



# City of Oakland

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## Meeting Minutes - DRAFT \*Special Finance & Management Committee

*Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza,  
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Tuesday, November 18, 2025

9:30 AM

City Council Chamber, 3rd Floor

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**The Oakland City Council Special Finance And Management Committee Convened At  
9:32 A.M. With Councilmember Ramachandran Presiding As Chairperson**

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:**

**Present** 4 - Janani Ramachandran, Charlene Wang, Rowena Brown, and Zac Unger

### **Roll Call / Call To Order**

### **1 No Minutes To Be Approved**

### **2 Determination Of Schedule Of Outstanding Committee Items** [26-0222](#)

**Attachments:** [View Report](#)

*0 Speakers Spoke On This Item*

A motion was made by Rowena Brown, seconded by Zac Unger, that this matter  
be Accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye** 4 - Ramachandran Wang Brown, Unger

**NO VOTE** 0

- 3**      Subject:    Vacant Property Tax Ordinance Amendments  
From:        Finance Department  
Recommendation: Adopt A Ordinance Amending Oakland Municipal Code Title 4,  
Chapter 4.56, Vacant Property Tax To (1) Add An Exemption For Parcels That Change  
Ownership After Assessment,

(2) Require The Hearing Officer To Include Findings Of Fact In Their Decisions, And

(3) Establish A Twelve Month Time Period Within Which Owners Of Parcels Deemed  
Vacant And Assessed The Vacant Property Tax Must File A Petition To Reverse The  
Assessment, Claim An Exemption, Or To Seek Refund Of Taxes Paid

[26-0218](#)

**Sponsors:** Finance Department

**Attachments:** [View Report](#)  
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***The Committee Approved The Recommendations Of Staff And To Forward This  
Item To The December 2, 2025 City Council Agenda On Consent***

***0 Speakers Spoke On This Item***

A motion was made by Janani Ramachandran, seconded by Charlene Wang, that  
this matter be Approved the Recommendation of Staff, and Forward to go before  
the \* Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency and  
the City Council, to be heard 12/2/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye**    4 -    Ramachandran Wang Brown, Unger

**NO VOTE**    0

- 4**      Subject:    Informational Report On Special Revenue Collection Project  
From:        Councilmember Kaplan And Councilmember Ramachandran  
Recommendation: Receive An Informational Report From The City Administrator Or Their  
Designee On The Special Revenue Collection Project, Including Hiring And Activating  
The Work To Bring In Additional Revenue From Non-Filed Businesses

[25-0569](#)

**Sponsors:** Kaplan and Ramachandran

**Attachments:** [NO WRITTEN MATERIALS SUBMITTED](#)

***The Committee Approved To Continue This Item To The April 21, 2026 Finance And  
Management Committee Agenda***

***3 Speakers Spoke On This Item***

A motion was made by Rowena Brown, seconded by Janani Ramachandran, that  
this matter be Continued to go before the \*Finance & Management Committee, to  
be heard 4/21/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye** 4 - Ramachandran Wang Brown, Unger

**NO VOTE** 0

- 5** Subject: Cash Management Report For FY 2025-2026 First Quarter Ended September 30th, 2025  
From: Finance Department  
Recommendation: Receive The Informational Cash Management Report For Fiscal Year 2025-2026 First Quarter Ended September 30, 2025  
[26-0230](#)

**Sponsors:** Finance Department

**Attachments:** [View Report](#)

[View Attachment A](#)

***0 Speakers Spoke On This Item***

**A motion was made by Zac Unger, seconded by Rowena Brown, that this matter be Received and Filed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 4 - Ramachandran Wang Brown, Unger

**NO VOTE** 0

## **Open Forum**

***1 Speaker Spoke During Open Forum***

## **Adjournment**

***There Being No Further Business, The Oakland City Council Special Finance And Management Committee Adjourned The Meeting At 10:09 A.M.***

**\* In the event of a quorum of the City Council participates on this Committee, the meeting is noticed as a Special Meeting of the City Council; however no final City Council action can be taken.**

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