

# **City of Mount Vernon, New York**

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## **Meeting Minutes - Final**

**Wednesday, April 23, 2025**

**7:00 PM**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
CITY HALL**

### **City Council**

*NICOLE BONILLA, MBA  
City Clerk*

*JORDAN A. RIULLANO, JD  
Deputy City Clerk*

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**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF THE MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 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:** Danielle Browne, President

**OTHERS:** Nicole Bonilla, City Clerk; Antoinette Anderson, Legislative Aide; Brian Johnson Corporation Counsel.

**CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Corporation Counsel Brian Johnson

Council President Danielle Browne 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 Browne 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).

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Josh Grossberg (No Show) at 7:10 pm & 7:15 pm  
Mount Vernon, New York

“I want to make the Council aware of recent data published on zipcodeexam.com, showing that Mount Vernon has the lowest life expectancy score at 77 years. I want to present this data along with the local data scores on social determinants of health, that if improved upon can increase life expectancy.”

Peter Tsachalis 7:11 pm  
Mount Vernon, New York

“Real estate, telephone poles and tow trucks” School buses

Council responses:

Councilman Boxhill: asked follow up questions regarding the school buses

Councilman Thompson: will stop by this week its near the youth shelter and observe and will converse with the bus companies.

Councilman President Browne: spoke with buildings department today and they are willing to let you know what is going on with the property and help you resolve the issue.

Corporation Counsel Johnson: spoke with speaker regarding his involvement with the property.

**REFERRAL SESSION**

Roll Call administered by City Clerk Nicole Bonilla

**PRESENT:** President Danielle Browne Esq., Pro Tempore Edward Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Derrick Thompson, Councilperson Jaevon Boxhill, and Councilperson Cathlin Gleason

**ABSENT:** None

**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-1316](#)

**Code:** LPW

**Attachments:** [Street Resurfacing RFP Letter for 25-26](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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2. [TMP-1333](#)

**Code:** LPW

**Attachments:** [Town of Carmel 2025](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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3. [TMP-1337](#)

**Code:** LPW

**Attachments:** [Request to Accept Three Trees](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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4. [TMP-1329](#)

**Code:** LPW

**Attachments:** [Rec- HIV AIDS WALK](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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5. [TMP-1330](#)

**Code:** LPW

**Attachments:** [Rec juneteenth Interfaith Health fair](#)  
[DPW Juneteenth](#)  
[PD Annual Juneteenth Celebration and Interfai](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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6. [TMP-1332](#)

**Code:** LPW

**Attachments:** [cityfest referral letter 2025](#)  
[DPW City Fest](#)  
[PD City Fest](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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7. [TMP-1291](#)

**Code:** LPW

**Attachments:** [0657\\_001](#)  
[Lancaster-MWC-External-Agenda-15](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** Nay - Councilman Gleason and Council President Browne

**\*\*SECOND VOTE\*\***

adopted

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

**Nay:** President Browne, and Councilperson Gleason

**Absent:** None

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8. [TMP-1319](#)

**Code:** LPW

**Attachments:** [Referral Letter - 04072025](#)  
[Referral Doc - Senior Account Clerk ordinance](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**To the Council:**

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

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9. [TMP-1331](#)

**Code:** HR

**Attachments:** [summer breeze](#)  
[DPW Summer Breeze](#)  
[PD Summer Breeze Concert Series](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**To the Council:**

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

entitled legislation:

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10. [TMP-1325](#)

**Code:** PSC

**Attachments:** [Acceptance of Parking Spaces Referral Letter Montefiore Letter for Parking Spaces](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Poteat, Seconded by Councilman Thompson

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** Councilman Poteat: Police Department and Department of Public Works working together to removed old cars from lot

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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11. [TMP-1326](#)

**Code:** PSC

**Attachments:** [FARO Technologies Referral Letter](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Poteat, Seconded by Councilman Thompson

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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12. [TMP-1327](#)

**Code:** PSC



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**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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15. [TMP-1340](#)

**Code:** FP

**Attachments:** [Comp2025-06 - Aflac Supplemental Dental COMP2025-06A - AFLAC Supplementary De](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Boxhill, Seconded by Councilman Poteat

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**ADD-ON**

**To the Council:**

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

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16. [TMP-1348](#)

**Code:** LPW

**Attachments:** [Referral Letter Nia Howard Fenton 04-23-2025](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**To the Council:**

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

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17. [TMP-1343](#)

**Code:** HR

**Attachments:** [READY Vibe Check Referral letter](#)  
[Youth Bureau R4L Vibe Check event](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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18. [TMP-1341](#)

**Code:** HR

**Moved:** Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Gleason

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**To the Council:**

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

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19. [TMP-1349](#)

**Code:** PSC

**Attachments:** [Indoor Amusement Uses Referral EAF 1-3](#)

**Moved:** Councilman Poteat, Seconded by Councilman Thompson

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**To the Council:**

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

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20. [TMP-1350](#)

**Code:** FP

**Moved:** Councilman Boxhill, Seconded by Councilman Poteat

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

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21. [TMP  
-1351](#)

**Code:** FP

**Moved:** Councilman Boxhill, Seconded by Councilman Poteat

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

adopted

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

Enter into Executive Session at 7:58 PM

**Moved:** Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

**On the question:** none.

**Response:** none.

go into Executive Session

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

Exit Executive Session at 9:12 PM

approved

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**OTHER BUSINESS/CLOSING COMMENTS**

None.

Motion to adjourn

**Moved:** Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

approved

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

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm.

Jordan Riullano, JD  
Deputy City Clerk