



VANCOUVER CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

January 14, 2026

A meeting of the Vancouver City Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, at 4:06 PM, in the Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall, and via electronic means.

PRESENT: Amber Osadan-Ullman, Chair
Sarvnaz Golkar*
Trisha Halpenny
Sheyda Keyani
William Liang
Taygete Luna
Mariyeh Sharifisaraei, Vice-Chair
Gloria Song, Vice-Chair*

ABSENT: Khushali Kagrana (Leave of Absence)
Zarah Monfaredi (Leave of Absence)
Aidan Shirley, Vice-Chair (Medical Leave)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Brian Montague, Council Liaison
Joyce Uyesugi, City-Wide and Regional Planning; Staff
Liaison Representative

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Taimiya Khalid, Coordinator, Planning Committees
Kevin Burris, Manager, Civic Agencies

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The Coordinator, Planning Committees acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples. 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.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Commissioner Osadan-Ullman
SECONDED by Commissioner Sharifisaraei

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission approve leave of absence requests for Commissioners Kagrana and Monfaredi for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Commissioner Song
SECONDED by Commissioner Luna

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission approve the minutes from the meeting of Wednesday, November 19, 2025, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. VCPC Role and Procedures

The Manager, Civic Agencies provided an orientation on the role of the Vancouver City Planning Commission, and meeting procedures governing civic agencies.

The Manager agreed to follow up on incorporating the Commission into existing Staff Engagement Request processes.

2. VCPC Priorities and Expectations

The Commission discussed priorities and expectations for the year.

3. Commission Appointments

MOVED by Commissioner Song
SECONDED by Commissioner Golkar

THAT Commissioner Osadan-Ullman be appointed as VCPC Chair for a term ending December 31, 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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At this point in the meeting, the Coordinator, Planning Committees relinquished the meeting chair to the newly appointed Chair.

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MOVED by Commissioner Liang

SECONDED by Commissioner Golkar

THAT Commissioners Sharifisaraei, Shirley, and Song be appointed as VCPC Vice-Chairs for a term ending December 31, 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Commissioner Song

SECONDED by Commissioner Luna

THAT Commissioners Sharifisaraei and Shirley be appointed as alternating VCPC representatives to the Urban Design Panel for a term ending December 31, 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Commissioner Song

SECONDED by Commissioner Halpenny

THAT Commissioners Golkar, Keyani, Liang, and Luna be appointed to the Nominations Committee for a term ending December 31, 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Commissioner Song

SECONDED by Commissioner Golkar

THAT Commissioners Sharifisaraei and Sheyda and be appointed to the Workplan Housing Subcommittee.

FURTHER THAT Commissioner Sharifisaraei be appointed to the Workplan Climate Adaptation Subcommittee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Commissioner Golkar

SECONDED by Commissioner Keyani

THAT the Commission form a Reimagine VCPC Initiative Subcommittee

FURTHER THAT Commissioners Luna, Sharifisaraei, and Song and be appointed to the Reimagine VCPC Initiative Subcommittee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Liaison Updates

The Council Liaison and Staff Liaison provided updates

6. Subcommittee Updates

None

7. New Business

The Commission discussed timelines for workplan deliverables and upcoming staff presentations.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Song
SECONDED by Commissioner Golkar

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Wednesday, February 11, 2026
TIME: 4:00 pm
PLACE: Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall
/ Teams Meeting

The Committee adjourned at 5:52 PM.

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