

City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

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, January 24, 2024

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 3:30 PM

Present 7 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Mitra Jalali,
Councilmember Nelsie Yang, Councilmember HwaJeong Kim,
Councilmember Anika Bowie, Councilmember Saura Jost and
Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

1 AO 24-4

Amending CDBG Project Budgets: Funding for 331 Lawson W, 132 Western, 864 Marion, 1600 7th St W, 1366 Fremont, and 969 Arcade (Liberty Tax), to be funded with vacant hazardous undesignated funds, and ESNDC Payne Avenue Business Inv Fund (BIF).

Received and Filed

2 AO 24-5

Amending CDBG Project Budgets: Funding for 2024 District Council Community Engagement program.

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 Bowie moved approval.

Consent Agenda adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang,
Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and
Councilmember Johnson

Meeting	Minutes	- Action	Only

		Nay: 0
3	RES 23-1930	Renaming Elway Street from West Seventh Street to Shepard Road as Lexington Parkway and renaming Glen Terrace/Crosby Pointe driveway to Elway Street. Adopted
		Adopted
4	RES 24-37	Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during October 20 to 25, 2023, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 20, 2024 and City Council public hearing for April 3, 2024 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2413A, Assessment No. 248512)
		Adopted
5	RES 24-39	Approving the City's cost of providing Equipment and Labor for Clean Up services during September to October 2023, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 20, 2024 and City Council public hearing for April 3, 2024 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2412A, Assessment No. 248511)
		Adopted
6	RES 24-100	Authorizing the Fire Department to pay for all costs incurred during the firefighter interview process taking place on January 16-26, 2024 at Fire Department headquarters.
		Adopted
7	RES 24-109	Approving the Pay Equity Implementation Report for submission to the State of Minnesota Management and Budget.
		Adopted
8	RES 24-112	Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into a Limited License Agreement with WSB LLC and provide indemnification for WSB LLC for use of consultant's electronic documents for The Heights project.
		Adopted
9	RES 24-117	Approving the addition of a Gambling on Location license to the existing Liquor License On sale - 100 seats or less; Liquor On Sale - Sunday, Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Sidewalk) and Entertainment (A) licenses for Barrio Holdings, LLC d/b/a Barrio Tequila bar (License ID# 20110001529) for the premises located at 235 6th Street East.
		Adopted
10	RES 24-119	Approving the Liquor On Sale - 181-290 Seats; Liquor on Sale Sunday; liquor On Sale 2am; Gambling Location; and Entertainment (B) licenses for Da Fa Inc, d/b/a Jackey's Peg Leg (License ID #20230002034) for the premises located at 380 Cedar Street.

		Adopted
11	RES 24-120	Approving the sub lease for the Office of Neighborhood Safety.
		Adopted
12	RES 24-121	Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City and Saint Paul Manual & Maintenance Supervisors Association for the purpose of establishing on-call pay for employees assigned to pump stations in Saint Paul Regional Water Services.
		Laid over to February 7, 2024
13	RES 24-122	Approving the application for change of ownership to the Liquor On Sale - 101-180 seats; Liquor On Sale - Sunday; and Entertainment (A) licenses now held by Palmar Mexican Restaurant & Mariscos LLC, d/b/a Palmar Mexican Restaurant (License ID #20230001986) for the premises located at 883 Payne Ave.
		Adopted
14	RES 24-139	Authorizing the Police Department to expense costs associated with the assessors for Police Officer exams taking place January 16-18, 2024 and June 3-5, 2024.
		Adopted
15	RES 24-140	Approving the appointments of Councilmembers Saura Jost and HwaJeong Kim as members of the Audit Committee.

FOR DISCUSSION

SUSPENSION ITEMS

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SR 24-5	I UDIIC VVOINS C	pdate on snow	DIOWILIA	operations.

Sean Kershaw, Director of Public Works, gave an introduction.

Lisa Hiebert and Jeannette Rebar from the Department of Public Works gave a staff report and answered councilmember questions.

Received and Filed

Adopted

RES 24-148 Recognizing Peter Warner's career with the City of Saint Paul and congratulating him on his retirement.

Councilmember Kim read from the resolution.

Peter Warner from the City Attorney's Office gave remarks.

Councilmember Noecker gave remarks.

Councilmember Yang gave remarks.

Kim gave remarks.

Council President Jalali gave remarks.

Kim moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang,

Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and

Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

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

16 Ord 24-4

Granting the application of Hovda Properties LLC to rezone property at 0 Saint Clair Avenue Rezone from B1 local business to T3 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Councilmember Jost spoke in support, acknowledged concerns, and moved approval.

Adopted

Yea:

 Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

17 Ord 24-1

Granting the application of Khoua Yang to rezone property at 736 Oakdale Ave from H1 residential to T2 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Kent Begnaud, owner of Leather Works Minnesota, spoke during the public hearing.

Councilmember Noecker spoke in support and moved to close the public hearing.

Laid over to February 7, 2024 for Final Adoption

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

18 RES PH 24-4

Approving the petition of Timothy A. Thrush, on behalf of William Grieman, to vacate the north half of an alley turn-around behind 1498 Albany Avenue.

Councilmember Yang moved to close the public hearing. Approved 7-0.

Councilmember Kim moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 7-

 Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

19 RES PH 24-13

Approving the application of the Minnesota United FC for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on Saturday, February 17, 2024 at Allianz Field - 400 Snelling Ave. N.

Councilmember Bowie moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 7-

Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang,
 Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and
 Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

20 RES PH 24-16

Approving the host issuance by the City of Mendota of one or more series of conduit revenue bonds, approving a Bond Compliance and Fee Agreement, and authorizing the execution of documents relating thereto, all for the Hourcar Project located at 206 Wabasha Street (District 3, Ward 2).

Paul Schroeder, CEO of Hourcare, spoke during the public hearing.

Councilmember Yang spoke in support.

Councilmember Noecker spoke in support and moved approval.

Adopted

Yea

 Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

21 RES PH 24-17

Authorizing the Office of Financial Services to accept a \$317,800 grant from the U.S. Department of Energy's Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program and authorizing a corresponding budget amendment.

Councilmember Bowie moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 7 -

Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

22 RES PH 24-18

Amending the financing and spending plan in the Department of Safety and Inspections in the amount of \$65,000 for the 2024 Building Official Training (BOT) from the Minnesota Department of Labor.

Councilmember Johnson moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 7 -

 Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

23 RES PH 24-20

Authorizing the granting of a license and parkland diversion to the petitioner at 359 Winslow Avenue within the Prospect Boulevard.

Nancy Kafka, property owner, spoke during the public hearing.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Adopted

Voa.

 Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

24 RES PH 24-22

Authorizing the Police Department to enter into the attached contract with the State of Minnesota, through its Commissioner of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA).

Councilmember Jost moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 7 -

 Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEMS

41 RLH TA 24-21

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1540 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801)

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Public hearing closed and laid over for two weeks.

Also in attendance: Jason Lindsey, co-owner

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer: This is a Vacant Building Fee assessment for \$5,075, covering a time period of June 2023 through June 2024. We are currently about 7.5 months into that billable time period. It's my practice not to recommend that a fee be prorated after it's been in the program for more than six months. It's likely to be there a little bit longer. This is a higher level fee because it is the second year that this Category 2 property has been in the Vacant Building Program. It entered as a Category 2 following its condemnation as unfit for human habitation. There was an absent toilet, standing water in the basement, and a foul smell reported by the inspector. The landlord at that time reported that he would be relocating the tenants. The owner of the property then is the same as the owner of the property now, LLSP Single Family Portfolio LLC. It was represented in the Legislative Hearing by Lee Yan. That LLC acquired this property, along with some others, in January 2021, one year before the condemnation occurred, almost.

One year ago there was an application for a Code Compliance Inspection Report (CCIR). The inspectors arrived and found that the lock box combination did not work. Someone named Steven from the company had applied for the CCIR on behalf of the owner, saying he would let inspectors know when they could get in. There was no communication back to the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI). In June of 2023, five months later, DSI reached out to the applicant, Bonnie, at the company in question, GIRG. The e-mail bounced back as undeliverable. We learned in the process of the Legislative Hearing that GIRG had ghosted the owner and obviously not followed through on being present for this inspection either. When this information came to light, the owner did get that CCIR scheduled and it was conducted. The CCIR was issued. The first permit was pulled at the end of September. A couple more were pulled in December and another in January. The actual building permit has not been pulled, so I don't think it's likely that they're going to be done in the very near future. I am recommending that this be made payable over five years, per the request of the ownership group, but I am recommending that this be approved as written. I think the higher vacant building fee for Category 2 properties exists to address this kind of situation.

Councilmember Noecker: I know we sometimes allow payments to be made payable over five years when there's a financial hardship. This sounds like an LLC with a number of properties. What's the reason for granting a request for payment over time?

Moermond: I think that this LLC is in financial difficulty, from what I was able to determine by reviewing Ramsey County taxation records. This property and nine others were purchased on a contract for deed from a landlord who owns a number of properties and seems to be backing out of the business. The acquisition price for those was something like \$1.6 million. That's a lot of properties to be turning around if you don't necessarily have your ducks in a row. The City's interest rate that it charges is the same as the bond rate, so the taxpayer is not experiencing any additional costs related to spreading the payment out.

Councilmember Johnson: The owner previously mentioned coming back to you with the potential update from the new contractor on a timeline or just touching base with you. Have you been able to get in contact with them since?

Moermond: I have not had subsequent conversations with the ownership group. I was

able to review the permit status. It's evident that they have their CCIR and that permits have started to be pulled. One is finaled, one is inspected, the other couple are active. One still needs to be pulled. There's progress happening, which is what I look for. This is a June vacant building anniversary date. If it's done by June, there is no fee after that, and it's out of the program.

Johnson: It's quite evident that it's a rental property and an investment property.

Moermond: Historically, it has been. It was sold with a cluster of rental properties, yes.

Council President Jalali opened the public hearing.

Jason Lindsey: My name is Jason Lindsey and I'm one of the owners of this portfolio. I live in Ham Lake. I don't have all the documentation in front of me, but we actually just acquired this portfolio in January 2023. The previous owner who we took it over from was in financial distress, lost all his money. There were 2 owners, and one of them made it very hard to get paperwork, which is why it took us so long to get the CCIR. I just received it. We actually have passed all three of our mechanical inspections as of today: plumbing, heating and electrical. We just started working on it. I took it over in December. Communication has been very hard because the guy who had the original paperwork from this company was very uncooperative in getting us the correct info. He wouldn't change the address over, so we weren't getting the code compliance notices, is what I've heard. I've worked as hard as I can since December. I'm hopeful that we can have it ready soon, though probably not by February 1 because we have to wait for inspections. All the rough-ins have been passed. So we just have to fix everything up on the inside. I don't know if there are any other permits that have to be pulled.

Moermond: The building permit.

Lindsey: I'll look into that. I would like to take this money and put it back into our other properties. We've had several neighbors come up and thank us for taking these over and making them livable, because the tenants were not good neighbors and the houses have been in distress for a while. We're three people, all local. We're first time investment buyers and we'd like to make these into nice properties. Did you have any questions for me?

Jalali: Do you have an ask today? We're being asked to approve a recommendation from Moermond. Do you want something besides the payment being spread over 5 years?

Lindsey: Some of the fees that are being assessed for being vacant were from before we even had the property. We were not in control when the people moved out. We just took it over in January of last year. We're just coming into it. And I would ask for a little bit of leniency with the fees, so we can put that money back into our properties.

Johnson: Thank you for being here. I'm the councilmember for this part of the City, Ward 7.

Lindsey: I didn't know that. Thank you for telling me.

Johnson: Are you a co-owner with Lee Yan, who appeared in the Legislative Hearing?

Lindsey: Yes, along with Lee Yan.

Johnson: Do you have any sort of concern with Moermond's recommendation? Mr. Yan didn't seem to have a question about it, if it was payable over five years.

Lindsey: I think he was kind of coming into this not knowing anything. That's why I'm here. He's more financial. I have a construction background. I'm trying to help out with anything that I can. I don't know this arena very well, so I'm doing the best I can. The less we have to pay in taxes or assessments, the more we can put into our properties sooner

Johnson: Given the update that you have on the property, do you anticipate going beyond June of 2024?

Lindsey: No. This is about a financial burden for us sitting vacant too. This was a huge struggle for us, not being able to get the paperwork for so long. We didn't know about the lockbox issue because the paperwork was going to the wrong place, to the previous owner, so we couldn't even get the paperwork to figure out what was going on with getting the CCIR.

Johnson moved to close the public hearing. Approved 7-0.

Jalali: Could you summarize your recommendation again, Moermond?

Moermond: My recommendation for this second year vacant building assessment on a Category 2 vacant building is it's ratification, and for it to be made payable over five years.

Johnson: I just want to clarify that the amount that is currently being assessed would have been during the time frame in which they owned it, that they're not back paying from before they bought it.

Moermond: All assessments go with the property, not with the person. They wouldn't be billed to a prior owner. We wouldn't be tracking somebody down for these payments. With respect to the ownership, I did just double check that and there is a registered contract for deed from June 2021. There is no subsequent registration of a contract for deed in the Ramsey County system.

Johnson: It's the five year payable time for me. Are there alternatives to that?

Moermond: It could be made payable over fewer years or not made payable over time at all. It would show up on the 2025 property tax statement, half for the first half and half for the second-half. It would have accrued interest from about six weeks from the time the Council ratifies it to that point.

Johnson: So, the financial straits are with this group of LLCs that currently owns it?

Moermond: In the Legislative Hearing, we discussed the payment over five years, and if that would be helpful. Mr. Young indicated that he wanted to consult with his ownership partners before coming to a conclusion on that. We sent a confirmation e-mail afterward, asking if he had consulted them. We heard back, and they asked to spread out the payment.

Johnson: Okay. I didn't hear that today from Mr. Lindsey. I'm just not quite sure what to do with that since there are multiple owners. I might move to amend your recommendation to not make it payable over five years.

Moermond: I will modify the resolution accordingly.

Jalali: Any discussion on that motion?

Councilmember Bowie: Was your motion to increase or decrease the fee?

Johnson: It only adjusts the payment time frame to remove payments being spread over 5 years. I didn't hear that ask today from Mr. Lindsey, so I'm not sure if we can really go off of that, being that there are several owners.

Bowie: Moermond, since there are three owners, which owner is billed? I know you said it's based off of the property not the owner, so I'm just wondering who would be responsible for paying this bill.

Moermond: The tax owner of record with Ramsey County is LLSP Single Family Portfolio LLC, that appears to have sold their contract for deed interest to this current corporation, GIRG, which is owned by Young, Lindsey, and Yan. Who would be responsible for paying it? I can't say. The bill will be mailed. If the bill goes unpaid, the county and the state have ways of collecting that money.

Noecker: The current owners took ownership in January 2023 or January 2024?

Moermond: January of 2023, from what I'm hearing, which means a year has passed since the ownership interest was acquired and that is not registered with Ramsey County.

Noecker: It sounds like they had this property for six-seven months of ownership before this fee even started. There's been plenty of time for that work to get done while the current ownership was in place. I understand the frustrations that were expressed in terms of the previous owner, but I also know that when you purchase a building, that is sometimes the cost of doing business. The responsibility is not with the City, but rather with the owner to figure out those communication issues. I support the recommendation. I heard today a request for a reduction in the amount, and not anything to do with making it payable over time. I support the amount and I support it all being due now. We have these fees so that we can get buildings back into service quickly. That is a public benefit that we shouldn't do away with unless there are extreme circumstances.

Jalali: Johnson, do you have adjustments to your motion or thoughts?

Johnson: I have a slew of questions but...

Jalali: This could potentially be laid over. Moermond, is this urgent?

Moermond: You can always lay the matter over to the next meeting. The public hearing is closed. It would show up as a discussion item.

Jalali: Would you prefer that, Johnson?

Johnson: Being that your recommendation for the amount of time is based off of the financial strains of the LLC, I find it very important to make sure that we have a clear understanding of that with all three owners. We've talked to two directly, but to be able to have staff clarification on it would be helpful.

Moermond: A layover would take this to February 7, since you don't meet next week. With respect to contacting the membership of an LLC, that is almost an impossible ask for staff. The Minnesota Secretary of State will require that there's a contact person for an LLC, but diving deeper into who is actually in that LLC as a financial member and trying to contact them is almost impossible. I know now of two people who have indicated they have an interest. There might be a third. By the time we have this conversation next week, it could be one or it could be 10. That is what an LLC does. I am not a corporate lawyer. I'll turn to Mr. Warner.

Peter Warner, I think a 2 week layover is appropriate, so that Johnson can assess and perhaps talk with staff about the intricacies of the owner and his team. You could act today, but a layover would certainly be reasonable.

Jalali: Nothing wrong with more time. Is that amenable to you, Johnson?

Johnson: Yes.

Jalali: We'll move that in a moment. I appreciate the points made by Noecker about where the responsibility lies in situations like these. It is important, for sake of managing the business of the City, that we have a clear point of contact so that we can do the work that we need to do. We want to support property owners in making investments in the property. To do that, we need responsiveness. We need a clear point of contact and we need the work to happen on the time that we request. I will also make the point, and I believe Moermond said this, that you inherit a property's assessments when you purchase it. I know that news can be hard to take, but it doesn't actually change the reality under the law.

Councilmember Kim: I support a layover. Contract for deeds are very finicky. They require the buyer to file them and it's a buyer beware kind of situation. I can sympathize for not understanding that you take on the assessments in situations like this, and that logistical issue is something my office is interested in looking at in ordinance.

Johnson moved to lay over for two weeks.

Public hearing closed and laid over to February 7, 2023

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang,
Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and
Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

57 RLH AR 23-93

Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during April 24 to May 19, 2023. (File No. J2402E, Assessment No. 248301)

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer: We had someone come today for 1531 Margaret Street, which did not have a Legislative Hearing, so I am asking that the assessment be removed from this resolution so that it can be considered in Legislative Hearing on February 5, 2024.

Councilmember Jalali moved approval, as amended.

Adopted as amended (1531 Margaret St referred to February 6, 2024 Legislative

Hearing)

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang,

Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and

Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda will receive a combined public hearing and be enacted by one motion with no separate discussion. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda for a separate public hearing and discussion if desired.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and

Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

25	RLH VO 23-37	Appeal of Ronald Staeheli to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy
		and Order to Vacate at 358 ARBOR STREET.

Public hearing continued to February 14, 2024

26	RLH TA 23-404	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 522 AURORA	
		AVENUE. (File No. J2402E, Assessment No. 248301)	

Adopted

27	<u>RLH RR 23-50</u>	Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 594 BRUNSON STREET
		within fifteen (15) days after the November 1, 2023, City Council Public
		Hearing.

Adopted

28	RLH TA 24-39	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1008
		CARROLL AVENUE. (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801)

Adopted

29	RLH TA 24-35	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2135 CASE	
		AVENUE. (File No. 2401T, Assessment No. 249000)	

Adopted

30	RLH TA 24-26	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 826 COMO	
		AVENUE. (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801)	

Adopted

		February 20, 2024 Legislative Hearing)
		Referred to February 20, 2024 Legislative Hearing
33	RLH TA 24-36	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 643 ELFELT STREET. (File No. 2401T, Assessment No. 249000) Adopted
34	RLH VBR 24-1	Appeal of Mike Reimann to a Vacant Building Registration Renewal Notice at 1247 FIFTH STREET EAST. Adopted
35	RLH TA 24-32	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 892 FOURTH STREET EAST. (File No. CRT2401, Assessment No. 248200) Adopted
36	RLH TA 23-381	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 244 GRAND AVENUE (BURGER KING). (File No. J2402E, Assessment No. 248301) Adopted
37	RLH TA 24-18	Denying for a deletion or refund of Council File RLH AR 23-14 approving the Ratifying of the assessment adopted by Council on March 22, 2023 at 1689 JULIET AVENUE. (File No. VB2305, Assessment No. 228804)
		Adopted
38	RLH SAO 23-49	Appeal of Steve Gorg to a Summary Abatement Order at 1947 LINCOLN AVENUE.
		Adopted
39	RLH TA 24-19	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1470 KENT STREET. (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801) Adopted
40	RLH TA 23-411	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1235 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2402E, Assessment No. 248301) Adopted
42	RLH TA 24-22	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 522 MISSISSIPPI RIVER BOULEVARD NORTH. (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801)

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		Adopted
43	RLH TA 24-30	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1340 PAYNE AVENUE. (File No. CRT2401, Assessment No. 248200) Adopted
44	RLH TA 24-25	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1055 REANEY AVENUE. (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801) Adopted
45	RLH TA 23-378	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1556 REANEY AVENUE. (File No. J2402E, Assessment No. 248301)
		Adopted as amended (assessment deleted)
46	RLH TA 24-31	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 261 SIDNEY STREET EAST. (File No. CRT2401, Assessment No. 248200) Adopted
47	RLH TA 24-23	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1031 SIMS AVENUE. (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801) Adopted
48	RLH TA 23-395	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 437 STRYKER AVENUE. (File No. J2402E, Assessment No. 248301) Adopted
49	RLH RR 23-59	Second Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 1457 THIRD STREET EAST in Council File RLH RR 23-19. (Public hearing continued to December 20, 2023)
		Adopted as amended (nuisance abated)
50	RLH TA 24-33	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1491 (1475) UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2402P, Assessment No. 248401)
		Adopted
51	RLH TA 24-27	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1941 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST (ALSO 1935 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST). (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801)
		Adopted as amended (assessment made payable over 5 years)
52	RLH TA 23-389	Ratifying of the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 410 VAN DYKE STREET adopted by Council under File No. RLH AR 20-152. (File No. J2102B1, Assessment No. 218107)

		Adopted
53	RLH SAO 24-1	Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 763 WEIDE STREET in Council File RLH SAO 23-52. (Legislative Hearing on January 23, 2024)
		Amended and public hearing continued to February 14, 2024
54	RLH TA 24-24	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1018 WILSON AVENUE. (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801)
		Adopted
55	RLH SAO 23-51	Appeal of Royce Sistad to a Summary Abatement Order at 183 WYOMING STREET EAST.
		Adopted
56	RLH AR 23-91	Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during June 2023. (File No. J2402B, Assessment No. 248101)
		Adopted
58	RLH AR 24-3	Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during July 13, 2022 to May 18, 2023. (File No. VB2402, Assessment No. 248801)
		Adopted
59	RLH AR 24-4	Ratifying the assessments for Graffiti Removal services billed during July 11 to 20, 2023. (File No. J2402P, Assessment No. 248401)
		Adopted
60	RLH AR 24-5	Ratifying the assessments for Removal of Diseased and/or Dangerous Tree services during June to August 2023. (File No. 2401T, Assessment No. 249000)
		Adopted
61	RLH AR 24-14	Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during April 11 to June 22, 2023. (File No. CRT2401, Assessment No. 248200)
		Adopted
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