



City of Saint Paul

City Hall and Court House
15 West Kellogg Boulevard
Council Chambers - 3rd
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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

City Council

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

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 3:30 PM

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

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 26-43](#) Amending CDBG Project Budgets: To allocate \$41,961 of funding for 1133 Rice Street (Kwe Ka Baung Grocery LLC).
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

Consent Agenda adopted as amended

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Kim

- 2 [RES 26-990](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during May 2026, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for August 11, 2026 and City Council public hearing for September 16, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2613B, Assessment No. 268119)

Adopted

- 3 [RES 26-1024](#) Authorizing the City to enter into an Interconnection Agreement with Xcel Energy, which includes an indemnification clause, for solar at Frogtown Community Center.

Adopted

- 4 [RES 26-1029](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2026, and setting date of legislative hearing for August 13, 2026 and City Council public hearing for September 16, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260151)

Adopted

- 5 [RES 26-1030](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2026, and setting date of legislative hearing for August 13, 2026 and City Council public hearing for September 16, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG26Q1B2, Assessment No. 260152)

Adopted

- 6 [RES 26-1031](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2026, and setting date of legislative hearing for August 13, 2026 and City Council public hearing for September 16, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG26Q1B3, Assessment No. 260153)

Adopted

- 7 [RES 26-1032](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2026, and setting date of legislative hearing for August 13, 2026 and City Council public hearing for September 16, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG26Q1B4, Assessment No. 260154)

Adopted

- 8 [RES 26-1033](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2026, and setting date of legislative hearing for August 13, 2026 and City Council public hearing for September 16, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG26Q1B5, Assessment No. 260155)

Adopted

- 9 [RES 26-1034](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during January to March 2026, and setting date of legislative hearing for August 13, 2026 and City Council public hearing for September 16, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. YW26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260501)

Adopted

- 10 [RES 26-1047](#) Authorizing Public Works to apply for \$69,300 from the Minnesota Department of Commerce's Solar on Public Buildings Grant Program for solar installation at the Solid Waste & Recycling Facility.
- Adopted**
- 11 [RES 26-1087](#) Authorizing the Department of Emergency Management to apply for the annual Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant program from the Department of Homeland Security to enhance preparedness and capabilities to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism.
- Adopted**
- 12 [RES 26-1089](#) Directing the Department of Safety and Inspections to revoke the Off Sale Liquor license (License ID #372977) held by Phann Liquor Inc d/b/a Capital Wine & Spirit for the premises located at 531 Rice Street.
- Adopted**
- 13 [RES 26-1090](#) Authorizing the Department of Emergency Management to apply for grant funds from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security through its Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
- Adopted**
- 14 [RES 26-1101](#) Approving the Mayor's reappointment of Hally Turner and Ianni Houmas to a three-year term on the Transportation Committee of the Planning Committee.
- Adopted**
- 15 [RES 26-1104](#) Approving the Mayor's reappointments of James Thayer and Eva Wailes to the Human Rights and Equal Economic Opportunity Commission.
- Adopted**
- 16 [RES 26-1102](#) Approving the Mayor's reappointment of Nieeta Presley, Brian Martinson, Simon Taghioff, Kristine Grill, Richard Holst, Jacob B. Reilly, Seanne M. Thomas, and Elizabeth Starling to the Planning Commission.
- Adopted**
- 17 [RES 26-1103](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Marc Manderscheid to a three-year term on the Heritage Preservation Commission.
- Adopted**
- 18 [RES 26-1119](#) Approving the use of Neighborhood STAR grant funds for a change in scope of work for RealBigHuge Brewing Company LLC.
- Adopted**

- 19 [RES 26-1122](#) Approving the use of grant funds through the Ward 2 Neighborhood STAR year-round program for Rascher and Co. LLC for 712 Smith Ave building facade restoration.
Adopted
- 20 [RES 26-1147](#) Approving the reimbursement funds for the Ward 6 Budget Event.
Adopted
- 22 [RES 26-998](#) Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement (January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2028) and Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and the Saint Paul Supervisors' Organization.
Adopted
- 23 [RES 26-1051](#) Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement (January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2028) and Memorandums of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and the Professional Employees Association, Inc.
Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 21 [RES 26-1150](#) Recognizing the Historic Legacy, Cultural Preservation, and Community Contributions of the Rondo Days Drill Teams and Dance Groups.
Adopted
- Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay: 0

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

- 24 [Ord 25-4](#) Amending Title IV of the Saint Paul Administrative Code to add Chapter 92, titled Tree Preservation for City Sponsored Construction Projects.
Adopted
- Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay: 0

First Reading

- 25 [Ord 26-35](#) Amending Chapter 65 of the Legislative Code pertaining to golf courses.

Laid over to July 22, 2026 for Second Reading

- 26 [Ord 26-36](#) Adding Chapter 86.13 to the Administrative Code to require City Council approval of Mixed Municipal Solid Waste contracts.

Laid over to July 22, 2026 for Second Reading

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 27 [Ord 26-32](#) Amending Appendix C of the Legislative Code relating to Northern States Power, D/B/A Xcel Energy, Electric Franchise.

Laid over to July 22, 2026 for Final Adoption

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

Nay: 0

- 28 [Ord 26-33](#) Amending Appendix B of the Legislative Code relating to Northern States Power, D/B/A Xcel Energy, Gas Franchise.

Laid over to July 22, 2026 for Final Adoption

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

Nay: 0

- 29 [RES PH 26-153](#) Approving the application of Irish Fair of MN for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for a Twin Cities Irish Fest event on August 7, 8, and 9, 2026, at 200 Dr. Justus Ohage Blvd - Harriet Island Regional Park.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEM

- 33 [RLH RSA 26-7](#) Appeal of Tenant, Michael Smith to a Rent Stabilization Determination at 1517 PORTLAND AVENUE APT D.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

31 [RLH TA 26-125](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 720 COTTAGE AVENUE EAST. (File No. 2604T, Assessment No. 269003)

Public hearing closed, no further action taken, laid over to July 22, 2026

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA

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Approval of the Consent Agenda**Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended**

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

Nay: 0

30 [RLH SAO 26-41](#)

Second Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 399 BLAIR AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 26-16. (Public hearing continued to July 15, 2026; Legislative Hearing July 14, 2026)

Adopted as amended (granted to January 12, 2027 to have building materials removed or building permit closed)

32 [RLH SAO 25-73](#)

Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 1473 FAIRMOUNT AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 25-66.

Adopted**34 [RLH RR 26-12](#)**

Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 594-596 REANEY AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the July 15, 2026, City Council Public Hearing. (July 14, 2026 Legislative Hearing)

Public hearing continued to August 5, 2026

35 [RLH AR 26-42](#)

Ratifying the assessment for Removal of Diseased and/or Dangerous Tree(s) service during February 2026. (File No. 2604T, Assessment No. 269003)

Adopted

- 36** [RLH AR 26-43](#) Ratifying the assessment for Demolition of Vacant, Nuisance and/or Hazardous Structure from the month of March 2026. (File No. J2606C, Assessment No. 262005)

Adopted**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting ended at 4:36 PM

City Council meetings are open for in person attendance, but the public may also comment on public hearing items in writing. Any comments and materials submitted by 12:00 pm of the day before the meeting will be attached to the public record and available for review by the City Council. Comments may be submitted as follows:

Written public comment on public hearing items can be submitted to Contact-Council@ci.stpaul.mn.us or CouncilHearing@ci.stpaul.mn.us. Live testimony will be taken in person in the Council Chambers.

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