



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Council President Mitra Jalali
Vice President HwaJeong Kim
Councilmember Anika Bowie
Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson
Councilmember Saura Jost
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
Councilmember Nelsie Yang

Wednesday, July 24, 2024

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 3:31 PM

Present 4 - Councilmember Mitra Jalali, Councilmember HwaJeong Kim, Councilmember Saura Jost and Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson
Absent 3 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Nelsie Yang and Councilmember Anika Bowie

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 24-55](#) Amending CDBG-CV Project Budgets: \$103,331.57 of additional funding for 685 W. Minnehaha (West Minnehaha Rec).
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

Councilmember Johnson moved approval.

Consent Agenda adopted

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

- 2 [RES 24-924](#) Authorizing the Department of Planning and Economic Development to apply to the Metropolitan Council for Livable Communities Demonstration Account for a Transit Oriented Development (LCDA-TOD) project at 680-694 Minnehaha Avenue East (Hamm's Brewery Redevelopment: East End), and

LCDA-Development projects at 1570 White Bear Avenue North (Gloryville), and 42 Water Street West (Farwell on Water District Connections), which will include indemnification provisions in favor of the Metropolitan Council.

Adopted

- 3 [RES 24-954](#) Directing the Department of Safety and Inspections to proceed with adverse action and the Denial of the Auto body Repair License Application against Simba Truck & Trailer Repair LLC. d/b/a Simba Truck & Trailer Repair, (License ID #20230000862) for the premises located at 44 Acker Street.
- Adopted**
- 4 [RES 24-1005](#) Approving the application for change of ownership for Liquor Liquidator Inc d/b/a Liquor Liquidator Inc for the Liquor Off Sale and Tobacco Shop (License ID #20230001888) for the premises located at 1047 Hudson Road.
- Adopted**
- 5 [RES 24-1013](#) Approving the application with conditions, per the Legislative Hearing Officer, for MC's Hog LLC, d/b/a Handsome Hog (License ID# 20240000668), for Liquor On Sale - 101-180 Seats, Liquor On Sale - Sunday, and Liquor-Outdoor Service Area (Patio) licenses, located at 173 Western Avenue North.
- Adopted**
- 6 [RES 24-1021](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Rubbish and Garbage Clean Up during March 27 to April 9, 2024, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for August 20, 2024 and City Council public hearing for September 2, 2024 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2424R, Assessment No. 248530)
- Adopted**
- 7 [RES 24-1022](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Rubbish and Garbage Clean Up during April 10 to 30, 2024, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for August 20, 2024 and City Council public hearing for September 2, 2024 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2425R, Assessment No. 248531)
- Adopted**
- 8 [RES 24-1023](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Sanitary Sewer Repair in Right of Way during January to February 2024, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for August 20, 2024 and City Council public hearing for September 2, 2024 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2426A, Assessment No. 248532)
- Adopted**
- 9 [RES 24-1024](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Miscellaneous Abatement services during December 2023 to June 2024, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for August 20, 2024 and City Council public hearing for September 2, 2024 to

consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2427A, Assessment No. 248533)

Adopted

- 10 [RES 24-1030](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept funds and enter into a grant agreement from the Saint Paul Foundation for Right Track, the City's Youth Employment Program in an amount of \$30,000 for the 2024 and 2025 program years.
- Adopted**
- 11 [RES 24-1033](#) Approving the use or non-use of a Project Labor Agreement on Department of Parks and Recreation construction projects for the second half of 2024.
- Adopted**
- 12 [RES 24-1034](#) Authorizing use of a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) for United Village Redevelopment Phase 1 in the area of 1566 University Avenue West (District 13, Ward 1).
- Adopted**
- 13 [RES 24-1036](#) Authorizing execution of a Special Assessment Agreement for United Village Redevelopment Phase 1 in the project area at and around 1566 University Ave West (District 13, Ward 1).
- Adopted**
- 14 [RES 24-1040](#) Authorizing the City to renew its lease with Metropolitan State University for the Dayton's Bluff Library.
- Adopted**
- 15 [RES 24-1041](#) Accepting a temporary easement and authorizing payment to the adjacent property owner for the expansion of Pedro Park.
- Adopted**
- 16 [RES 24-1042](#) Approving an amendment to Lease Agreement PR/10 for land abutting and incorporated into the Cayuga Playground to extend the term through April 30, 2029.
- Adopted**
- 17 [RES 24-1054](#) Authorizing reimbursement for Councilmember Yang for \$57 relating to a community event.
- Adopted**
- 18 [RES 24-1059](#) Approving the Mayor's appointments of Courtney Henry and Amy Brendmoen to a six-year term to the Saint Paul Port Authority.
- Adopted**

- 19 [RES 24-1006](#) Approving the Maintenance Labor Agreement (May 1, 2024 - April 30, 2027) between the City of Saint Paul and the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers, Local 10.

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 20 [RES PH 24-156](#) Approving the Installation of a bike lane on Concordia Avenue and Rondo Avenue from Pascal Street North to Western Avenue North. (Public hearing closed and laid over from July 10, 2024)

Councilmember Jost moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

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 Pioneer Press. Public hearings on ordinances are generally held at the second reading.

Final Adoption

- 21 [Ord 24-17](#) Amending Title XII of the Legislative Code to add Chapter 143 titled Comprehensive Downtown Improvement Special Service District.

Council President Jalali spoke in favor and moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

FOR DISCUSSION

- 22 [RES PH 24-157](#) Adopting the 2025 Operating Plan for the Comprehensive Downtown Improvement Special Service District and imposing a service charge pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Chapter 428A. (Public hearing closed and laid over from July 17, 2024)

Councilmember Kim moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Live testimony is limited to two minutes for each person. See below for optional ways to testify.

- 23** [RES PH 24-142](#) Final Order approving the Grand/Snelling parking lot operation and maintenance costs for 2025. (File No. 18746-24, Assessment No. 247202).
Councilmember Jost moved approval.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie
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- 24** [RES PH 24-162](#) Authorizing the acceptance of \$30,000 in total grant funding from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, which will be matched with \$6,000 in City funds specifically allocated for grant matching, for charging equipment for the City's EV Spot Network; authorizing the execution of a grant agreement; and amending the 2024 Grant Budget.
Councilmember Johnson moved approval.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie
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- 25** [RES PH 24-169](#) Amending the 2024 Regional Water Services adopted budget resulting in an increase of spending of \$10,000 for a grant.
Councilmember Jost moved approval.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

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- 26** [RES PH 24-170](#) Amending the 2024 Regional Water Services Adopted Budget resulting in an increase of spending in the amount of \$26,300 for grant funds from Capitol Region Watershed District Planning.
- Councilmember Kim moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie
- 27** [RES PH 24-172](#) Approving the application of Ragnar Events, LLC for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on Friday, August 9, 2024 at 30 Sherburne Avenue - Cass Gilbert Park.
- Councilmember Johnson moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie
- 28** [RES PH 24-173](#) Approving the application of Hot Summer Jazz Festival for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound on July 27, 2024 at 226 Spring Street - Upper Landing Park.
- Councilmember Jost moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie
- 29** [RES PH 24-175](#) Authorizing the City to accept, and amend, the Police Department Special Fund Budget for two donations totaling \$109,694.80 from the Saint Paul Police Foundation to support purchase of ballistic shields and breaching tools.
- Councilmember Kim moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

- 30** [RES PH 24-179](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the General Government Capital Maintenance Programs in the amount of \$403,564 to match the actual cost of repairs for approved project.

Councilmember Jost moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

- 31** [RES PH 24-182](#) Authorizing the City on behalf of the Police Department (“SPPD”) to accept and amend the 2024 Special Fund Budget for a 2024 National Forensic Sciences Improvement Grant, issued by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS).

Councilmember Johnson moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

RECONSIDERATION

- [RLH RR 24-26](#) Third Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 733 FAIRVIEW AVENUE NORTH in Council File RLH RR 24-8.

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer: I am asking for this to be reconsidered and public hearing continued to September 11, 2024.

Council President Jalali: I will move that recommendation.

Public hearing reopened and continued to September 11, 2024

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA

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Approval of the Consent Agenda

Councilmember Kim moved approval.

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

- 32** [RLH SAO 24-41](#) Appeal of Eve and John Stein to a Summary Abatement Order at 1302 BAYARD AVENUE.
Adopted
- 33** [RLH VO 24-21](#) Appeal of Rashad Kennedy, That Property Place LLC, to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 741 CASE AVENUE.
Adopted
- 34** [RLH VO 24-18](#) Appeal of Tasha Fierro to a Correction Notice-Reinspection Complaint (which include vacate order) at 927 DESOTO STREET.
Adopted
- 35** [RLH VO 24-24](#) Amending Council File RLH VO 23-33, adopted October 11, 2023, to grant Anna Smith an additional extension to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate for property at 1271 EDGERTON STREET.
Adopted
- 36** [RLH VBR 24-38](#) Appeal of Jerrod MacRunnels to a Vacant Building Registration Fee Warning Letter at 1822 FORD PARKWAY.
Adopted
- 37** [RLH SAO 24-31](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 408 HAZELWOOD STREET in Council File RLH SAO 24-27.
Adopted
- 38** [RLH SAO 24-42](#) Appeal of Nancy Watkins to a Summary Abatement Order and Vehicle Abatement Order at 1163 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST.
Adopted
- 39** [RLH VO 24-22](#) Appeal of John Mehren to a Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation and Order to Vacate at 755 SHERBURNE AVENUE.
Adopted
- 40** [RLH SAO 24-44](#) Second Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 1472

SHERBURNE AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 24-38.

Adopted

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 3:42 PM

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