



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

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

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting began at 3:35pm

- Present** 5 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Chris Tolbert, Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Jane L. Prince and Councilmember Mitra Jalali
- Absent** 2 - Councilmember Dai Thao and Councilmember Nelsie Yang

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 22-31](#) Designating Stacy Murphy, Assistant Chief of Police as an authorized signer for the City of Saint Paul Police Department pursuant to Sec. 86.01 of the Saint Paul Administrative Code.

Received and Filed

- 2 [AO 22-32](#) Amending the 2022 spending budget in the Department of Public Works Engineering Fund Technical Services accounting unit.

Received and Filed

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda will be enacted by one motion with no separate discussion. If discussion on an item is desired, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Council President Brendmoen stated that the swearings in of the appointments would take place on June 8 when the City Clerk is present.

Councilmember Tolbert moved approved.

Consent agenda adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 3 [RES 22-843](#) Approving the appointment of Christian Deloia as Interim Director of the Department of Technology and Communications, effective May 7, 2022.
Adopted
- 4 [RES 22-844](#) Approving the appointment of Angie Wiese as Director of the Department of Safety and Inspections, effective May 23, 2022.
Adopted
- 5 [RES 22-845](#) Approving the appointment of Jeremy Ellison as Interim Chief of the Police Department, effective June 1, 2022.
Adopted
- 6 [RES 22-846](#) Approving the appointment of Andy Rodriguez as Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, effective June 4, 2022.
Adopted
- 7 [RES 22-767](#) Authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with Ramsey County for the reconstruction of the traffic signal at the intersection of Randolph Avenue and Victoria Street.

Adopted
- 8 [RES 22-780](#) Authorizing the City to enter into Agreement No.1050466 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation to accept federal aid in connection with the Eastbound Kellogg Bridge at RiverCentre Project.
Adopted
- 9 [RES 22-807](#) Authorizing and approving a joint powers agreement between the City of Saint Paul and Saint Paul Public Housing Agency regarding compliance review for the Parkway Apartments project that received City of Saint Paul and/or Housing and Redevelopment Authority funding and Saint Paul Housing Agency project based voucher funding. (Districts 2, Ward 7)

Adopted
- 10 [RES 22-811](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into a management agreement with Keystone Community Services for the management of the West Seventh Community Center.
Adopted

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- 11 [RES 22-821](#) Authorizing the Department of Emergency Management to apply for an annual Urban Area Security Initiative grant from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
Adopted
- 12 [RES 22-827](#) Authorizing the Department of Emergency Management to apply for a dedicated Community Oriented Policing Services grant from U.S. Department of Justice in the amount of \$2,000,000.
Adopted
- 13 [RES 22-776](#) Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement (January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2022) and Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and the International Association of Fire Fighters AFL-CIO Local 21.
Adopted
- 14 [RES 22-790](#) Approving the Maintenance Labor Agreement (May 1, 2022 - April 30, 2025) between the City of Saint Paul and the Operative Plasterers and Cement Masons International Association, Local 633.
Adopted
- 15 [RES 22-838](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2022 Wage and Fringe Adjustment (June 1, 2022) for the Sprinkler Fitters Local Union No. 417.
Laid over to June 8, 2022 for adoption
- 16 [RES 22-837](#) Approving the Maintenance Labor Agreement (May 1, 2022 - April 30, 2025) between the City of Saint Paul and the Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local Union 1 Minnesota/North Dakota.
Laid over to June 8, 2022 for adoption
- 17 [RES 22-852](#) Approving the use of Grant Funds through the Ward 6 Neighborhood Star Year-Round Program for Barnwirth, LLC and the District 2 Community Council.
Adopted
- 18 [RES 22-853](#) Approving the use of grant funds through the Ward 7 Neighborhood Star Year-Round Program for Barnwirth, LLC and the Parks & Recreation Department in partnership with the Southeast Community Organization.
Adopted
- 19 [RES 22-861](#) Approving the use of grant funds through the Ward 2 Neighborhood STAR Year-Round program for The Buttered Tin and the Saint Paul Parks Conservancy.
Adopted
- 20 [Min 22-14](#) Approving the minutes of the Saint Paul City Council meetings of September

1, 8, 15, and 22, 2021.

Adopted

- 21 [RES 22-828](#) Approving the settlement between Daija Braylock and the City of Saint Paul.

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 22 [RES PH 22-127](#) Amending the 2040 Comprehensive Plan to allow for larger block sizes in industrial development and redevelopment. (Public hearing closed on May 25.)

Council President Brendmoen stated that Items 22, 23, 24, and 25 were all related to the Hillcrest Master Plan and Redevelopment. Said today was the final vote on each item. Moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 23 [Ord 22-24](#) Adopting the Hillcrest Rezoning Study amendments to Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the Zoning Map.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 24 [Ord 22-25](#) Adopting the Hillcrest Zoning Code Study amendments to Chapters 64 and 66 of the Legislative Code.

Councilmember Prince moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

25 [RES PH 22-128](#) Adopting the Hillcrest Master Plan.

Councilmember Tolbert moved a clarifying amendment related to sustainability.

Councilmember Prince stated that she heard that there was support from Councilmember Yang as well as the Port Authority.

Tolbert explained the importance of the amendment in regards to sustainability of the aquifer.

Prince thanked Tolbert and expressed support.

Councilmember Jalali asked for a short summary of the new language.

Tolbert clarified the new language with a short summary.

Jalali expressed support.

Amendment approved 5 - 0

Councilmember Noecker recognized Yang and thanked her for her work on this.

Prince thanked Yang as well and expressed support for the Master Plan as anti-displacement policy.

Council President Brendmoen expressed support for the project and read comments from Yang, which expressed excitement and appreciation.

Prince moved approval.

Adopted as amended

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

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.

Final Adoption

(See ordinances Ord 22-24 and Ord 22-25 under Discussion)

First Reading**26** [Ord 22-26](#) Amending Section 409.07 of the Legislative Code to allow Sunday sales in

micro-distilleries.

Councilmember Prince spoke to the amendment as a small but important adjustment.

Laid over to June 8, 2022 for public hearing

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

27 [Ord 22-28](#)

Amending Chapter 2.02 of the Administrative Code pertaining to the duties of the Office of Financial Empowerment; authorizing support for early learning.

Councilmember Noecker spoke to the ordinance amendment.

Laid over to June 8, 2022 for public hearing

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

PUBLIC HEARINGS

See below for ways to testify.

28 [Ord 22-27](#)

Approving an interim ordinance requesting a Planning Commission study to undertake a zoning study of non-conventional residential housing unit products.

Council President Brendmoen stated that this was a public hearing and would not be a final vote.

Jeff Linert spoke in support of the ordinance on behalf of Settled.

Meredith Campbell from Mosaic Christian Community spoke in support of the ordinance.

Todd Feske from Walking With a Purpose spoke in support of the of the ordinance.

Andrea Hinderaker spoke in support of the ordinance.

Alan Xiong spoke in support of the ordinance.

Rose Larson spoke in support of the ordinance.

Councilmember Jalali asked Settled about their commitment to diversity, including to the LGBTQ community.

Campbell spoke in support of having a diverse community as they filled the homes.

Jalali asked if the project was committed to housing LGBTQ people specifically.

Campbell replied in the affirmative.

Brendmoen asked if the homes were already spoken for by tenants.

Campbell replied in the affirmative.

Councilmember Noecker thanked everyone for their work on this ordinance.

Brendmoen thanked Noecker for her work and hoped this ordinance would be a model to other communities.

Noecker moved to close the public hearing.

Laid over to June 8, 2022 for final reading and adoption

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 29** [RES PH 22-62](#) Approving the petition of Kevin Vu to vacate the north-south alley in Block 4, the Strand Addition. (Petitioner requests this to be withdrawn.)

Withdrawn

- 30** [RES PH 22-134](#) Authorizing the Police Department to accept and amend the 2022 budget and activity for donations of \$21,526.05 and \$9,000.00 from the Saint Paul Police Foundation.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 31** [RES PH 22-147](#) Amending the 2022 Saint Paul Regional Water Services budget resulting in an increase of \$197,000 in spending and financing for certain 2021 Professional Services Agreements and the 2021 PFA Grant for Lead Service Line Replacement program.

Councilmember Tolbert moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 32** [RES PH 22-148](#) Amending the 2022 Saint Paul Regional Water Services budget resulting in an increase in spending and financing in the amount of \$58,000,000 for updated estimates for the McCarron's Treatment Plant Improvement Project.

Council President Brendmoen explained this as a technical amendment to the City budget and introduced Patrick Shea from the St. Paul Regional Water Service.

Patrick Shea gave a staff report.

Brendmoen expressed support for the investment.

Councilmember Tolbert emphasized the importance of investing in water infrastructure and moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 33** [RES PH 22-149](#) Amending the 2022 Saint Paul Regional Water Services budget resulting in an increase in spending and financing of \$4M for a pass-through grant in American Rescue Plan funds.

Councilmember Prince moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 34** [RES PH 22-136](#) Approving the application of The Center for Irish Music for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on June 10 and 11, 2022 at 836 Prior Avenue North - Celtic Junction Arts Center.

Councilmember Jalali relayed communication from the applicant that they may not have music one of the nights of the variance and that they were curious if it was possible to extend the time to 10:30 PM.

Councilmember Noecker expressed support for the change.

Jalali moved approval as amended.

Adopted as amended (end time extended to 10:30pm)

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 35** [RES PH 22-137](#) Approving the application of the Minnesota United FC for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on June 11 2022 within the Street and the Beer Garden Area at Allianz Field - 400 Snelling Avenue North.

Councilmember Tolbert moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 36** [RES PH 22-142](#) Approving the request for sound level variances for S.J. Louis Trenchless to allow for multiple cure-in-place sewer liner projects at four (4) locations (Lexington Parkway North from University Avenue to Fuller Avenue, Darlene Street from Hoyt Avenue to Larpenteur Avenue, Energy Park Road at Intercampus Transitway, and Palace Avenue from Macalester Street to Snelling Avenue South) in the month of June 2022.

Council President Brendmoen moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 37** [RES PH 22-143](#) Approving the application of RJMP Group Inc for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on June 5, 2022 at Billy's on Grand, 857 Grand Avenue.

Councilmember Noecker acknowledged the written testimony received and spoke in opposition to the resolution. Cited past issues as concerns regarding trust, as the Summit Hill Association rescinded its support. Thinks trust still needed to be rebuilt.

Councilmember Jalali shared some of Noecker's concerns, but stated she would be

voting to grant the variance since staff followed through the necessary procedures based on the information they had. Still acknowledged the validity of Noecker's concerns.

Noecker moved to deny approval.

*Motion to deny approval has been technically recorded to reflect that Nay votes represent those voting AGAINST the sound level variance, and vice versa.

Motion to deny is approved, resolution fails

Yea: 1 - Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 4 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 38** [RES PH 22-146](#) Approving the application of The Lab LLC for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on June 18, 2022 at The Shed at The Lab, 767 Eustis Street North.

Councilmember Jalali moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 39** [RES PH 22-144](#) Approving the Highland Bridge 4th Addition Rowhome final (combined) plat.

Councilmember Tolbert moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

- 40** [RES PH 22-151](#) Approving the project to reconstruct the Eastbound Kellogg RiverCentre Bridge No. 90378 and approach roadways between West 7th Street and Market Street, and reconstruct infrastructure located under the bridge including the Exchange Street viaduct from Eagle Street to Washington Street and Loading Dock exit road.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Jalali

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Yang

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 4:35pm

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