



# City of Saint Paul

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## Meeting Minutes

### City Council

*Council President Amy Brendmoen*  
*Councilmember Mitra Jalali*  
*Councilmember Rebecca Noecker*  
*Councilmember Jane L. Prince*  
*Councilmember Dai Thao*  
*Councilmember Chris Tolbert*  
*Councilmember Nelsie Yang*

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Wednesday, May 12, 2021

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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Please see the meeting guidelines due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 3:32 p.m.

**Present** 6 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Chris Tolbert,  
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Jane L. Prince,  
Councilmember Mitra Jalali and Councilmember Nelsie Yang

**Absent** 1 - Councilmember Dai Thao

#### COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [CO 21-41](#) Mayor's Emergency Executive Order 21-20.  
  
**Received and Filed**
- 2 [AO 21-21](#) Amending ESG-CV projects budget.  
  
**Received and Filed**
- 3 [AO 21-22](#) Establishing two new account codes for Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program awards adopted via City Council Resolutions #21-505 and #21-675.  
  
**Received and Filed**
- 4 [AO 21-25](#) Amending the 2021 spending budget in the Department of Public Works Street Lighting Maintenance accounting unit.  
  
**Received and Filed**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*Council President Brendmoen said Item 16 will be taken separately.*

*Councilmember Prince moved approval of the Consent Agenda as amended.*

*6 in favor, none opposed*

*Consent Agenda is adopted as amended*

**Consent agenda adopted as amended**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 5**     [RES 21-596](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during July 7 to January 15, 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for July 21, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. VB2109, Assessment No. 218815)
- Adopted**
- 6**     [RES 21-597](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during February 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for July 21, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2109B, Assessment No. 218109)
- Adopted**
- 7**     [RES 21-598](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 18 to February 12, 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for July 21, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CRT2109, Assessment No. 218209)
- Adopted**
- 8**     [RES 21-599](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during December 23 to January 19, 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for July 21, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2109E, Assessment No. 218310)
- Adopted**

- 9     [RES 21-600](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Removal of Dangerous and/or Diseased Tree(s) during January to February 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for July 21, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. 2103T, Assessment No. 219002)

**Adopted**

- 10    [RES 21-601](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Removal of Dangerous Tree(s) during November 2020 at 830 University Ave W, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for July 21, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. 2104T, Assessment No. 219003)

**Adopted**

- 11    [RES 21-602](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Towing of Abandoned Vehicle services during February to November 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for July 21, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2101V, Assessment No. 218000)

**Adopted**

- 12    [RES 21-648](#)     Authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with MnDOT for the relocation of City owned facilities as part of MnDOT's Trunk Highway 156 (Concord Street) Project from Annapolis to Trunk Highway 52.

**Adopted**

- 13    [RES 21-688](#)     Authorizing Saint Paul Parks and Recreation to pay for travel-related expenses, including airfare, lodging, meals, etc. for Como Zoo's Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) Accreditation inspectors, who are not city employees from June 20-24, 2021.

**Adopted**

- 14    [RES 21-691](#)     Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2021 Wage and Fringe Adjustment for the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council #82. (Laid over from May 12)

**Laid over to May 19**

- 15    [RES 21-694](#)     Authorizing the City to transfer \$250,000 in CDBG-CV funds to a specific account for COVID related activities.

**Adopted**

- 17     [RES 21-712](#)     Authorizing the proper City officials to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for real estate services associated with the realignment of the Gateway Trail between Maryland Avenue and Arlington Avenue.

**Adopted**

- 18     [RES 21-718](#)     Authorizing the Department of Planning and Economic Development to apply to the Metropolitan Council for Tax Base Revitalization Account Seeding Equitable Environmental Development grant funds for projects at 1490 Seventh Street East and 694 Minnehaha Avenue East.

**Adopted**

- 19     [RES 21-687](#)     Changing the rate of pay for Grants Specialist, EG 06, PEA (laid over from May 5).

**Adopted**

#### FOR DISCUSSION

- 16     [RES 21-710](#)     Approving the agreement between the Department of Parks and Recreation (the City) and Viking River Cruises (Viking) for the 2024 through 2026 cruise season (summer) with a renewal option through 2029 to dock the Viking River Cruise vessel at Lambert's Landing.

*Councilmember Noecker said this is exciting for the entire City. On July 23, 2022, nearly 400 passengers will be debarking from the Maiden Voyage of the Viking Mississippi. The 2022 cruises are sold out. 80% of the 2023 cruises are sold. Tickets have gone on sale for 2024. They are extending the contract through 2029. The payoff of the City is tourism and the promotion of the entire City as a destination. This is the last place the steamboat can get to before the water falls where the milling happened. That is the way we started this City. She thanked Parks and Rec, The Great River Passage Conservancy, Saint Paul Port Authority, Visit Saint Paul, and Upper River Services. They have all come together for this project. She moved approval.*

*6 in favor, none opposed*

*Resolution is adopted*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 20     [RES 21-714](#)     Proclaiming May 14 as Hmong/Hmoob Day.

*Councilmember Yang said May is a special month. It is recognized as Asian American Pacific Islander Month and May 14 is Hmong day. It marks the 46th anniversary of when the Hmong people evacuated out of Laos. In the late 2000's, there was a campaign to make sure that Hmong veterans received veterans benefits. Even though it did not turn out the way it was supposed to, they were given Hmong Day to ensure Hmong people could be here in the U.S. and all over the world. Today, over 80,000 are in Minnesota. They have given so much to the community. The day is symbolic for everything the veterans have done and how fortunate they are to have the lives they have in the U.S. As the first Hmong woman and youngest councilmember, she wants to put forward this resolution.*

*Council President Brendmoen appreciated the leadership and the acknowledgment of the Hmong community in Saint Paul.*

*Yang moved approval.  
6 in favor, none opposed  
Resolution is adopted*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 21     [RES 21-673](#)     Clarifying the City Council's sole authority to review appeals from the Zoning Code.

*Council President Brendmoen said Councilmember Prince is requesting a 2-week layover.*

*6 in favor, none opposed  
Laid over to May 26*

**Resolution is laid over to May 26**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

**ORDINANCES**

An ordinance is a city law enacted by the City Council. It is read at three separate council meetings and becomes effective after passage by the Council and 30 days after publication in the Saint Paul Legal Ledger. Public hearings on ordinances are held at the second reading.

**First Reading**

- 22     [Ord 21-16](#)             Granting the application of IO Investments LLC to rezone property at 1053 Dale Street North from R4 one-family residential to T2 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

*Council President Brendmoen said Josh Williams is here for questions and this will be laid over.*

*Laid over to May 19 for second reading.*

**Laid over for second reading on May 19**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 23     [RES PH 21-58](#)             Ratifying the assessment for the 2019 Street Maintenance Service Program-Sealcoating Street and/or Alley. (File No. 195600, Assessment No. 195600)

*Council President Brendmoen said we held open the public hearing for one week for snafus. Prince has a Version 3 in Legistar with one address adjustment.*

*Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing and move forward with Version 3.*

*6 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted as amended*

**Adopted as amended**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 24**     [RES PH 21-103](#)     Authorizing the Police Department Bomb Disposal Unit to accept and amend the 2021 special fund budget and adding an activity for the 2020 State of Minnesota Homeland Security Program - Bomb grant.

*Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing was held virtually.*

*Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing and approve.*

*6 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted*

**Adopted**

- 25**     [RES PH 21-113](#)     Approving the application of Bethel Christian Fellowship for a sound level variance to present amplified sound on Sundays for Outside Worship Services beginning Sunday, May 16 through Sunday, October 31, 2021 at 1466 Portland Ave-Back Parking Lot.

*Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.*

*Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.*

*6 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

26     [RES PH 21-115](#)     Establishing Wabasha Street as the west corridor of the Capital City Bikeway downtown bike network.

*Councilmember Noecker said this is an exciting day and the culmination of a lot of work. There was a lot of public engagement. There is a Version 2 in Legistar. There is a change at the end of the text. It gives staff the opportunity to make slight modification changes.*

*6 in favor, none opposed  
Amendment is approved*

*Newton appeared. He shared a presentation. Their recommendation is that Wabasha is the preferred route. It is on Wabasha from Kellogg to Tenth Street. The bike plan was adopted in 2015. One of the 2 key priorities was the development of a Downtown bike network. At that time, St. Peter was the preferred route for the west leg. It was re-reviewed. Since that time, there was implementation work. Jackson was constructed as a bikeway. Last year, they implemented Tenth Street as a interim implementation. They are working on the last leg. Kellogg Boulevard between Jackson and 7th Street will be under construction for 2023 and 2025. The bikeway is consistent with several key plans: Saint Paul Bicycle Plan, the 2040 Comprehensive Plan, and the Climate Action and Resiliency Plan. Back in 2019, they worked on the interim design study: 1) Determine interim design for 9th and 10th Street. That has been completed, 2) Determine preferred route for west corridor of Capital City Bikeway, St. Peter or Wabasha Street, 3) Determine interim design for west corridor of Capital City Bikeway. They started out looking at a whole range of alternatives. After some initial evaluation, they took 5 options out to the public. They took it down to 3. They modified Wabasha Street alignment. They maintained a project main page. They had 3 open houses and follow-up surveys. They got good responses to all of those. They had conversations with directly impacted stakeholders. The Transportation Committee endorsed the recommendation on a 8 to 1 vote. Their recommendation is to place it on Wabasha. This was not an easy decision. Any route they chose would be an impact to businesses. Those impacts are not minor in those eyes. They worked to find solutions to accommodate their needs moving forward. They have heard about the desire to complete the bike network, concerns about loss of parking and vehicle loading. This is planned for 2022. (He gave a general route overview.) Currently, this leg of the bikeway is not funded. The reconstruction is funded and scheduled for 2022. The estimated cost for including the bikeway is \$2 Million.*

*Lastly, the Capital City Bikeway includes 3.5 miles of new protected bikeway. That comes with additional annual maintenance needs. Next steps: 1) they will incorporate bikeway into the design of Wabasha Street reconstruction project [Kellogg to Sixth] and identify any additional funding needs, 2) Determine implementation funding and schedule for the remainder of the west leg of the Capital City Bikeway.*

*Councilmember Prince spoke about the businesses and all the work they have done to help the businesses. The businesses Downtown have been through a rough couple of years: COVID, civil unrest, homelessness. She is particularly sensitive to adding challenges to make it harder for them to conduct businesses once the bikeway is put into place. The businesses the most concerned were Amsterdam and Candyland. Please reiterate a couple of things that you are contemplating to reduce the impacts on those 2 businesses.*

*Newton responded they are doing their part to minimize impacts. The parking in front of Candyland will be removed. Users will need to park on the east side of the roadway*



*with their business being on the left side. They can move the 15-minute parking to the other side. They have 2 spaces and they can expand to 3 or 4 spaces. They remain concerned about that impact. It just means crossing the road. As for Amsterdam, they have 12 parking spaces on the west side between 5th and 6th. At times, they secure those parking spaces for use of loading and unloading. That space will be removed with this proposal. We have talked to them with multiple options. They have identified that there is a parking space just to the west of Wabasha on 6th Street. It could be a permanent loading zone. Folks can come and load and unload. It would be available all the time. It would serve as deliveries for their other operations. It is not as convenient. This requires them to go down half a block. There are currently 3 spaces on the east side of Wabasha. They would look to expand that as much as possible. They can get at least 4 spaces. They will work with Metro Transit to expand that further. That is the east side of Wabasha instead of the west side, but they have a bigger space. Lastly, we acknowledge on special events, they may need to stop in the traffic and unload a larger vehicle. We are accepting that will happen. We acknowledge for bigger shows and special events, they will need to do that on occasions. We can work with them for bigger shows for reserving parking.*

*Prince thanked Newton for making those accommodations with the business community.*

*Councilmember Noecker thanked Prince. Those were thoughtful questions. She shares her concerns for the small businesses Downtown. Nothing about this project has been easy. This is bold, visionary, and the kind all world class cities are making. It is important to remember that customers come on bikes, too. They are delivery on the third leg of the Capital City Bikeway. There is no way to make everyone happy. She thanked everyone who weighed in on this. People should continue to be engaged. They are approving a route, but a design is another step. She thanked others in Public Works.*

*Council President Brendmoen said design elements can make all the difference. She is looking forward to this being completed. The parts intact are lovely.*

*Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.*

*6 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted as amended*

**Adopted as amended**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 27     [RES PH 21-117](#)     Authorizing the Police Department to amend the 2021 Special Fund Budget to add the missed 2020 yearend technical amendment for the 2020 Ramsey County Violent Crime Enforcement Team Grant.

*Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.*

*Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.*

*6 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 28     [RES PH 21-118](#)     Denying the March 11, 2021 application submitted by Ronn Jansen of Madison Equities for an exception to the general hours of operation for Pedestrian Skyway Bridge #14 which serves the Mears Park Place Apartments and Park Square Court.

*Councilmember Noecker said she is going to support staff recommendation for a denial of the exemption of the skyway hours. There is an outpouring of communication and Skyway Governance recommends denial. It is an unreasonable length of time. A denial is appropriate. It is clear that the skyways are a critical part of our infrastructure. They are essential for mobility purposes. Nothing about this denial keeps the applicant from coming back and presenting a plan that is more reasonable. She moved to close the public hearing and approve.*

*6 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 29     [RES PH 21-120](#)     Authorizing the Police Department to amend the 2021 Special Fund Budget to add the missed 2020 yearend technical amendment for the 2020 Foundation and private grants.

*Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing was held virtually.*

*Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.  
6 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

**LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS**

**The Legislative Hearing Officer recommends adoption of the following resolutions, as no objections to these recommendations were received:**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 30     [RLH SAO 21-34](#)     Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 616 DESNOYER AVENUE in Council File SAO 21-24.

**Adopted**

- 32     [RLH RR 21-17](#)     Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 1282 HAGUE AVENUE in Council File RLH RR 20-37.

**Adopted**

- 33     [RLH VBR 21-23](#)     Appeal of Anh-Duyen Pham to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 721 JACKSON STREET.

**Adopted**

- 34     [RLH SAO 21-37](#)     Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 1356 JEFFERSON AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 21-1.

**Adopted**

- 38     [RLH TA 21-237](#)     Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment and spread payments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during May 20 to September 17, 2020 at 1816 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. VB2105, Assessment No. 218804)

**Adopted**

- 40     [RLH VO 21-15](#)     Appeal of Jonathon Wayne to a Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation and Order to Vacate at 1026 REANEY AVENUE.

**Adopted**

- 41     [RLH SAO 21-29](#)     Appeal of Jesse Frank to a Summary Abatement Order at 1728 ROWE PLACE.

**Adopted**

- 44     [RLH TA 21-233](#)     Amending Council File RLH AR 20-160, adopted February 10, 2021, to ratify the assessment at 54 SYNDICATE STREET SOUTH (50 SYNDICATE STREET SOUTH/1276 GRAND AVENUE/1278 GRAND AVENUE) (File No. J2103B, Assessment No. 218102).

**Adopted**

- 45     [RLH RR 21-21](#)     Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 1544 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST within forty-five (45) days after the May 12, 2021, City Council Public Hearing.

**Adopted**

**For the following items, no objection to the Legislative Hearing Officer's amended recommendation was received and, therefore, she recommends amendment and adoption:**

- 36     [RLH RR 21-20](#)     Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 1128 MACKUBIN STREET within fifteen (15) days after the May 12, 2021, City Council Public Hearing. (Legislative Hearing May 11, 2021)

**Adopted as amended (grant to remove within 15 days with no option for repair)**

- 37 [RLH RR 21-23](#) Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 975 MARSHALL AVENUE in Council File RLH RR 20-47. (Legislative Hearing May 11, 2021)

**Adopted as amended (grant extension of 90 days to August 12)**

- 39 [RLH RR 21-22](#) Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 1355 PAYNE AVENUE in Council File RLH RR 20-34. (Legislative Hearing May 11, 2021)

**Adopted as amended (grant extension of 90 days to August 12)**

- 42 [RLH VO 21-8](#) Appeal of Cynthia Johnstone to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice (which includes condemnation) and a Vehicle Abatement Order at 1352 SEVENTH STREET WEST.

**Adopted as amended (grant appeal on order to vacate and extension to June 1, for compliance with vehicle abatement order)**

- 46 [RLH FCO 21-47](#) Appeal of Steve Minn, Lupe Development Partners, to a Correction Notice-Reinspection Complaint at 1276 WILSON AVENUE.

**Adopted as amended (found to be in compliance as of May 10)**

**For the following items, the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendation is to continue the public hearing to the dates listed:**

- 31 [RLH RR 21-32](#) Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 134 ELIZABETH STREET EAST in Council File RLH RR 20-13.

**Continue Public hearing to May 19**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 35 [RLH RR 21-25](#) Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 1023 JESSIE STREET in Council File RLH RR 20-33. (Legislative Hearing May 11, 2021)

**Continue Public hearing to June 16**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

**For the following item, the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendation is to refer to the June 29 Legislative Hearing:**

- 43**     [RLH RR 20-22](#)     Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 678 SNELLING AVENUE NORTH within fifteen (15) days after the May 27, 2020 City Council public hearing. (To refer back to Legislative Hearing on June 29, 2021; Public Hearing continued to July 7, 2021)

**Referred to the June 29 Legislative Hearing**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.**

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