF THE EQUIPMENT WITH ARPA FUNDS”
- Code:** PSC
32. Fire Department: An Ordinance authorizing the Use of City Parking Lot #1 for a Fundraising Car Wash by Local 107 UFFA
- Code:** PSC
33. Industrial Development Agency: An Ordinance Establishing Temporary Designated On-Street Designated Parking at 30 Warren Place to Accommodate Holiday Shopping (November 5 and December 31, 2024)
- Code:** PSC
34. Department of Public Safety: An ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a One-Year Agreement with CentralSquare for Software Licensing and Maintenance
- Code:** PSC
35. Department of Public Safety/Parking Bureau: An Ordinance Authorizing the Transfer of Funds Between Budget Lines Funded by the Police Department and the Parking Bureau
- Code:** PSC
36. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Retroactively Authorizing a One-Year Leave of Absence for Computer Console Operator, Deanna Algieri
- Code:** PSC
37. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing the Use of Funds from the State of New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, Law Enforcement Technology (LETECH) Grant for the Purchase of License Plate Reader Cameras and Related Technology
- Code:** PSC

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38. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing the Use of Funds from the State of New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services Law Enforcement Technology Grant for the Construction of the Command Central Aware Room
- Code:** PSC
39. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Essential Equipment for the Emergency Service Unit (ESU) of the Department of Public Safety
- Code:** PSC
40. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing the Attendance of Department of public Safety Members at the 2024 International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Conference (October 18, 2024 to October 22, 2024)
- Code:** PSC
41. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing Attendance of Department of Public Safety Members at the 2024 Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) Annual Public Safety Symposium - (September 17 to September 20, 2024)
- Code:** PSC
42. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 13, adopted by the City Council on July 10, 2024, entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS BETWEEN BUDGET LINES FUNDED THROUGH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)"
- Code:** PSC
43. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing the Permanent Closure of Roosevelt Square North to Non-Emergency Vehicles and the Erection of Regulatory Traffic Signs
- Code:** PSC
44. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contract with Motorola Solutions Inc. for the Purchase of a Citywide Camera Surveillance System
- Code:** PSC
45. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Contract with Electronic Systems Solutions, Inc. (ESS) for the Installation and Maintenance of a Citywide Camera Surveillance System
- Code:** PSC
46. City Council: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon, New York Honoring and Recognizing the Retirement of Firefighter Kevin Holt
- Code:** PSC
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47. City Council: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon, New York Honoring and Recognizing the Retirement of Firefighter Nathaniel Tilford
- Code:** PSC
48. Office of the City Clerk: An Ordinance Authorizing the Amendment of Chapter 237-35, A and B of the City Code of the City of Mount Vernon, entitled "Taxicab Fares" to Increase Current Fares
- Code:** PSC
49. City Council: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon, New York Honoring and Recognizing the Service of Wakanda Celebration, Incorporated
- Code:** PSC
50. City Council: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon Designating Itself as the Lead Agency for the Proposed Code Amendments Regarding Short-Term Rental Legislation, Referring the Amendments to the City Corporation Counsel, City Planning Board, and Westchester County Planning Board, and Scheduling a Public Hearing
- Code:** PSC

To the Council:

FINANCE AND PLANNING

51. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing the Comptroller to Write Off Unpaid Property Taxes and Interest for Certain Properties with New Homeowners
- Code:** FP
52. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing the Request for Proposal (RFP) for Exploration and Execution of Alternative Measures for the Recovery of Delinquent Property Taxes
- Code:** FP
53. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing a Partnership with Working Advantage Plum Benefits For Employee Discounts
- Code:** FP
54. Department of Planning: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Cleary Consulting for Professional Planning Services for the Mount Vernon Comprehensive Plan
- Code:** FP

55. Department of Planning: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with AKRF, Inc. for Progress for Planning Analysis Services for the Mount Vernon Comprehensive Plan

Code: FP

56. Department of Planning: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Mid-Hudson Pattern for Progress for Planning Analysis Services for the Mount Vernon Comprehensive Plan

Code: FP

57. Office of the City Clerk: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon, NY honoring the Life and Legacy of Lawrence A. Ross

Code: FP

ADD-ON

PUBLIC SAFETY AND CODES

58. City Council: A Resolution Fixing the Date for a Public Hearing Regarding Local Law No. ___ of 2024 of the City of Mount Vernon, NY, Establishing a Local Government Code Enforcement Program

Code: PSC

OTHER BUSINESS/CLOSING COMMENTS