

City of Mount Vernon, New York

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

4:00 PM

MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM - 1st FLOOR

Board of Estimate & Contract

Call to Order: At 4:13 PM by Chairwoman Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard

- Roll Call:** Roll Call and reading of agenda items administered by Deputy City Clerk Nicole J. Bonilla. Noticed in the Journal News.
- PRESENT** Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard, Comptroller Darren Morton, and Derrick Thompson
- ABSENT** President Cathlin Gleason
- OTHERS:** Deputy City Clerk Nicole J. Bonilla

**ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGENDA
RESOLUTIONS APPROVING ORDINANCES**

1. [TMP -941](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Approval of Payment for OpenGov ARPA 2024.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: Mayor Patterson - Howard: How is this being expended? When is the payment due?

Response: Assistant Comptroller Hamilton: Due this year

approved

2. [TMP -920](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Approval of VMware support contract and payment Davenport group ARPA 1680.203.C927.pdf](#)
[Top Five Concerns Broadcom.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: Comptroller Morton: What is this for?

Response: Commission Perez: Dell servers

approved

3. [TMP -927](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Revised Monday.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: Comptroller Morton: More Software?

Response: Mayor Patterson - Howard: This is for constituent relationship management tracking and reporting.

approved

4. [TMP -921](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Transfer of Funds - negative lines 9-2024.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: none.

approved

5. [TMP -957](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [DPW Capital Fleet Acquisition -NCL Government Capital.pdf](#)
[vehicledraft1.pdf](#)

Comptroller Morton: There was concern for total cost and interest cost. That cost must be budgeted starting 2025. What is the immediacy for this so we can search alternative options?

Mayor Patterson - Howard: DPW and finance office met on this, and ARPA funds would be used first and the city's payments will begin 2026. 62% of the fleet is unusable. This equipment is ready and available.

Deputy Commissioner Nuculovic: Trucks are not able to handle a snow, hold salt/sand and plow. We must get the truck, training and have it ready by the snow season. It is dyer and urgent. The refuse trucks are in disrepair. We don't have time to repair because they are being used during three shifts.

Comptroller Morton: This was discussed with DPW but was not told that DPW was going forward with this lease purchase. Someone reached out to bond counsel. Is there a buyout clause or early penalty payment? We may find alternative financing funds instead of taking it to the term of the original leasing agreement. We will hold it for now and make time to come back this week for a special meeting.

Assistant Corporation Counsel Powell: we have a document with the terms for review.
held

6. [TMP -936](#)

Code: LPW

Attachments: [BCA Walk2.pdf](#)
[BCAWalkMap.pdf](#)
[PD Response Breast Cancer Walk.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: none.

approved

7. [TMP -925](#)

Code: HR

Attachments: [WIN 24-25 Council Let.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Mayor Patterson - Howard: This is on the county timeline. We had these for decades

approved

8. [TMP -943](#)

Code: HR

Attachments: [REC- VEHICLE ARPA FUNDS TRANSFER](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Mayor Patterson - Howard: vehicles for nutrition program and food delivery and one for commissioner and DC to utilize.

Comptroller Morton: There was conflict with the referral. If the vehicles are reversed, two cargo & one regular car. The funds and quote might also be wrong.

Mayor SPH: We received clarification during the recess to speak. The SUV's are to deliver food and cargo van for food rescue. It is for 2 SUVs and cargo van for large support transport. It is correct.

Comptroller Morton: eligibility code for that vehicle being used by commissioners.

Assistant Comptroller Hamilton: This may negatively impact public service code

approved

9. [TMP -953](#)

Code: HR

Attachments: [Rec- Pumpkin Fest 2024](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Mayor Patterson Howard: Not at memorial field, it is at Hartley Park. *change on the floor*

approved as amended

10. [TMP -917](#)

Code: HR

Attachments: [Youth Bureau Lights on event.docx](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Mayor Patterson - Howard: We advise you go to the event approved

11. [TMP -918](#)

Code: HR

Attachments: [ANYSYB conference Referral letter 2024.pdf](#)
[Conf. Agenda.pdf](#)
[ANYSYB mileage.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Mayor Patterson - Howard: it is in our region. Funds for registration and conference expense.
approved

12. [TMP -928](#)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [Agenda Letter Alpine Software.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: None.
approved

13. [TMP -947](#)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [MVPD Trunk or Treat.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Mayor Patterson - Howard: It is from 4:30 - 7 PM
approved

14. [TMP -948](#)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [Ivory Tower Training](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: None.
approved

15. [TMP -951](#)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [Reimbursement for 2 Members of Service](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: Comptroller Morton: Are we utilizing city vehicles?

Response: Mayor Patterson - Howard: Just hotel, meals, gas and parking approved

16. [TMP -915](#)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [ConEd referral Letter.pdf](#)
[ConEd Timeline.pdf](#)
[FAQ Responses for Mt Vernon City Council Meeting Oct 2024 1.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Comptroller Morton: Correct address is at the doles center approved

17. [TMP -909](#)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [Referral Letter Agriculture NYS.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: Comptroller Morton: Fuel Inspection?

Response: Mayor Patterson - Howard: Weights and measures approved

18. [TMP -959](#)

Code: FP

Attachments: [COMP2024-13-Consultant Agreement for Implementation of Putting Asset to Work \(PAW\) .pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Comptroller Morton - this is an example of benefits of the elected and staff going to professional development and conferences. This is a direct result of doing so.

Mayor Patterson - Howard: Also we received million dollar grant!
approved

TAX REVIEW SETTLEMENTS

Motion to take items #19 - 23 as a Block vote

take items as block vote

19. [TMP -966](#)

Attachments: [Resolution for Tax Refund - Staples Inc.pdf](#)
[Consent Judgment - Staples Inc.pdf](#)

approved

20. [TMP -967](#)

Attachments: Consent Judgment - Randhawas Estate Corp.pdf
[Resolution for Tax Refund - Randhawas Estate Corp.pdf](#)

approved

21. [TMP -968](#)

Attachments: Consent Order and Judgment - Adventure Holding Inc (003).pdf
[Resolution for Tax Refund - Adventure Holding Inc.pdf](#)

approved

22. [TMP -969](#)

Attachments: Consent Order Judgment - Fulton Acquisition LLC.pdf
[Resolution for Tax Refund - Fulton Acquisition LLC.pdf](#)

approved

23. [TMP -970](#)

Attachments: [Resolution for Tax Refund - 2371 Exterior LLC and 627 S. Columbus LLC.pdf](#)

Consent Judgment - 2371 Exterior LLC and 627 S. Columbus LLC.pdf

approved

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Mayor Patterson - Howard: Tax certificates might need to go out for bond and have properties re-assessed

approved the Consent Agenda

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

Nay: None

Absent: President Gleason

24. [TMP -971](#)

Attachments: CONSENT ORDER & JUDGMENT - 19 SOUTH 13TH AVENUE, LLC.pdf

[Resolution for Tax Refund - 19 South 13th Avenue.pdf](#)

Moved: Acting Pro Tem. Thompson, Seconded by Comptroller Morton

On the question: none.

Response: Comptroller Morton: There is a problem with calculation

Assistant Comptroller Hamilton: The legislation number is incorrect. \$6,038.38 or \$198.95 difference between the two totals. *Amend on the floor*

Motion to amend on the floor (\$6,038.38) Thompson/Morton - AYE ALL

approved as amended

Agenda was concluded at 5:14 PM

Chairwoman Patterson-Howard asked if there was new business:

Mayor Patterson Howard: DPW is going for free training to Denmark to learn about thermal heating.

Comptroller Morton: Section 85a of the charter, by the 15th supply a letter for reserves for delinquent taxes. There is zero available.

Acting Pro Tem. Thompson: We need to get businesses in MV to generate taxable income for the city.

Comptroller Morton: tax lien sales coming up.

APT Thompson: Thanks to comptroller, mayor and council, this is what a functioning government looks like.

Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn.

approved

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:31 PM

**Jordan Riullano, JD
Deputy City Clerk**