



SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**AUGUST 6, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024, APRIL 9,
AND JUNE 12, 2025**

A Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 9:05 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, for the purpose of approving a by-law. Subsequently, the meeting recessed and reconvened on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at 1 pm; Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 1:03 pm; and Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 6:03 pm. This Special Council meeting was convened in person and via electronic means as authorized by Part 14 of the *Procedure By-law*.

PRESENT:

Mayor Ken Sim
Councillor Adriane Carr** (absent on August 6, 2024)
Councillor Lisa Dominato* (absent on August 6, 2024)
Councillor Pete Fry* (absent on August 6, 2024, and June 12, 2025)
Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung* (absent on April 9, 2025)
Councillor Mike Klassen
Councillor Peter Meiszner* (Leave of Absence – Personal Reasons on April 9, 2025)
Councillor Brian Montague
Councillor Lenny Zhou

ABSENT:

Councillor Rebecca Bligh
Councillor Christine Boyle** (Leave of Absence – Personal Reasons on September 25, 2024)
Councillor Lucy Maloney***
Councillor Orr***

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:

Paul Mochrie, City Manager
Karen Levitt, Deputy City Manager (August 6, 2024)
Armin Amrolia, Deputy City Manager (August 6, 2024, and April 9, 2025)

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:

Katrina Leckovic, City Clerk (August 6 and September 25, 2024)
Lesley Matthews, Deputy City Clerk (June 12, 2025)
Tina Penney, Deputy City Clerk (April 9, 2025)
Rowena Choi, Meeting Coordinator (August 6 and September 25, 2024)
Bonnie Kennett, Meeting Coordinator (April 9, 2025)
Julie Emmerson, Meeting Coordinator (June 12, 2025)
David Yim, Meeting Coordinator (June 12, 2025)

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

**Denotes resignation from Council as of December 12, 2024, for Councillor Boyle, and January 15, 2025 for Councillor Carr.

***Denotes absence prior to being sworn into City Council on April 15, 2025.

WELCOME

The Mayor acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh People. We thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great city together.

The Mayor also recognized the immense contributions of the City of Vancouver's team members who work hard every day to help make our city an incredible place to live, work, and play.

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On August 6, 2024, following roll call, Mayor Sim relinquished the Chair to Acting Mayor Zhou in order to introduce a motion to recess the meeting. Following the conclusion of the motion, Mayor Sim resumed the Chair.

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MOVED by Mayor Sim
SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the meeting be recessed until Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at 1 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Carr, Dominato, and Fry absent for the vote)

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On August 6, 2024, the Special Council meeting recessed at 9:22 am and reconvened on September 25, 2024, at 1 pm.

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On September 25, 2024, following roll call, Councillor Zhou rose on a point of parliamentary procedure to ask staff through the Chair if his amendment from the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting of July 24, 2024, for the Members' Motion entitled "Scope Review for Improved Governance," can be rescinded. Following staff's response, the Mayor ruled that the request was not in order pursuant to section 8.13 (1) of the *Procedure By-law*, as it is not possible to rescind an adopted amendment as irreversible action has been taken. The irreversible action is that a Special Council meeting is underway to consider the approval of the by-law enactment entitled "A By-law to amend the Code of Conduct By-law No. 12886 regarding independent reviews."

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Subsequently, Mayor Sim relinquished the Chair to Acting Mayor Kirby-Yung in order to provide comments and resumed the Chair once done.

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During discussion on a motion to recess, Councillor Kirby-Yung rose on a point of order stating that per *Roberts Rules*, Council members may only speak to the merits of the recess and not to the motion itself. The Mayor ruled in favour of Councillor Kirby-Yung and reminded Council members to keep their comments germane to the recess motion and to refrain from commenting on the substance of the motion itself.

On September 25, 2024, it was

MOVED by Councillor Zhou
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

THAT the meeting be recessed until Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 1 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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On September 25, 2024, the Special Council meeting recessed at 1:19 pm and reconvened on April 9, 2025, at 1:03 pm.

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On April 9, 2025, it was

MOVED by Councillor Zhou
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

THAT the meeting be recessed until June 12, 2025, at 6 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Kirby-Yung and Meiszner absent for the vote)

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On April 9, 2025, the Special Council meeting recessed at 1:06 pm and reconvened on June 12, 2025, at 6:03 pm.

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On June 12, 2025, it was

MOVED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the Special Council meeting be recessed until November 20, 2025, at 6 pm.
not put.

The motion having not received a seconder, was not put.

Prior to the start of item 1, Councillors Dominato, Kirby-Yung, and Meiszner, rose and declared conflict of interest under Section 145.2(2.b) of the Vancouver Charter, as each of the three councillors have open investigations submitted against them with the Office of the Integrity Commissioner. Subsequently, the three councillors left the meeting.

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Due to loss of quorum, the meeting adjourned. As per the Procedure By-law, this item is to be considered at the Council meeting on June 17, 2025, as Unfinished Business.

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The Special Council ended on June 12, 2025, at 6:10 pm

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