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Minutes - Final

City Council

Council President Amy Brendmoen
Councilmember Kassim Busuri
Councilmember Mitra Jalali Nelson
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
Councilmember Jane L. Prince
Councilmember Dai Thao
Councilmember Chris Tolbert

Wednesday, June 26, 2019

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

**There will be no meeting on Wednesday, July 3.
5:30 p.m. Public Hearings will be held on July 10 and July 24.**

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Council President Brendmoen at 3:30 p.m.

Present 6 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Dai Thao,
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Jane L. Prince,
Councilmember Mitra Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Kassim Busuri
Absent 1 - Councilmember Chris Tolbert

Councilmember Tolbert arrived after roll call.

Present 7 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Dai Thao,
Councilmember Chris Tolbert, Councilmember Rebecca Noecker,
Councilmember Jane L. Prince, Councilmember Mitra Jalali Nelson and
Councilmember Kassim Busuri

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 19-35](#) Amending CDBG activities budgets.

 Received and filed

- 2 [AO 19-36](#) Amending CDBG activities budgets: funding for Bates Stormwater and
 701 Central Avenue West.

 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 (Items 3 - 15)

Councilmember Thao moved approval of the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

- 3 [RES 19-1082](#) Appointing the firm of Bassford Remele under the direction of Mark R. Bradford as special counsel representing the City of Saint Paul in the matter of Bruce Clark, et al. v. City of Saint Paul.
Adopted
- 4 [RES 19-1071](#) Amending RES PH 19-159 by retaining an easement for Xcel Energy.
Adopted
- 5 [RES 19-1001](#) Amending Council File RES 19-876 to delete the assessment for Replacement of Lead Water Service Line on Private Property during April to June 2017 at 925 Albemarle Street. (File No. 1704LDSRP, Assessment No. 174003)
Adopted
- 6 [RES 19-1027](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 18, 2019 and City Council public hearing for September 11, 2019 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG1902B1, Assessment No. 190105)
Adopted
- 7 [RES 19-1028](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 18, 2019 and City Council public hearing for September 11, 2019 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG1902B2, Assessment No. 190106)
Adopted

- 8 [RES 19-1029](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 18, 2019 and City Council public hearing for September 11, 2019 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG1902B3, Assessment No. 190107)
Adopted
- 9 [RES 19-1030](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 18, 2019 and City Council public hearing for September 11, 2019 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG1902B4, Assessment No. 190108)
Adopted
- 10 [RES 19-1031](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 25, 2019 and City Council public hearing for September 11, 2019 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG1902C1, Assessment No. 190109)
Adopted
- 11 [RES 19-1032](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 25, 2019 and City Council public hearing for September 11, 2019 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG1902C2, Assessment No. 190110)
Adopted
- 12 [RES 19-1033](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 25, 2019 and City Council public hearing for September 11, 2019 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG1902C3, Assessment No. 190111)
Adopted
- 13 [RES 19-1034](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 25, 2019 and City Council public hearing for September 11, 2019 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG1902C4, Assessment No. 190112)
Adopted

- 14 [RES 19-1041](#) Approving the 2019 Round 1 Cultural Sales Tax Revitalization (STAR) Grant Program awards.

Adopted

- 15 [RES 19-766](#) Approving the application with conditions, per the Deputy Legislative Hearing Officer, for Taste of Rondo LLC (License ID # 20190000107), d/b/a Taste of Rondo Restaurant, for Liquor On Sale - 100 Seats or Less, Liquor On Sale - Sunday, and Entertainment (A) licenses at 976 Concordia Avenue.

Adopted

SUSPENSION ITEM

Councilmember Noecker moved suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

- [RES 19-1117](#) Authorizing proper City Officials to execute an Addendum to the Residential Solid Waste, Yard Waste, and Bulky Waste Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and Saint Paul Haulers.

Deputy Mayor Jaime Tincher gave a staff report on the temporary contract addendum and answered Council members' questions.

Councilmember Tolbert moved approval of the resolution.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

Councilmember Busuri moved suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

[RES 19-1055](#)

Approving the application with conditions, per the Deputy Legislative Hearing Officer, for Gary Yang (License ID #20190001045), d/b/a Go Auto Sales and Repair, for Second Hand Dealer - Motor Vehicle, and Auto Repair Garage licenses at 1445 Arcade Street.

Councilmember Busuri moved approval of the resolution.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

FOR DISCUSSION**16** [SR 19-54](#)

Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit update from Ramsey County.

Andy Gitzlaff, Ramsey County Transit, gave a report on the Rush Line BRT and answered Council members' questions.

Received and filed**17** [RES 19-230](#)

Approving the application with conditions, per the Deputy Legislative Hearing Officer, for Fitzgerald's LLC (License #20160003846), d/b/a Fitzgerald's to add a Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Patio) license to the existing Liquor On Sale - 101-180 Seats and Liquor On Sale - Sunday licenses at 173 Western Avenue North. (Laid over from June 12)

Councilmember Thao moved Version 2 which included a condition requiring that the new parking be completed before the patio construction started.

Adopted as amended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

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

- 18** [Ord 19-10](#) Amending Chapters 63, 65, and 66 of the Legislative Code pertaining to Solar and Wind Energy.
- Councilmember Jalali Nelson made brief comments and moved final adoption of the ordinance, as amended on June 5.*
- Adopted as amended (amended June 5)**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
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- 19** [Ord 19-32](#) Granting the application of Bai Lor to rezone the property at 388 Minnehaha Avenue West from R4 Single Family Residential to RT1 Two Family Residential, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.
- Councilmember Thao moved final adoption of the ordinance.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
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- 20** [Ord 19-34](#) Repealing Ordinance Ord 18-40 which amended Chapter 357 of the Legislative Code to Regulate Coordinated Collection.
- Councilmember Noecker moved final adoption of the ordinance.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
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- 21** [Ord 19-35](#) Amending Chapter 357 of the Legislative Code to reflect current City practices.
- Councilmember Tolbert moved final adoption of the ordinance.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0

Second Reading

- 22** [Ord 19-39](#) Granting authority to the Port Authority of the City of Saint Paul to issue and sell general obligation bonds to which the Port Authority pledges the full faith, credit, and resources of the City of Saint Paul pursuant to the provisions and by authority of said Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 469 and 475, as amended.
- Laid over to July 10 for third reading/public hearing

First Reading

- 23** [Ord 19-46](#) Amending section 411.05 of the Legislative Code pertaining to entertainment licenses.
- Laid over to July 10 for second reading
- 24** [Ord 19-47](#) Amending Chapter 409.11, of the Legislative Code regarding temporary service extensions.
- Laid over to July 10 for second reading

LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

40 [RLH FCO 19-65](#) Appeal of Corey Bednarz to a Correction Notice - Complaint Inspection at 363 WINSLOW AVENUE.

Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond said this was a situation where the property owner called in on his own, and the concern was the location of the fire pit situated 13' 6" from the deck and two or three feet from the property boundary. She said Minnesota State fire code required that it be 15' from a structure or property line. She said the property owner stated that he asked the neighbor to move their vehicle from the driveway when he had a fire in the fire pit. She said she didn't feel that was a reason for the Council to grant a variance. She said it would be possible to have a fireplace in the back, but it would have to be an actual fireplace.

Councilmember Noecker asked about the circumstances leading to the property owner calling it in. Ms. Moermond said the property owner had had the fire department come out to his property on a number of occasions, and he believed he'd gotten contradictory information from the fire department.

In opposition:

Corey Bednarz (363 Winslow) said he had tenants but he was the only one who had fires. He said he knew the rules and regulations and wanted to comply. He said he worked out of state and was gone for three weeks at a time, and had one or two fires, and was safe. He said he didn't get along with the neighbor. He said he wanted to do what he wanted to do to be in compliance with standards. He said the fire department was called twice last year and said everything was fine and left. He said they were called twice this year: the first one said it was fine, the second one said it had to be put out. He said he thought the fire department had better things to do, so he called it in in May. He said he was willing to cut back the deck. He said he didn't see where it would be a big deal with a vehicle there since they'd been neighbors for years. He said he wanted to be left alone and wanted to do what was right.

Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 7 Nays - 0

Councilmember Noecker said she appreciated Mr. Bednarz reaching out and his desire to be in compliance. She said she would move to accept the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendation, and would be happy to work with Mr. Bednarz to try to find a better location for the fire pit.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

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 (Items 25 - 40)

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Thao moved to close the public hearing and approve the Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda as amended.

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

- 25** [RLH VBR 19-34](#) Appeal of Elton Mykerezzi to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 926 ARMSTRONG AVENUE.
Adopted
- 26** [RLH VO 19-17](#) Appeal of Kay Lovness, Chatsworth Properties LLC, to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice (which includes condemnation of Unit 7) at 1125 CHATSWORTH STREET NORTH.
Adopted
- 27** [RLH CO 19-9](#) Appeal of William Shinn Jr. to a Correction Notice at 24 CONGRESS STREET WEST.
Adopted
- 28** [RLH SAO 19-35](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 1211 COMO BOULEVARD WEST in Council File RLH SAO 19-2.
Adopted
- 29** [RLH VO 19-21](#) Appeal of Cha Sur Vang to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 291 FILLMORE AVENUE EAST.
Adopted
- 30** [RLH RR 19-3](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 899 GERMAIN STREET within fifteen (15) days after the February 13, 2019 City Council public hearing. (Amend to remove within 15 days) (Public hearing continued from June 5)
Adopted as amended (remove within 15 days)
- 31** [RLH RR 19-8](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 636 HALL AVENUE in Council File No. RLH RR 18-48.
Adopted

- 32 [RLH FCO 19-43](#) Appeal of Bernetta Romero to a Re-Inspection Fire Certificate of Occupancy with Deficiencies at 456 LAWSON AVENUE WEST.
Adopted
- 33 [RLH FCO 19-56](#) Appeal of Chris Cadem to a Re-Inspection Fire Certificate of Occupancy With Deficiencies at 1151 MARION STREET.
Adopted
- 34 [RLH SAO 19-33](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 680 PREBLE STREET in Council File RLH SAO 19-29.
Adopted
- 35 [RLH RR 19-19](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 957 PROSPERITY AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the June 26, 2019 City Council public hearing. (Amend to grant 180 days)
Adopted as amended (remove or repair within 180 days)
- 36 [RLH FCO 19-62](#) Appeal of Virginia Johnson to a Correction Notice - Re-Inspection Complaint at 277 SHERBURNE AVENUE.
Adopted
- 37 [RLH TA 19-465](#) Amending Council File No. RLH AR 19-27 to delete the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy Fees billed during October 15 to November 12, 2018 at 876 SMITH AVENUE SOUTH. (File No. CRT1907, Assessment No. 198206)
Adopted
- 38 [RLH SAO 19-36](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 1405 SUMMIT AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 19-23.
Adopted
- 39 [RLH RR 19-9](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 830 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST in Council Files RLH RR 18-22 and RLH RR 18-53.
Adopted

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 41** [Ord 19-37](#) Amending Chapter 76 of the Legislative Code pertaining to sewers and drains by adding new language authorizing the creation of special sanitary sewer availability districts and authorizing the imposition and collection of connection charges within such districts where facilities were constructed, enlarged or improved to manage increased sanitary sewer volume within the district. (Public hearing continued from June 26)
- No one was present to testify. Council President Brendmoen said due to a notification glitch, the public hearing would be continued to July 10, when the Council would vote on the item.*
- Councilmember Noecker moved to continue the public hearing to July 10.*
- Public hearing continued to July 10**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
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- 42** [RES PH 19-186](#) Approving a budget amendment allocating \$12,673 from the Energy Conservation Loan Fund for City personnel tuition and attendance at a Building Operator Certification Training Program, and accepting the gift of tuition assistance from Xcel Energy in the amount of \$19,532.
- No one was present to testify. Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
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- 43** [RES PH 19-193](#) Amending the 2019 budget for Innovations Initiative in the Office of Financial Services by \$5,337 to expend remaining grant dollars provided by the Knight Cities Challenge Grant - Pop Up locations.
- No one was present to testify. Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0

- 44** [RES PH 19-181](#) Approving the application of Amber ACE Cleveland for a sound level variance to present live and amplified music on Saturday, July 6, 2019 in Mears Park for the For the Love Project event.
- No one was present to testify. Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
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- 45** [RES PH 19-192](#) Approving the application of Anderson Race Management for a sound level variance to present outdoor music and announcements for the Michael J Fox Trot 5K on Saturday, July 13, 2019 at Harriet Island.
- No one was present to testify. Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
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- 46** [RES PH 19-188](#) Approving the application of Minnesota United FC & Allianz Field for a sound level variance to present an amplified musical performance on Saturday, June 29, 2019 at 400 Snelling Avenue North.
- No one was present to testify. Councilmember Thao moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
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- 47** [RES PH 19-190](#) Approving the application of Minnesota United FC & Allianz Field for a sound level variance to present amplified music on Wednesday, July 3, 2019 at 400 Snelling Avenue North.
- No one was present to testify. Councilmember Jalali Nelson moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

48 [RES PH 19-182](#)

Approving the application of the United Hmong Family and Lao Family Foundation for a sound level variance to provide amplified sound on Saturday, July 6 and Sunday, July 7, 2019 for the Hmong International Freedom Festival at Como Park, Como Pool Area.

United Hmong Family representatives spoke about the event and invited everyone to join them for the festival.

Council President Brendmoen and Councilmember Thao spoke in support of the event.

Councilmember Jalali Nelson moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

49 [RES PH 19-191](#)

Expanding Residential Permit Parking Area 8 to include Concordia Avenue, Carroll Avenue, and Iglehart Avenue between Asbury Street and Pascal Street North.

Council President Brendmoen said the item had been laid over to allow Councilmember Thao time to speak to the district council and neighbors. She asked Councilmember Thao whether there were any changes to the proposal. Councilmember Thao said there were not.

In support:

Daniel Jambor (1555 Iglehart) spoke in support on behalf of neighbors.

In opposition:

Joe Hughes (business owner at 1564 Selby) spoke in opposition on behalf of the business organization.

Councilmember Thao moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 7 Nays - 0

Councilmember Thao thanked everyone for their input. He said he'd promised to be sensitive to the needs of the residents when the City went ahead with the stadium, and that was still true. He said a permit parking would be consistent with consistent with existing permit parking in the area, and it was unfair when people from outside the neighborhood dumped their trash on our streets and sidewalks. He said from an economic standpoint, his office tried to support shared economy, and they wanted fans to park and do business along the University Avenue transit corridor. He said he would move to support this. He said it may spill into the neighborhoods but their strategy was to make sure fans were educated.

Councilmember Jalali Nelson said she appreciated the chance for extra time for public input. She said she was supportive of what Councilmember Thao was trying to do, but worried that this tool was too broad and overreaching when other things hadn't been tried first. She said she would vote no.

Council President Brendmoen said she would support the motion. She said with permit parking in areas like St. Thomas it made a little more sense for all day every day, and she wished there was a tool somewhere between permit parking and just enforcement to address this situation with a fixed number of events. She said she would support it even though it was a heavy solution for a game day problem.

Councilmember Prince said she was familiar with this district and knew this neighborhood to be a little residential island surrounded by commercial and industrial uses. She said he supported Councilmember Thao's motion. She said the Pascal bridge made this such an easily accessible parking area for game day. She said to Council President Brendmoen's point, she was going to support the motion, but thought they should continue to pursue solutions to problems like this that were limited in scope like the State Fair. She said she was sympathetic to the businesses in the area and would like to continue to look at this with the Council.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 1 - Councilmember Jalali Nelson

- 50 [RES PH 19-189](#) Creating Residential Permit Parking Area 4 on Concordia Avenue and Carroll Avenue from Pierce Street to Snelling Avenue, and on Pierce Street and Fry Street from Carroll Avenue to Concordia Avenue.

In support:

Doni Hamann (1625 Carroll Avenue)

Pat Hartshorn (1642 Concordia Avenue)

Councilmember Jalali Nelson moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 5 Nays - 0 (Thao and Noecker out)

Councilmember Jalali Nelson said she appreciated the extra time to weigh the issue, and appreciated people coming down and reaching out. She said for me the systemic issue with this route was they were trying to mitigate the problem in one small area and potentially create broader issues that didn't position the City well to manage stadium traffic. She said the issues heard during the public hearing the previous week deserved to be addressed, and she felt those things demanded stronger enforcement as a starting point, and she would be following up with Commander Hallstrom. She said we were nine games into the inaugural season, and these petitions were created months and months before the stadium was built, and the City needed to see what the season was like and come up with some interventions before going to the permanent far-reaching solution of making entire neighborhoods permit parking 24/7. She said she would be voting "no" with the commitment to work on other ways to get at the issue.

Council President Brendmoen said she would support the motion, because she thought the permit parking was a broad and far-reaching solution to a game day problem.

Councilmember Tolbert said he would support motion, as I did with the motion on the previous issue out of respect for the Council member who knows the area best. He said one of the things he'd seen on the Council was that when permit parking was done in a piecemeal way it didn't solve the problem and just pushed the problem on and on and on, and he suspected that would happen here. He said he wished there were a better way to thread the needle. He said he grew up in a permit area and it wasn't as easy as it seemed and not a silver bullet solution. He said he had concerns about permit parking partly because they were public streets.

Councilmember Prince said she would vote in opposition to be consistent with her last vote. She said this neighborhood had some difficult physical obstructions including train tracks, and a lot of industry and business. She said when they were voting about the stadium and questions were raised about parking, the real promise was that access would be via transit as well as bikes and alternative modes. She said she agreed with the testimony stating that prohibiting parking in the neighborhoods would force people to look at other options. She said she would vote against the motion but would also commit to working to find a different way to protect the residential neighbors because this was not a small thing. She said she didn't by voting against permit parking they were sending a good message that people should use transit and bikes.

Council President Brendmoen said the Council was not removing the possibility of ever using permit parking as a solution, but what she was hearing was that it was premature and there were other solutions worth exploring.

Following discussion about procedure for taking action against the resolution, Councilmember Tolbert moved to approve the resolution. The motion failed.

Motion for adoption failed

Yea: 2 - Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 3 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert and Councilmember Jalali Nelson

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Brendmoen adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

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