

## MEMORANDUM

July 7, 2026

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Jason Twa, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Changes to the 2026 Council Meetings Schedule

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At the Council meeting on October 21, 2025, Council approved the 2026 Council Meetings Schedule. Council has previously made changes to the 2026 Council Meetings Schedule on four occasions: December 9, 2025, February 3, March 31, and May 5, 2026.

Under Section 2.7 of the *City of Vancouver Procedure By-law*, Council may resolve to cancel or change the date, time, or place of any meeting.

The City Clerk's Office has received an extraordinarily high number of agenda items for Council meetings in July. To date, the City Clerk's Office has received 93 Council Reports, including high profile items such as the 2027-2030 Capital Plan and 2026 Financing Growth Updates, notice of up to 16 Council Member's Motions and expects to have up to 15 re-zoning applications scheduled for public hearing. The existing Meeting and Reserve Meeting dates scheduled fall significantly short of the total time likely required to reasonably allow Council to complete all agenda items. We note that the current time estimates do not account for any additional Council Member's Motions for which notice may be provided at the Council Meeting on July 14, 2026.

Given the anticipated volume and profile of business before Council in July, it is recommended that Council designate additional Meeting Reserves including a potential weekend date to provide flexibility should meetings need to reconvene. Should Council resolve to add the additional Meeting Reserves, the prospect remains that Council may not be able to complete all agenda items in the time allotted, in which case the City Clerk's Office may need to seek additional Meeting Reserves in August.

Staff have reviewed all available dates, taking into account Council members' availability and Leaves of Absence, and recommend the following:

### RECOMMENDATION

- A. THAT Council change the Meeting Reserve on July 16, 2026, from 3 pm – 5 pm to 1 pm – 5 pm.
- B. THAT Council add a Meeting Reserve on July 20, 2026, from 1 pm – 5 pm.

- C. THAT Council cancel the Business Licence Hearing on July 21, 2026, and add a Meeting Reserve from 9:30 am – 5 pm.
- D. THAT Council change the start time of the Special Council Meeting on July 22, 2026, from 3 pm to 5 pm.
- E. THAT Council cancel the Business Licence Hearing on July 22, 2026, and add a Meeting Reserve from 9:30 am – 4 pm.
- F. THAT Council change the Meeting Reserve on July 23, 2026, from 3 pm – 5 pm to 9:30 am – 5 pm.
- G. THAT Council add a Meeting Reserve on July 24, 2026, from 5 pm – 10 pm.
- H. THAT Council add a Meeting Reserve on July 25, 2026, from 9:30 am – 10 pm.
- I. THAT Council add a Meeting Reserve on July 27, 2026, from 9:30 am – 10 pm.
- J. THAT Council cancel the scheduled Public Hearing on July 28, 2026, and add a Meeting Reserve from 6 pm – 10 pm.

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