



# City of Saint Paul

City Hall and Court House  
15 West Kellogg Boulevard  
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## Meeting Minutes

### Charter Commission

*Jesse William Busta*

*Acooa Ellis*

*Jon Fure*

*Michael Hahm*

*Chai Lee*

*Cosandra Lloyd*

*Garrison McMurtrey*

*Deborah Montgomery*

*Joe Spencer*

*John Stiles*

*Maisue Thao*

*Darren Tobolt*

*Erica Valliant*

*Rick Varco*

*Carrie Wasley*

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Thursday, December 12, 2024

3:00 PM

Room 40, City Hall

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#### ROLL CALL

**Present** 15 - Deborah Montgomery, Carrie Wasley, Jesse William Busta, Rick Varco, Jon Fure, Maisue Thao, Darren Tobolt, Michael Hahm, Chai Lee, Garrison McMurtrey, Cosandra Lloyd, Erica Valliant, Acooa Ellis, Joe Spencer, and John Stiles

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

##### [CCI 24-9](#)

Approving the November 26, 2024 Charter Commission meeting minutes.

**Commissioner Stiles moved approval of the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Lee. A voice was taken. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.**

**Yea:** 12 - Wasley, William Busta, Varco, Fure, Thao, Tobolt, Hahm, Lee, McMurtrey, Lloyd, Valliant, and Stiles

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Montgomery, Ellis, and Spencer

#### CITIZEN COMMENTS

#### REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[CCI 24-8](#)

Recommending the amendment to Chapter 6.03.1 of the Saint Paul Charter pertaining to the imposition of civil penalties for violations of city ordinances.

Commissioner Montgomery arrives at 3:10 PM.

A public hearing was held; four members of the public spoke, three in favor, one opposed. Chair Varco closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Spencer arrives at 3:40 PM.

Safety and Inspections Director Angie Wiese, Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Deputy Director Beth Commers, Public Works Director Sean Kershaw, Assistant City Attorney Megan Hafner, and City Council Chief Budget Officer/Interim Director Jay Willms presented additional material to the Commission.

Commissioner Ellis arrives at 4:15 PM.

Commissioners discussed the resolution and asked questions to city staff.

Commissioner Lee moved approval of the item, seconded by Commissioner Tobolt. Commissioners had an additional opportunity to share their thoughts on the item or how they were considering voting.

A roll call vote was taken. The resolution passed by a 12-3 vote, Commissioners Llyod, Montgomery, and Thao voted in opposition.

**Yea:** 12 - Wasley, William Busta, Varco, Fure, Tobolt, Hahm, Lee, McMurtrey, Valliant, Ellis, Spencer, and Stiles

**Nay:** 3 - Montgomery, Thao, and Lloyd

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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