

City of Oakland

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Agenda - DRAFT

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

10:30 AM

City Council Chamber, 3rd Floor

***Special Finance & Management Committee**

*Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza,
Oakland, California 94612*

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COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

*Councilmember Rowena Brown, At-Large; Councilmember Zac Unger, District 1;
Councilmember Charlene Wang, District 2; Chairperson: Councilmember Janani
Ramachandran, District 4*

Roll Call / Call To Order

1 No Minutes To Be Approved

2 Determination Of Schedule Of Outstanding Committee Items

[26-0222](#)

3 Subject: Vacant Property Tax Ordinance Amendments

From: Finance Department

Recommendation: Adopt A Ordinance Amending Oakland Municipal Code Title 4,
Chapter 4.56 To (1) Add An Exemption For Parcels That Change Ownership After
Assessment,

(2) Remove Existing Reference Allowing The Discretion Of The Hearing Officer Whether
To Include Findings Of Fact And Add Language Requiring The Hearing Officer To Include
Findings Of Fact, And

(3) Establish A Time Period In Which Owners Of Parcels Deemed Vacant And Assessed
The Vacant Property Tax Must File A Petition To Reverse The Assessment Or To Seek
Refund Of Taxes Paid

[26-0218](#)

Sponsors: Finance Department

Legislative History

10/30/25

*Rules & Legislation
Committee

Scheduled to the *Finance & Management
Committee

A Title Change Was Read Into Record And Accepted

4 Subject: Informational Report On Special Revenue Collection Project

From: Councilmember Kaplan

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

Attachments: [NO WRITTEN MATERIALS SUBMITTED](#)

Legislative History

3/13/25

*Rules & Legislation
Committee

Scheduled to the *Special Finance &
Management Committee

4/9/25	*Special Finance & Management Committee <i>The Committee Approved To Continue This Item To The November 18, 2025 Finance And Management Committee Meeting</i> <i>1 Speaker Spoke On This Item</i>	Continued to the *Finance & Management Committee
4/10/25	*Rules & Legislation Committee	Continued to the *Finance & Management Committee

Open Forum

Adjournment

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