

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor

Bart Hansen • Ty Stober • Erik Paulsen • Sarah J. Fox • Diana H. Perez • Kim D. Harless

November 13, 2023

WORKSHOPS

Vancouver City Hall - Council Chambers - 415 W 6th Street, Vancouver WA

Workshops were conducted in person in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting in person, via the live broadcast on www.cvtv.org and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, or www.facebook.com/VancouverUS.

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5:00-6:00 p.m. Emergency Medical Services System Assessment and Ambulance Contract Update

Brennan Blue, Fire Chief, 360-487-7201

Summary

Staff led Council through a discussion of the Emergency Medical Services System Assessment and Ambulance Contract Update.

Councilmember Fox was absent from the workshop.

COUNCIL DINNER/ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES (6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.)

COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

This meeting was conducted as a hybrid meeting with in person and remote viewing and participation over video conference utilizing a GoToMeeting platform. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting in person, via the live broadcast on www.cvtv.org and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/VancouverUS. Public access and testimony on Consent Agenda items and under the Community Forum were also facilitated in person and via the GoToMeeting conference call.

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Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order and Roll Call

The regular meeting of the Vancouver City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor McEnerny-Ogle. This meeting was conducted as a hybrid meeting, including both in person and remotely over video conference.

Present: Councilmembers Harless, Perez, Paulsen, Stober, Hansen,

and Mayor McEnerny-Ogle

Absent: Councilmember Fox

Motion by Councilmember Stober, seconded by Councilmember Paulsen, and carried unanimously to excuse Councilmember Fox.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes - October 9, 2023

Motion by Councilmember Stober, seconded by Councilmember Paulsen, and carried unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of October 9, 2023.

Proclamations: Native American Cultural Heritage Month and Native American Heritage Day

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle read and presented a proclamation to Catarina Consuelo Marie Salazar, Dakota Sioux, Shelia Hendrikson-Davis, Fourth Plain Forward, Mercedes White Calf, Oglala Sioux Tribe and Southwest Washington Advocacy Coordinator at the Native American Youth and Family Center, proclaiming November 2023, as Native American Cultural Heritage Month and November 24, 2023, as Native American Heritage Day.

Community Communications

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle opened Community Communication and received testimony from the following community members regarding any matter on the agenda not scheduled for a Public Hearing:

- Kimberlee Goheen Elbon, La Center, WA
- Monica Zazueta, Vancouver
- Peter Fels, Vancouver
- Peter Bracchi, Vancouver
- Paris Nelson, Vancouver
- Paul Burgess, Vancouver

There being no further testimony, Mayor McEnerny-Ogle closed Community Communication.

Consent Agenda (Items 1-11)

Council requested items 4 and 6 be pulled for discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Paulsen, seconded by Councilmember Harless, and carried unanimously to approve items 1-3, 5, and 7-11 on the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Councilmember Harless, seconded by Councilmember Perez, and carried unanimously to approve item 4 on the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Councilmember Paulsen, seconded by Councilmember Hansen, and carried 5-1 to approve item 6 on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Perez voted No.

1. 2023-2029 Commute Trip Reduction Interlocal Agreement and 2023-2025 CTR Grant Agreement

Staff Report: 202-23

In 2006, the Washington Legislature passed the Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) Efficiency Act, requiring local governments in identified urban areas with traffic congestion to develop programs that reduce the drive-alone trips

and vehicle miles traveled per capita. The CTR Efficiency Act amended the 1991, Commute Trip Reduction Law, codified as §70.94.521-.551 RCW. Biannually, the State Legislature allocates grant funds to support local CTR activities. Since 2005, the City of Vancouver, Clark County and the City of Camas have developed an intergovernmental agreement establishing a regional work plan and assignment of administration responsibilities for the CTR program.

The City of Vancouver provides program management and oversight of the CTR program for Vancouver, Clark County (those portions lying within the unincorporated Vancouver UGA) and Camas. Through this program, the City provides direct services to approximately 57 affected participating worksites (affected worksites are those with 100+ employees that report to work between 6 am – 9 pm).

The State Legislature authorized financial support for the statewide CTR program in the 2023-2025 biennium. These funds are distributed on a formula basis through the Washington State Department of Transportation, Office of Public Transportation and Commute Options. In this case, the City of Vancouver will be the primary contracting agency and administer the program for Vancouver and Camas and their urban growth areas.

The proposed CTR intergovernmental agreement and associated CTR Work Plan specifies that the City of Vancouver will receive all the state grant funds to administer the regional program. For the period starting July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2025, grant funds amount to \$391,900. In receiving this allocation of program funds, the City has sufficient resources to manage the program. Note that the term of the ILA is July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2029; if the legislature does not continue to authorize program funding beyond the biennium ending on July 30, 2025, the ILA will no longer be valid.

Staff recommends the City enter into a contract with the Washington State Department of Transportation to receive State CTR program grant funding; and enter into a Commute Trip Reduction intergovernmental agreement with Clark County and the City of Camas to guide the City's administration of the regional program.

Request:

On November 13, 2023, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to sign the Transportation Demand Implementation Agreement with the Washington Department of Transportation (PTD0832) and sign the 2023-2029 Commute Trip Reduction intergovernmental agreement with Clark County and the City of Camas.

Olivia Kahn, Transportation Demand Management Coordinator, 360-487-7939

Motion approved the request.

 State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services & Developmental Disabilities Administration Interlocal Agreements for Respite in Community Settings & Recreation Opportunities

Staff Report: 203-23

The State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) & Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) administer the Respite in Community Settings (RCS) & Recreation Opportunities (RO) interlocal agreements. These programs allow eligible participants living with a disability to utilize funds to participate in existing specialized and general recreation programs offered by Vancouver Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services. The distinguishing difference is RCS funds support both the recreation and wellness of the individual participating, as well as providing needed respite for family and caregivers. The RO funds are only intended to provide access to wellness and recreation opportunities for the disabled individual. The RCS fund accounts for the majority of reimbursements with the City of Vancouver.

Vancouver has partnered with DSHS & DDA in these interlocal agreements to serve the neurodiverse and/or individuals living with a disability in the community for numerous agreement cycles. As a result, Vancouver has been and continues to be the preeminent provider of recreation and enrichment programming for our neurodiverse community members and those in the community living with a cognitive disability in Southwest Washington.

Request: Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute Interlocal

Agreements with DSHS for the services described above.

Andy Meade, Recreation Facility Manager, 360-487-7098

Motion approved the request.

Temporary Suspension of Annual Review of Applicant-Initiated Land Use and Development Proposals for the 2024 and 2025 Comprehensive Plan Annual Review Cycles

Staff Report: 204-23

A RESOLUTION relating to the temporary suspension of annual review of applicant-initiated land use and development proposals under Vancouver Municipal Code Chapter 20.285 for the applications received for the 2024 and 2025 annual review cycles.

The City is in the process of updating its 20-Year Comprehensive Plan, associated policies and development regulations, in alignment with the

periodic review requirements of the GMA, specifically RCW 36.70A.130. Pausing applicant-initiated Comprehensive Plan and zoning code map and text amendments while the full update is underway is necessary to best ensure that the mandatory periodic update of the City's Comprehensive Plan provides consistent policy implementation and follows clear, concise, and transparent decision-making throughout the process formally endorsed by City Council via the project charter.

Request:

Approve the attached resolution for the temporary suspension of annual applicant-initiated land use and development proposals for the 2024 and 2025 Comprehensive Plan annual review cycles.

Rebecca Kennedy, Deputy Community Development Director. 360-487-7896

Motion adopted Resolution M-4255 to approve the request.

4. Lodging Tax Grants for 2024

Staff Report: 205-23

A RESOLUTION relating to the award of lodging tax grant funds to nine organizations for 2024 as recommend by the City Council appointed Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

RCW 67.28.180 allows municipalities to impose a 4% lodging tax on stays of less than 30 days at hotels, motels, campgrounds, bed and breakfasts, and RV parks. Those funds can only be used for tourism-related projects, events, and facilities. Vancouver increased its lodging tax from 2% to 4% in 1998 with the second 2% dedicated to debt service and capital improvements for the downtown Hotel/Convention Center. The original 2% continued to be used to fund other tourism related projects.

For 2024, the City has \$157,000 in lodging tax revenue that is excess to the needs of the Hotel/Convention Center and is available for other tourism-related projects. The RCW requires that to expend lodging tax funds, the City's Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC), comprising equal numbers of lodging tax generators and potential lodging tax recipients, must review and recommend proposed expenditures to the City Council. In August 2023, the City solicited lodging tax grant proposals from interested parties. Fourteen (14) proposals were received totaling \$549,967. LTAC reviewed the proposals and, as set forth in Exhibit A, is recommending full or partial funding of nine (9) projects, totaling \$157,000.

Per state regulations, the City Council may only approve awards to candidates recommended by LTAC and only at the amount recommended, unless Council submits its change in the amount to the Committee for comment. While the LTAC has historically funded all applicants for grants at varying levels, the high demand for LTAC Grants this year led to a more strategic funding recommendation structure. The funding recommendations made by the Committee gave priority consideration to applications that were new or for significantly expanded events, would generate overnight stays, demonstrated benefit related to the grant amount request, and the scalability of funding assistance. The recommendations made by the Committee are put forward to maximize the impact of Lodging Tax Grant funds and support projects that may not be able to move forward without this assistance. All approved grant recipients must enter into a professional services agreement with the City.

Request:

On November 13, 2023, adopt a resolution approving the 2024 Lodging Tax Grants as recommended by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute professional services agreements with the grant recipients.

Chris Harder, Deputy Economic Development Director, 360-487-7934

Motion adopted Resolution M-4256 to approve the request.

5. Fourth Plain for All Investment Strategy

Staff Report: 206-23

A RESOLUTION adopting the Fourth Plain For All Investment Strategy that includes projects, programs and initiatives to strengthen the Fourth Plain community, and providing for an effective date.

The COVID-19 pandemic created dual nationwide crises: a public health crisis combined with an economic crisis. The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was passed in 2021 to deliver relief for American workers and families and build a bridge to an equitable economic recovery. One of the ways ARPA provides support to struggling communities is through the distribution of more than \$360 billion in emergency funding for state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments.

The City of Vancouver received \$32.6 million in ARPA funding to help support our efforts to recover from the pandemic-induced economic and housing crisis, which disproportionately impacted socially and economically vulnerable communities and small independent businesses. On November 15, 2021, the Vancouver City Council endorsed an investment framework for ARPA funds that would allocate around 75% of these funds (approximately \$25 million) to the Fourth Plain area in central Vancouver. This funding focuses on socially and economically vulnerable areas in Vancouver that have experienced disproportionate health and economic impacts from the pandemic.

Building on the successes of implementing the 2008 Fourth Plain Corridor Subarea Plan and 2015 Fourth Plain Forward Action Plan, Council directed staff to co-create a 10-year investment strategy with the local community that incorporates the dedicated \$25 million in ARPA funding, as well as prepares the City to take advantage of other funding sources and opportunities to continue advancing equity, safety, mobility, access to jobs and services, a thriving small business ecosystem, and improved parks and open spaces for the Fourth Plain community.

The Fourth Plain for All project team employed equity-centered engagement practices to support a more inclusive planning process, with the goal of developing a co-creative process that increased the role of the community in project decision-making. Special attention was made in reaching out to historically marginalized communities in the engagement strategy, including by developing an Investment Strategy Committee (ISC) and selecting five community members to serve as multilingual project ambassadors. The ISC was integral to the success of the project and consisted of 15 community members who live, work, own a business or attend school in the project area; 86% of whom self-identify as BIPOC, and four members who were youth members (24 years or younger). Additionally, more than 700 community members provided feedback and shared their vision for Fourth Plain across nearly 20 engagement events and activities.

The Fourth Plain for All Investment Strategy includes community-identified priorities and action items to advance the community's vision for the Fourth Plain area over the next 10 years. Projects and programs will advance through a combination of ARPA funding and other funding sources in the following five categories: Housing, Community Building and Public Health, Parks and Public Space, Transportation, and Economic Development. The Investment Strategy calls out key priority action items to be implemented in the short-term using ARPA funding.

Request:

Staff requests Council to adopt a resolution approving the Fourth Plain for All Investment Strategy and authorizing the City Manager on behalf of the City to deploy resources and take necessary actions to implement the Fourth Plain for All Investment Strategy.

Shannon Williams, Senior Planner, 360-487-7898

Motion adopted Resolution M-4257 to approve the request.

6. Warehouse Code Amendments

Staff Report: 207-23

AN ORDINANCE relating to the regulation of Warehouse/Freight Movement uses in the City of Vancouver, providing for savings, severability, and an effective date.

Late in 2022, city planning staff noticed a trend of very large (as large as 600,000 square feet) warehouses being submitted for development approvals. At the time, there were as many as eight warehouses larger than 100,000 square feet being proposed or under construction, with a cumulative building area of 3.34 million square feet, the equivalent of 58 football fields. Other cities were (and are) experiencing a similar surge in large warehouse projects, and staff was hearing reports of megawarehouses elsewhere, such as a 2.5 million square foot warehouse in Tacoma.

These extremely large facilities appear to be a growing trend nationally in response to the increasing demand for online retail shopping and parcel delivery as well as supply chain logistics issues and consume significant swaths of limited industrial land with typically lower jobs per acre ratio than many other industrial uses.

Staff became concerned that if the trend continued, limited industrial lands would be consumed by low-wage, low jobs per acre uses that could otherwise be developed for higher wage skilled manufacturing or research and development jobs. Additional concerns with large warehouses that were identified by staff included an increase in truck traffic and pollution, energy consumption/climate impacts from such large building footprints, visual impacts, and limited potential for adaptive re-use of such structures if in the future they are no longer needed for storage of goods.

In December of 2022, planning and economic development staff took their concerns to City Council and recommended that an emergency six-month moratorium be adopted to prevent the submission of any new preapplications or land use applications for warehouses larger than 100,000 square feet to allow staff time to study these new types of warehouses and understand the physical, operational, and economic differences from traditional wholesale warehouses - as well as key differences in impacts - to inform possible new use and development standards. Because state law only allows land use moratoriums for six months at a time, staff indicated that one six-month extension would be needed to ensure sufficient time to complete needed analysis, public engagement, and development of code amendments.

On December 12 following an executive session, City Council at their regular meeting adopted an emergency ordinance on new large warehouse applications, and the emergency ordinance was affirmed by City Council following a public hearing as required by state law, on January 23, 2023. Three amendments to the initial moratorium ordinance were requested by City Council, which were adopted by ordinance on February 6, 2023, including: 1) an exemption from the moratorium for the Port of Vancouver; 2) increase in the size of warehouses subject to the moratorium from

100,000 square feet to 250,000 square feet and larger; and 3) an exemption from the moratorium for any storage for a publicly-traded product, if formalized through a development agreement.

On June 5, 2023, following a public hearing, City Council approved a sixmonth extension of the moratorium but also encouraged staff to propose any code amendments as soon as possible so the moratorium may be terminated sooner. The moratorium will end on December 6, 2023.

Over the past ten months, staff has consulted with warehouse industry experts and engaged in a series of meetings with environmental advocates and business stakeholders including the Port of Vancouver and representatives from existing warehouse facilities, as well as the Planning Commission. Planning staff have tried where possible to incorporate input on specific code language to make the ordinance clearer and to balance the stated objectives of City Council with industry, neighborhood and environmental perspectives. Proposed climate action-related measures are somewhat modest, in anticipation of more comprehensive Green Building Standards - which will likely apply to all uses - being developed and adopted in the near future.

The draft code changes presented to City Council for consideration will accomplish several key objectives which are in alignment with the intent of the moratorium and prior Council direction:

- Warehouses larger than 250,000 square feet in a single building would be prohibited in the IL, Light Industrial District which tend to be closer to residential districts. Such warehouses would however be allowed as a limited use in the IH, Heavy Industrial District (effectively only in the Port of Vancouver or Columbia Business Center due to parcel size constraints elsewhere) where they are more compatible with surrounding uses and further away from residential districts and would need to meet certain proposed additional development requirements;
- The maximum lot coverage standard (e.g., the percent of land that may be occupied by a building) would be reduced from 100% to 75% for all warehouse/freight movement uses in recognition that because a portion of the site is needed for parking, truck loading and maneuvering, storm water detention, tree plantings, etc., it is not possible for buildings to occupy 100% of a given site;
- Warehouses larger than 250,000 square feet in the IH District would be subject to special development standards that: prohibit truck traffic along Fruit Valley Road, reduce the minimum parking requirement, reduce the maximum lot coverage, and require certain climate action measures such as: solar-ready roofs (weight load capacity and electrical), EV charging stations at 20% of parking spaces, truck dock charging conduit and wiring, white-colored roofs to reduce heat

storage, skylights or clerestory windows to allow natural light, prohibit truck idling, architectural features (such as windows, darker colors, articulation of façade, etc.), a 10% increase in tree plantings over other industrial uses (33 tree units per acre) and 25-foot wide treed buffer if adjacent to public streets to reduce visual impacts; and

• The minimum required number of parking spaces for all warehouse and distribution facilities would be reduced from 1 space for every 2,000 square feet of building area to 1 space for every 5,000 square feet of building area, in recognition that warehouses are increasingly becoming more automated and may need less parking for employees. Reducing the amount of paved surfaces improves storm water and climate outcomes (less heat retention) and creates more space for tree plantings.

Staff has engaged with stakeholders and the public throughout the past ten months. including Alliance for Community Engagement (ACE), Identity Clark County (ICC) Business Group, Port of Vancouver, Fruit Valley Neighborhood Association. Information regarding the project has been published to the City's BeHeard website, and more recently, postcards were mailed to each residential address in the Fruit Valley Neighborhood. The proposed code has been modified in many areas in response to comments received from all stakeholders.

The Planning Commission held two workshops to discuss the proposed code amendments on July 25 and September 12, 2023, respectively. On October 24, 2023 following a duly-noticed public hearing, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the proposed amendments to City Council.

The City Council has held four workshops on the draft code amendments and moratorium and has held two public hearings related to the moratorium. Request: On November 13, schedule the proposed Warehouse Code Amendments to VMC Title 20 Land Use and Development Code for a public hearing on November 20, 2023.

Chad Eiken, Community Development Director, 360-487-7882

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Motion approved the request.

Ad Valorem Taxes for 2024

Staff Report: 208-23

AN ORDINANCE fixing and levying the amount of ad valorem taxes necessary to balance estimated revenue with estimated expenditures for the 2023/2024 Budget for the City of Vancouver; providing for an effective date.

Pursuant to RCW 35.33.135, Council must approve an ordinance to fix and authorize the Clark County Assessor's Office to levy ad valorem taxes necessary to fund the City of Vancouver's 2023-2024 Biennial Budget.

An ad valorem tax (<u>Latin</u> for "according to value") is defined as a tax based on the value of <u>real estate</u> or <u>personal property</u>. An ad valorem tax is typically imposed at the time of a transaction(s) (a <u>sales tax</u> or <u>value-added tax</u> (VAT)), but it may be imposed on an annual basis (real or personal property tax) or in connection with another significant event (i.e. <u>inheritance tax</u>).

Staff currently estimates the 2024 real and personal property tax levy as \$78.5 million, which includes a preliminary estimate of \$1,182,000 in property tax revenue from new construction. The estimate of property tax from new construction will be updated based on the final new construction valuation provided by the Assessor's Office. The estimate of property tax revenue does not include the change in value of state-assessed utility property. Both of these amounts will not be final until December 2023.

City staff recommends that Council approve ad valorem taxes in the amount of \$88.5 million, which is needed to fund the City's 2023-2024 biennial budget. Of the total, \$78.5 million is for General Fund purposes, and \$10 million is for the Affordable Housing Fund. Approving ad valorem taxes of \$88.5 million allows the County Assessor's Office to levy real and personal property taxes to the full extent allowed under Washington State law. Staff anticipates that the final certified levy will be between \$86.5 million and \$87 million in 2024. If Council authorizes the ad valorem tax amount too low, the County Assessor's Office will only be allowed to levy up to the amount authorized by Council.

Request:

On November 13, 2023, approve ordinance on first reading, setting the date of second reading and public hearing for November 20, 2023.

Anthony Glenn, Treasurer, 360-487-8493

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Motion approved the request.

8. Property Tax Levy for 2024

Staff Report: 209-23

AN ORDINANCE relating to the annual property tax levy; authorizing an increase of 1.0% in the City's regular levy from the amount levied the previous year; and providing for an effective date.

On November 6, 2001, Washington voters approved Initiative 747 (I-747), which limits the allowable increase in the property tax levy to 1.0%, or the rate of inflation, whichever is less. The intent of the Initiative was reaffirmed by the Legislature in November 2007. The measure of inflation used under this law is the Implicit Price Deflator (IPD). The IPD inflation rate for 2024 levy calculations is 3.67%.

Staff recommends that City Council approve a 1.0% increase in the property tax levy, which is the maximum increase allowed. Based on last year's General Fund levy of \$73,497,675.67, the increase will be \$734,976.76. Authorization of this increase requires a simple majority vote of City Council.

On February 8, 2022, registered voters who reside within the City of Vancouver approved Proposition No. 2 which permanently increased the property tax levy rate beginning in 2023. This money is dedicated to fire and emergency services and facilities and the 2023-2024 budget added expenditures consistent with Proposition 2.

Staff estimates that the City's General Fund property tax levy rate (inclusive of the Proposition No.2 Levy LID Lift) in 2024 will range between \$2.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value to \$2.10 per \$1,000 of assessed value, compared to the actual 2023 General Fund property tax levy rate of \$2.17 per \$1,000. The decrease in the property tax levy rate is attributed to assessed values in the City increasing by approximately 6.75% compared to the prior year. Because of the limit on property tax increases, as discussed above, the property tax levy rate declines as assessed value increases. The statutory cap for the City's levy rate is \$3.325 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Example calculation of City Property Tax:

Assessed Value 2023	Levy Rate 2023	2023 City Property Tax
\$463,700	\$2.17 (per \$1,000	= \$1,006.23
	assessed value;	
	General Fund Levy	
	only)	
Assessed Value 2024	Estimated Levy Rate	2024 City Property Tax
\$495,000 (assumes	2024	(hypothetical)
assessed value	\$2.05 (per \$1,000	= \$1,014.75
increases 6.75%)	assessed value;	
	General Fund Levy	
	only)	
AV increases 6.75%	Levy Rate declines	Annual tax increase
		\$8.52 for this example
		taxpayer*

*If the assessed value of the resident's property as a percentage increased by less than 6.75%, the resident's annual taxes would be equal to or slightly less than the taxes paid to the city in 2023. If the assessed value of the resident's property increased by more than 6.75% from the previous year, the increase in the annual taxes would be slightly higher.

Some community members may qualify for tax relief or qualify for a deferral program. To find out more information about this, residents should contact the Clark County Assessor's Office at 564-397-2391 or visit their website at http://www.clark.wa.gov/assessor/taxrelief/index.html.

In addition to the base levy, the City collects new property tax revenue based on the value of new construction added to the assessment rolls during the prior year. The revenue to the City is calculated using the assessed value of new construction multiplied by the prior year's levy rate. The value of new construction is still being finalized by the County Assessor's Office and includes the value of utility new construction provided to the County Assessor by the State. The most recent estimate from the County Assessor's Office indicates close to \$545 million of new construction, which translates into \$1,182,000 of additional City property tax revenue, which is slightly more than the \$1,165,000 received for new construction values for 2023 taxes. The City's ordinance states the percentage and dollar amount increase in the City's base property tax levy as required by RCW 84.55.120. The County Assessor will determine the levy amount for new construction based on their final calculations.

Request:

On November 13, 2023, approve the ordinance on first reading, setting the date of second reading and public hearing for November 20, 2023.

Anthony Glenn, Treasurer, 360-487-8493

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Motion approved the request.

Preservation Of Levy Capacity for Exempt Property for 2024 Staff Report: 210-23

AN ORDINANCE authorizing an increase in tax levy pursuant to RCW 84.55.120 and an increase in limit factor for maximum levy capacity pursuant to RCW 84.55.092.

On February 8, 2022, the voters of the City approved Proposition 2 at a special election authorizing a permanent levy lid lift to fund fire and emergency services. Proposition 2 also provided that the property of qualifying seniors, veterans, and others would be exempt from paying the increased property tax rate associated with the levy lid lift, pursuant to RCW 84.36.

Annually, properties that qualify for the exemption allowed under RCW 84.36 will change. In order for the County Assessor's Office to calculate the highest lawful levy of all properties and include in future years the properties exempt from the tax approved by Proposition 2, pursuant to RCW 84.55.092, Council must approve an ordinance to authorize the Clark County Assessor's Office to authorize a property tax increase against the property not subject to the levy lid lift when calculating the highest lawful levy and authorize the limit factor be applied to the excluded property, which in 2024 will be 1.0%. This preserves levy capacity for the overall highest lawful levy calculation and allows the County Assessor to include the limit factor on the properties that were excluded, if they move out of the exempt status.

Based on last year's General Fund levy for excluded properties of \$603,307.82, the 1.0% increase recommended by staff represents an increase of \$6.033.08.

Approval of this ordinance will protect future levy capacity by removing the adverse consequences to the City's future levy capacity resulting from the levy reduction authorized in Proposition 2.

Request: On November 13, 2023, approve ordinance on first reading,

setting the date of second reading and public hearing for

November 20, 2023.

Anthony Glenn, Treasurer, 360-487-8493

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Motion approved the request.

10. Appointments to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee

The purpose of the Vancouver Lodging Tax Advisory Committee is to make recommendations to the Vancouver City Council regarding expenditures of lodging tax revenue for the purpose of tourism promotion and the marketing and operations of special events and festivals.

Committee 2 recently interviewed candidates for four, full-term positions on the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee for seats representing staff, board members or volunteers from organizations or activities that are authorized to be funded by the Lodging Tax. Committee 2 recommends the reappointment of Jennifer Kenney and the appointment of Temple Lentz, Ryan Hart, and Janet Kenefsky, with terms beginning immediately and expiring September 30, 2025.

If there are no objections, we would like to make this appointment at the Monday, November 13, 2023, Council meeting.

Request: Reappoint Jennifer Kenney and appoint Temple Lentz, Ryan

Hart, and Janet Kenefsky to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee to terms beginning immediately and expiring

September 30, 2025.

Council Committee 2

Motion approved the request.

11. Approval of Claim Vouchers

Request: Approve claim vouchers for November 13, 2023.

Motion approved claim vouchers in the amount of \$7,893,017.68.

Public Hearings (Item 12)

12. Heights HX District Code Amendments

Staff Report: 200-23

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Vancouver relating to changes to the Chapter 20.670 of the Vancouver Municipal Code (VMC), The Heights (HX) Plan District, amending VMC Section 20.670.030(B), VMC Figure 20.670-2; VMC 20.670.040(A)(2), VMC Table 20.670.040-2; VMC Sections 20.670.040(A) (7), 20.670.040(B)(4), and 20.670.040(D)(1) and adding VMC Section 20.670.040(L); allowing for severability; and providing an effective date.

The Heights (HX) Plan District code was adopted in 2021 following City Council's approval of the Heights District Subarea Plan in 2020. As part of the implementation of the Heights District Plan, staff have identified several updates to the Heights HX Plan District code necessary to ensure future development meets the Plan goals and intent.

Proposed changes to the Vancouver zoning code text or map not involving Comprehensive Plan changes may be considered at any time, subject to public hearing review before the Planning Commission and City Council. Code amendments were previously brought to the Planning Commission on March 14th and July 25th and to Council on April 10th and August 21st, and both bodies indicated overall support for the code refinements. Staff returned to the Planning Commission with the package of code refinements for a public hearing on September 26th. Attached is a copy of the Planning Commission Staff Report. The Planning Commission unanimously recommended that Council approve the code amendments.

Summary of Proposed Plan Refinements and Code Changes

Proposed refinements to the Tower Mall Redevelopment Area (TMRA) Plan include the following:

- Relocation of the Civic Plaza east to front Devine Road and be visible from the Mill Plain Boulevard, thus improving both access and visibility to this major public gathering area. As a major attractor, the Civic Plaza is an opportunity to promote ground-floor uses to create a retail, dining, and entertainment destination and a focus for activity in the district.
- Realignment and extension of the Grand Loop to promote its identity and increased use by connecting to the Greenbelt Park and planned walk and bike facilities along MacArthur Boulevard.
- Relocation of the Neighborhood Park to promote increased visibility, use and function and a clear and identifiable "entry gateway" to the Grand Loop. Future development provides active edge uses surrounding the park that increase the value and function of redevelopment properties.

Proposed code changes will amend The Heights (HX) Plan District, VMC 20.670 to align with refinements to the Tower Mall Redevelopment Area (TMRA) Plan as detailed above.

These modifications include:

- 1. Update the Ground Floor Use Map, Figure 20.670-2 consistent with the Master Plan refinements for street layout and block formation.
- 2. Modify the Ground-Floor Use Regulations by Frontage Type to promote active retail, entertainment, and dining oriented to the Civic Plaza.
- 3. Adjust portions of text to maintain consistency and delete some unclear or non-essential narrative.
- 4. Add a new standard to regulate off-street parking access by limiting vehicle, pedestrian, and bicycle conflicts and promoting better non-motorized access and use of the Grand Loop.

The above referenced code modifications were presented to Council at a workshop on April 10, 2023. Thereafter, as part of discussions about the project with interested developers, staff were informed that buildings in the District Gateway subdistrict that do not abut residentially zoned properties cannot develop to their intended building height of four stories and include ground floor commercial due to the requirement in VMC 20.670.040 B 2 that the ground floor of buildings must have a minimum of 16 feet floor to floor height. Increasing the overall building height to address this allows for mixed use buildings that include ground floor retail and three stories of housing above and maintain a consistent pedestrian retail experience as envisioned in the Heights District Plan. This change resulted in additional code updates detailed below that were presented to Council at a workshop on August 21, 2023.

- 5. Increase maximum building height in the District Gateway subdistrict from 50 feet to 55 feet for properties not abutting residentially zoned properties.
- 6. Differentiate the definition of commercial frontage between active uses surrounding the Civic Plaza and Devine Road and all other commercial uses allowed in the Heights HX Plan District code, except office. Thus, creating two definitions of commercial frontage in VMC 20.670.030 B. Ground Floor Use Regulation by Frontage Type to allow maximum flexibility.
- 7. Modify the Ground-Floor Uses diagram to account for the two definitions of commercial frontage, explained in bullet number 6 above.

At the first reading on November 6, 2023 Council passed a motion to include childcare facilities as an allowed use under the Active Commercial ground floor use types. Staff has updated the Ordinance to reflect this. To clarify, childcare center is a permitted use throughout the District under Commercial and Mixed-use Districts Use Table in VMC 20.430.030-1.

Request: On November 13, 2023, subject to second reading and a public hearing, approve the ordinance.

Amy Zoltie, Real Estate Project Manager, 360-487-7953

Amy Zoltie, Real Estate Project Manager, provided an overview of the Heights HX District Code Amendments.

Council discussed the item briefly with staff.

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle opened the public hearing and received testimony from the following community members:

Kimberlee Goheen, La Center, WA

There being no further testimony, Mayor McEnerny-Ogle closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Stober, seconded by Councilmember Hansen, and carried unanimously to approve Ordinance 4424.

Communications

- A. From the Council
- B. From the Mayor
- C. From the City Manager

Humane Society Contract

Lon Pluckhahn, Deputy City Manager, discussed the Humane Society Contract.

Historic Reserve Lease Agreement

Lon Pluckhahn, Deputy City Manager, discussed the Historic Reserve Lease Agreement.

ne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor

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From: <u>City Council</u>
To: <u>Dollar, Sarah</u>

Subject: FW: City Council Meeting 11/13 Submission of document

Date:Monday, November 13, 2023 9:58:54 AMAttachments:Loss Recreation Area Plan Required.pdf

From:

Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 9:50 AMTo: City Council < council@cityofvancouver.us>Cc: Cook, Nena < Nena.Cook@cityofvancouver.us>

Subject: City Council Meeting 11/13 Submission of document

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I will be speaking on number 8 Property Tax Levy for 2024

Excessive use of City service and future Expenditures Attachment: Loss Recreation Area Plan Required.pdf

From: <u>City of Vancouver - Office of the City Manager</u>

To: <u>Dollar, Sarah</u>

Subject: FW: Consent Agenda #6 - 11/13/23 - Warehouse Code Amendments

Date: Monday, November 13, 2023 12:45:29 PM

Hi Sarah!

Happy Monday, We got this in the CMO inbox

-Amelia

From: Cathryn Chudy < > Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 12:01 PM

To: City of Vancouver - Office of the City Manager < CMO@cityofvancouver.us> **Subject:** Consent Agenda #6 - 11/13/23 - Warehouse Code Amendments

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Mayor, Council members and staff,

I appreciate the time and effort that has been put into Warehouse Code Amendments, and have been part of comments submitted by our Alliance for Community Agreement, which I hope you will continue to take into consideration. It was disappointing that the Planning Commission sidestepped this input and proceeded to recommend what had been submitted to them to the Council for the final hearing.

It is discouraging that the business and development community succeeded in persuading Council to change the threshold for the "largest" buildings that then became the only buildings that will be governed by the Warehouse Code Amendments you are poised to potentially adopt on Nov. 20th. It is a questionable consolation that future ordinances are planned, that will have some effect in reducing carbon emissions in new buildings in Vancouver, since the urgency of doing all we can do, sooner rather than later, is becoming increasingly evident. The Climate Framework was a good start, but actions speak louder than intentions to do more in the future. And the forces that are advocating "business as usual" are poised, as always, to intervene to slow the pace of reasonable climate protection standards that are necessary now rather than later if we are to ensure the intentions formalized in our Climate Action Framework are to become realized.

You as Council members hold the key to asking the questions and providing the ultimate direction that will either move our "Climate Action Framework" action steps forward meaningfully in good faith, or rely on good intentions but fall behind under the influence of "business as usual" thinking that remains overly cautious instead of proactive and timely.

As always, thank you for all you do!

Cathryn Chudy

Vancouver resident

Peter Bracchi

June 1, 2022

Request

We have a need for a land restoration and water pollution mitigation Plan for the Burnt Bridge Creek Watershed Critical Area.



This document is designed to be viewed Electronically - Titles and Pictures contain Hyperlinks

Environmental Summary

Burnt Bridge is a regulated waterway it does not meet the Washington Department of Ecology standards for fecal coliform bacteria, temperature, acidity, and levels of dissolved oxygen. By not meeting the state standards, it has placed Burnt Bridge Creek on the federal 303(d) list of water quality impaired waterbodies.

The City is failing to bring Burnt Bridge Creek into compliance with state water quality standards.

Along the BBC trail most of the Land in the Critical Area belongs to the City of Vancouver and designated for Recreation. Land Zoning is *Park, Open Space, Greenway, or Lettuce Field.*

The quality of Stream water is related to Land Use Quality and Pollution.

What are Critical Areas

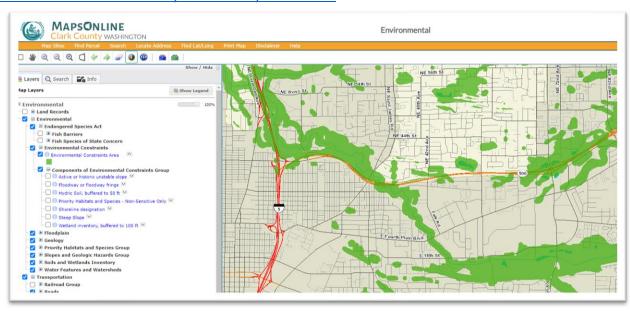
The Growth Management Act (GMA) requires all cities and counties in Washington to adopt regulations protecting "critical areas" in order to preserve the natural environment, wildlife habitats, and sources of fresh drinking water.

Protecting critical areas also helps reduce exposure to risks, such as landslides or flooding, and maintains the natural elements of our landscape. It can be costly, or even impossible, to replace critical area functions and values once they are lost.

RCW 36.70A.030(5) defines five types of critical areas:

- 1) Wetlands
- 2) Frequently flooded areas
- 3) Geologically hazardous areas
- 4) Fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas
- 5) Areas with a critical recharging effect on aquifers used for potable water

Environmental Constraints layer – summary of Items 1-4



Problem Description

The City of Vancouver Failed to perform a SEPA study when <u>Camping Laws</u> were initiated or update. The City has, and still allows camping within the Critical Area.

The <u>State Environmental Policy Act</u> (SEPA) process identifies and analyzes environmental impacts associated with governmental decisions. These decisions may be related to issuing permits for private projects, constructing public facilities, or adopting regulations, policies, and plans. The SEPA review process helps agency decision-makers, applicants, and the public understand how the entire proposal will affect the environment

By the City failing to perform the required SEPA Study, the result has been Environmental Destruction to the Critical Area with additional Fecal Matter and Water Pollution to the existing 303(d) list stream.

Potentially Harmful Materials from continuous habitation and Fires been a contributing problem. Stream shade has been reduced by the Cutting of Trees. Silting has Increased due to digging, vegetation removal, Tree cutting and habitation on steep slopes.

Critical Area land has had residential occupation for the last 6 years. The land has had the ground cover removed and trees cut down to establish cleared living areas. The result has been years of Environment Devastation, water pollution and increased devastation caused by Fires, and Water Pollution.

The City is failing to meet it Commitment to Clean Water

The City is failing to meet its Commitment to "Not Net Loss" to Critical Areas

The City is failing to enforce it own City Codes for Environmental Protection

15.04	Park Code
15.04.040	Removal or Destruction of Park Property
15.04.100	Depositing Litter
15.04.110	Fires
15.04.150	Closing HoursUnlawful Entry
8.22	Camping
8.22.040	Unlawful Camping
8.22.050	Unlawful Storage of Personal Property in Public Places
14.26	Water Resources Protection
14.26.115	'Prohibits "Municipal Waste Disposal Sites"
14.26.117	Discharges to Water Resources. "Potentially Harmful Materials"
20.740	Critical Areas Protection
20.740.020	General Provisions - No Net Loss of Functions
20.760	Shoreline Management Area

6 Years of Environmental Destruction & Water Pollution to BBC

<u>Shoreline Destruction and Pollution - East Side</u>



Shoreline Destruction and Pollution West Side



Frequently Flooded Areas

Bicycle Chop shop Camp. ground compacted, trees cut and Water Pollution



<u>Clark County Geographic Information Services - Environmental Constraints Layer Flood Plain</u>

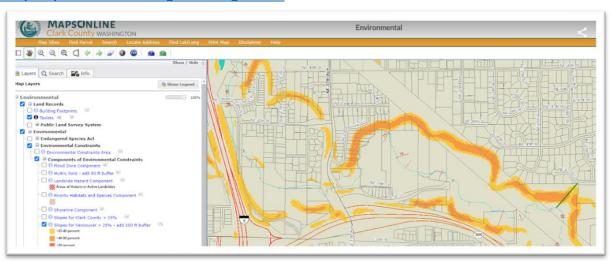


Geologic Hazzard Areas 6 Years of Environmental Destruction

Removal of Vegetation causes Erosion on Steep slopes, silting into creek

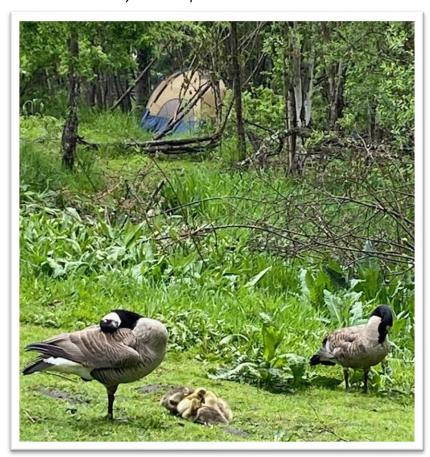


Steep Slopes 40%-80% along Burt Bridge Creek

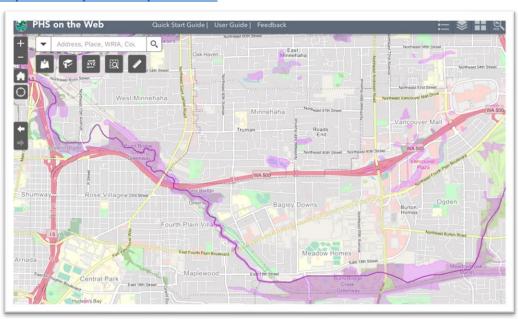


Priority habitat conservation areas over 6 years of Destruction

Priority Habitat Species Area



Map to Priority Habitat Species Area

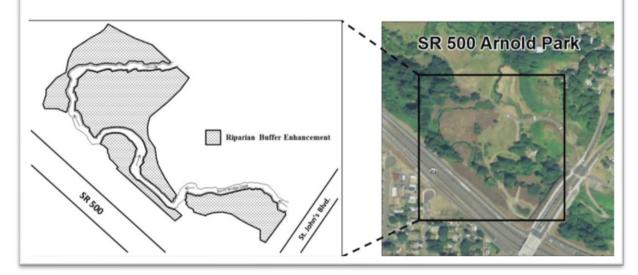


Arnold Park-Mitigation continous destructon over 6 years

USACE NWP (23) NWS-2009-1104 - Southwest Region Wetlands Program

What is the 500 Arnold Park Mitigation Site?

This 4.42-acre mitigation site (Figure 1) is located along Burnt Bridge Creek west of St. John's Boulevardd, north of SR 500, and entirely within Arnold Park. This site was created as partial compensation for impacts to 4.30 acres of disturbed riparian buffer due o mobility and safety improvements within the vicinity of the SR 500 and St. John's Boulevard interchange. The riparian enhancement area is located adjacent to and within the overall project boundaries, and shares the same watershed characteristics as he impacted areas. The site is designed to provide mitigation for lost wetland functions and is anticipated to provide stream shading, flood flow attenuation, water quality, and general habitat functions.



Meadowbrook Marsh Park Destruction and Polluton



Continous Habitat lissues with FIREs over 6 years

Fire in Anrold Park Mitigation Site



Fire in Riparian Area



Continuous Habitat Problems with FIREs over 6 years (continued)

SR500 Wetlands Fire - Riparian area



SR500 Wetland Fire Riparian Area & Steep Slopes



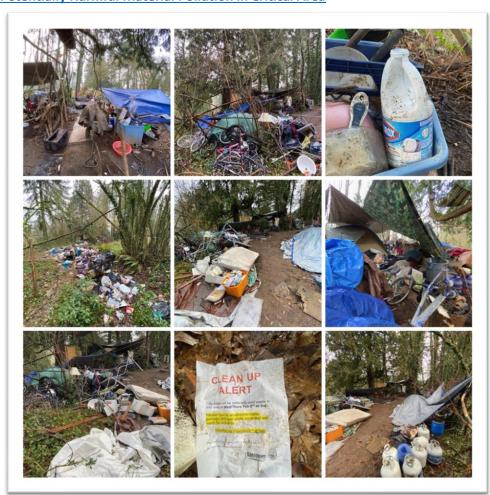
Pollution from Potentially Harmful Materials Into BBC over 6 years

Chapter 14.26 WATER RESOURCES PROTECTION

"Potentially Harmful Materials" means hazardous materials as defined at VMC Section 14.26.110 as well as other materials including, but not limited to, the following which, if discharged or improperly disposed, may present a risk to water resources:

Petroleum products including but not limited to petroleum fuel and petroleum-based coating and preserving materials; oils containing PCBs; antifreeze and other liquid automotive products; metals, either in particulate or dissolved form, in concentrations above established regulatory standards; flammable or explosive materials; radioactive material; used batteries; corrosives, acids, alkalis or bases; paints, stains, resins, lacquers or varnishes; degreasers; solvents; construction materials; drain cleaners and other toxic liquid household products; pesticides, herbicides, fungicides or fertilizers unless applied in accordance with local, state and federal standards; steam cleaning and carpet cleaning wastes; pressure cleaning wastes; car wash water; laundry wastewater; soaps, detergents, ammonia; swimming pool backwash; chlorine, bromine, and other disinfectants; heated water; domestic animal wastes; sewage; recreational vehicle waste; animal carcasses, excluding salmonids; food wastes; collected lawn clippings, leaves or branches; trash or debris; silt, sediment or gravel; dyes; and untreated or unapproved wastewater from industrial processes

Potentially Harmful Material Pollution in Critical Area



Additional Fecal Matter pollution over 6 Years

Continuous habitation has contributed additional Fecal Matter into the problem 303(d) Creek that already has problem with Fecal Coliform Bacteria. (no links to additional pictures provided)



From: Wynn Grcich

To: Rebecca Messinger; Dollar, Sarah

Subject: Watch "Trucker DESTROYS Electric Vehicle Narrative in Under 2 Minutes" on YouTube

Date: Sunday, November 12, 2023 11:37:47 PM

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From: Wynn Grcich

To: Rebecca Messinger; Dollar, Sarah

Subject: Electromagnetic Radiation + Wireless Litigation | Childrens Health Defense

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 12:37:34 PM

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https://live.childrenshealthdefense.org/chd-tv/shows/good-morning-chd/electromagnetic-radiation--wireless-litigation/?utm_source please send to council members and MELNECK. Put on public record and confirm that you. Thank you from Wynn

From: Wynn Grcich

To: Rebecca Messinger; Dollar, Sarah

Subject: Fwd: RECALL Expansion: WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree pouches due to potential lead contamination

Date: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 1:53:05 PM

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From: WA Department of Health < waDOH@public.govdelivery.com>

Date: Tue, Nov 7, 2023, 9:42 AM

Subject: RECALL Expansion: WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree pouches due to

potential lead contamination To: <

ood Recall in Washington Images	

All WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree Pouches Recalled

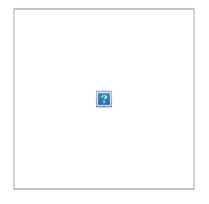
WanaBana is expanding its recall to include **all** Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree Pouches regardless of expiration date and lot code due to possible lead contamination. Expanded recall also includes additional products retailed outside Washington state. The following products are subject to recall:

Product Description:

WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree Pouches

Use/Freeze/Sell by Date:





Product Description:

Outside Washington products: Schnucks brand cinnamon-flavored applesauce pouches and variety pack and Weis brand cinnamon applesauce pouches from specific lots.

Use/Freeze/Sell by Date:

See FDA investigation update for details on these products distributed primarily in Missouri and midwest states.

Product Distribution

These items were shipped online and to national retailers, including Dollar Tree and Amazon, which have been notified of the recall. We have requested additional distribution details and will provide when available.

Associated Illnesses

Between 10/17 - 11/1, 2023, there have been 7 reports of adverse reactions due to consumption of the recalled products. States with cases include Arkansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, and an unknown location.

Additional Information

The problem was discovered as part of a North Carolina investigation in pediatric cases of elevated blood lead levels. Analysis of the WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree pouches detected high concentrations of lead.

For additional information, see the initial company announcement on the FDA website at: WanaBana Issues Voluntary Recall of WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Purée
Pouches Due to Elevated Lead Levels | FDA

FDA Investigation Update and Recall Expansion: Investigation of Elevated Lead Levels:

Applesauce Pouches (November 2023) | FDA

Lead is toxic to humans and can affect people of any age or health status. Children are particularly susceptible to lead toxicity. Most children have no obvious immediate symptoms. Parents and caretakers should consult a healthcare provider if a child may have been exposed to lead. Short term exposure to lead could result in the following symptoms: headache; abdominal pain; vomiting; anemia. Longer term exposure could result in the following additional symptoms: irritability; lethargy; fatigue; muscle aches or muscle prickling/burning; constipation; difficulty concentrating/muscular weakness; tremor; weight loss.

Consumer Guidance

The products have a long shelf life. Consumers are encouraged to check their homes and discard the recalled products. Recalled products should not be consumed.

Local Health Jurisdictions in Washington are not being asked to participate in any formal recall verification activities at this time, but appropriate staff should be aware of the food recall.

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From: Wynn Grcich

To: Rebecca Messinger; Dollar, Sarah

Subject: Fwd: How Many People Died in the US during 2020, 2021 and 2022 because of (="From") Covid?

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From: Robert W Malone MD from "Who is Robert Malone"

Date: Mon, Nov 6, 2023, 6:21 AM

Subject: How Many People Died in the US during 2020, 2021 and 2022 because of (="From")

Covid?

To: <

Who is Robert Malone cross-posted a post from First Principles with Dr. Sheftall



Robert W Malone MD, MS

Nov 6 · Who is Robert Malone

This substack addresses the fundamental falsehood which underpins all of the arbitrary and capricious actions of WHO and the US Government. The actions taken were all justified based on modeling estimates of 3.4% case fatality rate for SARS-CoV-2 infection. Having developed global and national response policies based on these grossly inflated numbers, the US Government then created perverse incentives for the medical system to over-report COVID-associated deaths. And as demonstrated by Dr. Sheftall in this essay, the gross over-estimates of death and disease associated with COVID have become weaponized via a coordinated global WHO and USG propaganda campaign. There must be accountability and consequences - a truth and reconciliation commission will not dissuade future bad behavior.

How Many People Died in the US during 2020, 2021 and 2022 because of (="From") Covid?

REID G SHEFTALL, M.D.
NOV 6

READ IN APP 2

Take a close look at this histogram



It depicts the DEVIATION by month from the average number of deaths per 100,000 population during the time period 2015 - 2019 in Sweden for the years 2020 and 2021.

The first thing that struck me about this graph was that, in both 2020 and 2021, only about one fourth of the months had deaths per 100,000 *higher* than the average of 2015 to 2019.

In a PANDEMIC? You've got to be kidding! Then I looked at the worst month, April of 2020. The graph shows that SWEDEN, in that month, only experienced 26 excess deaths per one hundred thousand people.

$$26/100,000 = .00026 = .026 \%$$

In other words, at the worst time of the pandemic, the deaths per 100,000 people went up only 2.6 hundredths of 1 %.

That's what we stopped the world for.

Let's gather some more amazing information, this time using the entire graph.

Back to the first shocking fact... During the entire two years shown, in only six of the 24 months was the bar in positive territory while in 15 months there were actually fewer deaths than the average of 2015 – 2019, and in three there were essentially the same. And remember, this was when the much more virulent Wuhan strain

predominated. Carefully adding up the totals for the six bars above the line and subtracting the 15 bars below the line gives us 40 deaths total. Remember, we're counting per 100,000 population. Still, there are 24 months. 40/24 = 1.67. In a country that eschewed lockdowns, masks, social distancing and school closures, an additional 1.67 out of 100,000 people died per month; an unnoticeable increase

That's .0000167 or .00167%. This is for Sweden, remember, the "control group" for the world. It means, per month, for the two worst years of the pandemic (2020 and 2021) and fighting the most virulent variant, the original Wuhan strain, only 1/6th of 1% of 1% died in excess of the average from 2015 – 2019 (before the pandemic existed). For Sweden... the country that eschewed lockdowns, mask mandates, and school closures, where women walked arm-in-arm down the street past bars full of screaming fans, beers in hand, to enjoy a dinner and a movie together in a crowded theater- I saw videos of all this on CNN- the pandemic would have come and gone without anyone noticing. This would have happened in any other country too, had their governments not locked down as China recommended and in the case of the United States, bribed hospitals to test everyone who came through the door and assign their admission to COVID-19 based on a completely faulty test, regardless of symptoms.

That's right. Only 1/6th of 1% of 1% per 100,000 more in a given month than died before the pandemic started! And it would have been a lot less if Sweden had not had such a mild flu season the previous winter, leaving many more than the average number of the very elderly and vulnerable to face COVID-19 when it did finally come.

Again, this is what Birx, Fauci and others shut down the entire world for AND for which they destroyed lives and forced a toxic vaccine into the arms of people (including children) who didn't understand this stuff and relied on them for guidance, with people like Peter Hotez saying the way Trump was managing the pandemic was a threat to our Homeland security. Really, Dr. Hotez? .0000167 per 100,000 people per month? The people who did this should be put in prison for life and everyone who profited from this crime should be forced to return the money a la the Bernie Madoff scandal beneficiaries.

... and I hate to add insult to injury for those who think this was a "once-in-a-century disaster" such as Bill Gates and many others including CNN and MSNBC Hosts, but all of this includes "with" as well as "from" COVID. In other words, a lot of those 1/6th of 1% people died of something other than COVID-19 but were recorded that way because they had a positive PCR test which, very likely, was a false positive. (Much more on this below).

How Many Actually Died FROM (not merely "with") COVID in the United States?

Sweden's population is 10.35 million which equals 103.5 x 100,000. So there are 103.5 "units of 100,000" there. The number of such units in the official U.S. population is 3,300. Taking Sweden's number of 40 deaths/100,000 over the two years x 3,300 gives a total death count "with" and "from" COVID of 132,000 for the U.S. during 2020 and 2021, the same time that 840,000 deaths were assigned to COVID in the U.S.

There are a few reasons why our death count should be higher than Sweden's. We are fatter and sicker in the U.S. That might account for 20 or 30 percent more in the U.S but the U.S. total is about 6.5 times that of Sweden. What is going on? Why is there such a huge discrepancy?

The lion's share of the difference is because we exaggerated our deaths in the U.S. Our government gave perverse monetary incentives to call a death a "COVID death" when a 40 cycle PCR was positive as Dr. Ezike pointed out so bravely, "Even when there was a clear alternative cause of death, if they tested positive for COVID, it was recorded as a COVID death".

Take a look at this histogram: It shows guidelines for assigning the cause of death were changed on March 24, 2020 from what was used the previous 17 years such that by August 28, we had assigned 16.7 times as many deaths to COVID-19 than we would have if the guidelines hadn't been changed. The number of people who died with and from COVID did not change- only the number of deaths assigned to COVID changed (because of the Guidelines change).

Back to the issue at hand- the number of deaths caused by SARS-2...

Sweden had a disproportionate number of deaths in their nursing homes, largely because they had a very mild flu season the year before and there were many vulnerable people still alive who would have normally succumbed a year earlier. Those patients were very old and fragile and had several co-morbidities. It is very hard to tell if a patient like this is dying of COVID or one of their co-morbidities. Sweden probably exaggerated their deaths also but to not nearly the same extent as the U.S. But either way, the large number of vulnerable after the weak flu season the year before caused Sweden's death toll to be inflated which using the logic above means the death toll in the US is overestimated in this calculation by a factor of $3300/103.5 = \sim 32$.

So how many people actually died in the United States during the three years 2020, 2021, and 2022? We calculated that 132,000 died in 2020 and 2021 with the Lion's share occurring in 2020. We also know the claimed to actual ratio for these two years equals 132,000/840,000 = .157.

Taking this inflated ratio and multiplying it by the 2022 consensus number of deaths (among the people inflating the numbers the entire time), we get $.157 \times 250,000 = 39,000$ actual deaths in 2022 as the inflated result. We will use it to overestimate as opposed to underestimate the number. This makes the total deaths during the three years of COVID-19 equal 132,000 + 39,000 = 171,000 "with" and "from" Covid.

This number must be adjusted down for several important reasons. First five governors sent contagious patients being treated in the hospital back to nursing homes where vulnerable patients lay in wait. In New York along, this was estimated to have caused more than 25,000. Including the four other states, a conservative number would double this to 50,000. In addition, there were significantly-many iatrogenic deaths caused by inappropriate use of ventilators, the use of Remdesivir, and dehydration/neglect. Estimating all of these at 30,000 throughout the entire country is very conservative. (For those of you who think this occurred in the northeast only, think again. A busy ICU colleague of mine tells me that, in California, ventilators and Remdesivir were routinely used early on and continued to be used when patients pulled out the nasal cannulae delivering high flow O2; the

correct treatment for low oxygen saturation caused by an endotheliitis.)

So the total number of deaths in the US during 2020, 2021, and 2022 was 171,000 - 80,000 = 91,000 or roughly three average flu seasons of 30,000 deaths per year and remember, this is "with" and "from" Covid. If you take away one third as being "with" Covid, that leaves~ 60,000 over the three years dying "from" Covid. This is about equal to three mild flu seasons averaging 20,000 deaths per year.

So we can take 60,000 as the upper limit of patients dying FROM Covid (not merely "with"). There is one more caveat one must consider because it is absolutely relevant to this discussion. It is my opinion that the majority of people who died FROM Covid actually died of bacterial pneumonia just as in the 1918 Spanish flu article pointing this out, authored by none other than Dr. Anthony Fauci.

It makes sense. Back then, we didn't have the antibiotics necessary to treat bacterial pneumonia so those unlucky enough to get bacterial super-infections, died. We certainly have antibiotics now so what happened in 2020, 2021, and 2022? It is common knowledge that ER doctors told patients, who came in early in their course, to "go home and don't come back until you have trouble breathing. There's nothing we can do for you now." This was because those doctors were prohibited from giving out prescriptions for ivermectin and hydroxychloroquine and didn't think to treat patients with antibiotics because at that point, they hadn't gotten bacterial super-infections yet. That happened during the 3 weeks they were home suffering with the viral infection and endotheliitis. If the ER doctors had known their history and put two and two together, they would have treated for a bacterial super-infection prophylactically I.e. pre-treated then for bacterial pneumonia but few, if any, did.

So many of the 60,000 who died FROM Covid actually died of bacterial pneumonia. We just don't know exactly how many; up to 60,000 minus other causes secondary to spike protein pathology such as strokes, heart attacks, etc.

Covid would have come and gone without anyone noticing if the government hadn't gotten involved with the idiotic policies some of which were put in place by people who knew better. In addition to this, there were recommendations made which made absolutely no sense and resulted in the deaths of some patients. Continuing to get injected with vaccines that were made for strains three or four generations previous

when you've had the disease and recovered is one such example of many.

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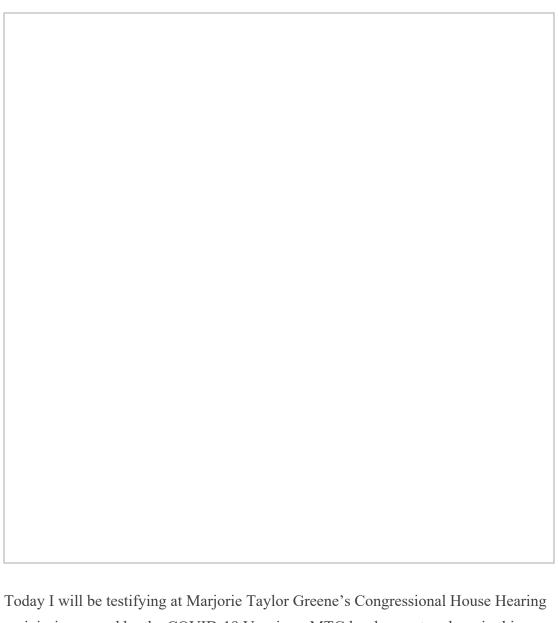


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WHO:

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- Congressman Clay Higgins (LA-03)
- Congressman Barry Moore (AL-02)
- Congressman Thomas Massie (KY-04)
- Congressman Greg Steube (FL-17)
- Dr. Robert Malone
- Dr. Kimberly Biss
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WHEN: TODAY, November 13, 2023 at 3:00 PM WHERE: 2045 Rayburn House Office Building and streaming LIVE on YouTube



Today I will be testifying at Marjorie Taylor Greene's Congressional House Hearing on injuries caused by the COVID-19 Vaccines. MTG has been a true hero in this fight against mandates, masks, lockdowns and fighting for justice for those injured. She has been on our side for years.

I am proud to stand by her in this endeavor. She is one of the few members of Congress willing to stand up and fight.

The House COVID-19 commission, which MTG is on, is focused on one thing onlyand that is the origins of the virus. While this is important to bring those responsible for the release of this man made virus to justice, it is not the only issue.

MTG is a fighter. MTG knows the harms done. She is working to expose them.

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The Council convened a hybrid meeting at the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, sixth floor, Vancouver, Washington. Councilors Gary Medvigy and Sue Marshall attended in person. Councilors Glen Yung, Michelle Belkot, and Karen Dill Bowerman, Chair, attended via WebEx.

#### SEPARATE BUSINESS ITEM #5 - COMMUNITY PLANNING (ORDINANCE)

The Council considered a request to approve an ordinance relating to land use adopting amendments to the Clark County 20-year Comprehensive Growth Management Plan 2015-2035; zoning map; arterial atlas map; comprehensive plan text; capital facilities plans; Capital Facilities Financial Plan; Countywide Planning Policies; and Clark County Code Title 40, through the 2023 annual reviews and dockets.

BOWERMAN: So is there any public testimony that anyone wishes to give from the audience or online on the Consent Agenda or Separate Business items?

PFENNING: We have a caller online. Caller, you've been unmuted or asked to be unmuted, please state your name for the record and go ahead with your comment.

GOHEEN-ELBON: This is Kimberlee Goheen-Elbon, life citizen of Clark County, Washington USA. I'm surprised that the Chair didn't know the Crossroads Community Church. Anyway, and I'm sorry that she's not there, it sounds like she's ill, maybe that's why she doesn't attend in person.

So I'm going to be speaking on the consent items. Yeah. I was wondering, okay, we want to have public comment before you guys pass anything but I understand that I am out to try to wake up citizens to what's actually happening.

So with that said, I'm going to go to the minutes, excuse me, to the submitted comments. One of them was from Friends of Clark County, evidently there's a lawsuit against Clark County, I think more people should join in this, the public, the citizens, that's what we've been trying to do wake up Clark County to this.

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and all of that and this gentleman that wrote this, it's a very
important letter that I want the public to read and take to
heart as I believe we should do what our forefathers said to do
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people are waking up.

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it's been 30 years, isn't that long enough, I think so.

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American Reece Plan which uses our hard earned tax dollars and you guys are doing it all through this agenda, every agenda you guys are following an unelected city or County Manager that is following a United Nations agenda.

You say you're not involved with Vancouver but here in your agenda you put Vancouver in there and you are, you've put in the past you're not tied into Vancouver and their illegal agendas for the United Nations at the ICLEI and you lied and you said, nope, we're not tied in but here you are you're tied in, I knew you were, so there you go.

Stop following the, you don't have to follow the Growth

Management Act, a lot, some of the counties here in Washington

State don't. And I noticed that on your under Plans that you

guys did not exercise the ability to opt out of the GMA plan, so

that's not constitutional, we're going to have to fix that.

As far as, I've mentioned also numerous times before that all of the presented maps that you guys put on and stuff, I could not see any of the -- the maps were unreadable, the map, the legal jargon and all there, in this particular one I believe it was

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Number 7, it might have been 6, I don't really remember --

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PFENNING: David McDonald, please -- Comment also!

BOWERMAN: Thank you for your testimony. And is there anyone

else --

PFENNING: Yes.

BOWERMAN: -- online or in the hearing room who wishes to

testify?

PFENNING: Yes, Chair. David McDonald, you're currently asked to be unmuted, please state your name for the record and go ahead with your comment.

MCDONALD: Council, can you hear me?

BOWERMAN: Yes, we can.

MCDONALD: Thank you, Chair. My name is David McDonald,
Ridgefield, M-c-D-o-n-a-1-d, for Ms. Holley. I filed just a
short letter to comment on Item 6 on the Consent Agenda that
just got moved to the Separate Business.

One of the things that I ask in that letter was why this is on the Consent Agenda or Separate Business now and not at a public hearing. It was simply because last year the annual review was a public hearing, it was held on July 19th, 2022.

I went back and looked at CVTV tonight and also to the grid, there was notices originally given for July 6th that this would be a public hearing on the ordinance that was adopting the annual reviews and then that hearing was canceled due to the Councils determination that it wanted to have an additional hearing on Chelatchie Bluff.

They heard the Chelatchie Bluff hearing, public hearing on July 19th and then they adopted the Ordinance 2022-07-01 capital B as in Bravo which was the second ordinance that was presented to the Council based upon the approval of that Chelatchie Bluff CPZ which was I believe 2021-00006.

So my question was, I think a legitimate one, why we had a public hearing last year on all of these and we didn't have a public hearing this year. I don't know the reasons why and that was the basis for my question. As to my comments with regards to the Three Creeks, I'll standby what I have listed in the letter. Thank you very much. That concludes my comments.

Submitted by Sean on Nov. 11,23 a Saturday
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#### PUT ON PUBLIC RECORD 11-06-2023 a Monday

For almost three years now I have called in by noon to sign up for Speaking at the Vancouver City Council meetings and I have a few suggestions to implement for future Callers and Speakers.

- 1. Staff MUST identify themselves when a Citizen calls. I have found it is very very rare that staff will introduce themselves and I always ask to whom am I speaking to. The answer comes with what seems resentment and many times stubbornness to give their name!!! This Council and staff are to RESPECT Citizens at all times and answer with "Hello this is the Vancouver City managers office this is (staff name) how may I help."
- 2. I'm suggesting that the deadline for sign-up is moved from NOON to three o'clock. It's not like there are very many Citizens involved YET to clog the docket. I know that the Clark County Council has no problem and in fact do not have a limited time to register.
- 3. I'm also requesting that this Council bring their own dinner and STOP using Hard Earned Tax Dollars to feast on especially knowing you are 16 year members of the UNITED NATIONS!!!!!!!

Hard Earned AMERICAN Tax Dollars should NOT buy your dinner !\$!\$
SHAME ON YOU.

Submitted by Life Citizen of Clark County WA USA -Kumberlee Groheen Elbon

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### "House of Medicine on Fire"

Dr. McCullough's Keynote Speech for Association of American Physicians and Surgeons

PETER MCCULLOUGH, MD

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By Peter A. McCullough, MD, MPH

People ask me what medical association should be supported in this time of crisis? There is only one chartered, physician organization that has been on side of patient medical freedom, early treatment, and caution on vaccine safety—The Association of American Physicians and Surgeons. Since 1943, AAPS has been dedicated to the highest ethical standards of the Oath of Hippocrates and to preserving the sanctity of the patient-physician relationship and the practice of private medicine.

Our motto, "omnia pro aegroto" means "all for the patient."

I had the honor of giving the key note address "House of Medicine on Fire" at the annual meeting of AAPS on October 27, 2023. I cover a sweeping update on the pandemic, its origins, vaccine safety, the transgender crisis, dangerous medical groupthink and what can be done now. This is a continuing medical education accredited presentation which should be given in every medical school in the United States. Please share this with your physician colleagues and be sure to get their reaction and stimulate dialogue.

Outcomes after Early Treatment with Hydroxychloroquine and Azithromycin: An Analysis of 30,423 COVID-19 patients

**Huge Outcomes Study Delivers Good News** 

Peter McCullough, MD

Nov 6

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By Peter A. McCullough, MD, MPH

We perform prospective, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trials to test drugs, vaccines, devices, and other products for safety and efficacy. Randomization is important since it handles: 1) selection bias, 2) all known and unknown confounders. Despite the hundreds of billions of dollars spent during the pandemic, we did not have an investment in large, multidrug prospective, randomized, placebo controlled trials or comparative studies to test the best drug regimens.

In the end, what patients care about is how they feel, function, and survive. When it came to COVID-19, whether randomized or not, if patients survived if they were in the optimally treated group. The only way to assess how a high-risk population faired in the pandemic is to report on a large sample of patients sick with COVID-19 with a large number of the outcome of of interest—death.

Brouqui et al reported from a French database of 30,423 COVID-19 patients of whom 535 succumbed to the illness. In great detail, the investigators report mortality according to ambulatory treatment received, hospitalization, and the course over the following six weeks.

https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nmni.2023.101188

As you can see, the most favored group was those who received the regimen of hydroxychloroquine and azithromycin early in the course of illness. Of the 30,202 patients for whom treatment information was available, 191/23,172 patients (0.82%) treated with HCQ-AZM died, compared to 344/7,030 patients (4.89%) who did not receive HCQ-AZM. All the other combinations received are reported in the figure.

Important points:

- 1. HCQ+AZM consistently reduced the risk of hospitalization and death
- If hospitalized, those pre-treated with HCQ+AZM at home had a greater chance of survival

Critics say this was not a randomized trial. Patients say it does not matter, they just want to survive on HCQ + AZM! When the differences are this large, we go with what is working for patients, not a false narrative from the <u>Bio-Pharmaceutical Complex</u> deceiving the population on simple, safe, generic drugs.

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