

City of Mount Vernon, New York

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

3:00 PM

MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM - 1st FLOOR

Board of Estimate & Contract

Call to Order: At 3:25 PM by Chairwoman Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard

Roll Call: Roll Call and reading of agenda items administered by Deputy City Clerk Nicole Bonilla. Noticed in the Journal News.

PRESENT Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Darren Morton, and Danielle Browne Esq.

ABSENT None

OTHERS: Chief of Staff Malcolm Clark, Asst. Corporation Counsel Johan Powell, Deputy City Clerk Nicole Bonilla, Assistant Comptroller Condell Hamilton

OPENING OF RFQ FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:**OPENING OF RFQ FOR CITY OF MOUNT VERNON EDISON AVENUE PUMP STATION UPGRADE PROJECT - EQUIPMENT PROCUREMENT****1. Mace Contracting Corporation****OPENING OF RFQ FOR CITY OF MOUNT VERNON EDISON AVENUE PUMP STATION UPGRADE PROJECT - GENERAL CONSTRUCTION****1. Mace Contracting Corporation****2. Inter Contracting Corporation****ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGENDA****RESOLUTIONS APPROVING ORDINANCES**

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1. **[TMP-1116](#)**

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Lease Extension 6 Gramatan.pdf](#)

Moved: Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton

On the question: Comptroller Morton - Is this a two-year lease?

Response: Mayor Patterson-Howard - the city is not ready to go online with our existing office spaces.

Comptroller Morton - discussed having a conversation with the Commissioner and the Assistant Engineer about the property across the street.

Deputy Corporation Counsel - Commercial properties tend to be a five year lease. I will follow-up.

Comptroller Morton - We can hold this until we get more clarification because the lease does not expire until June.

withdrawn

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

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2. [**TMP**](#)
[**-1140**](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Referral Letter - National League of Cities \(NL City Conference.pdf](#)
[NLC Congressional Conference 2025 - Schedu](#)

Moved: Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton

On the question: Comptroller Morton - this trip will exhaust the budget line.

Response: Mayor Patterson-Howard - I am aware. This conference is intense and informative. March 10-12th, is the Council going?

Council President Browne - I might go.

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

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3. [**TMP**](#)
[**-1158**](#)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [Securewatch amendment.pdf](#)

Moved: Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton

On the question: none

Response: Mayor Patterson-Howard - they go into the cruisers to add data in real-time and this will increase efficiency and bring us in compliance with the DOJ recommendations.

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

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**[TMP
-1160](#)****Code:** LPW**Attachments:** [01142025 Referral Letter - LSL-Water-Resour](#)**Moved:** Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton**On the question:** Comptroller Morton - Is this new?**Response:** Mayor Patterson-Howard - started for the lead service project. This project is much more involved and requires upgraded job positions.

Comptroller Morton - NYS grant funded.

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne**Nay:** None**Absent:** None

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**[TMP
-1161](#)****Code:** LPW**Attachments:** [01142025 Referral Letter - BWS-Water-Qualit](#)**Moved:** Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton**On the question:** none**Response:** none

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne**Nay:** None**Absent:** None

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**[TMP
-1165](#)****Code:** HR**Attachments:** [R4L HBCU College Tour 2025.pdf](#)
[READY4Life 2025 HBCU College Tour Itiner](#)**Moved:** Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton**On the question:** Mayor Patterson-Howard - This is a federal grant. We do not know if the cease of this grant is short term or long term.

Response: Comptroller Morton - We're ok until March

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

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7. [TMP
-1166](#)

Code: FP

Attachments: [COMP2025 - 1 Inovative Finance Asset Conce
Agreement .pdf](#)

Moved: Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton

On the question: none

Response: none

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

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8. [TMP
-1176](#)

Code: FP

Attachments: [Comptroller Referral.pdf](#)

Moved: Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton

On the question: Comptroller Morton - explained the process

Response: Mayor Patterson-Howard - explained that most of our homes are owner-occupied and not to destabilize the community by doing a wholesale tax sale.

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUEST TO MAKE PARTIAL PAYMENTS

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9. [TMP](#)
[-1144](#)**Attachments:** [PP 8 Cleaning & Televising.pdf](#)**Moved:** Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton**On the question:** Mayor Patterson-Howard - state money**Response:** Assistant Comptroller Hamilton - the "C" code is incorrect in the referral letter.

Motion to correct the code on the floor to C937 - sanitary and C938 - storm

Moved: Browne, Danielle **Seconded:** Morton, Darren approved**Aye:** Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton and Browne**Nay:** None**Absent:** None

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne**Nay:** None**Absent:** None**SETTLEMENTS**

(Settlement of Noel Santa - \$22,500)

10. [TMP](#)
[-1147](#)**Attachments:** [SETTLEMENT RESOLUTION ALLEGING F](#)
[MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT BETWEEN](#)
[ANOTHER VEHICLE \(NOEL SANTANA\).pdf](#)**Moved:** Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton**On the question:** none**Response:** Council President Browne - will abstain because counsel did not send settlements for council to review.

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, and Comptroller Morton**Nay:** None**Absent:** None**Abstain:** Browne

Motion to take items 11-13 as a block vote

Moved: Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton

On the question: none

Response: Council President Browne - will abstain because counsel did not send settlements for council to review.

take items as block vote

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, and Comptroller Morton

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Browne

(Settlement of Shimeka Punter - \$12,500) 11.

[TMP](#)
[-1148](#)

Attachments: [SETTLEMENT RESOLUTION ALLEGING A ACCIDENT WITH A BEE LINE BUS \(SHIM](#)

approved

(Settlement of Romie Lawrence - \$18,000) 12.

[TMP](#)
[-1149](#)

Attachments: [SETTLEMENT RESOLUTION ALLEGING F MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT BETWEEN POLICE VEHICLE \(ROMIE LAWRENCE\).p](#)

approved

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[TMP](#)
[-1168](#)

Attachments: [CIC Printer_20250124_142610.pdf](#)

approved

approved the Consent Agenda

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, and Comptroller Morton

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Browne

TAX REVIEW SETTLEMENTS

Motion to take items 14-18 as a block vote.

Moved: Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton

On the question: none

Response: none

take items as block vote

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

(Consent Judgment and Resolution 14.
for 8 Bedell LLC)

TMP
-1152

Attachments: [Resolution for Tax Review Settlement for 8 Be](#)
approved

(Consent Judgment and Resolution 15.
for Stonetown LLC)

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-1153

Attachments: [Resolution for Tax Review Settlement for Ston](#)
approved

(Consent Judgment and Resolution 16.
for JP Edwards Associates LLC)

TMP
-1154

Attachments: [Resolution for Tax Review Settlement - JP Edv](#)
[LLC_.pdf](#)

approved

(Notice of Entry and Application 17.
for Refund for KBJB TEMP LLC)

TMP
-1155

Attachments: [Resolution for Tax Review Settlement - KBJB.](#)

approved

(Consent Order & Judgment - Tori 18.
Holding Corp.)

TMP
-1156

Attachments: [Resolution for Tori Holding Corp.pdf](#)

approved

approved the Consent Agenda

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller
Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

SALARY RESOLUTIONS

Motion to take items 19-21 as a block vote

Moved: Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton

On the question: none

Response: none

take items as block vote

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

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19. [TMP](#)
[-1172](#)

Attachments: [Document_Part2.pdf](#)

approved

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20. [TMP](#)
[-1173](#)

Attachments: [Document_Part1.pdf](#)

approved

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21. [TMP](#)
[-1174](#)

Attachments: [Document_Part3.pdf](#)

approved

approved the Consent Agenda

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

Agenda was concluded at 4:17PM

Chairwoman Patterson-Howard asked if there was new business: none

Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn.

Moved: Council President Browne, **Seconded:** Comptroller Morton

approved

Aye: Mayor Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Morton, and Browne

Nay: None

Absent: None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:23 pm.

Nicole Bonilla, MBA
City Clerk