

City of Mount Vernon, New York

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

7:00 PM

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL**

City Council

*NICOLE BONILLA, MBA
City Clerk*

*JORDAN A. RIULLANO, JD
Deputy City Clerk*

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF THE MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025.**

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: Edward Poteat, Acting President

OTHERS: Nicole Bonilla, City Clerk; Antoinette Anderson, Legislative Aide; Johan Powell, Deputy Corporation Counsel.

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Councilman Boxhill

Acting Council President Edward Poteat 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”. Acting Council President Poteat explained the 3-minute-plus-1 public comment rule. He then asked a Councilperson to lead the council in the Pledge of Allegiance. Acting Council President then proceeded to the Public Speakers session of the evening (listed below as public comment).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Geoff Munroe, Mount Vernon, NY 7:33pm

Public access, AV services and equipment upgrade and the associated costs

Council Response:

Councilman Gleason- contacted Department of Public Works

Councilman Poteat - we are not experts and please send up an email and we'll follow up

Connie Kissi, Mount Vernon, NY 7:37pm

Speed bump request and petition submitted. Location for speed bump is Lafayette Avenue between Lorraine and Station Place.

Council Response

Councilman Gleason - all good ideas and we should come up with a survey that can go out to the public.

Councilman Poteat - all good ideas and please follow up with Legislative Aide Anderson

REFERRAL SESSION

Roll Call administered by City Clerk Nicole Bonilla

Councilman Gleason: REMOTE

PRESENT: Pro Tempore Edward Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Derrick Thompson, Councilperson Jaevon Boxhill, and Councilperson Cathlin Gleason

ABSENT: President Danielle Browne Esq.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND ACTION THEREON

To the Council:

The **LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC WORKS** Committee recommends for **ADOPTION** the following entitled legislation:

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1. [TMP-1305](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Ltr to CMV Council re NCL 3.18.2025 3.18.2025 Procurement Justification - NCL NCL Charter Related Efforts](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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2. [TMP-1303](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Great Lakes and St Lawrence Conference](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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3. [TMP-1304](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Referral Letter - Total Wellness Sensory Room](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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4. [TMP-1290](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Authorization to Accept \\$126,920. Technical A DOE](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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5. [TMP-1306](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Arbor day tree Planting](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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6. [TMP](#)
[-1312](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Transfer of Funds for Stormwater Coordinator](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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7. [TMP](#)
[-1311](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Request for Training Stormwater](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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8. [TMP](#)
[-1313](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [J.Abdul Halim](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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9. [TMP-1296](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [MVPD Juneteenth-Rolling into peace](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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10. [TMP-1314](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [cinco de mayo DPW Event Responses- Easter Egg Hunt-Cinc Pd Response](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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11. [TMP-1291](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [0657_001](#)

[Lancaster-MWC-External-Agenda-15](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: Councilman Gleason - NAY

****NEEDS SECOND VOTE****

approved

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, and Councilperson Boxhill

Nay: Councilperson Gleason

Absent: President Browne

To the Council:

The **HUMAN RESOURCES** Committee recommends for **ADOPTION** the following entitled legislation:

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Code: HR

Attachments: [NYSPRC Referral Letter for 4th Street Park as SIGNED Mount Vernon NY NFC Matching Quote as o: NYS Grant - 4th St Park EPF Award Letter](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

() 13. [TMP-1308](#)

Code: HR

Attachments: [BITTS -Flying Classroom- SOLAR Go Kart 20 Weekly Schedule- Solar Kart 2025](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

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14. [TMP-1309](#)

Code: HR

Attachments: [Wellness with Krishna 2025 - MVYB](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

To the Council:

The PUBLIC SAFETY AND CODES Committee recommends for ADOPTION the following entitled legislation:

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15. [TMP-1284](#)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [Prisoner Transportation Referral Letter](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

On the question: none.

Response: Councilman Boxhill - Abstain (He executes the contract on behalf of the county)

****SECOND VOTE****

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, and Councilperson Gleason
Nay: None
Absent: President Browne
Abstain: Councilperson Boxhill

To the Council:

The **FINANCE AND PLANNING** Committee recommends for **ADOPTION** the following entitled legislation:

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16. [TMP-1287](#)

Code: FP

Attachments: [Transferoffund407to2040001](#)

Moved: Councilman Boxhill, Seconded by Councilman Thompson

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason

Nay: None

Absent: President Browne

ADD-ON

To the Council:

The **LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC WORKS** Committee recommends for **ADOPTION** the following entitled legislation:

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17. [TMP-1318](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [M Blades Marriage Clerk Referral](#)

Moved: Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Thompson

On the question: none.

Response: Councilman Gleason: welcomed the new staff Megan Blades to the Clerks Office.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason
Nay: None
Absent: President Browne

To the Council:

The **PUBLIC SAFETY AND CODES** Committee recommends for **ADOPTION** the following entitled legislation:

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18. [TMP-1320](#)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [PD Booting Referral Letter](#)

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: none.

adopted

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason
Nay: None
Absent: President Browne

OTHER BUSINESS/CLOSING COMMENTS

CM Gleason - informed the public of the ongoing plans for a traffic and pedestrian study.
 CM Thompson - wished the public a happy palm Sunday
 CM Boxhill - Suggested a moment of silence for Chief of Staff's mother passing.

Motion to adjourn

Moved: Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

approved

Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason
Nay: None
Absent: President Browne

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.
 Jordan Riullano, JD

Deputy City Clerk