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City of Saint Paul

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City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

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

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Council President Brendmoen at 3:32 p.m.

Council members Thao and Noecker excused

Present 5 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Chris Tolbert,
Councilmember Jane L. Prince, Councilmember Mitra Jalali Nelson and
Councilmember Kassim Busuri
Absent 2 - Councilmember Dai Thao and Councilmember Rebecca Noecker

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 **CO 19-49** Letter from the Department of Safety and Inspections declaring 985
Woodbridge Street a nuisance property. (For notification purposes only;
public hearings will be scheduled at a later date if necessary.)
Received and filed
- 2 **AO 19-54** Amending the 2019 spending budget in the Department of Public Works
General Fund Parking Meters Maintenance accounting unit.
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

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

Councilmember Prince moved approval of the Consent Agenda as amended.

Consent Agenda adopted as amended

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker

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| 4 | Min 19-35 | Approving the minutes of the August and September 2019 City Council meetings.
Adopted |
| 5 | RES 19-1702 | Accepting the gift of travel expenses from Visit Saint Paul for Councilmember Dai Thao, and official gifts from MN Lynx and MN United, for an official delegation to Changsha, China from October 6 through October 12, 2019 for the purpose of reaffirming our partnership and our friendship as sister cities.
Adopted |
| 6 | RES 19-1646 | Establishing the rate of pay for Business Improvement Supervisor in EG 09, SPSO, Grade 020.
Adopted |
| 7 | RES 19-1719 | Establishing the rate of pay for Compliance Specialist, Compliance Coordinator, and Senior Compliance Coordinator in Grades 008, 012, and 016, respectively of EG 06, PEA Salary Schedule.
Laid over to October 16 for adoption |
| 8 | RES 19-1727 | Establishing the rate of pay for Labor Standards Investigator I, Labor Standards Investigator II, and Labor Standards Investigator III in Grades 008, 012, and 016, respectively of EG 06, PEA Salary Schedule.
Laid over to October 16 for adoption |
| 9 | RES 19-1660 | Accepting a gift of a P70 Videophone with Video Relay Service (VRS) from ZVRS/Purple Communications to assist with communications and facilitate American Sign Language interpretation services for a deaf employee.
Adopted |

- 10 **RES 19-1714** Approving the Mayor's appointments of Fatima Moore, Terri Banaszewski, Erin Heelan, Patrick Ruble, Raenna Buchholz, Chris Leifeld, and Angelique Flohrs to three-year terms on the Neighborhood STAR Board.
Adopted
- 11 **RES 19-1726** Approving a Cooperative Construction Agreement with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation for a pedestrian trail in the right-of-way of Trunk Highway 52 at Plato Boulevard and Trunk Highway 952A at Robert Street South.
Adopted
- 12 **RES 19-1721** Authorizing the Planning and Economic Development Department to accept the donation of travel and hotel costs from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation for the Director of Business Development to attend the Beyond Economic Impact Symposium.
Adopted
- 13 **RES 19-1668** Authorizing Police Department to accept a grant in the amount of \$750,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice for the 2019 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative grant.
Adopted
- 14 **RES 19-1373** Authorizing the City of Saint Paul to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Ramsey County regarding the replacement of a traffic signal at Lexington Parkway and St. Clair Avenue.
Adopted
- 15 **RES 19-1654** Authorizing the Department of Public Works to apply for a Recycling Partnership Seed Grant to expand outreach to and gather information from multi-unit dwelling (MUD) property owners and/or property managers to improve recycling opportunities for MUD residents.
Adopted
- 16 **RES 19-1722** Setting a public hearing date of November 6, 2019 for the 2020 Water Charges.
Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 3 **RES 19-1703** Recognizing the contributions of refugees to the City of Saint Paul and supporting the resettlement of refugees in Saint Paul.
Council President Brendmoen made brief comments.
Councilmember Tolbert moved approval of the resolution.
Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker

- 17 RES 19-1757** Recognizing the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples Day in the City of Saint Paul.
- Councilmember Prince welcomed American Indian community representatives Bob Blake, Crystal Norcross, Sheri Riemers, and Danielle Delong to the podium. She read the resolution. Mr. Blake and Ms. Norcross made brief comments.*
- Councilmember Prince moved approval of the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker

ORDINANCES

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

Final Adoption

- 18 Ord 19-60** Amending Chapter 66 of the Legislative Code pertaining to overnight shelters.
- Councilmember Jalali Nelson moved final adoption of the ordinance.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker

Second Reading

- 19 Ord 19-59** Amending the zoning map as recommended in the Stryker Avenue Zoning Study.
- Laid over to October 16 for third reading/public hearing**
- 20 Ord 19-61** Amending Chapter 152 of the Legislative Code permitting the City Engineer to set speed limits on roads under the City's jurisdiction.
- Laid over to October 16 for third reading/public hearing**

- 21 **Ord 19-62** Amending sections 373.01 and 373.08 of the Legislative Code pertaining to transportation network company (TNC) definitions to include rented or leased vehicles and allow automobile rental companies to make rental vehicles available to TNC endorsed drivers.
- Laid over to October 16 for third reading/public hearing**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 22 **RES PH 19-339** Amending the financing and spending plans in the Police Department in the amount of \$23,530 for The Minnesota Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force grant funds.
- No one was present to testify. Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 3 - Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince
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- 23 **RES PH 19-334** Approving the application of Leukemia and Lymphoma Society for a sound level variance for amplified music and fireworks during the Light the Night event on October 13, 2019 at Harriet Island.
- Teri Cannon, Executive Director of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, distributed brochures and spoke about the event.*
- Monica Bravo (359 Winslow Avenue), WSCO, said she lived right above Harriet Island, and was affected every time there was an event with amplified sound. She asked how long the amplified sound would last and if the amplification was necessary. She said the river made the sound louder and it did affect the neighborhood.*
- Council President Brendmoen said notifications were sent so neighbors and the district councils had the opportunity to respond to sound level variance applications. Ms. Bravo said they used to receive notifications but hadn't recently. She said she would look into it.*
- Councilmember Jalali Nelson moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker
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- 24 **RES PH 19-340** Approving the application of Meritage Restaurant for a sound level variance for live amplified music during Oysterfest on October 13, 2019 at Hamm Plaza, 99 6th Street West.

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker

SUSPENSION ITEMS

Councilmember Tolbert moved suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker

RES PH 19-338

Approving the application of the West Side Community Organization for the installation of public art in the public right-of-way on the pedestrian bridge over Robert Street for a 15-year period.

Council President Brendmoen said this item was being brought in under suspension and the public hearing continued to the next week due to a notification issue.

Testimony:

Monica Bravo, WSCO, said she was present to monitor neighborhood feedback. She spoke about the project and desire to get started before winter.

Councilmember Jalali Nelson moved to continue the public hearing to October 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Public hearing continued to October 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA

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Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 25 - 39)

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

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali Nelson and Councilmember Busuri

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Thao and Councilmember Noecker

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| 25 | RLH VO 19-34 | Appeal of Emily Dziekcrowski to a Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation and Order to Vacate at 904 ARKWRIGHT STREET.
Adopted |
| 26 | RLH TA 19-189 | Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 966 CENTRAL AVENUE WEST. (File No. J1916A, Assessment No. 198534; amended to File No. J1916A2, Assessment No. 198567) (Public hearing continued from June 5)
Adopted as amended (assessment ratified) |
| 27 | RLH TA 19-186 | Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1354 DALE STREET NORTH. (File No. J1915A , Assessment No. 198529; amended to File No. J1915A2, Assessment No. 198565) (Public hearing continued from June 5)
Adopted as amended (assessment reduced) |
| 28 | RLH VBR
19-62 | Appeal of Jeffrey Delisle and/or Thomas Delisle to a Vacant Building Registration Fee Warning Letter at 456 LAWSON AVENUE WEST.
Adopted |
| 29 | RLH TA 19-435 | Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 792 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1920A1, Assessment No. 198571) (Public hearing continued from August 7)
Adopted as amended (assessment reduced) |
| 30 | RLH TA 19-734 | Amending Council File RLH AR 19-74 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2019 at 1370 OSCEOLA AVENUE. (File No. CG1902A1, Assessment No. 190101)
Adopted |

- 31 **RLH FCO 19-90** Appeal of Steven Lauber to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice at 886 PAYNE AVENUE.
Adopted
- 32 **RLH TA 19-34** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 702 PREBLE STREET. (File No. J1910A, Assessment No. 198509; amended to File No. J1910A2, Assessment No. 198547) (Public hearing continued from March 6)
Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)
- 33 **RLH TA 19-446** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 833 RANDOLPH AVENUE. (File No. J1921A1, Assessment No. 198572) (Public hearing continued from August 7)
Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)
- 34 **RLH FCO 19-91** Appeal of Melissa Dessart to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice at 218 SEVENTH STREET EAST.
Adopted
- 35 **RLH RR 19-23** Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 1179 SEVENTH STREET EAST within fifteen (15) days after the September 11, 2019 City Council public hearing. (Public hearing continued from September 11) (To be referred back to Legislative Hearing on November 26)
Referred to Legislative Hearings on November 26
- 36 **RLH TA 19-284** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 834 THOMAS AVENUE. (File No. J1916A, Assessment No. 198534; amended to File No. J1916A1, Assessment No. 198566) (Public hearing continued from June 5)
Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)
- 37 **RLH TA 19-553** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 389 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. J1923A, Assessment No. 198556; amended to File No. J1923A1, Assessment No. 198575 and to delete the assessment) (Public hearing continued from September 4)
Adopted as amended (assessment deleted)
- 38 **RLH TA 19-478** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 369 VIEW STREET. (File No. J1917A, Assessment No. 198535; amended to File No. J1917A1, Assessment No. 198565) (Public hearing continued from July 10)
Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)

- 39 **RLH TA 19-444** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1358 YORK AVENUE. (File No. J1920A1, Assessment No. 198571) (Public hearing continued from August 7)
Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)

Council members shared news about events in their wards.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Brendmoen adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

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