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City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Council President Amy Brendmoen
Councilmember Mitra Jalali
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
Councilmember Jane L. Prince
Councilmember Dai Thao
Councilmember Chris Tolbert
Councilmember Nelsie Yang

Wednesday, June 17, 2020

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Council President Brendmoen at 3:35 p.m.

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

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 **CO 20-30** Letter from the Department of Safety and Inspections declaring 1064 Bush Avenue a nuisance property. (For notification purposes only; public hearings will be scheduled at a later date if necessary.)
Received and Filed

- 2 **CO 20-31** Mayor's Emergency Executive Order 20-17.
Received and Filed

- 3 **AO 20-29** Establishing five new account codes for Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program awards adopted via City Council Resolutions 20-366, 20-812, 20-815 and 20-816.
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

Councilmember Jalali moved approval of the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 4 **RES 20-854** 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 emergencies and declared disasters in 2020.

Adopted

- 5 **RES 20-865** Granting a temporary construction easement to the Minnesota Department of Transportation over a portion of city-owned Dunning baseball and softball fields.

Adopted

- 6 **RES 20-857** Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2020, and setting date of legislative hearing for July 16, 2020 and City Council public hearing for August 26, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG2002B3, Assessment No. 200126)

Adopted

- 7 **RES 20-858** Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2020, and setting date of legislative hearing for July 17, 2020 and City Council public hearing for August 26, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG2002C1, Assessment No. 200128)

Adopted

- 8 **RES 20-859** Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 17, 2020 and City Council public hearing for August 26, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG2002C3, Assessment No. 200130)

Adopted

- 9 **RES 20-860** Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean services during April 1 to 10, 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 21, 2020 and City Council public hearing for May 19, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2021A, Assessment No. 208537)
Adopted
- 10 **RES 20-861** Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean services during April 14 to 30, 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 21, 2020 and City Council public hearing for May 19, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2022A, Assessment No. 208538)
Adopted
- 11 **RES 20-835** Changing the rate of pay for Payroll Auditor in EG 81, CCEA-Clerical.
Adopted
- 12 **RES 20-810** Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2020 Wage and Fringe Adjustment for the North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters.
Laid Over to 6/24/2020
- 13 **RES 20-856** Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the January 1 and June 1, 2020 Wage and Fringe Adjustment for the Sprinkler Fitters Local No. 417.
Laid Over to 6/24/2020
- 14 **RES 20-878** Establishing the rate of pay for the new classification of Veterinary Technician in Grade 034 of EG 02, American Federation State County Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Technical.
Laid Over to 6/24/2020
- 15 **RES 20-820** Approving the Wakan Tipi Center Development Agreement Amendment with the Lower Phalen Creek Project.
Adopted
- 16 **RES 20-736** Authorizing the City to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with MnDOT and Ramsey County regarding Ramsey County's Lexington Parkway Realignment Project.
Adopted
- 17 **RES 20-817** Authorizing the City to enter into Subordinate Funding Agreement #1 to the Master Funding Agreement with the Metropolitan Council for the Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Project.
Adopted

18 RES 20-818 Authorizing the City to enter into Subordinate Funding Agreement #2 to the Master Funding Agreement with the Metropolitan Council for the Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Project.

Adopted

19 RES 20-875 Authorizing the Department of Safety and Inspections to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota regarding hotel fire inspections.

Adopted

20 RES 20-876 Authorizing the Department of Safety and Inspections to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota regarding public school fire inspections.

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

No items

Council President Brendmoen suggested moving Item 25 up on the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING

25 RES 20-795 Approving adverse action against the Auto Body Repair Garage and Second Hand Dealer License application held by M F K Enterprises Inc., d/b/a M F K Enterprises (License ID# 0057957) at 830 Robert Street.

Theresa Skarda, Assistant City Attorney representing the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) gave a staff report. The licensee responded to an April 3, 2020 notice of violation of license condition and a \$500 matrix penalty. The licensee admits the facts but would like to speak to the Council. The department has documented violations of license Conditions 4 and 5: all repair and services are conducted inside the building, no exterior storage of vehicle parts. On February 10, 2020, DSI (Department of Safety and Inspections) received a complaint of violation of the license conditions. They visited. On February 18, 2020, licensee was sent a correction notice. He was given until February 24 to correct the violations: auto parts, trash, automobile seats, tires, oil containers, oil equipment outside. February 27, DSI inspector went out again and observed and photographed cars on jacks, trash by the shed, and parts in violation of Conditions 4 and 5.

Noecker asked why are receipts attached to the record. Skarda responded they were submitted by the licensee. They are things he wants to tell the Council about regarding his efforts to address problems on the property.

Noecker asked the history of this property in terms of previous violations. Skarda responded that this is the first violation within at least a year. One of the attachments has a text. (She read some of the License Group Comments Text.)

Noecker said that no \$500 penalty has been paid.

Brendmoen said the guest has 15 minutes to share his perspective.

Moe Faryaneh Kia appeared on behalf of MFK. There are two businesses in this location. They are not a body shop and not a public shop. Only the cars that they buy may need minor repairs. They do not clean cars here. The receipts show that they are sent to another shop for cleaning. Every 6 months they take the waste oil, recycle, so there is no reason to store anything. They have a contract with a trash company. Sometimes people drop tires and other misc. things get dropped off in the lot. There were items under the snow. Right after that, they cleaned it up. Someone stole a rim off the Mercedes. They were trying to steal all of them. They took one and left. They were probably going to come back for the rest. The next inspection, the items were cleaned up. One neighbor always complains. They complain there are too many cars. They have been here for inspection 100 times. Almost 98 times they didn't have too many cars. They have 2 businesses. We would have 10 cars for sale and 4 cars for ourselves, and the customers. They have never been over their limit. Sometimes the customer brings their cars here. Sometimes they come to pick up a car later. It doesn't sit there for too long. They are a small business. They are doing the best that they can to keep the neighborhood clean. They do not do things beyond the license. The mechanical license is connected to MFK. They try to clean it up. The receipt shows that they take tires that people dump here to a tire store for them to recycle them. They have 2 storage sheds outside. It is usually wintertime. They didn't see the items hiding under the snow. They are welcome to come anytime. They have a racist neighbor. Ninety eight percent of the time they are complying with the City. They never have too many cars for sale. Some people take advantage of our car lot. They have been here for 20 years. They are trying to survive. They are requesting that we waive the \$500 charges. He doesn't see a fairness in this. They are trying their best. This won't happen again.

Noecker asked how long. Kia responded they have been here almost 18 years.

*Noecker: Moved to close the public hearing.
(roll call)
Public hearing is closed*

Noecker: Looks like it was a year and a half since this was imposed. This is a hard time for small businesses in this neighborhood. We need to have a conversation about the site plan, parking conditions, and we need to find a way. She proposes the penalty, stay the fine for a year, pending same or similar violations. Requests she and the owner work together to see if license condition modifications are needed to see they are able to keep to these license conditions.

Yang says she supports the motion.

Adopted As Amended

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

Nay: 0

SUSPENSION ITEM

Councilmember Yang moved suspension of the rules.

Rules Suspended

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

Nay: 0

RES 20-909

Commemorating Juneteenth as an annual celebration of black liberation.

Toni Newborn, Chief Equity Officer, says she is excited about this resolution. First of its kind of the city. We are commemorating and celebrating when Africans were freed from slavery. Given the current times, we are excited to acknowledge this day. We will have an event on June 19 from 9:00 a.m. Series of story tellers featured on this website.

Thao, Prince, Jalali, Yang, and Brendmoen commented on the importance of the resolution.

Brendmoen moved the resolution.

Adopted

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

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

21 Ord 20-20 Granting the application of Pacific Ramp LLC to rezone property at 1015 Bandana Boulevard West from B3 General Business to T3 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the Zoning Map.

Councilmember Jalali moved final adoption.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

22 Ord 20-15 Creating Chapter 190 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code entitled "Prohibition of Conversion Therapy Directed to Minors."

Jalali said that Saint Pride stepped forward to move this. Outfront Minnesota has lived up to their name.

Thao said he will be supporting this. Think about how as a man and if someone put him through something to be a different gender. Important for us to speak up.

Yang said she will be supporting this. She was touched by people who testified this morning. Something that people should never had to live through. When she got sworn in, she talked about conversion therapy. Happy we are able to support this.

Prince said a special shout out to Outfront Minnesota that shows great leadership. Testimony this morning was powerful.

Noecker said if you have a moment, everyone go and listen to the testimony this morning. Those are stories that will convince people. That is what won us the right to marry. One man who testified said that it was not passed at the State level. We should help to bring this to the State.

Tolbert took the opportunity to thank his colleagues for shepherding this through. It took a while. There are a lot of organizations that brings this to their attention. He recognized people who had the courage to tell the stories at rallies and even this morning. The amount of courage to overcome family members and doctors, to tell that publicly is another thing.

Brendmoen said that Cat and Junior from Outfront came to meet. She gave a shout out to Hwa Jeong. Appreciate what she forged.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Third Reading

23

Ord 20-14

Creating Chapter 193 of the Legislative Code (Title XIX) pertaining to Tenant Protections.

President Brendmoen: We are calling this our third reading. We will get a staff report and then take amendments from Legistar for support so that when we go into the public hearing next week some of the opponents and proponents will have a better idea of how this ordinance is going and anticipate a more robust public hearing.

Muneer Karcher-Ramos (Office of Financial Empowerment): Thank you for allowing us to give you our staff report today. It's been a long journey with many meetings with both council and the public in getting here. This protection package was in partnership with other city departments HREEO, PED, Department of Safety and Inspections, City Attorney's office, the Office of Financial Empowerment and of course our staff lead Kirstin Burch for Fair Housing Coordinator. Here is our overview. As we're thinking about fair housing, we are really thinking about it within the context of the tenant protection within the context of fair housing. Addressing disparate housing impacts in homeownership, renting and financing. The Fair Housing Act of 1968 was the last civil rights legislation that was passed at the federal level. It was passed within the context of a broader level of housing reality space. What we have today is redlining, displacement in Rondo, 2010 foreclosure crisis and entrenched residential segregation. In 2017 City Council started a Fair Housing Work Group to look at Fair Housing in its many different aspects to try to root out discrimination. In 2019 City Council passed a resolution to go deeper into tenant protections. Two tenant protections coming before you today are the tenant protection ordinance and the ordinance to reduce barriers to finding rental housing. This is a race equity imperative and an economic justice imperative. We know that at least 1/2 of the Renters across the city spend at least 30% of their income on rent. HUD is scaling back on Fair Housing Enforcement. We

conducted meetings all over the city, engaging and receiving input and feedback. We soon scheduled policy forums on tenants' rights. We then tailored that information from many different inputs to lay the foundation where we are at today.

Kirstin Burch (Fair Housing Administrator): I will give you an overview of the five policy provisions in front of you today...Section 19302 Tenant rights and responsibilities – often this information is difficult to access, hard to understand and in multiple locations. We would like to create a poster with all this information spelled out in plain language. Section 19303 Security deposits - Excessive security deposits are a huge burden on tenants. Lower income tenants lack extra money. We would limit the security deposit to be equal to one month's rent at move in. Section 19304 Tenant screening guidelines – Tenant screening is a part of Fair Housing work often based on criminal history, rental history and credit score. This is an added burden to access fair housing. We would like to establish a system that you could utilize for screening. We would exclude items such as: crimes that are no longer illegal in MN, petty misdemeanors and arrests or charges that did not result in a conviction. We would also create a 3 year look back period for misdemeanors and gross misdemeanors, a 7 year look back for felony level offenses and a 10 year look back period for more serious felony level offenses. We would also establish a limit on rental history and prohibit the use of credit scores. Section 19305 Just Cause Notice – Our goal would be to prevent housing displacement without cause and increase housing stability. City would require landlords to give written reason for non-renewal or termination of occupancy that aligns with one of the established list causes: non-payment of rent, repeated late payment of rent, material non-compliance, refusal to renew, occupancy by property owner or family member, building demolition and dwelling conversion, rehab, complying with government order to vacate, occupancy conditioned on employment, exceeding occupancy. Section 19306-19308 Advance Notice of Sale – Our goal is to support affordable housing and increase protectors for tenants potentially facing displacement. The new policy would require property owners of affordable buildings to give notice to the City and tenants in advance of a proposed sale as well as after a change in ownership. Establish a tenant protection period to minimize displacement. Properties covered by this policy as proposed: 3 + units, 20% of units affordable, affordable = 80% AMI and below, 90-day advance notice period, 90-day tenant protection period.

Muneer Karcher-Ramos: This concludes our staff report. Are there any questions?

Council President Brendmoen: Thank you for your outstanding presentation. Are there any questions? I see none. As we move forward, this will be a little bumpy and challenging throughout the next half hour. Because of COVID doing this remotely may take a little more time than normal. In Legistar Version 4 there are amendments that are products of conversation. We will go through Version 4 in the attachments individually item by item. Vice President Noecker moves Amendment 4 for consideration.

Roll call – All approve, no one oppose. Version 4 Amendment is now before you.

Council President Brendmoen: We will go through each version, discuss and then vote.

Shari Moore (City Clerk): Before you today are Section 193.01 Paragraph 1, Affordable housing building unit shall mean a multiple family rental housing building having 5 or more dwelling units (new language, taking out 3).

Council President Brendmoen: Any discussion?

Ms. Jalali: Strongly oppose – The reasoning doesn't rationalize the protections that are taken away.

Ms. Yang: I will be voting no. All tenants need rights and affordable housing.

President Brendmoen: I am in support of this change. We've recently changed our city code ordinances to be consistent. We've used 4 plexes as the cut off for garbage collection, street assessments, the right of way for street reconstruction. You can homestead a property up to a 4 plex. 4 makes sense and is consistent with city policy. It's also in alignment with Minneapolis.

Ms. Noecker: The protections we are talking about, this is not the entire tenants'

protections ordinance, this is just the advance notice of sale?

Ms. Burch: You are correct.

Ms. Noecker: Is there a reason why we drew the line at 3 units in this case and not duplex's and single-family homes?

Ms. Burch: We wanted to collect the widest universe of properties that would be potentially sold. Affordable housing tends to be some of the smaller properties in the City of Saint Paul. We wanted to cast the widest net of protection.

President Brendmoen: We are talking about advance notice of sale.

Ms. Noecker: 5 units makes more sense to me for conformity. I still need more clarification.

Ms. Schuchman: We have a significant stock of property in St. Paul that qualifies as NOAH. St. Paul's stock looks different than the suburbs. Most poor folks aren't living in affordable housing because we don't have enough. They're living in NOAH housing. We think it's a good mix based on the NOAH stock in St. Paul.

President Brendmoen: We are talking about 3-4plex buildings correct?

Ms. Schuchman: Yea, I was talking about 3-4 unit.

Ms. Jalali: When we look at our cities anti-displacement goals keeping NOAH is the thing we have the most power over and are most behind on because we don't get subsidy from the federal government. I will still be voting against.

President Brendmoen: Let's take a vote. I would move this section.

Shari Moore: Roll call. 2 oppose (Yang and Jalali), 5 in favor. Amendment approved. The next one I see is in the same section 193.01, paragraph 14, single month rent. The changes I see, "For a lease in which rent is paid once each period and the same amount but the period is not one month. Single month rent means, take out the word "that" and include the word "the" amount and then add "paid per period divided by the number of days in the period and then multiply it by 30.

President Brendmoen: Does anyone wish to speak?

Ms. Yang: Please read again Shari?

Shari Moore: For a lease in which rent is paid once each period in the same amount but the period is not one-month, single month rent means the amount paid per period divided by the number of days in the period and then multiply it by 30.

Ms. Jalali: I am not bringing this item and am not sure where it came from. Staff please explain the change and is it acceptable?

Ms. Burch: It's just a clarification about how to determine rent paid per period.

President Brendmoen: Does the language clarify meaning?

Rachel Tierney Deputy City Attorney): It doesn't change the meaning of the section.

President Brendmoen: Looking for a motion?

Mr. Thao: I will move this section.

President Brendmoen: Any discussion? Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, amendment is approved. The next one is section 193.04 Applicant Screening Guidelines for perspective tenants. It's 3 rental history paragraph A. A sentence is added. Language now...An eviction action pursuant to MN statutes chapter 504 or other equivalents in other states if the action occurred three or more years before the applicant submits the application...now this is the new language being added...or if the action occurred during the three years immediately preceding submission of the application but did not result in a judgment entered against the applicant.

Ms. Noecker: I can speak to this. It clarifies that even within the three years immediately preceding submission an eviction can't be considered unless it resulted in a judgment against the applicant.

President Brendmoen: Questions?

Mr. Thao: I support this. So, people that don't have any judgment against them can be able to rent.

Ms. Jalali: I would just echo that and appreciate staff who put in many hours to vet and consider all the technicalities.

President Brendmoen: Discussion? Ms. Noecker moves this section. Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, amendment is approved. The next is section C. If a landlord uses a minimum income test requiring an income equal to two and a half times the rent or higher the landlord must allow an acceptance to the test where the applicant can demonstrate a history of successful rent payment with...now this language is being crossed out...and income less than two and a half times the rent...and new language instead is being inserted...the same or lower ratio of income to rent.

Ms. Noecker: The section requires landlords not to consider a lower income to rent ratio as a bad thing if the tenant has a past history of successful rent payments.

President Brendmoen: Comments? Seeing none Ms. Noecker would move approval of this. Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, amendment is approved. The next amendment is in the same section 193.04. It adds a number 4, individualize asset. This is all new language. A landlord that applies screening criteria that are more prohibitive than the inclusive screening criteria set forth in this section must conduct an individualized assessment for any basis upon which the landlord intends to deny an application. An evaluating application using individualized assessment a landlord must accept and consider all supplemental evidence provided with a completed application to explain, justify or negate the relevance of potentially negative information revealed by screening. Supplemental evidence refers to any written information submitted by the applicant in addition to that provided on the landlord's form application that the applicant believes to be relevant to the applicants predicted performance as a tenant. When evaluating the effect of supplemental evidence on a landlord's decision of acceptance or denial of an applicant the landlord must also consider A. The nature and severity of the incidents that would lead to a denial B. The number and type of the incidents C. The time that has elapsed since the date the incidents occurred D. The age of the individual at the time that the incidents occurred.

Ms. Prince: This is an amendment that I am bringing in, but more information has come to my attention today, so I need to withdraw it now with the possibility of bringing it back next week. This comes directly from the HUD guidelines and I am working out the details with Margaret Kaplan at the Housing Justice Center. I will withdraw it for a vote today.

President Brendmoen: Then the motion is to withdraw this section. Any discussion?

Ms. Noecker: I support the motion.

President Brendmoen: I believe since Ms. Prince brought this item in and wants to withdraw it, we don't need a vote.

Shari Moore: The next one is under section 193.05 Just Cause Notice for Tenants – Paragraph 7. There is a sentence added to the end of that paragraph. Rehabilitation or renovation that is required by a government agency to bring a property up to code is exempt from providing the relocation assistance required by this provision.

Mr. Thao: I am against this amendment because I think this could be loophole. The majority of our property owners are responsible and take care of their deferred maintenance. Now there might be property owners who don't want to be responsible for relocation of tenants and defer maintenance making the City enforce code 2 or code 3 making tenant leave and landlord would be off the hook.

Ms. Noecker: Correction, Noecker amendment which is attached contains different language that was recommended by our City Attorney office.

President Brendmoen: At this time, we will propose alternative language.

Shari Moore: I will read it. In the event that the rehabilitation or renovation required to bring a property up to code is undertaken voluntarily and prior to issuance of an order by a government agency that property is exempt from providing the relocation assistance required by this section.

Ms. Noecker: I am in favor of this and agree with Mr. Thao.

President Brendmoen: Any discussion?

Ms. Jalali: I share Mr. Thao's concern about the loophole. People will continue to try to get around things the city wants them to do. I am against.

President Brendmoen: One of our past tenant protection discussions was around the

cities ability to do repairs on properties rather than condemn them and then rolling the charges onto the landlord. These two things are tied together, and we should look at this going forward.

Mr. Thao: I still can't support this right now.

President Brendmoen: Can staff weigh in on this?

Muneer Karcher-Ramos? This provision would remove any incentive a landlord would have to delay any repairs to bring their building up to code.

Ms. Yang: If we do approve this, then who is responsible for the relocation assistance?

Ms. Noecker: Without this amendment the ordinance does not require a landlord to pay relocation assistance if the city tells them they have to do something to bring their property up to code.

Ms. Prince: I can't vote yes for this today. I need more information.

Mr. Thao: We need the correct language for our Code Enforcement defining this. I want to support this, but we need to tighten up the language.

Ms. Noecker: I move to call the question. I think we should vote.

President Brendmoen: This is complicated. We can make adjustments at the fourth reading. Roll call.

Shari Moore: This is for the second language. 3 in favor, 4 oppose (Yang, Thao, Prince, Jalali) amendment fails. The next one, there's a very small addition in the same section B. Landlord Responsibilities – (second paragraph) The landlord under this lease shall not unilaterally terminate.

President Brendmoen: Discussion?

Ms. Jalali: I'm going to vote no because the language we have already addresses the problem that it's trying to solve.

President Brendmoen: Any other discussion? Ms. Noecker moves. Roll call.

Shari Moore: 5 in favor, 2 oppose (Yang, Jalali) amendment is approved.

Mr. Thao: Can I introduce an amendment before we go to the next section? Under 193.05 item #8.

President Brendmoen: Is this in Legistar?

Mr. Thao: Yes, titled, Thao Tenant Protection.

President Brendmoen: OK, please bring forward.

Mr. Thao: In addition to how it's worded in Item #8, I added, "The landlord shall provide relocation assistance to the tenant upon delivery of the written notice if a substantially equivalent replacement unit is vacant and available in the building that unit may be made available to the tenant at a substantially similar rental rate as the tenants current lease."

President Brendmoen: Do you want to elaborate any further?

Mr. Thao: Here is the complete language, "Comply with a government order to vacate the landlord is complying with a government agency's order to vacate, order to abate, or any other order that necessitates the vacating of the dwelling unit as a result of a violation of St. Paul city codes or any other provision of law." It helps relocate a tenant in the same facility at the same rental rate.

President Brendmoen: Discussion?

Ms. Jalali: I will support this.

Ms. Noecker: I will support this as well. Wording might need to be tweaked. New wording would delete, "upon delivery of the written notice."

Mr. Thao: I accept.

Ms. Prince: I appreciate this amendment especially for hard to deal with landlords. I support this.

Ms. Yang: I also support this. Mr. Thao, why did you decide this?

Mr. Thao: Because of many evictions throughout the city in the past years, this would incentivize landlords to maintain their properties better.

Ms. Jalali: Can I get staff's opinion on the deletion suggested.

Kirstin Burch: It does have a place in this section.

Ms. Jalali: Should we not have edited it out?

Kirstin Burch: I would recommend keeping it in.

Ms. Jalali: Then I would move to restore the language that is in what we're looking at in the document.

Mr. Thao: Then I think it's valid to keep it. I will take back the edit.

President Brendmoen: Then you move as proposed?

Mr. Thao: That is correct.

President Brendmoen: Comments?

Ms. Tierney: Just a point of clarity. If the landlord does provide that unit that they would not need to provide relocation assistance?

Kirstin Burch: The way it's written, both would be provided.

President Brendmoen: The motion is from Mr. Thao. Questions?

Ms. Prince: Is it CM. Thao's intent that the landlord has to provide both relocation assistance and a comparable unit?

Mr. Thao: That is correct.

Ms. Jalali: I would call the question.

President Brendmoen: There's a motion in front of us by Mr. Thao and that question has been called. Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, amendment is approved. This is a new section added to the end, 193.10 – Evaluation. New language...The OFE shall conduct an evaluation of the impact of this chapter to determine if the section should be maintained or amended.

The evaluation shall demonstrate the sections impacts if any on the ability of low-income persons and persons with limited English proficiency to obtain housing and the overall availability of affordable housing in the city. The OFE may retain an independent outside party to conduct the evaluation. The evaluation shall be conducted 18 months following the effective date of this chapter and be submitted to the City Council within two and ½ years following the effective date.

President Brendmoen: Is there any opposition to this?

Ms. Jalali: I do support having an evaluation. But I don't support it as it's currently written.

Ms. Prince: I would ask that we amend and add "persons of color" to... "ability of low income and persons with limited English proficiency".

Ms. Noecker: I was one of many authors of this. I would accept this amendment in favor.

President Brendmoen: We've accepted the clause "people of color" and your speaking in favor of the section as a whole.

Ms. Yang: I do support the amendment.

Mr. Thao: I support this. This is good policy making. We need evaluation and to look at the data.

Ms. Jalali: I would like to add the phrase, "known data on compliance or any violations of the policy."

President Brendmoen: Another amendment designates a task force to work on an implementation piece and perhaps that work can be established within that committee's role presuming that would pass.

Ms. Jalali: If Ms. Noecker accepts this, we can put it somewhere else.

Ms. Noecker: I will accept that.

President Brendmoen: So, we will add language that said, "and know data on compliance or any violation of the policy". Ms. Noecker accepts.

Ms. Prince: I appreciate the changes, and this is a good idea.

President Brendmoen: There's a motion from Ms. Noecker. Roll call.

Shari Moore: I would request that Ms. Jalali send me the language for me to add correctly. 7 in favor, no one oppose, amendment is approved. The next section 193.11 – Budget. "Within 90 days after passage of this section the OFE shall present to the Council the cost of implementing this section including education and enforcement and will propose a budget equal to these costs for the Council's consideration for every year beginning in 2021".

Ms. Noecker: I'm glad that we are putting this in at the beginning. The policy is only good if we have the resources to educated and enforce it.

Ms. Prince: I am also in support of this because tenants don't always know what their rights are.

President Brendmoen: Ms. Prince moves this section. Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, none oppose, amendment is approved. The next new section is 193.12 Exemptions. A. Any dwelling unit which is owned, operated or subsidized by a federal government agency and which is therefore subject to federal housing program regulations is exempt from the requirements of this chapter.

Mr. Thao: The new language is to clarify, it's part of the Thao Tenant Protection Amendment in Legistar. It's also using state or federal dollars if there are conflicts.

President Brendmoen: Discussion?

Ms. Noecker: I am a little bit confused. I'm in support of exempting public housing and individual section eight landlords but I don't support exempting any property that has federal funding. I would like our attorneys to clarify what this would or wouldn't include.

President Brendmoen: This is complicated. Maybe we could hear from our city attorney.

Ian Welsh: I believe that the intent is to only allow an opportunity for the PHA to use their own regulations where there is a conflict, meaning when the ordinance permits what the federal guidelines would prohibit. The purpose of the last sentence is to for example not exempt from the ordinance tenants who approach a private landlord with a section 8 voucher.

Mr. Thao: Can I get staff clarification?

Kirstin Burch: That is correct. The amended version that CM Thao is bringing, does serve the intent that Ian said. It allows local state or federal funding regulations to take precedence only over those portions that conflict with our ordinance. It would not exempt a private owner that accepts a section 8 voucher from abiding by the regulations within this ordinance.

Ms. Jalali: I am in support of what staff has shared and CM Thao's language helps define the intention and helps with the feedback that we are responding to.

President Brendmoen: I want everyone to be clear on these two intermingling items before we vote.

Ms. Prince: I share the confusion. I'm going into Legistar to find the amended language.

Mr. Thao: I will withdraw, clarify and bring it back to council next week. We all want to get to the same place on this.

President Brendmoen: Mr. Thao is withdrawing his version to allow clarification. He will bring it back next week for a vote. So, what is before us is the version that Ms. Moore read initially. Is there any discussion on that motion?

Mr. Thao: Can I ask that CM Prince, CM Noecker and President Brendmoen work with me next week so we are on the same page?

President Brendmoen: I can be supportive of that, but can I ask a question of Ms. Tierney and Mr. Welsh? If we were to vote on at least some iteration of this that was clarified next week could we move forward with final voting as opposed to if we don't vote on anything that speaks to this matter?

Rachael Tierney: The ordinance has to lay over in final form for a week. So, if you make any changes next week that would require an additional lay over.

President Brendmoen: In the spirit of getting something in front of the community for the public hearing next week could we pass something and modify it, lay it over but not necessarily have another public hearing.

Rachael Tierney: That would eliminate the need for another public hearing.

President Brendmoen: So, we move the amendment today to get it in front of the community for public hearing. So, they know about the additional version. I support the section in V 4.

Ms. Noecker: I would support that too.

Ms. Jalali: I would move CM Thao's version if I knew there were votes right now. If he's withdrawing that I would ask that CM Noecker consider withdrawing hers because they do attempt to address a similar issue. I have huge concerns moving forward. People

need to understand and work through concerns. I would ask that version 4 be withdrawn instead of moving forward because it actually would feel more equal to me than trying to move one and not the other.

President Brendmoen: So, there's a motion on version 4, Ms. Jalali is asking Ms. Noecker to withdraw. Discussion?

Ms. Prince: If the goal is to pass something next Wednesday than anything that we withdraw is going to have to lay over. What I'm saying is that I'm bringing in an amendment on individualized assessments next week that will automatically make us have to lay this over. If I do that then we should withdraw this language.

President Brendmoen: You are correct, and it sounds like there are 7 people in favor of some sort of exemption for PHA. So, I'm certain that will pass in some form.

Ms. Noecker: I'm happy to withdraw this amendment.

President Brendmoen: So, Ms. Noecker withdraws.

Shari Moore: So, there will be a vote on 193.12 exemptions and nothing after it.

President Brendmoen: OK, I move that there's a placeholder and know that something will be in that place. So just exemptions with nothing past it.

Shari Moore: Right

President Brendmoen: So, moved, any discussion? Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, The amendment is approved to just have section 193.12 exemptions with no language after that. The next is section 193.13 Implementation Task Force Created – A. The office of financial empowerment shall convene an implementation task force made up of tenants, landlords and tenants and landlords advocates to propose rules and an implementation plan for this chapter including a plan for educating landlords and tenants about the provisions in this section.

President Brendmoen: This section has many authors and support.

Ms. Noecker: This is something new that we are doing, it's complicated and all-encompassing and it's important that we have all of those voices involved in rule creation. I am in support of this.

Mr. Thao: I support this. There's a lot of property owners and community members who will make this work.

President Brendmoen: Mr. Thao moves approval of this section. Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, amendment is approved. New section 193.14 Severability – If any section, clause, provision or portion of this chapter is determined to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, that section, clause, provision or portion shall be deemed severed from the chapter and such termination shall not effect the ability of the remainder of the chapter.

President Brendmoen: This is up for discussion. Is anyone in opposition of severability? Mr. Tolbert moves approval. Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, amendment approved. The final amendment from version 4 is changing section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on January 1, 2021 adding the language "For properties with 5 or more units and on July 1st (taking out January 1st) 2021 for properties with 4 or fewer units.

President Brendmoen: So, this is section 3 with an implementation date extension.

Mr. Thao: I have an amendment to this. It's also a Thao Tenant Protection attachment. Based on our conversation with property owners and attorney from Homeline who have many years' experience working with property owners and tenants, he actually recommended that we implement, and it takes effect the same day with all property types. Also, with COVID 19 our recent economy we're hurting and if the city is hurting that means our tenants and landlords are hurting. Giving them time for the committee to work through all of the issues makes sense.

President Brendmoen: So, your proposal would extend the implementation date 12 months to July 1, 2021 for all properties.

Ms. Jalali: I'm speaking on the proposal to start the entire ordinance on July 1, 2021. I've talked to the staff team who would be managing implementation as well as serving the implementation process in the Minneapolis version of the ordinance. So, listening to staff and community partners say that we can keep this on track. I don't want to

delay it any further and I will be voting against.

Ms. Prince: I appreciate CM Thao's proposal that all property owners have this go into effect on the same date. I'm inclined to support CM Thao's amendment and would offer March 1st as a compromise to give us more time and not a full year.

Mr. Thao: Let me process that for a moment while other council members speak on this.

Ms. Prince: With that said if you don't accept that as a friendly amendment I will still be voting for your amendment.

Ms. Yang: I will not be supporting this. As a renter who lives on the East Side and is surrounded by many other renters who are working class people like me, I see the struggles that every family faces every single day. This is something that has been needed for so long and to stall it is an injustice. I've been talking to people for years regarding this matter.

Mr. Thao: I appreciate the input. I think it's important to give people enough time to make this work. And not rush through it. We have other programs to support affordable housing. Such as the Bridge Fund. I would call to question and put a vote to it.

President Brendmoen: CM Thao is moving July 1, 2021 as implementation date and has called the question. Roll call.

Shari Moore: 4 in favor, 3 oppose (Yang, Jalali, Noecker) Amendment is approved.

President Brendmoen: Lets look at what is outstanding, version 4 is done, the Noecker amendment was included in there, there's a Jalali amendment.

Ms. Jalali: I would like to move this amendment as it's posted in Legistar as an attachment with my name on it. It deletes out incorrect citations to statutes, it removes statute references that when we review them were found to be incorrect. They reference inaccurate things inconsistent with what is actually stated. It does not change the purpose of the section. The plain language description of what's covered will still be accurate and staff recommends this amendment.

President Brendmoen: So, it's technical fixes and correction clean up.

Ms. Noecker: I am in favor of this. Thanks to your office for cleaning this up.

Ms. Prince: Ditto

President Brendmoen: Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, amendment approved.

President Brendmoen: I just want to make sure that I'm not missing any amendments that are listed in Legistar.

Ms. Prince: One that's not in Legistar but it's a very simple one. I need to know if Ms. Burch can confirm that we should remove this language. In the section of noncompliance, 193.09 A. Failure to comply with provisions of this chapter may result in criminal prosecution and or administrative fines and restrictions. I believe "And Restrictions" can be removed as a cleanup.

Ms. Burch: I agree and support the removing of "and restrictions".

President Brendmoen: Ms. Prince motioned to clean up the language in front of us. Discussion? Vote.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, amendment is approved.

Ms. Prince: There is another amendment in Legistar pertaining to section 193.03 adding an exception to the security deposit language. This was originally proposed to us by James Wilkenson from the HREEO Commission. He suggested that this would be useful language. It reads "an exception on security deposits for applicants who could be disqualified under section 193.04. An owner may charge, except and retain an additional payment not to exceed one single month's rent in the form of a security deposit or prepayment as a condition to enter into a lease agreement with the applicant. So, it's only if an applicant has already been disqualified under 193.04.

Ms. Burch: Yes, this was a mechanism they used to extend an offer of housing to someone that they would otherwise disqualify.

Ms. Noecker: I will vote in support of this amendment. This will give landlords the opportunity to extend housing to more folks.

Mr. Thao: I'm in favor.

President Brendmoen: Please amend that this is letter C but needs to be letter D in that section. Ms. Prince makes a motion, roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, amendment is approved.

President Brendmoen: There is a motion to lay the matter over to public hearing on Wednesday and a fourth reading on Wednesday the 24th as well. Roll call.

Shari Moore: 7 in favor, the ordinance is laid over to June 24th at 10:00 a.m. for a public hearing and 3:30 for a fourth reading.

President Brendmoen: Ms. Noecker has some comments to make before we move on.

Ms. Noecker: This had been an awesome productive debate and this thoughtful discussion really shows why it's so important why we have a chance to talk about these complicated policies and why the opportunity to offer debates are so important and to not commit to the first draft that appears. We are here to catch errors and close lope holes. We represent very diverse constituents. Thoughtfulness and amendments are ok.

Ms. Jalali: This has been months and months of delay, hundreds of hours community partners have put in, and the emergency conditions that have been put upon us...housing crisis, pandemic, along with racial justice crisis. This is not a time to be quiet. I appreciate going through this discussion tonight, but we cannot lose sight of the community that depends on us to do the right thing. Thank you to our staff team. You are the unsung heroes of today as well as our community partners.

President Brendmoen: And this will be before us for final vote and final comments next week.

Amended; Laid Over to 6/24/2020 at 10:00 a.m. for public hearing and 3:30 p.m. for final adoption

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

Nay: 0

First Reading

- 24 Ord 20-22** Granting the application of Selby Dale LLC to rezone the property at 156 Dale Street from B2 Community Business to T3 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Laid Over to Second Reading on 6/24/2020

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 26 RES PH 20-122** Final Order approving the Ford Site improvements. (Project No. 19246, Assessment No. 205203)
- Councilmember Tolbert moved his amendment to make the change to 20 years.
7 in favor, none opposed
Amendment is approved*

Public hearing is open for e-mail and transcribed calls.

Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.

Adopted As Amended

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

Nay: 0

27 Ord 20-21

Granting the application of V V Property LLC to rezone property at 1619 Dayton Avenue from T2 Traditional Neighborhood to T3 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Councilmember Jalali: We are not expecting a staff report. She moved to close the public hearing.

Public Hearing closed; Laid Over to 6/24/2020

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

Nay: 0

28 RES PH 20-140

Approving installation of bike lanes on Fairview Avenue from University Avenue to Minnehaha Avenue.

Reuben Collins, Public Works, gave a staff report: Fairview Avenue will be mill and overlaid this fall between University Avenue and Minnehaha Avenue. The scope of work also includes replacement of the curb ramps for ADA compliance, sidewalk repairs, and construction of bump outs for traffic calming. The resolution is only for parking and bike lane aspects. As with all of the overlays, we look to implement the bile plan. The plan recommends bike lanes be installed on this portion of Fairview Avenue. The street is generally 48 feet wide. To implement the bike lanes, there is some parking that needs to be removed: north of Charles Avenue, we recommend removing parking on the left side of the street to add a striped buffer to the bike lanes. We conducted parking counts along the corridor. The results of these parking counts are in Legistar. We believe after parking impacts, there will still be sufficient parking along the street. We are recommending parking removal on the west side of the street. Due to COVID-19 we did not hold in person open houses. We sent 2 letters to adjacent property owners. One in late March and the second one was in late May. Both included contact information for staff. The feedback is minimal. We received a few phone calls about the extent of the construction impacts. No feedback on bike lanes or parking. Staff recommendation is to approve the resolution to implement the bike lanes and remove street parking on the west side of the street.

Council President Brendmoen: Comments are attached to Legistar.

Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

29 RES PH 20-141 Approving installation of bike lanes on Territorial Road from Berry Street to Raymond Avenue.

Reuben Collins, Public Works, gave a staff report. He said the public outreach process was the same as used for Fairview. The scope of the project was very similar; the mill and overlay was on Territorial from Berry Street to Raymond Avenue and was scheduled to happen this fall. In some segments of the project, staff was recommending a two-side parking removal, but for most of the project they were recommending one-side parking removal. They did parking counts and identified parking was most heavily used at the end-points of the project. Both of those were areas where parking was proposed to be removed on just one side of the street. The two-side parking removal was between Westgate and 280 where the land uses were light industrial and there were parking lots on both sides of the street.

Testimony received was available for Council members to review online.

Councilmember Jalali made brief comments and 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 and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

30 RES PH 20-138 Ratifying the assessments for Replacement of Lead Water Service Line on Private Properties during January to June 2019. (File No. 2004LDSRP, Assessment No. 204003)

Testimony received was available for Council members to review online.

Council President Brendmoen 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 and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Testimony received was available for Council members to review online.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and adopt the items.

For the following cases, Legislative Hearing staff contacted these property owners and the recommendations are uncontested. Therefore, the motion is to adopt these items.

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

Nay: 0

- 33 RLH TA 20-273** Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 710 DALE STREET NORTH. (File No. J2006P, Assessment No. 208405)
Adopted
- 35 RLH TA 20-310** Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 971 JENKS AVENUE. (File No. VB2009, Assessment No. 208810)
Adopted
- 36 RLH TA 20-244** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2085 LACROSSE AVENUE. (File No. J2009E, Assessment No. 208310)
Adopted
- 38 RLH TA 20-345** Amending Council File RLH AR 20-16 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019 at 556 MANOMIN AVENUE. (File No. CG1904A3, Assessment No. 190146)
Adopted
- 39 RLH TA 20-282** Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1115 MCLEAN AVENUE. (File No. J2009B, Assessment No. 208108)
Adopted
- 40 RLH TA 20-331** Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 718 ORANGE AVENUE EAST. (File No. VB2009, Assessment No. 208810)
Adopted
- 41 RLH VBR 20-39** Appeal of Lolita Francisco to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1670 SEVENTH STREET EAST.
Adopted
- 43 RLH TA 20-308** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1036-1038 STINSON STREET. (File No. J2009E, Assessment No. 208310)
Adopted
- 44 RLH AR 20-82** Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration Fees billed during February 18 to December 20, 2019. (File No. VB2009, Assessment No. 208810)
Adopted

46 RLH AR 20-84 Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy Fees billed during November 26 to December 17, 2019. (File No. CRT2009, Assessment No. 208208)

Adopted

47 RLH AR 20-85 Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during November 22 to December 20, 2019. (File No. J2009E, Assessment No. 208310)

Adopted

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Testimony received was available for Council members to review online.

Councilmember Yang moved to close the public hearing and adopt the items as amended.

For the following cases, Legislative Hearing staff have contacted these property owners alerting them to the proposed recommended amendments, and these recommendations are uncontested. Therefore, the motion is to amend and adopt these items.

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

Nay: 0

31 RLH TA 20-9 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 254 ARLINGTON AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2007A, Assessment No. 208506) (Amend to delete)

Adopted as amended

34 RLH TA 20-271 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 455 GRAND AVENUE. (File No. VB2009, Assessment No. 208810)

Adopted as amended

37 RLH TA 20-11 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1787 LAFOND AVENUE. (File No. J2007A, Assessment No. 208506) (Public hearing continued from February 5)

Adopted as amended

For the following cases, the recommendation is to continue the public hearing to the dates indicated.

32 RLH TA 20-287 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 250 BIRMINGHAM STREET. (File No. J2009B, Assessment No. 208108) (Public hearing to be continued to March 17, 2021)

Testimony received was available for Council members to review online.

Councilmember Thao moved to continue the public hearing to March 17, 2021.

Continue Public Hearing to 3/17/2021

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

Nay: 0

42 RLH TA 20-286

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 158 SIDNEY STREET EAST. (File No. J2009E, Assessment No. 208310)
(Public hearing to be continued to January 20, 2021)

Testimony received was available for Council members to review online.

Councilmember Noecker moved to continue the public hearing to January 20, 2021.

Continue Public Hearing to 1/20/2021

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

Nay: 0

Testimony received was available for Council members to review online.

Council President Brendmoen moved to continue the public hearing to March 24, 2021.

For the following cases, Legislative Hearing staff were unable to contact individual property owners. Therefore, the motion for the following items is to continue the public hearing to March 24, 2021, and re-notice the pending assessments.

45 RLH AR 20-83

Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during January 2020. (File No. J2009B, Assessment No. 208108)

Continue Public Hearing to 3/24/2021

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

Nay: 0

48 RLH AR 20-86

Ratifying the assessments for Graffiti Removal services during January 4 to February 26, 2020. (File No. J2006P, Assessment No. 208405)

Continue Public Hearing to 3/24/2021

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

Nay: 0

- 49 RLH AR 20-87** Ratifying the assessments for Dangerous Tree(s) Removal service during December 2019 at 2118 St. Anthony Avenue. (File No. 2006T, Assessment No. 209005)

Continue Public Hearing to 3/24/2021

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

Nay: 0

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Brendmoen adjourned the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

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