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Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, December 10, 2025
7:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL

City Council

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**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF THE MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 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; Jordan A. Riullano, Deputy City Clerk; Antoinette Anderson, Legislative Aide; Johan Powell, Deputy Corporation Counsel.

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

1. Cathy Bell, Mount Vernon, NY - No Show 7:06 pm & 7:21 pm
CM Boxhill - will advocate on behalf of the constituent
CM Poteat - will follow up with the chief this evening.
CM Gleason - this is an ongoing conversation with the PD on customer service. This is under CM Poteat because this is his committee and the gap the police have on 4th ave.
CP Browne - apologized to speaker and believe that all people should be respected by police not just seniors and there is an ongoing issue with customer service and the police. Confirmed with speaker that the badge number is 2009
2. Wilma Frank, Mount Vernon, NY Topic: Disrespectful Police Officer 7:06 pm - police complaint badge number 2009 incident occurred on 11/25
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CM Gleason - this is an ongoing conversation with the PD on customer service. This is under CM Poteat because this is his committee and the gap the police have on 4th ave.
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3. Nicole Lucio, Mount Vernon, NY Topic: Inspection Notice: Buildings Department 7:11 pm
CM Boxhill - informed the speaker that the budget numbers she stated are not the up to date percentages
CM Poteat - Texted the building commissioner and this might be an issue with management system
CM Gleason - you are the first single family resident who has received the notice, will follow up with CM Poteat and have put in a request with building dept and make the appropriate corrections
CP Browne - agreed that the fee scheduled should be updated, all departments except for clerk falls under the mayors office. That language should not be added to the fee schedule because that falls under the city council. Spoke on adoption of the procedure and spoke on the limitations of the council. Clerk stated the city council public hearing for Tuesday, Dec 16th at 6 pm
4. Patricia Richards, Mount Vernon, NY Topic: Proposed tax increase 7:15 pm - virtual
CM Poteat - will defer to GW Gleason
CM Gleason - we did put that intersection on special alert
5. Geoff Munroe, Mount Vernon, NY Topic: Expense accountability 7:16 pm
CM Boxhill - thanked the speaker for coming

CM Poteat - thanked for the feedback on the chamber microphones

CM Gleason - met with you on the first year on council and I agree and the land that the city owns and there is food insecurity, tonight at the soup kitchen there were large numbers. we should use land for farming.

CP Browne - these mics were at no cost to the city. The other questions need to be answered by management system. One of the things in the comp plan is to use city owned property for various reason, farming and temp spots, after the Feb scheduled auction, the city can reevaluate on what can be used for farming.

REFERRAL SESSION

Young Professionals Organization

Councilman Boxhill spoke on honoring the young professionals, item #14.

Councilman Gleason spoke on the young professional organization

Councilman Poteat spoke on the young professional organization

Councilman Gleason read a statement from Councilman Thompson

Council President Browne - congratulated Young Professionals

Roll Call administered by City Clerk Nicole Bonilla

Councilmember Thompson - Remote

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
-1778](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Refuse Amendment](#)
[TMP-1778 5818 Mount Vernon Refuse Sustai](#)
[Study Report 6.18.24 \(2\)](#)

Moved: Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: Nay - Gleason

adopted

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

		Nay:	Councilperson Gleason
		Absent:	None
0	2.	<u>TMP -1736</u>	
		Code:	LPW
		Attachments:	<u>Amendment to Section 140-4, Garbage and Ru</u> <u>Authorizing Red Tag Bulk Item Disposal Secti</u> <u>Bulk waste</u> <u>Trash Collection Amendment</u>
			held
0	3.	<u>TMP -1737</u>	
		Code:	LPW
		Attachments:	<u>Red Tag Bulk Disposal</u> <u>Bulk waste</u>
			held
0	4.	<u>TMP -1794</u>	
		Code:	LPW
		Attachments:	<u>GRG Brush Park Authorize 12.2.25</u> <u>NYS Grant No. 2344 Brush Park Green Infras</u>
		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
0	5.	<u>TMP -1788</u>	
		Code:	LPW
		Attachments:	<u>Budget transfer request 12.10.2025</u>
		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:

Motion to take items # 6 - 8 as a block vote

Moved: Councilman Poteat, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

take items as block vote

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

0 6. **TMP-1783**

Code: HR

Attachments: [Dr. Davis Resolution](#)

adopted

0 7. **TMP-1784**

Code: HR

Attachments: [Stewart Cousin Resolution](#)

adopted

0 8. **TMP-1785**

Code: HR

Attachments: [Pogue 60th Bday 2025](#)

adopted

Moved: Councilman Gleason, Seconded by Councilman Boxhill

On the question: none.

Response: none.

approved the Consent Agenda

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:

(0) 9. **TMP**
-1787

Attachments: [Building Dept Amendment](#)

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

(0) 10. **TMP**
-1789

Code: PSC

Attachments: [Agenda Letter -Provisional Appointment 12-4-](#)

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
0	11.	<u>TMP -1780</u>	
		Code:	PSC
		Attachments:	<u>Tip411 Referral Letter</u>
		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:

0	12.	<u>TMP -1777</u>	
		Code:	FP
		Attachments:	<u>Referral letter 60 West First Street</u>
		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
0	13.	<u>TMP</u> <u>-1795</u>
		Code: FP
		Attachments: COMP2025-23 - Austerity Budget Framework Expenditure Controls
		Moved: Councilman Boxhill, Seconded by Councilman Poteat
		On the question: none.
		Response: Abstain - Browne (not sure if this is legal)
		adopted
		Aye: Pro Tempore Poteat, Acting Pro Tempore Thompson, Councilperson Boxhill, and Councilperson Gleason
		Nay: None
		Absent: None
		Abstain: President Browne
0	14.	<u>TMP</u> <u>-1782</u>
		Code: FP
		Attachments: YPMV
		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
0	15.	<u>TMP</u> <u>-1786</u>
		Code: FP
		Attachments: Off Site Parking Lease Agreement Resolution
		Moved: Councilman Boxhill, Seconded by Councilman Poteat

On the question: none.

Response: Abstain - CM Boxhill (not sure about this 2021 contract)

adopted

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Councilperson Boxhill

ADD-ON

To the Council:

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

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16. **TMP**
-1798

Code: Comptroller and Morton

Attachments: [COMP2025-24 – Recommendation to Issue a \]](#)
[Program for Residential and Commercial Prop](#)

Moved: Councilman Boxhill, Seconded by Councilman Poteat

On the question: none.

Response: Abstain - Council President Browne (I did not have a chance to review this)

Councilman Gleason - Glad about this because a lot of residents inquired. Thanks Comptroller

adopted

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstain: President Browne

OTHER BUSINESS/CLOSING COMMENTS

Motion to Adjourn

Moved: Councilman Poteat, 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 8:36 pm.

Jordan Riullano, JD
Deputy City Clerk