



# City of Saint Paul

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

### City Council

*Council President Rebecca Noecker*  
*Vice President HwaJeong Kim*  
*Councilmember Anika Bowie*  
*Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson*  
*Councilmember Saura Jost*  
*Councilmember Matt Privratsky*  
*Councilmember Nelsie Yang*

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Wednesday, May 28, 2025

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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#### ROLL CALL

**Meeting started at 3:31 PM**

**Present** 6 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Nelsie Yang,  
Councilmember HwaJeong Kim, Councilmember Saura Jost,  
Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson and Councilmember Matt Privratsky

**Absent** 1 - Councilmember Anika Bowie

#### 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 Privratsky moved approval.*

#### Consent Agenda adopted

**Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim,  
Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember  
Privratsky

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bowie

- 1     [RES 25-702](#)     Approving the application for change of ownership to the Liquor Off Sale and Tobacco Shop license now held by University Liquor LLC d/b/a Sharrett Liquor (License ID #20250000436) for the premises located at 2389 University Avenue West.  
  
         **Adopted**
- 2     [RES 25-762](#)     Directing the Department of Safety and Inspections to revoke the Wine On Sale, Malt On Sale (Strong), Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Patio) and Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Sidewalk) license for The Neighborhood Café Inc. d/b/a

The Neighborhood Café, (License ID #20120000960) for the premises located at 1570 Selby Ave.

**Adopted**

- 3      [RES 25-773](#)      Authorizing the City to enter into the attached License Agreement between the City and Union Park District Council ("District Council") to operate a community garden at Dunning Park (1188 Concordia Ave.).

**Adopted**

- 4      [RES 25-790](#)      Approving the application for a license for Dave's Exhaust and Auto Repair d/b/a Auto Repair and Exhaust for the Auto Repair Garage license, (License ID #20250000401) for the premises located at 1111 Payne Avenue.

**Adopted**

- 5      [RES 25-792](#)      Authorizing the City to enter into a credit card processing Agreement with Elavon Services, LLC, that includes an indemnification clause.

**Adopted**

- 6      [RES 25-803](#)      Approving the application for change of ownership to the Second Hand Dealer-Motor Vehicle license now held by AMZ Wholesale Inc d/b/a Ridevibe Motors (License ID #20250000476) for the premises located at 709 Minnehaha Ave E.

**Adopted**

- 7      [RES 25-817](#)      Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2025 June Wage and Fringe Adjustment between the City of Saint Paul and the Sprinkler Fitters Local Union No. 417.

**Laid over to June 4, 2025**

- 8      [RES 25-827](#)      Approving the application for a license approval for Jackey's Peg Leg LLC d/b/a 6IX Mears for the Liquor On Sale - 101-180 seats, Liquor On Sale - Sunday, Liquor On Sale -2 AM Closing, Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Sidewalk), Entertainment (B) and Gambling Location license, (License ID #20250000564) for the premises located at 235 6th St E.

**Adopted**

- 9      [RES 25-829](#)      Authorizing the Police Department to submit a grant application to the Youth Intervention Programs of the Minnesota Department of Public Safety.

**Adopted**

- 10     [RES 25-835](#)      Authorizing the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) to apply for the 2025 ASPCA Northern Tier Shelter Initiative Quality of Life Grant from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) to purchase new cat housing and dog Kuranda beds for the new City Animal Shelter.

**Adopted**

- 11     [RES 25-840](#)     Approving the use of grant funds through the Ward 3 Neighborhood STAR Year-Round program for Agelgil Ethiopian Restaurant LLC.  
**Adopted**
- 12     [RES 25-844](#)     Approving the Mayor's reappointment of Kevin Gallatin to a third two-year term on the MSP International Airport Noise Oversight Committee.  
**Adopted**
- 13     [RES 25-846](#)     Approving the use of grant funds through the Ward 7 Neighborhood Star Year-Round program for Faith City Church in partnership with the G.W Carver Cultural Center for Innovation.  
**Adopted**
- 14     [RES 25-847](#)     Approving the use of grant fund through Ward 7 Neighborhood Star Year-Round Program for Indigenous Roots.  
**Adopted**

**ROLL CALL**

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

**FOR DISCUSSION**

- 15     [RES 25-789](#)     Approving adverse action against the Liquor Auto Garage & Second Hand Dealer - Motor Vehicle license held by M F K Enterprise Inc d/b/a M F K Enterprise, (License ID #57957) for the premises located at 830 Robert Street South. (Licensee will speak to Council on his own behalf).

*Therese Skarda, Deputy City Attorney, gave a staff report and answered councilmember questions.*

*Moe Kia, license holder, addressed the City Council.*

*Council President Noecker asked if Kia was contesting the facts and stated that any contesting of the facts should be done before an administrative law judge.*

*Kia continued his remarks.*

*Noecker asked for clarification.*

*Skarda addressed Noecker's question and expressed concern that the license holder was contesting the facts.*

*Noecker expressed concern that the license holder was contesting the facts and moved to refer the matter to an administrative law judge.*

*Skarda provided additional information.*

*Noecker renewed her motion.*

**Adopted as amended**

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

**Nay:** 0

**16**     [RES 25-850](#)

Accepting the Saint Paul Capital Improvement Budget (CIB) Process Assessment Report Conducted by Wilder Research.

*Heather Britt from Wilder research gave a presentation and answered councilmember questions.*

*Councilmember Yang gave remarks.*

*Councilmember Kim gave remarks.*

*Councilmember Johnson gave remarks.*

*Councilmember Jost gave remarks.*

*Council President Noecker gave remarks.*

*Jost moved approval.*

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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

**17**     [RES PH 25-102](#)

Approving the applications of Grand Avenue Business Association for four sound level variances at six (6) sites in order to present amplified sound on June 1, 2025 along Grand Avenue from Snelling Ave S to Dale St S, with events at 1553 Grand Ave, 1055-1071 Grand Ave, 917 Grand Ave, 857 Grand Ave, 733-791 Grand Ave, and 742 Grand Ave.

*Councilmember Bowie moved approval.*

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 18     [RES PH 25-103](#)     Amending the 2025 spending and budget in the Department of Public Works ROW Permits and Inspection accounting unit to account for additional revenue received for their use of a portion of the city-owned Pierce Butler property that Public Works oversees in the amount of \$7,500.
- Councilmember Privratsky moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky
- 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**

*Councilmember Kim moved approval.*

#### **Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended**

- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky
- Nay:** 0
- 19     [RLH VBR 25-22](#)     Appeal of Tiffany Davies & Reginald Glass to a Vacant Building Registration Requirement at 469 ANITA STREET.
- Adopted**
- 20     [RLH TA 25-249](#)     Amending the previously levied and certified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during May 9 to August 14, 2023 at 593 COOK AVENUE EAST. (File No. VB2405, Assessment No. 248804)
- Adopted**
- 21     [RLH SAO 25-41](#)     Appeal of Katie Deboer Tarrats to a Summary Abatement Order at 1119 EDGERTON STREET.
- Adopted**
- 22     [RLH SAO 25-40](#)     Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 681 VIRGINIA STREET in Council File RLH SAO 25-37.
- Adopted as amended (nuisance abated)**
- 23     [RLH SAO 25-38](#)     Appeal of Nancy Kreig, on behalf of John Schultz, to a Summary Abatement

Order at 1623 YORK AVENUE.

**Adopted**

- 24     [RLH VO 25-10](#)     Appeal of John Schultz a Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation & Order to Vacate for the premises, Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation & Order to Vacate for the RV, and a Vehicle Abatement Order at 1623 YORK AVENUE.

**Adopted**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Meeting ended at 4:44 PM**

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