

City of Mount Vernon, New York

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CITY HALL, MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK 10550
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Meeting Minutes - Final

Comprehensive Plan: "Envision Mount Vernon"

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

7:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CITY HALL

1 ROOSEVELT SQUARE

MOUNT VERNON, NY 10550

City Council Public Hearing

NICOLE BONILLA, M.B.A.

City Clerk

JORDAN A. RIULLANO

Deputy City Clerk

**** This meeting was held in the council chambers, started at 7:12 p.m., with virtual participation via ZOOM and CMVNY Facebook. The meeting was not closed to the public however, the maximum number of in-person occupant was limited ****

PRESIDING: Danielle Browne, President

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

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Council President Browne

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. A Councilperson was asked to lead the council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Commissioner Rausse and a representative from Cleary Consulting, Patrick Cleary presented a powerpoint presentation introducing the Draft Comprehension Plan

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no speakers in-house or online who were "FOR" the draft comprehension plan.

There were six in-house speakers "AGAINST" the draft comprehensive plan. The speakers discussed issues regarding SEQRA, removal of single-family zones, heightened density, lack of retail in the Fleetwood business district, lack of use of the advisory comprehensive plan committee, requesting the public hearing session remain open for consultant review, ADU's, market-rate housing, PILOT's, and on-going issues with lack of parking.

There were no speakers online who were "AGAINST" the draft comprehensive plan.

The Deputy and City Clerk read eight written comments aloud. The overview; The majority of respondents oppose zoning and process changes, emphasizing risks to neighborhood stability, infrastructure, and transparency. While some acknowledge the need for modernization, most urge a slower, more accountable, and community-driven approach.

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

FINANCE AND PLANNING

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Attachments: [Comp Plan Referral with Link](#)
[Comp Plan Committee Mtg July 14](#)
[Comp Plan EAF Part 1](#)
[Comp Plan EAF Part 2](#)
[Comp Plan PH Comments Night 1](#)
[Comp Plan PH Comments Night 2 as of 10-15.](#)

OTHER BUSINESS/CLOSING COMMENTS

Motion to continue this public hearing until October 14, 2025.

Moved: Councilmember Gleason, **Seconded:** Councilmember Poteat

continued

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

There being no other further business, the meeting was ended at 8:48 p.m.

Nicole Bonilla, MBA
City Clerk