



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

City Council

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

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 3:31 PM

Present 7 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Mitra Jalali, Councilmember Nelsie Yang, Councilmember HwaJeong Kim, Councilmember Anika Bowie, Councilmember Saura Jost and Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [CO 24-4](#) Letter from the Department of Safety and Inspections declaring 887 Charles Avenue a nuisance property. (For notification purposes only; public hearings will be scheduled at a later date if necessary.)
Received and Filed
- 2 [AO 23-125](#) Amending the 2023 Neighborhood STAR budget to reallocate funds for twenty-one (21) projects in the amount of \$662,560.00.
Received and Filed
- 3 [AO 23-126](#) Amending CDBG Project Budgets: Additional funding for City Wide Homeowner Improvement fund, and Pedro Park, to be funded with Neighborworks St. Paul Home Improvement Loan Fund, Dayton's Bluff Neighborhood Services RLF, 621-629 Minnehaha, and COPP undesignated fund.
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

Shari Moore, City Clerk, stated that Item 5 was being withdrawn, since it was a duplicate of a previously passed file.

Councilmember Yang moved approval.

Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

- 4 [RES 24-102](#) Authorizing the Department of Emergency Management to pay for all costs for Emergency Management training and/or costs associated with the operation of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) during emergency and declared disasters in 2024.

Adopted

- 5 [RES 24-15](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Chris Tolbert to the Board of Water Commissioners. (To be withdrawn, duplicate file)

Withdrawn

- 6 [RES 24-1](#) Approving Ordinance Permit 20220010211 for Roadway Sidewalk Infrastructure installed by Project Paul, LLC (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ryan Companies US, Inc.) ("Ryan") on the Ford (Highland Bridge) Site, for sidewalk and boulevard work at the following locations: on the west side of Mount Curve Boulevard from Beechwood Avenue to the north right-of-way line of Village Way; on the east side of Woodlawn Avenue from Beechwood Avenue to the north right-of-way line of Village Way; and on the north side of Village Way from Mount Curve Boulevard to Woodlawn Avenue, District 15, Ward 3.

Adopted

- 7 [RES 24-3](#) Approving Ordinance Permit 20220010213 for Roadway Sidewalk Infrastructure installed by Project Paul, LLC (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ryan Companies US, Inc.) ("Ryan") on the Ford (Highland Bridge) Site, for sidewalk and boulevard work on the north side of Village Way from Mount Curve Boulevard to the first N/S alley east of Mount Curve Boulevard, District 15, Ward 3.

Adopted

- 8 [RES 24-4](#) Approving Ordinance Permit 20230010215 for Roadway Sidewalk Infrastructure installed by Project Paul, LLC (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ryan Companies US, Inc.) ("Ryan") on the Ford (Highland Bridge) Site, for sidewalk and boulevard work at the following locations: on the east side of Cretin Avenue from Bohland Avenue to the north property line of Lot 2 Block 3 and on the north side of Bohland Avenue from Cretin Avenue to the east property line of Lot 2 Block 3, District 15, Ward 3.

Adopted

- 9 [RES 24-29](#) Granting preliminary approval to the issuance of various general obligation and revenue bonds as approved in the 2024 City budget; expressing the intent of the City to reimburse itself from the proceeds of such tax-exempt bonds; and authorizing City finance staff and advisors to take certain actions with respect to the sale of such bonds.
- Adopted**
- 10 [RES 24-64](#) Approving the addition of a Gambling Location license to the existing Liquor On Sale 181-290 seats, Liquor On Sale - Sunday, and Liquor Outdoor Service Area (sidewalk) licenses held by Green Mill LLC d/b/a Green Mill (License ID # 20130005371) for the premises located at 57 Hamline Avenue South.
- Adopted**
- 11 [RES 24-72](#) Authorizing the Police Department's expenditures relating to community meetings and events in 2024.
- Adopted**
- 12 [RES 24-73](#) Authorizing the Police Department to purchase light refreshments for witnesses, victims, and suspects during critical incident investigations and assistance programs.
- Adopted**
- 13 [RES 24-74](#) Authorizing the Police Department to purchase refreshments for employee recognition ceremonies and events in 2024.
- Adopted**
- 14 [RES 24-76](#) Authorizing the Police Department's expenditures relating to the Canine Unit's community engagement meetings, community engagement events, and training sessions in 2024.
- Adopted**
- 15 [RES 24-77](#) Authorizing the Police Department expenditures for the Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Training program conducted in 2024.
- Adopted**
- 16 [RES 24-78](#) Authorizing the Police Department to purchase food and beverages for law enforcement trainings conducted in 2024.
- Adopted**
- 17 [RES 24-94](#) Approving polling location changes for the 2024 elections.
- Adopted**
- 18 [RES 24-43](#) Authorizing the Department of Public Works to submit applications for state funding to the 2023-2024 MnDOT Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program with no local capital funding match requirements.

Adopted

- 19 [RES 24-14](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2024 January Wage and Fringe Adjustment (January 1, 2024) for the Sprinkler Fitters Local Union No. 417.

Adopted

- 20 [RES 24-46](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City and Operating Engineers, Local 70 to provide On-call pay in the Saint Paul Regional Water Services Distribution division.

Adopted

- 21 [RES 24-40](#) Approving the Memorandums of Agreement between the City and AFSCME Clerical, Local 2508 and AFSCME Technical, Local 1842, for the purpose of providing preferred license premium pay for AFSCME employees in the Saint Paul Regional Water Services.

Adopted

ORDINANCES

An ordinance is a city law enacted by the City Council. It is read at three separate council meetings and becomes effective after passage by the Council and 30 days after publication in the Saint Paul Pioneer Press. Public hearings on ordinances are generally held at the second reading.

Final Adoption

- 23 [Ord 23-70](#) Amending Chapter 310.01 of the Legislative Code to add a table and definition for fees associated with business activities that are referenced but not stipulated within specific ordinance sections and animal fees.

Councilmember Kim moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

First Reading

- 24 [Ord 24-1](#) Granting the application of Khoua Yang to rezone property at 736 Oakdale Ave from H1 residential to T2 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Chris Hong, City Planner, gave a staff report.

Laid over to January 24, 2023 for Second Reading

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 25** [Ord 24-4](#) Granting the application of Hovda Properties LLC to rezone property at 0 Saint Clair Avenue Rezone from B1 local business to T3 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.
- Brian Alton, representing the application, spoke during the public hearing.*
- Mark Kleinschmidt spoke during the public hearing.*
- Councilmember Jost moved to close the public hearing.*
- Laid over to January 24, 2023 for Final Adoption**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- 26** [RES PH 24-14](#) Accepting grant funds, authorizing execution of a grant agreement with indemnity obligations and amending the operating budget for the City's sponsorship of a Metropolitan Council Livable Communities Act Pre-Development Grant Program for 680 and 694 Minnehaha Ave E (Hamm's Brewery II, District 4, Ward 7).
- Councilmember Johnson moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- 27** [RES PH 24-7](#) Authorizing an increase in the Parks and Recreation Grant Fund Budget in the amount of \$74,750 to reflect the multi-year Conservation Partners Legacy Grant received from the State of Minnesota for Swede Hollow Park.
- Councilmember Bowie moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- 28** [RES PH 24-10](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$156,900 to reflect additional 2024 funding

expected from Como Friends.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 29** [RES PH 24-11](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$3,360,000 to reflect additional 2024 funding expected from Como Legacy. (To be withdrawn)

Withdrawn

- 30** [RES PH 24-12](#) Authorizing the Police and Emergency Management Departments to accept a grant in the amount of \$225,525 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, FEMA for the 2023 Port Security Grant Program.

Councilmember Jost moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 49** [RLH SAO 24-2](#) Appeal of Darin Dallin to an Emergency Summary Abatement Order at 1062 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST.

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer: I briefed Councilmember Johnson on my recommendation earlier, and she had an amendment she was planning. It is reflected in the version you see in front of you, adding language to the Resolved section, stating that the Council accepts and adopts my recommendation that this is an emergency order that needs to be executed regarding the repair or replacement of the sewer line, and also directs that the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) work with the City's contractor to ensure thorough documentation of conditions before and after the sewer line is replaced.

Councilmember Jalali: So, this emergency repair is being recommended for health and safety, and you are also recommending that the repair work be documented, at the request of Johnson?

Moermond: Yes.

Councilmember Jalali: If the appellant isn't here to call in, we can try again and come back to this item later in the meeting.

Councilmember Johnson: I would prefer that.

[Councilmembers considered Item 59, then returned when the appellant was brought into the meeting via telephone]

Darin Dallin, appellant, appeared via call-in

Moermond: I would like to give my staff report again, so that the appellant is able to hear it.

Jalali: Sounds good.

Moermond: This is an emergency abatement for a broken sewer line that occurred at the juncture of the private sewer line and the main city sewer line going down the middle of the street. It is the private property owner's responsibility to maintain the sewer line from their home to the street, including the connection to the city's main sewer pipe. From what's been reported by Public Works, the failure is at that juncture of the private line into the main pipe. The question that repeatedly came up during the course of the hearing was not whether the breakage had occurred, but rather the attribution of responsibility for the breakage and therefore the financial responsibility for correcting that problem.

Before you today is an emergency summary abatement order to get to the sewer line repaired, so that further damage does not occur. There are two concerns with further damage. The first is a public concern regarding the street, where there is an indent in the street. A steel plate has been placed on top of it to make it stable for traffic, but if it snows, a plow could hit it. The indent then becomes a hazard for vehicles. The other concern is about the sewer line itself. The longer this condition exists, the more blockage of the sewer line will occur as sediments impede the passage of the sewage through the pipe. The homeowner himself is in danger of having a sewer line back up into his home, which would create an unhealthy living situation that could potentially lead to condemnation.

We looked at 3 means of financing during Legislative Hearing. DSI would administer the contract to do the repairs, due to the emergency nature of the situation. This differs from a property owner finding a contractor themselves. What's important right now is that the work gets done, and that's what's before you. Richard Ekobena, the Sewer Division Manager, reviewed camera footage of the sewer line and confirmed there is a failure. He suggested that payment be sorted out in the future and the repair be done right away. This particular enforcement tool allows for payments to be made over ten years. That is ample time, I believe, for discussions of financing and attribution to be covered in a separate forum.

Councilmember Noecker: Who was doing the construction work and is being accused by the property owner of being responsible?

Moermond: As I understand it, water line replacement was occurring. I don't know if there was other street work that was occurring at the same time. I'm not an engineer and cannot sort out who is at fault.

Councilmember Noecker: Nothing about your recommendation would prevent the appellant from filing a claim against us or whoever they're alleging did the damage, correct?

Moermond: Public Works estimates the cost to be \$10-20,000. DSI has an estimate from a contractor for \$12,000. I explained the three methods of paying that amount during the hearing. The first is to simply write a check to Public Works for the full

amount. The second option is to make it payable over 10 years. The third option is one that Public Works traditionally uses as a financing tool. In that method, part of the paperwork states that the property owner agrees to not appeal the assessment further. That does affect this appellant's recourse. I am not a lawyer and cannot give legal advice. What I can say is that this is not a bad backstop, preserving rights because you can still appeal this as a special assessment and avenues are still open.

Jalali: To summarize your answer, action we take today would not prevent an ability to contest responsibility?

Moermond: Correct.

Darin Dallin: I don't think that I should be responsible for the damage. When I bought the house, I had an inspection done to my sewer line. Everything was fine. There was no damage. It was in perfect condition and I was there for about a year. I then got a letter from the state saying there was going to be construction on Minnehaha Avenue to replace water and sewer pipes and gas lines. It said they weren't doing any work on my house because my sewer line and water line, which they needed to work on, was on Earl Street. It said that they weren't going to be doing any work on Minnehaha Avenue. They came out and dug two holes about 20 feet by 8 feet, however deep they needed to get to the pipes. They let that sit there in the open for 3-4 weeks when it was raining, and freezing. They didn't put any covers over the holes they made. That's where my sewer line was. When they started doing construction, they came out, looked at my sewer line, ran a camera through, and said it was good to go. After about halfway through construction, a worker said they thought they might have hit something and wanted to check it out. They checked and again said it was good to go. When they came back a third time to check the same sewer line, they again said everything was okay. I don't feel like I should be responsible for paying any of this because I had my inspection done before I bought the house. Guys then came before, during, and after construction and said again that everything was fine. But now we're here, so how did this happen?

Councilmember Johnson moved to close the public hearing. Approved 7-0.

Johnson: Before Dallin joined the call, I was proposing an amendment to push forward on repairs, but ensure photographs and documentation are taken before and after making repairs, at or below grade, which could be included in any efforts to contest responsibility. I want there to be full transparency. I will move that amended version.

Moermond: I just added the language, which would direct DSI to work with the City's contractor to ensure thorough documentation of conditions at and below grade before and after sewer line replacement or repair.

Jalali: I support that motion.

Adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

Assessment approved.

Also in attendance: Inho Chang, appellant

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer: This is an assessment for a Vacant Building Fee. It is a fee covering two years. It originally entered the Vacant Building Program on April 13, 2022, due to a fire, so it has been in it for 1 year and 9 months. Legislative Code provides for a 90-day waiver on the fee after a fire, which it did receive, taking them to July 13, 2022. Three more waivers were issued in 2022, resulting in waiving an entire one-year period. The house was still not redeveloped, and so the fee for the waived year was tacked on to the following year's fee. It is being considered as one assessment for \$5,075. My recommendation is to approve the assessment. Given the complicated situation resulting from the waivers, I consulted with my director and the City Attorney's Office, and they agree with my recommendation.

Inho Chang: As I stated in an email, the fire did significant damage. I had trouble finding a contractor because everyone was shorthanded. I was able to hire a general building contractor and he was working on it, but then when I tried to get the electrical contractor I couldn't find one until February 2023. That's beyond my control. Someone then broke into the basement on June 23, 2023, where repair works was almost completed. They stole the copper wire from the water heater, cut out electric wires, and took the water meter. I had to do another round of the plumbing and electric work because of that. That's why things took even longer. I got the 90-day waiver after the fire, and then another 90 days, but after that I did not hear from him or get any notice, even though the City says they sent letters in February, March, and April 2023. I had no idea how long the waiver was for. I don't know how this fee works, so I don't know how long the extension is for. Was the City expecting me to complete the repair within one year? With the damage and the situation, it was not possible. I would like the amount reduced. I want to get it done as quickly as possible because if I'm not getting it done, I'm losing money and then I don't have any income from the property.

Councilmember Bowie moved to close the public hearing. Approved 7-0.

Councilmember Noecker: This is coming to as an appeal of a tax assessment, instead of an appeal of a Vacant Building Fee because the fee wasn't paid on time? Is there any increase in the fee when it goes to assessment?

Moermond: There is a \$157 fee attached for processing. Regarding the waivers from DSI, I had no control over the communication, but I did find letters in the system indicating that they were being billed, warned, and waived. They are similar to the waivers Council grants, in that when the period comes to an end, the fee kicks in. If the work is completed before the waiver expires, there is no fee. It acts as an incentive to get work done. It is not uncommon that buildings be in the Vacant Building Program for more than a year after a fire. It is not a punishment. In the case of fire, the insurance company will often cover the fee, similar to the boarding immediately after the fire. Regarding the appellant's experience with the Vacant Building Program, it came up during the Legislative Hearing that I have handled a Vacant Building Registration appeal on another investment property this person owns.

Bowie: I moved to adopt Moermond's recommendation.

Jalali: I support that.

Bowie: What was the documentation for the fees being waived.

Moermond: The information appears in the City's STAMP database, under the Vacant Building Fee record for this property. There are lines indicating a waiver was issued by staff on 4 occasions.

Councilmember Yang: Can the assessment be broken up into multiple installments?

Moermond: Yes. That wasn't discussed in Legislative Hearing. This is an investment property, so the situation is different than with an owner-occupied property. That doesn't mean someone isn't facing financial difficulties, though. As it sits now, if the Council approves the resolution, an invoice will go out in a week or two. If it goes unpaid, it gets added to the 2025 property tax bill, which comes in two installments, due in May and October. There is already some time given, but an extra couple years can be added if you see fit.

Yang: How long can they be spread out over?

Moermond: The maximum is 5 years.

Bowie: For the waivers, what is the duration of time that's been granted?

Moermond: 10-12 months. I would lean towards 12. If the project were completed in that time, the fee would have been waived entirely.

Bowie: This is an investment property of someone living in Arden Hills, who has other properties in the City with fees having gone unpaid. I see this as the City recouping costs to avoid nuisance properties. I appreciate the desire to make this more feasible for the owner, but I don't want the City losing money if we spread this out.

Councilmember Johnson: Was the City notified of the extenuating circumstances like break-ins?

Moermond: They were all brought up in Legislative Hearing. They are not unlike the circumstances with other vacant buildings, which makes them extra difficult to deal with. That's why we try to incentivize a rapid rehabilitation.

Johnson: Could you clarify the timeline for payment as the resolution stands today?

Moermond: As it sits now, if the Council approves the resolution, an invoice will go out in a week or two. If it goes unpaid, it begins accruing interest between 4.5% and 5%, and gets added to the 2025 property tax bill, which comes in two installments, due in May and October.

Johnson: I just want to make sure we are fully transparent about expectations, dates, and fees, so that there is no confusion.

Jalali: Are you still moving Moermond's recommendation, Bowie?

Bowie: Yes.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 66** [RLH AR 24-8](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during June 7 to 30, 2023. (File No. J2402A, Assessment No. 248501)

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer: There is an amendment already in the resolution to remove a few addresses from the assessment roll for separate consideration in Legislative Hearing. I am asking that you additionally remove 523 Beaumont Avenue and refer it to Legislative Hearing on February 6.

Councilmember Jalali: I will move that.

Adopted as amended (380 Earl St and 132 Magnolia Ave E referred to January 23, 2024 Legislative Hearing; 1220 Saint Clair Ave and 523 Beaumont St referred to February 6, 2024 Legislative Hearing)

- 68** [RLH AR 23-84](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during July 7, 2022 to April 19, 2023. (File No. VB2401, Assessment No. 248800)

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer: There is an amendment already in the resolution to remove two addresses from the assessment roll for separate consideration in Legislative Hearing. I am asking that you additionally remove 171 Granite Street and refer it to Legislative Hearing on February 6.

Councilmember Jalali: I will move that.

Adopted as amended (571 Van Buren Ave and 171 Granite St referred to February 6, 2024 Legislative Hearing)

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 Johnson moved approval.

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

- 31** [RLH RR 23-62](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 188 ACKER STREET EAST within fifteen (15) days after the January 17, 2024, City Council Public Hearing. (Legislative Hearing on January 16, 2024)

Public hearing continued to February 7, 2024

- 32 [RLH TA 23-329](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 870 ALBERT STREET NORTH. (File No. J2402A, Assessment No. 248501)
Adopted
- 33 [RLH TA 24-5](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 895 AURORA AVENUE. (File No. J2401A, Assessment No. 248500)
Adopted
- 34 [RLH TA 23-332](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 703 CASE AVENUE. (File No. J2401E, Assessment No. 248300)
Adopted
- 35 [RLH TA 23-333](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 703 CASE AVENUE. (File No. J2402A, Assessment No. 248501)
Adopted
- 36 [RLH TA 23-346](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 606 CHARLES AVENUE. (File No. VB2401, Assessment No. 248800)
Adopted
- 37 [RLH TA 23-341](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1406 CLEVELAND AVENUE SOUTH. (File No. J2401E, Assessment No. 248300)

Adopted
- 38 [RLH FCO 23-102](#) Appeal of Gayle Markovich to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice at 1429 COMO AVENUE.
Adopted
- 39 [RLH TA 23-407](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1643-1645 DIETER STREET. (File No. J2401E, Assessment No. 248300) (Refer to February 20, 2024 Legislative Hearing)
Referred to February 20, 2024 Legislative Hearing
- 40 [RLH SAO 23-55](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 494 EDMUND AVENUE in Council File RLH VBR 23-72.
Adopted
- 41 [RLH TA 23-342](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 276 EXCHANGE STREET SOUTH. (File No. VB2401, Assessment No. 248800)
Adopted
- 42 [RLH VO 23-36](#) Appeal of Nickolas Gerr to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and

Order to Vacate at 36 FRONT AVENUE.

Adopted

- 43 [RLH RR 23-63](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 195 GOODRICH AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the January 17, 2024, City Council Public Hearing. (Refer to March 12, 2024 Legislative Hearing)

Referred to March 12, 2024 Legislative Hearing

- 44 [RLH TA 23-248](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1541 and 1543 JACKSON STREET. (File No. J2309E1, Assessment No. 238325) (Public hearing continued to January 17, 2024)

Adopted as amended (assessment deleted)

- 45 [RLH TA 23-312](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 443 JOHNSON PARKWAY. (File No. J2402A, Assessment No. 248501)

Adopted

- 46 [RLH TA 23-328](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1937 LAUREL AVENUE. (File No. J2401E, Assessment No. 248300)

Adopted

- 47 [RLH TA 23-325](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 340 LAWSON AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2401E, Assessment No. 248300)

Adopted

- 48 [RLH TA 23-350](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1648 MCLEAN AVENUE. (File No. J2401E, Assessment No. 248300)

Adopted

- 50 [RLH TA 23-344](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1235 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2401E, Assessment No. 248300)

Adopted

- 51 [RLH TA 23-345](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1235 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. VB2401, Assessment No. 248800)

Adopted

- 52 [RLH TA 23-351](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2249 NOKOMIS AVENUE. (File No. J2401E, Assessment No. 248300)

Adopted

- 53 [RLH SAO 23-54](#) Appeal of Nancy Ness to a Summary Abatement Order at 265 PAGE STREET WEST.

Adopted

- 54 [RLH RR 23-43](#) Fourth Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 595 PARK STREET in Council File RLH RR 23-12. (Public hearing continued to October 18, 2023)

Amended and public hearing continued to February 21, 2024

- 55 [RLH TA 24-40](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1726 PINEHURST AVENUE. (File No. J2402A, Assessment No. 248501)

Adopted

- 56 [RLH TA 23-313](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1814 PINEHURST AVENUE. (File No. J2402A, Assessment No. 248501)

Adopted

- 57 [RLH RR 23-61](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 975 REANEY AVENUE within one-hundred eighty (180) days after the January 17, 2024, City Council Public Hearing.

Adopted

- 58 [RLH TA 23-316](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 116 SYCAMORE STREET EAST. (File No. J2402A, Assessment No. 248501)

Adopted

- 60 [RLH TA 24-41](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 259 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2401P, Assessment No. 248400)

Adopted

- 61 [RLH VO 23-35](#) Appeal of Si Nguyen to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 353 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST.

Public hearing continued to February 7, 2024

- 62 [RLH TA 24-44](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 724 VIRGINIA STREET. (File No. J2401A, Assessment No. 248500)

Adopted

- 63 [RLH TA 23-387](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 344 WABASHA STREET NORTH. (File No. J2402B, Assessment No. 248101)

Adopted

- 64 [RLH TA 23-347](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 820 WHITE BEAR AVENUE NORTH. (File No. VB2401, Assessment No. 248800)

Adopted

- 65 [RLH AR 24-7](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during June 1 to 6, 2023. (File No. J2401A, Assessment No. 248500)
Adopted
- 67 [RLH AR 23-82](#) Ratifying the assessments for Equipment and Labor for Clean Up services during June 2023. (File No. J2403A, Assessment No. 248502)
Adopted
- 69 [RLH AR 23-85](#) Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during May 2023. (File No. J2401B, Assessment No. 248100)
Adopted
- 70 [RLH AR 23-86](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services during March 22 to April 21, 2023. (File No. J2401E, Assessment No. 248300)
Adopted
- 71 [RLH AR 23-87](#) Ratifying the assessments for Graffiti Removal services during May 8 to June 8, 2023. (File No. J2401P, Assessment No. 248400)
Adopted
- 72 [RLH AR 23-88](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean services during July 5 to 13, 2023 . (File No. J2404A, Assessment No. 248503)
Adopted
- 73 [RLH AR 23-89](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean services during July 14 to 25, 2023 . (File No. J2405A, Assessment No. 248504)
Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 22 [RES 24-101](#) Honoring the life and work of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Adopted
Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
Nay: 0

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