



# Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** June 4, 2024  
**Time:** 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.  
**Location**  
Microsoft Teams

**Supplemental Meeting** (Convened via video conference)  
The meeting agenda materials referenced in these minutes can be found [online](#). Link to Microsoft Teams meeting video: [24 06 04 LTAC Meeting Video](#).

**Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call**  
The meeting of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee was called to order at 12:31 pm by Kim Harless, Committee Chair.

**Board Members Present:** Kim Harless, Steve Bowers, Jennifer Kenney, Terry Goldman, Christie Rust, Carla Rise, Temple Lentz, Ryan Hart

**Board Members Absent:** Janet Kenefsky

**Staff Present:** Chris Harder, Kimberly Kerlee, Jonathan Young, Andrew Westlund, Natasha Ramras

**Guests:** Cliff Myers, Visit Vancouver

**Motion** by Lentz, seconded by Hart, and carried unanimously to excuse the absence of Janet Kenefsky.

**Item 2: Approval of Minutes**  
**Motion** by Rose, seconded by Lentz, and carried unanimously to approve the May 22, 2024, minutes.

**Item 3: LTAC Biennial Budget Discussion**  
Chris Harder, Deputy Director, reviewed the goals of the discussion and presented the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) Budget Memo. Committee members and City staff discussed the Lodging Tax resources and revenue, fund reserves and eligible use of funds. Discussion occurred regarding the specifics of the Lodging Tax budget and costs. Ramras and Harder provided clarification. Bowers asked for clarity regarding the approval process for the use of LTAC funds to City Council. Ramras and Young responded. Harder reviewed the proposed grant award categories and committee members asked questions and provided feedback. Harless asked about the criteria for organizations applying for the different award categories and if different fund amounts would be allocated to specific grants. Harder, Ramras and Young responded.

## Members

Kim Harless  
**Chair**

Steve Bowers  
Temple Lentz  
Janet Kenefsky  
Jennifer Kenney  
Christie Rust  
Terry Goldman  
Ryan Hart  
Carla Rise

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Discussion occurred around the proposed timeline and goals moving forward included in the memo. Harless requested that the date applications open is pushed out to a later date since summer is a busy time for events and organizations. Young provided the legal standpoint on Council's actions when approving recommendations for lodging tax funds.

**Item 4: Other Business**

Chris Harder reviewed the next regular LTAC meeting that will be held on June 12 and mentioned the possibility of utilizing the July meeting to refer to the comments and questions regarding the budget memo and any remaining clarifications on the direction of the LTAC grant criteria.

**Item 5: Public Comment**

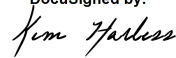
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**Item 6: Executive Session (as needed)**

None

**Item 7: Adjourn**

1:59 p.m.

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Kim Harless, Board President

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