

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Tuesday, January 13, 2026

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, City Hall

600 4th Avenue

Seattle, WA 98104

City Council

Joy Hollingsworth, Council President

Dionne Foster, Member

Debora Juarez, Member

Robert Kettle, Member

Eddie Lin, Member

Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Member

Maritza Rivera, Member

Rob Saka, Member

Dan Strauss, Member

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A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on January 13, 2026, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m., with Council President Hollingsworth presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Late Arrival: 1 - Rinck

C. PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

Councilmember Rinck joined the meeting at 2:04 p.m.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Kerin Hoag
Yvette Dinish
Alexander Dean
Justin Bare
Matthew Meloy
Sonja Ponath
Willow Reader
Sam White
Magdalena Ware
Long Nguyen
Jason Thiel
Gwendolyn Hart
Robert Engel
Olive Lacy
Jonathan Toledo
Clio Jensen
Kevin Rosewood
Kshama Sawant
Howard Gale
Bennett Haselton
Em Smith
M. Murphy
Summer Miller
Alex Tsimerman
Rose Legionaires
David Haines

Without objection, the City Council meeting recessed from 3:11 p.m. until 3:21 p.m.

At 3:25 p.m., the January 13, 2026, City Council meeting came back to order.

Present: 6 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Lin, Rivera, Strauss
Late arrival: 3 - Kettle, Rinck, Saka

Councilmembers Kettle, Rinck, and Saka joined the meeting at 3:26 p.m.

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 506](#)

January 13, 2026

By unanimous consent, the Introduction & Referral Calendar (IRC) was adopted.

In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

By unanimous consent, the Agenda was adopted.

G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion was made by Council President Hollingsworth, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar.

Journal:**1. [Min 550](#) January 6, 2026**

The Minutes were adopted on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes (Min):

In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

Bills:

2. [CB 121148](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of December 29, 2025, through January 2, 2026, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The Council Bill (CB) was passed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAND USE COMMITTEE:

1. [CB 121143](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to floodplains; tenth extension of interim regulations established by Ordinance 126113, and as amended by Ordinance 126536, for an additional six months, to allow individuals to rely on updated National Flood Insurance Rate Maps to obtain flood insurance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Flood Insurance Program.

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 4 - Lin, Strauss, Rinck, Rivera

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 9 - Foster, Hollingsworth, Juarez, Kettle, Lin, Rinck, Rivera, Saka, Strauss

Opposed: None

I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

There were none.

J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

K. OTHER BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, Councilmember Rivera and Councilmember Strauss were excused from the January 20, 2026, City Council meeting.

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on January 20, 2026.

Joy Hollingsworth, Council President of the City Council