



DENVER CITY COUNCIL

Minutes

Monday, January 12, 2026, 3:30 PM

Parr-Widener Room
1437 Bannock Street, Room 389

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council member Alvidrez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Council member Alvidrez led the Land Acknowledgement.

ROLL CALL

Council member Sawyer attended the 5:30 p.m. session virtually.

Present: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of Monday, January 5, 2026 were distributed to members of Council. Council President Sandoval ordered the minutes approved.

[26-0016](#) Minutes of Monday, January 5, 2026

Minutes 26-0016 were approved.

Approved

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council members Gonzales-Gutierrez, Alvidrez, Sawyer, Watson, Lewis, Council Pro-Tem Romero Campbell, and Council President Sandoval made announcements.

PRESENTATIONS

COMMUNICATIONS

PROCLAMATIONS

26-0014 A Proclamation Honoring Steve Ellington on his 37 years of Service to the City and County of Denver

A motion offered by Council member Flynn, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Proclamation 26-0014 be adopted, carried by the following vote:

Adopted

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds,
Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer,
Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

RECAP OF BILLS TO BE CALLED OUT

Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

25-2059 **A resolution laying out, opening and establishing as part of the City street system parcels of land located in the Stapleton Filing No. 49 subdivision as Public Right-of-Way as: 1) North Spruce Street; 2) East 54th Place; 3) East Prairie Meadow Drive; 4) North Trenton Street; 5) East 53rd Drive; 6) North Tamarac Street; 7) East 54th Place; 8) North Tamarac Way; 9) East 54th Drive; 10) East 55th Avenue; 11) North Uinta Street; 12) East 55th Place; 13) East 55th Avenue; 14) North Uinta Way; 15) East Prairie Meadow Drive; 16) North Valentia Street; 17) East 54th Place; 18) East 54th Place; 19) North Valentia Street; 20) North Valentia Court; 21) North Verbena Street; 22) East 54th Drive; 23) East 54th Place; 24) North Verbena Way; 25) North Wabash Way; 26) North Wabash Street; 27) East 54th Avenue; 28) East 54th Place; 29) East 55th Avenue; 30) North Willow Street; 31) East 54th Drive; 32) North Xanthia Street; 33) North Xanthia Court; 34) North Xenia Street; 35) East 53rd Avenue; 36) North Willow Way; 37) North Akron Street; 38) East 52nd Place; 38) East 52nd Place; 39) North Xenia Street; 40) North Willow Way; 41) North Yosemite Way; 42) East 52nd Avenue; 43) East Prairie Meadow Drive; and 44) North Verbena Street.**

Dedicates forty-four City-owned parcels of land located in the Stapleton Filing No. 45 subdivision as Public Right-of-Way as 1) North Spruce Street, 2) East 54th Place, 3) East Prairie Meadow Drive, 4) North Trenton Street, 5) East 53rd Drive, 6) North Tamarac Street, 7) East 54th Place, 8) North Tamarac Way, 9) East 54th Drive, 10) East 55th Avenue, 11) North Uinta Street, 12) East 55th Place, 13) East 55th Avenue, 14) North Uinta Way, 15) East Prairie Meadow Drive, 16) North Valentia Street, 17) East 54th Place, 18) East 54th Place, 19) North Valentia Street, 20) North Valentia Court, 21) North Verbena Street, 22) East 54th Drive, 23) East 54th Place, 24) North Verbena Way, 25) North Wabash Way, 26) North Wabash Street, 27) East 54th Avenue, 28) East 54th Place, 29) East 55th Avenue, 30) North Willow Street, 31) East 54th Drive, 32) North Xanthia Street, 33) North Xanthia Court, 34) North Xenia Street, 35) East 53rd Avenue, 36) North Willow Way, 37) North Akron Street, 38) East 52nd Place, 38) East 52nd Place, 39) North Xenia Street, 40) North Willow Way, 41) North Yosemite Way, 42) East 52nd Avenue, 43) East Prairie Meadow Drive, and 44) North Verbena Street, in Council District 8. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 12-17-2025. This item was postponed at the 1-5-2026 meeting until 1-12-2026.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council Pro-Tem Romero Campbell, that Council Resolution 25-2059 be adopted, was followed by a motion offered by Council member Lewis, duly seconded by Council member Sawyer, that Council Resolution 25-2059 be amended in the following particulars: "1. On page 1, line 6, strike "49" and replace with "45"."

The motion to amend carried by the following vote:

Amended

Aye: Alvidrez, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (11)
Nay: (None) (0)
Absent: Flynn, Hinds (2)

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Sawyer, that Council Resolution 25-2059 be adopted as amended, carried by the following vote:

Adopted as amended

Aye: Alvidrez, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (11)
Nay: (None) (0)
Absent: Flynn, Hinds (2)

Block Vote

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, to approve the following items en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Approved the consent agenda

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds,
Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer,
Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

PROCLAMATIONS - CONSENT

26-0013 A Proclamation Recognizing Zarah Levy for Her Work and Public Service During Her Time With the Denver City Council Office of Councilwoman Serena Gonzales-Gutierrez

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Proclamation 26-0013 be adopted en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Adopted

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds,
Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer,
Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

RESOLUTIONS

Community Planning and Housing Committee

25-2070 A resolution approving a proposed Seventh Amendatory Agreement between the City and County of Denver and U.S. Motels Denver North, Inc. to provide units for the Support Team Assisted Response (STAR) program, and non-congregate shelter as well as congregate shelter space for individuals and families when the City's emergency shelter beds are full through the established non-congregate shelter program, citywide.

Amends an agreement with U.S. Motels Denver North, Inc. by adding \$450,000.00 for a new total of \$6,642,900.00 and adding nine months for a new end date of 12-31-2026 to provide units for the Support Team Assisted Response (STAR) program, and non-congregate shelter as well as congregate shelter space for individuals and families when the City's emergency shelter beds are full through the established non-congregate shelter program, citywide (HOST-202367041/HOST-202582474-07). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 1-20-2026. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 12-16-2025. This item was called out at the 1-5-2026 meeting for a one-week postponement to the next regular Council meeting on 1-12-2026.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Resolution 25-2070 be adopted en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Adopted

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

25-2109 A resolution approving a proposed Contract between the City and County of Denver and The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless to provide supportive housing for individuals and families experiencing homelessness, citywide.

Approves a contract with The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless for \$6,078,974.00 with an end date of 12-31-2027 to provide supportive housing for individuals and families experiencing homelessness, citywide (HOST-202582483). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 2-2-2026. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 12-23-2025.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Resolution 25-2109 be adopted en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Adopted

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

Governance and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

25-2132 A resolution approving the City Council appointment of Donald Long to the Citizen Oversight Board.

Approving the City Council appointment of Donald Long to the Citizen Oversight Board. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 1-6-2026.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Resolution 25-2132 be adopted en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Adopted

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

Health and Safety Committee

25-1987 A resolution approving a proposed Amendatory Agreement between the City and County of Denver and VICTIM OFFENDER RECONCILIATION PROGRAM OF DENVER to provide nutritious food access and nutrition education as funded by the Healthy Food for Denver's Kids Initiative, citywide. Amends a grant agreement with VICTIM OFFENDER RECONCILIATION PROGRAM OF DENVER by adding \$414,945.23 for a new total of \$1,244,836.48 and adding two years for a new end date of 12-31-2027 to provide nutritious food access and nutrition education as funded by the Healthy Food for Denver's Kids Initiative, citywide (ENVHL-202368602/ENVHL-202581532-01). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 2-2-2026. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 12-3-2025.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Resolution 25-1987 be adopted en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Adopted

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

25-2112 A resolution approving a proposed Amendatory Agreement between the City and County of Denver and Colorado Coalition for the Homeless to continue to provide health services at the All in Mile High shelters and micro communities, citywide.

Amends a contract with Colorado Coalition for the Homeless by adding \$922,718.00 for a new total of \$2,098,983.00 and adding twelve months for a new end date of 12-31-2026 to continue to provide health services at the All in Mile High shelters and micro communities, citywide (ENVHL-202578619/ENVHL-202582503-01). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 2-2-2026. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 12-24-2025.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Resolution 25-2112 be adopted en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Adopted

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

BILLS FOR INTRODUCTION

Community Planning and Housing Committee

25-2147 A bill for an ordinance changing the zoning classification for 3050

Richard Allen Court in Skyland.

Approves a map amendment to rezone property from R-2-A with waivers to E-MX-2x, located at 3050 North Richard Allen Court in the Skyland Neighborhood, in Council District 9. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 1-6-2026.

Council Bill 25-2147 was ordered published with a future required public hearing.

Ordered published with a future required public hearing

BILLS FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION

Finance and Business Committee

25-2106 A bill for an ordinance to correct Ordinance No. 1768, Series of 2025, approving a proposed Land Acquisition between the City and County of Denver, The Florida Avenue, and Quebec Way Mini Roundabout Project, designating certain properties as being required for public use and granting the authority to acquire through negotiated purchase or condemnation all or any portion of any property interest as needed for installment.

Approves a Land Acquisition Ordinance designating certain properties as being required for public use and granting the authority to acquire through negotiated purchase or condemnation all or any portion of any property interest as needed for the installment of The Florida Avenue and Quebec Way Mini Roundabout Project. This includes fee title and easement interests, access rights, improvements, buildings, fixtures, licenses, and permits as part of the project. The Project is located at the intersection of Florida Avenue and Quebec Way, in Council District 6. The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 1-26-2026. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 12-23-2025.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Bill 25-2106 be placed upon final consideration and do pass en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Placed upon final consideration and do pass

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

Governance and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

25-2056 A bill for an ordinance approving a proposed Agreement between the City and County of Denver and Regional Transportation District, to offer qualified Denver employees the RTD Ecopass.

Approves an Intergovernmental Agreement with Regional Transportation District (RTD) for \$431,126.00 with an end date of 12-31-2026 to offer qualified Denver employees the RTD Ecopass, citywide (CSAHR-202581622). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 1-20-2026. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 12-16-2025.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Bill 25-2056 be placed upon final consideration and do pass en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Placed upon final consideration and do pass

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

25-2084 A bill for an ordinance approving a proposed Intergovernmental Agreement between the City and County of Denver and Colorado Department of Transportation, to reimburse the city for maintenance of State highways in five locations within the jurisdiction of the City & County of Denver, citywide.

Approves an IGA with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) for \$3,750,000.00 with an end date of 6-30-2030 to reimburse the city for maintenance of State highways in five locations within the jurisdiction of the City & County of Denver, citywide (DOTI-202582177). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 1-26-2026. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 12-24-2025.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Bill 25-2084 be placed upon final consideration and do pass en bloc, carried by the following vote:

Placed upon final consideration and do pass

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (13)

Nay: (None) (0)

PRE-RECESS ANNOUNCEMENT

Council President Sandoval announced that tonight, there will be required public hearings on Council Bill 25-1704, approving and accepting the park building plan for the maintenance and operations facility, equipment building, and storage building, all located in City of Cuernavaca Park, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 39-210 and 39-211 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code; and Council Bill 25-1991, changing the zoning classification for 8250 East 40th Avenue in Central Park.

RECESS

Council took a recess.

COUNCIL RECONVENES AND RESUMES ITS REGULAR SESSION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PROCLAMATIONS

26-0021 A Proclamation Honoring West East Neighbors United for Leadership on the NWSL Stadium Community Benefits Agreement

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Parady, that Council Proclamation 26-0021 be adopted, carried by the following vote:

Adopted

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Gilmore, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (12)
Nay: (None) (0)
Absent: Gonzales-Gutierrez (1)

REQUIRED PUBLIC HEARINGS - BILLS FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION

South Platte River Committee

25-1704 A bill for an ordinance approving and accepting the park building plan for the maintenance and operations facility, equipment building, and storage building, all located in City of Cuernavaca Park, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 39-210 and 39-211 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code.

Approves the park building plan for three new buildings to be constructed in City of Cuernavaca Park to be used by Denver Parks and Recreation staff, in Council District 1. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 11-12-2025. This item was postponed at the 12-1-2025 meeting until 1-12-2026.

A motion offered by Council member Gilmore, duly seconded by Council member Parady, that Council Bill 25-1704 be postponed to a date certain, failed to carry by the following vote:

Postponed to a date certain

Aye: Gilmore (1)
Nay: Alvidrez, Flynn, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (11)
Absent: Gonzales-Gutierrez (1)

Council sat as a Committee of the Whole, commencing at 5:57 p.m., Council President Sandoval presiding, to hear speakers on Council Bill 25-1704. No one spoke in favor of the bill. Scott Gilmore spoke in opposition of the bill. Jolon Clark of Parks and Recreation delivered the staff report.

A motion offered by Council Pro-Tem Romero Campbell, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Bill 25-1704 be placed upon final consideration and do pass, carried by the following vote:

Placed upon final consideration and do pass

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (11)
Nay: Gilmore (1)
Absent: Gonzales-Gutierrez (1)

Community Planning and Housing Committee

25-1991 A bill for an ordinance changing the zoning classification for 8250 East 40th Avenue in Central Park.

Approves a map amendment to rezone property from OS-A to I-B, located at 8250 E 40th Avenue, in Council District 8. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 12-9-2025.

Council sat as a Committee of the Whole, commencing at 7:30 p.m., Council President Sandoval presiding, to hear speakers on Council Bill 25-1991. No one spoke in favor of the bill. No one spoke in opposition of the bill. Fran Penafiel of Community Planning and Development delivered the staff report.

A motion offered by Council member Alvidrez, duly seconded by Council member Hinds, that Council Bill 25-1991 be placed upon final consideration and do pass, carried by the following vote:

Placed upon final consideration and do pass

Aye: Alvidrez, Flynn, Hinds, Kashmann, Lewis, Parady, Romero Campbell, Sawyer, Torres, Watson, Sandoval (11)
Nay: (None) (0)
Absent: Gilmore, Gonzales-Gutierrez (2)

PRE-ADJOURNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

On Monday, February 9, 2026, Council will hold a required public hearing on Council Bill 25-2147, changing the zoning classification for 3050 Richard Allen Court in Skyland. Any protests against Council Bill 25-2147 must be filed with the Council Offices no later than noon on Monday, January 26, 2026.

ADJOURN

There being no further business before the City Council, Council President Sandoval adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

President

Attested by me with the Corporate Seal of the City and County of Denver

Clerk and Recorder, Ex-Officio Clerk
of the City and County of Denver