



City of Saint Paul

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City Council Minutes - Final

*Council President Kathy Lantry
Councilmember Dan Bostrom
Councilmember Amy Brendmoen
Councilmember Melvin Carter III
Councilmember Russ Stark
Councilmember Dave Thune
Councilmember Chris Tolbert*

Wednesday, January 25, 2012

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

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

Councilmember Bostrom was excused.

Present 6 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Melvin Carter III, City Council President Kathy Lantry, Councilmember Russ Stark, Councilmember Dave Thune and Councilmember Chris Tolbert
Absent 1 - Councilmember Dan Bostrom

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

Item 3 was removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration.

Councilmember Stark moved approval of the Consent Agenda as amended.

Adopted as Amended

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

1 **RES 12-62** Preliminary Order setting the date of Public Hearing for February 15, 2012 to consider approval to reconstruct the street and install traffic calming devices on Ohio Sreet from George Sreet to Isabel Street. (File No. 19130, Assessment No. 125206)

Adopted

2 **RES 12-70** Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for sidewalk and driveway apron improvements at 241 Brimhall Street. (File No. 19118, Assessment No. 110791)

Adopted

3 **RES 11-2308** Approving the application with conditions, per the Deputy Legislative Hearing Officer, for Liquor On Sale - 291 or more Seats for the University of St. Thomas (I.D. #20110002908), 2115 Summit Avenue (entire campus of the University of St. Thomas).

Councilmember Stark stated there has been a lot of discussion about this issue over many months. The neighbors have expressed concern about some of the aspects of the license, particularly the outdoor locations and how many should be allowed. With all of the variations of the license conditions, there was a conflict between Conditions 1 and 9. Condition 9 limits the outdoor service areas in the first year of operation to three--Monahan Plaza-Lower Academic Quadrangle, Upper (Residential) Quadrangle, and McNeely Hall Courtyard. Condition 1 refers to a longer list about door locations, the idea being if at some point additional outdoor locations could be part of the license.

With Condition 9, they were trying to keep it to three and re-visit the license after a year to see how things went and at which time additional locations could be looked at.

Councilmember Stark moved to amend the list to include only the outdoor locations in No. 9.

Adopted (Conditions were amended)

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

4 **RES 12-24** Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for sidewalk improvements along the north side of 5th Street East, from Wacouta Street to Wall Street. (File No. S0711, Assessment No. 010774)

Adopted

5 **RES 12-72** Approving the gift of travel, not to exceed \$775, from Harvard University for Deputy Mayor Paul Williams to represent Mayor Coleman and the City of Saint Paul at a meeting of the John F. Kennedy School of Government's Urban Policy Advisory Group at Harvard University, January 26 -28, 2012.

Adopted

6 **RES 12-123** Authorizing the withholding of tax-forfeit parcels from public sale for six months.

Adopted

- 7 **RES 12-131** Authorizing the Department of Planning and Economic Development to accept funds from Living Cities, for Ellen Muller, Economic Development Manager, to attend a meeting hosted by Living Cities on February 7, 2012 in Washington, DC.
Adopted
- 8 **RES 12-137** Approving adverse action against the Cigarette/Tobacco license held by Frank's Dairy & Deli, Inc., d/b/a Frank's Dairy & Deli, 1201 Edgerton Street.
Adopted
- 9 **RES 12-139** Approving adverse action against the Trade-Concrete Masonry & Finish Cement license held by Troyco Concrete & Masonry, Inc., d/b/a Troyco Concrete & Masonry, Inc.
Adopted
- 10 **RES 12-146** Opposing the proposed "Recognition of Marriage" constitutional amendment.
Adopted
- 11 **RES 12-147** Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Vacant Building Fees Services during November 2011, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 21, 2012 and City Council Public Hearing for April 4, 2012 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. VB1204, Asmt No. 128803)
Adopted
- 12 **RES 12-148** Approving the City's costs for providing Demolition Services during December 2011, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 21, 2012 and City Council Public Hearing for April 4, 2012 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J1207C, Assessment No. 122006)
Adopted
- 13 **RES 12-149** Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up Services from November 30 to December 30, 2011, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 21, 2012 and City Council Public Hearing for April 4, 2012 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J1206A, Asmt No. 128505)
Adopted
- 14 **RES 12-150** Approving the City's cost of providing Trash Hauling Services from December 7 to 29, 2011, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 21, 2012 and City Council Public Hearing for April 4, 2012 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J1205G, Asmt No. 128704)
Adopted
- 15 **RES 12-151** Approving the City's cost of providing Graffiti Removal Services from November 28 to December 20, 2011, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 21, 2012 and City Council Public Hearing for April 4, 2012 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J1205P, Asmt No. 128404)
Adopted

- 16 **RLH AR 12-17** Amending the assessment for Emergency Boarding and Securing and/or Boarding of Vacant Buildings during March 2010 to delete the assessment at 1836 ROSS AVENUE. (File No. J1005B, Assessment No. 108886)
Adopted
- 17 **RLH AR 12-18** Amending the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Vacant Building Fees (re-invoiced) in April 2010 to delete the assessment at 1836 ROSS AVENUE. (File No. VB1004, Assessment No. 108880)
Adopted
- 18 **RES 12-161** Approving the Mayor's appointments of Emily Shively, Daniel Edgerton, William Lindeke, and Rebecca Noecker; and the reappointments of Gaius Nelson, Jun-Li Wang, and Terri Thao to serve on the Planning Commission.
Adopted
- 19 **RES 12-167** Approving the use of grant funds through the Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program for the North High Bridge Park Repair Project.
Adopted
- 20 **RES 12-172** Approving the Mayor's appointments of Erin Dady, John Marshall, and Councilmember Dave Thune; and the reappointments of Mike Day, Bev Turner, Councilmember Dan Bostrom and Council President Kathy Lantry to serve on the RiverCenter Visitor's Authority.
Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 21 **RES PH 12-3** Final Order approving the bikeway improvements on Griggs Street between Summit Avenue and Minnehaha Avenue. (File No. 19128, Assmt No. 125100)
- Councilmember Carter presented a substitute. There has been a lot of community discussion on the bikeway, Carter said, and most everyone is in support of putting a bikeway on Griggs Street. There is an opportunity to build a bike boulevard there as well. They are trying to connect people through University Avenue with different modes and this is an important way. They are somewhat stuck with how to create a convenient and fluid thoroughfare for bicycles to move without creating a 'speedway' for motorized vehicles.*
- The substitute puts in place five traffic circles as opposed to the six that were initially looked at. These will be located at Portland, Laurel, Sherburne, Edmund, and Blair Avenues. The one planned for Dayton Avenue is removed because it's between Marshall and Selby where there are already two 4-ways stops with one being a light.*
- Other concerns heard were about the volume of the audible traffic light and staff has indicated that is adjustable.*
- Councilmember Thune said he is not a fan of traffic circles both from personal knowledge of accidents and Public Works has said that they reduce more major accidents but the number of fender-benders actually goes up. However, he noted he did not hear that in the staff presentation the previous week.*
- Councilmember Stark spoke in support of the motion saying Carter did good work in moving the project forward and being responsive to the concerns of the community. He said Thune may be confusing circles and roundabouts. Circles are small and are*

only at residential intersections/streets. When Public Works tested a number of traffic calming devices in the late 1980s around the Snelling-University area, they tested traffic circles, speed bumps, and a number of things and the traffic circles were the most popular and most effective.

Councilmember Carter moved approval of the resolution as amended.

Adopted as amended

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

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

- 22 Ord 11-119** Administrative Ordinance establishing the position of Deputy Director of Financial Services of the Office of Financial Services, Deputy Director of Libraries of the Saint Paul Public Library Agency, and Deputy Director of Safety and Inspections as specified by Chapter 12 of the Charter of the City of Saint Paul Section 12.03.2(H) thereof.

Councilmember Stark moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

- 23 RES 12-127** Approving the rates of pay for the classifications of Deputy Director of Financial Services in Grade 31C, Deputy Director of Libraries in Grade 28C, and Deputy Director of Safety and Inspections in Grade 28C of Employee Group 17 Salary Schedule, Non-Represented City Managers. (This resolution to coincide with the last reading of Ordinance 11-119 to establish the Deputy Director classifications in the unclassified service.)

Councilmember Stark moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

Third Reading, No Public Hearing

- 24 **Ord 12-1** Memorializing City Council action granting the application of Interworld Development Llc for the rezoning from B2 Community Business to T2 Traditional Neighborhood of 1773 Selby Ave and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map. (Public hearing held December 21, 2011)
Laid over to February 1 for final adoption

SUSPENSION ITEMS

Councilmember Brendmoen moved suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

- Ord 12-2** Memorializing City Council action granting the application of MGM Properties LLC to rezone portions of 1105, 1111, 1117, 1121, and 1125 California Avenue West from R4 One-Family Residential to B2 Community Business and to amend Saint Paul Legislative Code Chapter 60 pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map to reflect the same. (Public Hearing held December 21, 2011.)

Councilmember Brendmoen said she'd brought the item in under suspension to keep it running parallel with the site plan approval process.

Laid over to February 1 for second reading

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Thune moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Adjourned

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

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