



City of Saint Paul

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Minutes - Final

City Council

Council President Russ Stark
Councilmember Dan Bostrom
Councilmember Amy Brendmoen
Councilmember Bill Finney
Councilmember Dai Thao
Councilmember Dave Thune
Councilmember Chris Tolbert

Wednesday, August 26, 2015

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

Council Voting

The reader calls the names of all Councilmembers. A vote in favor is cast by remaining silent, and a vote against is cast by saying no or nay. When the voting is complete, the reader will state whether the motion passed or failed.

ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Councilmember Dan Bostrom, Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Dai Thao, Councilmember Dave Thune, Councilmember Chris Tolbert, Councilmember Bill Finney and City Council President Russ Stark

CONSENT AGENDA

Note: 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

Adopted as amended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Finney and City Council President Stark

Nay: 0

- 1** [RES 15-1473](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessments for the street paving and lighting improvements along Western Avenue from Selby Avenue to University Avenue. (File No. 19160, Assessment No. 145207)

Attachments: [Report of Completion](#)
 [Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

- 2** [RES 15-1475](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessments for the 8th Street, Wacouta to Wall and Wall Street,

7th to 8th Street paving/lighting project. (File No. 19155 and 19163, Assessment No. 145205 and 145208)

Attachments: [Report of Completion](#)
[8th Street Assessment Roll](#)
[Wall Street Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

- 3 [RES 15-1477](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessments for the Maiden Lane, Western to Nina and Virginia Street, Dayton to Marshall street paving/lighting project. (File No. 19153 and 19154, Assessment No. 145203 and 145204)

Attachments: [Report of Completion](#)
[Virginia Street Assessment Roll](#)
[Maiden Lane Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

- 4 [RES 15-1486](#) Authorizing the City to enter into Cooperative Agreement PUBW2015-08R with Ramsey County for the acquisition of right of way for the reconstruction of White Bear Avenue between Interstate 94 and Beech Street.

Attachments: [ROW White Bear Avenue-I94 to Beech Street](#)

Adopted

- 5 [RES 15-1488](#) Approving adverse action against the Cigarette/Tobacco license held by Midway Liquor Store, Inc., d/b/a Midway Liquor Store located at 1955 University Avenue West, Unit 104 in Saint Paul. (To be withdrawn)

Attachments: [Notice of Violation with Affidavit of Service.pdf](#)
[Minn.Stat.Section 609.685](#)
[SPLC Section 324.07](#)
[SPLC Section 324.11](#)

Withdrawn

- 6 [RES 15-1498](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessments for the improvement of Ford Parkway from Mississippi River Blvd. to east of Kenneth and Cleveland from Hillcrest to Bayard (File No. 19162, Assessment No. 145401).

Attachments: [Report of Completion](#)
[Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

7 [RES 15-1539](#) Supporting Major League Soccer in the City of Saint Paul.

Attachments: [Union Park District Council email](#)
[Executive Summary August 11 Community Conversation](#)
[UPDC Smartsite Recommendation](#)
[UPDC MLS Stadium Resolution letter](#)

Council President Stark moved his amendments. This is a fast moving issue. If we pass a resolution, we should lay out what a deal would have to include: the purchase or lease would involve the Met Council and support their operations. He wanted to add additional things that lay out those expectations for a possible deal. The stadium should accommodate other public uses and events.

*7 in favor
Amendment is approved*

Councilmember Tolbert said this is an important resolution. It doesn't guarantee anything. There is no deal. It says to major league soccer and the owners that this is a great location. Transportation-wise, it has 94, green line, numerous bus routes, bus rapid transit line that will be going down Snelling, light rail, bike paths, diverse neighborhood. This would be catalytic to that neighborhood. We would like to see major league soccer here. Would be great for the city, region, state.

Councilmember Thao thanked the community members who have contacted him for the possibility of a stadium. He thanked Union Park District Council. There are a lot of fears and uncertainty about a stadium. This resolution takes a stand as to what they are willing to offer and what they are unwilling to compromise on. Saint Paul is serious if MLS is serious. They want to be on the table when this deal is made. They want to spur economic development. They have an opportunity to make this a vibrant dedication for all.

Stark said he hopes it is a good deal. Everyone wants to see something change on that corner. It is a gateway site to that whole area of Saint Paul. It has been that way for a long time. The current conditions are unacceptable. If the stadium does not work out, they should figure out a way to reinvest in that site moving forward. People are excited to see change. This lays out some basic parameters for them to move forward.

Councilmember Brendmoen said it is moving quickly. There are sound bites going around about this. We are talking about 35 whole acres of development and only ten are the stadium. The amendments bring clarity to what is being supported. We are asking the club to pay for its own stadium. There are more conversations about this site in the past two months than she has heard in ten years.

*Tolbert moved approval.
7 in favor, none opposed
Adopted as amended*

Adopted as Amended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Finney and City Council President Stark

Nay: 0

ORDINANCES

An ordinance is a city law enacted by the City Council. It is read at four 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 third reading.

Final Adoption

- 8 [Ord 15-27](#) Amending Chapters 61, 63, and 69 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to Parkland Dedication.

Attachments: [Planning Commission Resolution - Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Action Minutes](#)
 [Comp Plan Comm Report](#)
 [Staff memo amending Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Recommended Amendments - Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Planning Commission Public Hearing Written Comments](#)
 [Mannillo re Parkland Dedication Ordinance](#)
 [Erstad re Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Ruby Hunt re Parkland Dedication](#)
 [SPACC re Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Executive Summary Revised 07-09-2015](#)
 [Schwarz email 8.10.15](#)
 [Parkland Dedication- August 2015](#)
 [Parkland Dedication Memo back to Council on Public Hearing](#)
 [\(revised\)](#)
 [McCarty Parkland Dedication Amendments email](#)
 [Mccarty email2 re Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Zumach email re Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Davis email re Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Goldstein email re Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Martinson email re Parkland Dedication](#)
 [Ord 15-27 - Parkland Dedication Ordinance Overview](#)

Councilmember Thune said there were lots of discussion about this last week about the reasonableness of his ideas. He asked that staff look at resetting the rate. The response was it would be simpler to not include it because the Planning Commission would have to do it every year. He is satisfied with going forward with this ordinance, and he will bring in a second resolution when it is ready.

Councilmember Brendmoen said the second resolution would bring it in for a manual review. Thune responded yes.

Councilmember Brendmoen said this is overall a net gain. The economy is just stabilizing. She would like the ability to check in on a regular basis. She can get

behind it.

Council President Stark said the technical parts are complicated. Some think it is a step backwards. Everything he has seen is a step forward. Most of the projects would bring in more revenue for the parks.

Thune said this vote will take up a resolution about rates that doesn't involve going back to the Planning Commission.

Thao said he will vote against it. He still believes parkland dedication and green space is important. He invites his councilmembers to reconsider.

Tolbert moved approval

6 in favor, 1 opposed

Ordinance is adopted

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thune, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Finney and City Council President Stark

Nay: 1 - Councilmember Thao

9 [Ord 15-36](#)

Granting the application of Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration to rezone property at 1784 LaCrosse Ave from R4 One Family Residential to RT2 Townhouse Residential and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map.

Attachments: [PC Resolution](#)
[PC action minutes](#)
[Draft ZC minutes](#)
[60 day extension](#)
[Signed Request for Continuance 6-10-2015](#)
[Staff report packet](#)
[People Incorporated Communication](#)
[Abderholden - People Inc Support Email](#)
[Bastin - People Inc Support Email](#)
[Dahl - People Inc Support Email](#)
[Ellingson - People Inc Support Email](#)
[Frees - People Inc. Support Email](#)
[Regan - People Inc Support Email](#)
[Springhorn - People Inc Support Email](#)
[Turck - People Inc Support Email](#)
[Matson-Daley - People Inc Support Email](#)
[Mulherin - People Inc Support Email](#)
[Neuenfeldt - Opposition Email](#)
[MN DHS letter re People Inc App](#)
[Roberta Beach letter re People Inc](#)
[Mental Health MN Ord 15-36](#)
[Ord 15-36 - Two letters from People Incorporated](#)
[Ord 15-36 - McClay Alton PLLP-Submitted 081915](#)
[Ord 15-36 - Petition-Submitted 081915](#)
[Ord 15-36 - Proposal-Submitted 081915](#)
[Ord 15-36 - Photos-Submitted 081915](#)
[Ord 15-36 - Submitted 081915](#)

Councilmember Thune said he will move a two week layover. He saw a glimmer of light. They heard a lot about parking. There are only 3 parking spots and houses 17 people. There will be parking that adversely effects the neighborhood. This is a case where the organization can step forward and help a solution to the neighborhood and large community. He reached out to People Inc. and received a good response. They are seeking solutions for off street parking. They are not quite there yet.

Councilmember Finney said this is concerning. He concurs with the neighbors that parking is at a premium. He would hope that some kind of resolution would happen. There should be off street parking near the building. He supports the layover.

Bostrom said he doesn't want a parking problem. The discussions with People Inc. is appropriate. Two weeks would give them a chance to figure out how this will work. They should ask PED (Planning and Economic Development) to join with them to help make the process work. Still, they have to be sensitive to the people there.

Stark said they are fighting over a small number of parking spaces. Sometimes parking is overblown, sometimes not.

7 in favor

Ordinance is laid over to September 9

Laid over to September 9 for final adoption.

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Finney and City Council President Stark

Nay: 0

Second Reading

10 [Ord 15-37](#)

Granting the application of Northern Iron of St. Paul LLC to rezone the property at 877 Wells St, from VP Vehicular Parking to IT Transitional Industrial, and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map.

Attachments: [PC Resolution](#)
[pactionminutes072415](#)
[ZC draft minutes](#)
[60 day extension](#)
[ZC staff packet](#)

Laid over to September 2 for third reading/public hearing

11 [Ord 15-38](#)

Granting the application of Wesenberg Management Group LLC to rezone 28 feet of property between 2238 Doswell and 2275-2283 Como from B2 Community Business to T2 Traditional Neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map.

Attachments: [PC Resolution](#)
[pactionminutes072415](#)
[ZC Draft Minutes](#)
[DeadlineForExtensionLetter](#)
[ZC Staff Packet](#)

Laid over to September 2 for third reading/public hearing

12 [Ord 15-39](#)

Granting the application of Grand Realty Company LLP to rezone their property at 1261 Grand Avenue from R2 One-Family Residential to B2 Community Business and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map.

Attachments: [PC Resolution](#)
[PC Action Minutes 080715](#)
[ZC Minutes DRAFT](#)
[60 Day Extension Letter](#)
[ZC Staff Packet](#)

Laid over to September 2 for third reading/public hearing

- 13** [Ord 15-42](#) Amending Chapter 74 of the Legislative Code by enacting a new section designating five individual properties as part of the Limestone Properties Thematic Nomination, as Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Sites.

Attachments: [Planning Commission Resolution-Stone](#)
[Staff Report Stone.pdf](#)
[Stone Houses Historic District.pdf](#)
[Final HPC Resolution--Stone](#)
[Limestone houses SHPO ltr](#)
[Limestone Owners HPC Written Testimony](#)
[Limestone Neighbors HPC Written Testimony](#)
[ORD 15-42 - Letters of Testimony](#)

Laid over to September 2 for third reading/public hearing

- 14** [Ord 15-43](#) Amending Chapter 113 of the Legislative Code as it pertains to snow and ice on sidewalks.

Attachments: [Proposed Snow Walk Ordinance Amendment](#)
[Wetzel-Moore - Sidwalk Ord. email](#)
[Smart Trips - Sidwalk Ord. Ltr of Support](#)
[Schallberg - Sidwalk Ord. support email](#)
[Hamline Midway Support email](#)

Laid over to September 2 for third reading/public hearing

First Reading

- 15** [Ord 15-41](#) Amending Chapter 72 of the Legislative Code, Floodplain Management, adopting an amended map panel for the Pig's Eye Treatment Facility levee.

Laid over to September 2 for second reading

SUSPENSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Finney and City Council President Stark

Nay: 0

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