



# City of Saint Paul

City Hall and Court House  
15 West Kellogg Boulevard  
Council Chambers - 3rd  
Floor  
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## Meeting Minutes - Action Only

### 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*

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Wednesday, August 27, 2025

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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#### ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 3:34 PM

**Present** 7 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Nelsie Yang, Councilmember HwaJeong Kim, Councilmember Anika Bowie, Councilmember Saura Jost, Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson and Councilmember Molly Coleman

#### 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).  
**Received and Filed**
- 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.  
**Received and Filed**
- 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.  
**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

**Consent Agenda adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 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)  
**Adopted**
- 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)  
**Adopted**
- 6     [RES 25-1288](#)     Establishing the rate of pay for the City Council Communications Lead, Non-Represented City Managers, Grade 010.  
**Laid over to September 3, 2025**
- 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.  
**Laid over to September 3, 2025**
- 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.  
**Adopted**
- 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.  
**Adopted**
- 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.  
**Adopted**
- 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.

**Adopted**

- 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.

**Adopted**

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

**Adopted****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)

**Laid over to December 10, 2025 for Final Adoption**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 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.

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

**First Reading**

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

**Laid over to September 3, 2025 for Second Reading****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.

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 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.

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 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.

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

**LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEM**

- 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)

**Public hearing closed and laid over to September 10, 2025**

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 1 - Councilmember Johnson

**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 Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

- 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)

**Public hearing continued to September 17, 2025**

- 21**     [RLH CO 25-7](#)     Appeal of Edward Albrecht to a Correction Order at 1462 BROMPTON STREET.

**Adopted**

- 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)

**Public hearing continued to September 17, 2025**

- 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.

**Adopted**

- 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)

**Public hearing continued to September 17, 2025**

- 25**     [RLH FCO 25-24](#)     Appeal of Yia Jef Yang to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 337 FULLER AVENUE.

**Adopted**

- 27**     [RLH SAO 25-50](#)     Appeal of Kathryn Weigelt to a Summary Abatement Order at 1593 MARGARET STREET.

**Adopted**

- 28**     [RLH VBR 25-31](#)     Appeal of Geoff Lindback to a Vacant Building Registration Renewal Notice at 1980 STANFORD AVENUE.

**Adopted**

- 29**     [RLH SAO 25-51](#)     Appeal of Jay Cherner to an Emergency Summary Abatement Order at 1603 and 1605 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST.

**Adopted**

- 30**     [RLH RSA 25-5](#)     Appeal of Soua Lee, tenant, to a Rent Stabilization Determination at 1430 YORK AVENUE, APT. 309.

Adopted

## ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 4:34 PM

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