



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Agenda

City Council

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

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 25-45](#) Authorizing the Police Department to reallocate budget to more accurately record expenditures for the department grant fund; Violent Crime Enforcement Team (VCET).

Attachments: [Financial Analysis](#)

- 2 [AO 25-46](#) Amending the 2025 spending budget in the Department of Public Works Administration Fund 730 Director's Office Accounting Unit 73031100 to finance consultation services for the city-owned storage facility located at Pierce Butler Route.

Attachments: [AO for PB Storage Project - financial analysis form - jls 8-14-25.xlsx](#)

- 3 [AO 25-47](#) Amending the 2025 spending and financing budgets in the Department of Public Works Traffic Warehouse Accounting Unit to fund the purchase of replacement a forklift.

Attachments: [JCB TLT77-52D Quote.pdf](#)
 [AO 25-47 Forklift.xlsx](#)

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.

- 4 [RES 25-1262](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Rubbish and Garbage Clean Up during June 11 to July 11, 2025, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for September 23, 2025 and City Council public hearing for January 7, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2601R, Assessment No. 268601)

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- Attachments:** [Report of Completion J2601R.268501](#)
[Assessment Roll J2601R.268501](#)
- 5 [RES 25-1263](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Tall Grass and Weed Removal services during June 12 to 24, 2025, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for September 23, 2025 and City Council public hearing for January 7, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2601TW, Assessment No. 268701)
- Sponsors:** Noecker
- Attachments:** [Report of Completion J2601TW.268500](#)
[Assessment Roll J2601TW.268500](#)
- 6 [RES 25-1288](#) Establishing the rate of pay for the City Council Communications Lead, Non-Represented City Managers, Grade 010.
- Sponsors:** Noecker
- Attachments:** [Resolution-Financial Analysis City Council Communications Lead](#)
- 7 [RES 25-1289](#) Establishing the rate of pay for the Legislative Hearing Officer series, in EG 17, Non-Represented City Managers, Grades 010, 20C, and 25C, respectively.
- Sponsors:** Noecker
- Attachments:** [Financial Analysis Worksheet - Legislative Hearing Officer Series](#)
- 8 [RES 25-1308](#) Authorizing the City to accept and record declarations related to certain grant agreements on the Hamline Midway and Hayden Heights libraries.
- Sponsors:** Jost
- Attachments:** [Form of Declaration on Real Property -Hamline Midway](#)
[Form of Declaration on Real Property -Hayden Heights](#)
- 9 [RES 25-1313](#) Approving Minnesota Session Laws 2025, 1st Special Session, Chapter 13 (H.F. No. 9), Article 5, Section 5 regarding the Ford Site Redevelopment Tax Increment Financing District.
- Sponsors:** Jost
- 10 [RES 25-1318](#) Directing the Department of Safety and Inspections to proceed with adverse action and the imposition of a \$1000 matrix penalty against D & L Tobacco LLC d/b/a D & L Tobacco (License ID #20210002137) for the premises located at 626 Larpenteur Avenue West STE A.
- Sponsors:** Kim
- Attachments:** [Exhibit # 1](#)
[Exhibit # 2](#)
- 11 [RES 25-1333](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Councilmember Molly Coleman to the Board of Water Commissioners for a term beginning on August 27, 2025.

Sponsors: Noecker

- 12 [RES 25-1334](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Molly Coleman to serve on the Visit Saint Paul Board of Directors for a term ending December 31, 2027.

Sponsors: Noecker

- 13 [RES 25-1335](#) Approving the appointment of Councilmember Molly Coleman as a member of the Audit Committee.

Sponsors: Noecker

Final Adoption

- 14 [Ord 25-4](#) Amending Title IV of the Administrative Code to add Chapter 92, titled Tree Preservation for City Sponsored Projects. (Laid over from February 26, 2025)

Sponsors: Noecker and Yang

Attachments: [Great River Greening letter of support](#)
 [Friends of the Mississippi River letter of support](#)
 [Ramsey Hill Assoc public comment](#)
 [Gary Todd public comment](#)
 [Jan 22 public comments](#)
 [Jan 31 - Feb 26 public comments](#)
 [2025.08.14 TPO PIG Overview - Final Version](#)
 [Amelie Gahagan public comment](#)

- 15 [Ord 25-45](#) Changing one block of Margaret Street between Arcade Street and East 7th Street from a one-way street westbound to a two-way street in accordance with Chapter 147 of the Legislative Code.

Sponsors: Johnson

Attachments: [Margaret Two-Way Map.pdf](#)
 [Margaret Council Presentation](#)

First Reading

- 16 [Ord 25-48](#) Amending Chapter 130 of the Legislative Code, Procedure for Vacating Streets and Other Public Grounds.

Sponsors: Noecker

Attachments: [Ch. 130 summary.08072025](#)
 [Impacts of Vacation ordinance \(Ch. 130 Leg. Code\) amendment.08072025](#)
 [Vacation Primer.08072025](#)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 17 [RES PH
25-168](#) Approving the request of Energy Park Utility Company to amend rates.
- Sponsors:** Privratsky
- Attachments:** [Letter to Shari Moore, City Clerk](#)
 [Schedule A](#)
 [SPPA Board Memo](#)
 [SPPA Resolution No. 4817](#)
 [Financial Analysis](#)
- 18 [RES PH
25-177](#) Approving the application of Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Parish/School for a Nativity County Fair event on Friday, 09/12/2025, Saturday, 09/13/2025 and Sunday, 09/14/2025 for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound at the Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Parish/School, 1900 Wellesley Avenue.
- Sponsors:** Jost
- Attachments:** [Application](#)
 [ENS](#)
 [Map](#)
 [Letter to Owners](#)
 [Owners List](#)
 [Letter to Applicant](#)
 [Julie Kaupa public comment](#)
 [Patrick Martin public comment](#)
 [Resident public comment](#)
- 19 [RES PH
25-179](#) Approving the application of Lumen Christi Catholic Community for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound at the Lumen Christi Catholic Community - Block Party Event on Saturday, September 6, 2025 at 1668 Montreal Avenue.
- Sponsors:** Jost
- Attachments:** [Application](#)
 [ENS](#)
 [Map](#)
 [Letter to Owners](#)
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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.

- 20** [RLH TA 25-294](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 427 AURORA AVENUE. (File No. J2522R4, Assessment No. 258582) (Public hearing continued to August 6, 2025)
- Sponsors:** Bowie
- Attachments:** [427 Aurora Ave.SAO.3-19-25](#)
[427 Aurora Ave.recheck photo.3-26-25](#)
[427 Aurora Ave.contractor photos.4-7-25](#)
[427 Aurora Ave.Zimny email chain.6-18-25](#)
[427 Aurora Ave.STAMP inquiry 7-21-25.pdf](#)
[427 Aurora Ave.Vendor Invoice Abatements.pdf](#)
[427 Aurora Ave.Zimny email.7-30-25](#)
- 21** [RLH CO 25-7](#) Appeal of Edward Albrecht to a Correction Order at 1462 BROMPTON STREET.
- Sponsors:** Privratsky
- Attachments:** [1462 Brompton St.appeal 7-18-25](#)
[1462 Brompton St.photos 7-14-25](#)
[1462 Brompton St.Albrecht Ltr.8-14-25](#)
- 22** [RLH TA 25-119](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 263 CURTICE STREET WEST. (File No. J2507T1, Assessment No. 258537) (Continued public hearing to August 27, 2025)
- Sponsors:** Noecker
- Attachments:** [263 Curtice St W.TGW 7-11-24.pdf](#)
[263 Curtice St W.SA Ltr +photo 7-11-24.pdf](#)
[263 Curtice St W.Photos 7-11-24.pdf](#)
[263 Curtice St W.Photo 7-26-24.pdf](#)
[263 Curtice St W.Contractor photos 8-14-24.pdf](#)
[8-14-2024 Warners Invoice \(1\).pdf](#)
- 23** [RLH VO 25-16](#) Appeal of James Marshall, tenant, to a Fire Correction Notice, which includes Condemnation and Order to Vacate at 740 DAYTON AVENUE, UNIT B-4.
- Sponsors:** Bowie
- Attachments:** [740 Dayton Ave.appeal 7-21-25](#)
[740 Dayton Ave.photos 7-8-25](#)
[740 Dayton Ave.correction notice.3-31-25](#)
[740 Dayton Ave.photos 4-3-25](#)
[740 Dayton Ave.Marshall Ltr.7-25-25](#)
[740 Dayton Ave Updated Photos 8-8-25.pdf](#)
[740 Dayton Ave.Marshall Brown Ltr.8-15-25](#)

- 24** [RLH TA
25-275](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1762 ENGLEWOOD AVENUE. (File No. VB2510A, Assessment No. 258833) (Public hearing continued to August 27, 2025)
- Sponsors:** Privratsky
- Attachments:** [1762 Englewood Ave.Reg Notice 11-27-24.pdf](#)
[1762 Englewood Ave.Warning Ltr 12-27-24.pdf](#)
[1762 Englewood Ave.Mortimer Ltr.6-12-25](#)
[1762 Englewood WP 7-11-25](#)
[1762 Englewood Ave.Zimny Eggen email chain.7-14-25](#)
- 25** [RLH FCO
25-24](#) Appeal of Yia Jef Yang to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 337 FULLER AVENUE.
- Sponsors:** Bowie
- Attachments:** [337 Fuller Ave.appeal 4-15-2025](#)
[337 Fuller Ave.Yang email 4-16-25.pdf](#)
[337 Fuller Ave.Yang Ltr.4-25-25](#)
[337 Fuller Ave.Yang Ltr.7-18-25](#)
- 26** [RLH TA
25-344](#) Amending Council File RLH AR 24-25 to reduce the assessment Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during April 5 to October 20, 2023 at 1350 HAGUE AVENUE. (File No. VB2407, Assessment No. 248806)
- Sponsors:** Bowie
- Attachments:** [1350 Hague Ave.email chain 5-13-25.pdf](#)
[1350 Hague Ave.contested email 5-19-25.pdf](#)
[1350 Hague Ave.Reg Notice 9-27-23.pdf](#)
[1350 Hague Ave.Warning Ltr 10-27-23.pdf](#)
[1350 Hague Ave.Minutes.pdf](#)
[1350 Hague Ave.Union Park District Council Letter 8-26-25.pdf](#)
[1350 Hague Ave.Bowie email 8.27.25](#)
- 27** [RLH SAO
25-50](#) Appeal of Kathryn Weigelt to a Summary Abatement Order at 1593 MARGARET STREET.
- Sponsors:** Johnson
- Attachments:** [1593 Margaret St.appeal.7-25-25.pdf](#)
[1593 Margaret St.photos 7-22-25.pdf](#)
[1593 Margaret St.Weigelt Ltr.8-15-25](#)
- 28** [RLH VBR
25-31](#) Appeal of Geoff Lindback to a Vacant Building Registration Renewal Notice at 1980 STANFORD AVENUE.
- Sponsors:** Jost

- Attachments:** [1980 Stanford Ave.appeal.7-25-25.pdf](#)
[1980 Stanford Ave. condemnation order 6-4-25.pdf](#)
[1980 Stanford Ave.condemnation notice 8-6-24.pdf](#)
[1980 Stanford Ave.photos 8-6-24.pdf](#)
[1980 Stanford Ave.Lindback Ltr.8-15-25](#)
- 29** [RLH SAO 25-51](#) Appeal of Jay Cherner to an Emergency Summary Abatement Order at 1603 and 1605 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST.
- Sponsors:** Privratsky
- Attachments:** [1603-1605 University Ave W.appeal 8-11-25.pdf](#)
[1603-1605 University Ave W.Photos 8-11-25.pdf](#)
[1603-1605 University Ave W.Sullivan email 8-18-25.pdf](#)
[1603-1605 University Ave W.Impact Statement-Spruce Tree 8-18-25.pdf](#)
[1603-1605 University Ave W.Graffiti Billboards 8-18-25.pdf](#)
[1603 1605 University Ave.Cherner Ltr.8-22-25](#)
[1603 1605 University.Cherner contesting letter.8-23-25](#)
- 30** [RLH RSA 25-5](#) Appeal of Soua Lee, tenant, to a Rent Stabilization Determination at 1430 YORK AVENUE, APT. 309.
- Sponsors:** Yang
- Attachments:** [1430 York Ave. Apt. 309 Appeal 5-30-25](#)
[1430 York Ave Apt. 309- MNOI 6-11-25](#)
[1430 York Ave. Apt. 309- Increase Form 5-7-25](#)
[1430 York Ave. Apt. 309- Request for Exception Notice 5-12-25](#)
[1430 York Ave. Apt. 309- Rent Roll 6-3-25](#)
[1430 York Ave. Apt. 309- Garage 6-3-25](#)
[1430 York Ave. Apt. 309- Kitchen Carpet Repair 6-3-25](#)
[1430 York Ave. Apt. 309- Soua Lee Supplemental Appeal Letter 6-24-25](#)
[1430 York Ave. Apt. 309- Amberwood Apartment Google review 6-25-25](#)
[1430 York Ave Apt. 309-REVISED Soua Lee Letter 6-24-25](#)
[1430 York Ave. Apt. 309- REVISED Krishan Jain Letter 6-24-25](#)
[1430 York Ave. Apt 309. Soua Lee Testimony 8-19-25](#)
[1430 York Ave Apt. 309- Email chain between Vang and Lee 8-19-25](#)
[1430 York Ave Apt. 309- Email to Ms. Jain 8-20-25](#)

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