City of Mount Vernon, New York

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Meeting Agenda - Final

Wednesday, August 13, 2025 7:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL

City Council

NICOLE BONILLA, M.B.A. City Clerk

JORDAN A. RIULLANO, J.D. Deputy City Clerk

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF THE MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 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: Derrick Thompson, Acting President

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

REFERRAL SESSION

Roll Call administered by City Clerk Nicole Bonilla

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND ACTION THEREON

OTHERS: Nicole Bonilla, City Clerk; Jordan A. Riullano, Deputy City Clerk; Antoinette

Anderson, Legislative Aide; Johan Powell, Deputy Corporation Counsel.

To the Council:

LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC WORKS

1. Rose Luangisa - Wakanda: An Ordinance Authorizing the Hosting of the Wakanda Celebration 2025 Event - (Saturday, August 30, 2025)

Code: LPW

2. Tariqa Burhaniya D'Suqiya Shazuliya: An Ordinance Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Eastchester Lane for the Hawliyah Celebration on August 30-31, 2025

Code: LPW

3. Department of Management Services: An Ordinance Authorizing the Amendment of Ordinance No. 11, Adopted by the City Council on June 11, 2025, entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH BUSINESS ELECTRONICS (IRECORD) FOR INTERVIEW ROOM RECORDING EQUIPMENT USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY"

Code: LPW

4. Office of the Mayor: An Ordinance Authorizing the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement, the Office of the Mayor, and the Department of Recreation to Co-Sponsor the 3rd Annual Big Block Party and Providing for Street Closure, CIt Services and Support

Code: LPW

5. Office of the Mayor: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Attend the New York Conference of Mayors and Municipal Officials (NYCOM) 2025 Fall Training School

Code: LPW

6. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Emergency Contractual Agreement with Zonzoni Pipeline Inc. for Sewer Rehabilitation Work at Macquesten and West Devonia Avenue and 115 Dell Avenue (2nd Vote)

Code: LPW

7. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works to Attend the Public Works Summit in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida - (November 5-7, 2025)

Code: LPW

8. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Authorizing a Budget Transfer Within the Department of Public Works to Cover the Emergency Rental of a Towable Generator and Cooling Unit for the Doles Center

Code: LPW

9. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Declaring an Emergency and Authorizing the Rental of Temporary Cooling Equipment and the Repair and Replacement of HVAC Systems at the Doles Center

Code: LPW

10. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Authorizing the Public Release RFQ No.07.25 - Professional Engineering Services for Planning, Design, and Construction Phase Services of Drinking Water, Sewer, Storm Sewer, and Infrastructure Projects

Code: LPW

11. Board of Water Supply: An Ordinance Authorizing the Board of Water Supply to Amend the Salary for the Lead Service Line Data Entry Clerk Position

Code: LPW

12. City Council: Local Law No. ___ of 2025 - A Local Law of the City of Mount Vernon, New York, Amending the Refuse Sustainability Fee

Code: LPW

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13. Office of the City Clerk: An Ordinance Authorizing the Transfer of Funds Within the Office of the City Clerk Budget to Cover Travel-Related Expenses

Code: LPW

14. Office of the City Clerk: An Ordinance Authorizing the City Clerk and Executive Assistant to Attend the 2025 NYCOM Fall Training School in Lake Placid, New York - (September 15-19, 2025)

Code: LPW

15. Office of the City Clerk: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Three-Year Agreement with Granicus Corporation for Legislation Management Software and Related Services

Code: LPW

To the Council:

HUMAN RESOURCES

16. Youth Bureau: An Ordinance Authorizing the Transfer of Funds Within the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau Budget to Cover Salary Expenses for the Workforce Development Academy for Youth (WDAY) Program Director

Code: HR

17. Youth Bureau: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Approve the Attendance of Three (3) Mount Vernon Youth Bureau Staff Members, Including the Executive Director, at the 2025 Independent Sectors National Summit in Atlanta, Georgia, and Providing for Related Expenses

Code: HR

18. Youth Bureau: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Accept Foundation Funds from the New York Community Trust and its Westchester Advisory Board to Support the Expansion of Mount Vernon Youth Empowerment Advocacy Council

Code: HR

To the Council:

PUBLIC SAFETY AND CODES

19. Department of Buildings: An Ordinance Granting a Twelve (12) Month Leave of Absence for Mr. Rommel Lashley from his Permanent Position as Document Coordinator to Serve as Plan Room Clerk Within the Department of Buildings

Code: PSC

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20. Department of Buildings: An Ordinance Establishing a Separate Gas Work Permit and Fee Schedule Within the Department of Buildings

Code: PSC

21. Department of Buildings: An Ordinance Amending the Plumbing Re-inspection Fee Structure Administered by the Department of Buildings

Code: PSC

22. Department of Buildings: An Ordinance Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with a Third-Party Inspection Agency for Construction Inspections and Observations for the Development Project at 115 South Macquesten Parkway

Code: PSC

23. Department of Buildings: An Ordinance Authorizing the Use of Third-Party Building Inspectors to Address the Backlog of Building Inspections in the City of Mount Vernon

Code: PSC

24. Fire Department: An Ordinance Authorizing the Condemnation and Disposal of Obsolete Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment

Code: PSC

25. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Retroactively Authorizing the Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety to Attend the Second Annual New York First Responders Summit in Washington, D.C, and Approving Related Expenses

Code: PSC

26. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Amending Section 243 of the Mount Vernon City Charter to Impose on Unlicensed Tow Truck Operators

Code: PSC

To the Council:

FINANCE AND PLANNING

27. Department of Assessment: An Ordinance Authorizing the Transfer of Funds Within the Department of Assessment Budget to Cover Necessary Overtime Expenses

Code: FP

28. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing the Adoption of a Fund Balance Policy for the City of Mount Vernon

Code: FP

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29. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing the Adoption of a Debt Management Policy for the City of Mount Vernon

Code: FP

30. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing Attendance at the NYCOM Fall 2025 Training School

Code: FP

31. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing the Adoption of a Travel and Expense Policy for the City of Mount Vernon

Code: FP

32. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing the Extension of the Agreement with Capital Markets Advisors, LLC for Financial Strategic Planning Services and Authorizing Related Budget Transfer

Code: FP

33. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of a Request for Proposals/Qualifications (RFP/Q) for a Consultant Team to Implement the "Innovative Finance & Asset Management Initiative" Under Referral #Comp2025-15

Code: FP

34. Department of Planning & Community Services: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Amendment with the Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund to Incorporate Legacy Planning Services into the Mount Vernon Financial Empowerment Center

Code: FP

35. Department of Planning & Community Development: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Mount Vernon United Tenants for the Installation of a City Resource Kiosk at Their Mount Vernon Facility

Code: FP

36. Department of Planning & Community Development: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Westchester Neighborhood Health Center for the Installation of a City Resource Kiosk at Their Mount Vernon Facility

Code: FP

37. City Council: An Ordinance Authorizing the Office of the Comptroller to Establish a Custodial Account for 55 Pondfield Parkway to Support Planning Board Consultant Services

Code: FP

38. City Council: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon Referring Proposed Amendments to the Code of the City of Mount Vernon, Extending the Expiration of Approvals from the City's Land Use Boards to the City Corporation Counsel, City Planning Board, and Westchester County Planning Board, and Scheduling a Public Hearing

Code: FP

39. City Council: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Designating Itself as Lead Agency for Proposed Zoning Amendments Regarding Health Clubs in the MX-1, MVW-H, MVW-C, NB,

OB, DB, CB, LI-7.5, LI-15, I, TOD-1, and DTOAD Districts, Referring the Amendments to the City Corporation Counsel, City Planning Board and Westchester County Planning Board, and Scheduling a Public Hearing

Code: FP

40. City Council: An Ordinance Authorizing the Establishment of a Custodial Account for the Sentinel on Third Project

Code: FP

OTHER BUSINESS/CLOSING COMMENTS