



## VANCOUVER FOOD POLICY COUNCIL

### MINUTES

**April 2, 2026**

A meeting of the Vancouver Food Policy Council was held on Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 5:35 pm, in the Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall, and via electronic means.

**PRESENT:** Michelle Reining, Chair  
Jordan Bultitude  
Sharon Dong  
Cathy Ha  
Bree Hayden  
Michael Kurtz  
Ryan Natividad  
Jason O'Brien  
Lillian Yin

**ABSENT:** Katherine Feng  
Ash Mirnabavi  
Parisa Roofigari  
Chanel Soo (Leave of Absence)  
Kae Yee Tsai (Leave of Absence)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Vanessa Lam, Vancouver Coastal Health Liaison  
Henry Lau, Social Planner; Staff Liaison  
Krista Voth, Planner; Park Board Staff Liaison

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Bonnie Kennett, Meeting Coordinator  
Tamara Tosoff, Meeting Coordinator

### WELCOME

The Chair 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 Ryan Natividad  
SECONDED by Lillian Yin

THAT the Vancouver Food Policy Council approve leaves of absence for Chanel Soo and Kae Yee Tsai, for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Bree Hayden  
SECONDED by Ryan Natividad

THAT the Vancouver Food Policy Council approve the minutes from the meeting of Thursday, January 29, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **1. Presentation: Vancouver Farmers Market**

Laura Smit, Executive Director, Vancouver Farmers Market presented an overview of the Vancouver Farmers Market operations and connections with the Vancouver Food Policy Council and responded to questions.

### **2. Presentation: Field House Activation Program**

The Park Board Staff Liaison, along with consultant Ingrid Figueroa, provided a presentation on the Field House Activation Program and responded to questions.

### **3. Working Session Updates**

None.

### **4. Liaison Updates**

The Staff Liaisons provided updates and responded to questions and comments.

### **5. Working Group Updates**

None.

### **6. New Business**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Ryan Natividad  
SECONDED by Jason O'Brien

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Next Meeting:**

DATE: Thursday, May 28, 2026  
TIME: 5:30 pm  
PLACE: Cascadia Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall  
/ Teams Meeting

The Committee adjourned at 7:32 pm.

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