



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

City Council

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

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

**Public Hearing on expanding the Energy Park Commercial Development District at
10:00 AM at 595 Aldine Street in the Capitol Region Watershed District.
Regular Council Meeting at 3:30 PM in Council Chambers**

Councilmember Nelsie Yang will be participating remotely.

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ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 10:00 AM

Present 4 - Councilmember HwaJeong Kim, Councilmember Saura Jost,
Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson and Councilmember Matt Privratsky
Absent 3 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Nelsie Yang and
Councilmember Anika Bowie

**Public Hearing (The public hearing on this item will take place at 10:00 a.m. at the
Capitol Region Watershed District, 595 Aldine Street)**

- 1 [Ord 25-44](#) Amending the Appendix to Chapter 409 of the Legislative Code pursuant to
Section 17.07.1 of the Charter, and Section 409.20 of the Legislative Code to
expand the Energy Park Commercial Development District.
Laid over to August 13, 2025 for Final Adoption
Yea: 4 - Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and
Councilmember Privratsky
Nay: 0
Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

**RECESS (The Council will recess and convene as the Budget Committee. The City
Council meeting will reconvene at 3:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.)**

Meeting recessed at 10:04 AM

ROLL CALL**Meeting resumed at 3:32 PM**

Present 5 - Councilmember Nelsie Yang, Councilmember HwaJeong Kim, Councilmember Saura Jost, Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson and Councilmember Matt Privratsky

Absent 2 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker and Councilmember Anika Bowie

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 2 [CO 25-30](#) Letter from the Department of Safety and Inspections declaring 430 Dale Street North a nuisance property. (For notification purposes only; public hearings will be scheduled at a later date if necessary.)

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: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 3 [RES 25-821](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessments for Minnesota Street from Sixth Street to Eleventh Street paving and lighting project constructed as part of the 2024 St. Paul Street Paving Program (SPS). (File No. 19262, Assessment No. 245203)

Adopted

- 4 [RES 25-1079](#) Authorizing the proper City officials to execute and record a drainage and utility easement at The Townhomes of Hillcrest Heights.

Adopted

- 5 [RES 25-1088](#) Authorizing the City's execution of a permanent easement agreement with Snelling Properties, LLC for use as a private parking lot.

Adopted

- 6 [RES 25-1130](#) Establishing the rate of pay for Property and Evidence Specialist, Grade 028, Employee Group 01. (To be laid over one week for adoption)

Laid over to August 13, 2025

- 7 [RES 25-1174](#) Approving the Maintenance Labor Agreement (May 1, 2025 - April 30, 2028) between the City of Saint Paul and the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council #82. (To be laid over one week for adoption)

Laid over to August 13, 2025

- 8 [RES 25-1183](#) Approving an Environmental Covenant and Easement for the City-owned properties at 630, 677 and 689 Pierce Butler Route in connection with the completed environmental response project approved by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

Adopted

- 9 [RES 25-1191](#) Approving the application for change of ownership to the Gas Station and Tobacco Shop license now held by Town Mart Inc d/b/a Town Mart (License ID #20250000798) for the premises located at 1980 Stillwater Ave.

Adopted

- 10 [RES 25-1193](#) Approving the agreement for transfer of employee Michael D. Whisler to the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office (January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026).

Adopted

- 11 [RES 25-1207](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and AFSCME Council 5, Clerical, Local 2508 for the purpose of modifying the Grade Steps for Community Engagement Cadet and Parking Enforcement Officer. (To be laid over one week for adoption)

Laid over to August 13, 2025

- 12 [RES 25-1214](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to utilize unsold advertising space donated by 10K Advertising and Outfront Media for promotion of the Saint Paul Get Down youth hip hop showcase.

Adopted

- 13 [RES 25-1223](#) Authorizing the Department of Planning and Economic Development to apply for Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development Redevelopment Grant Funding for the Project at 841 - 857 Grand Avenue.

Adopted

- 14 [RES 25-1225](#) Approving reimbursement for the Ward 7 budget event.

Adopted

- 15 [RES 25-1238](#) Subordination of a City Loan to New Financing, and Modification of Loan Terms, for the OAHS Sibley TC Limited Liability Limited Partnership, Regarding the Sibley Park and Sibley Court Rehabilitation Project, Located at 211 East 7th Street and 484 Temperance (District 17, Ward 2).

Adopted**FOR DISCUSSION**

- 16** [RES 25-1242](#) Putting into effect a moratorium on applications for zoning controls for Sober Houses and Supportive Housing Facilities.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie
- 18** [RES 25-1200](#) Celebrating Saint Paul District Councils' 50th Anniversary.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie
- 17** [RES 25-1226](#) Calling for the Trump administration to end its campaign of mass deportations and family separations.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie
- 19** [ABZA 25-3](#) Considering the appeal of Dominic Carchedi to a decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals denying a variance request to establish a 24-resident supportive housing facility on the property at 418 Sherburne Avenue. (Public hearing closed and laid over from July 9, 2025)
- Laid over to July 22, 2026**
- Yea:** 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie
- 20** [ABZA 25-5](#) Considering the appeal of Stronger Sober House to a decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals denying a variance request to establish a 11-resident supportive housing facility on the property at 519 Farrington Street. (Public

hearing closed and laid over from July 23, 2025)

Laid over to July 22, 2026

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 21** [RES PH 25-138](#) Approving the final (combined) plat for 391 McKnight Road South to create three H1 parcels. (Public hearing closed and laid over from July 23, 2025)

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

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

- 22** [Ord 25-41](#) Amending Chapter 33.04 of the Legislative Code to require that 10% of the estimated plan review fee is to be paid before a review may begin.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

First Reading

- 23** [Ord 25-46](#) Approving the application of Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority (RCRRA), Saint Paul Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA), and St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church to rezone properties at 694 Minnehaha Avenue E et al from from I2 general industrial to H2 residential, T3 traditional neighborhood, RM2 medium-density multiple-family residential district and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the Zoning Map. (Public hearing on July 23, 2025)

Laid over to August 13, 2025 for Second Reading

- 24 [Ord 25-47](#) Approving an interim ordinance pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 462.355, Subd.4 pending the completion of a Zoning Study on Sober Houses and Supportive Housing Facilities.

Laid over to August 13, 2025 for Second Reading

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 25 [Ord 25-43](#) Establishing the classifications titled Legislative Hearing Officer, Senior Legislative Hearing Officer, and Chief Legislative Hearing Officer in the unclassified service pursuant to Section 12.03.2(H) of the City Charter (must be approved by Civil Service Commission after adoption by City Council and prior to Mayor's signature).

Laid over to August 13, 2025 for Final Adoption

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 26 [RES PH 25-145](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into a \$16,500 agreement with Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Conservation Partners Legacy grant program, requiring a ten percent in-kind match, to enhance and restore five acres of native woodland habitat at Lilydale Regional Park (and to amend the Department of Parks & Recreation Grant Fund budget to reflect said funds received).

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 27 [RES PH 25-153](#) Amending the 2025 Regional Water Services budget in the amount of \$75,000 for Metropolitan Council grant.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 28 [RES PH 25-156](#) Approving the application of the MN Department of Human Services for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on August 13, 2025 at 1600 Phalen Dr - Phalen Regional Park.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 29** [RES PH 25-157](#) Approving the application of Ernest Bisong for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound on September 13, 2025 on Selby Avenue from Milton St N to Victoria St N.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 30** [RES PH 25-161](#) Approving the application of Ragnar Events, LLC for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on Friday, August 8, 2025 at 30 Sherburne Ave - Cass Gilbert Park.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 31** [RES PH 25-164](#) Approving the application of Parks and Recreation, Mario Stokes, Community Recreation Director, for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on August 22, 2025 at 110 Harriet Island Rd - Harriet Island Target Stage.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 32** [RES PH 25-165](#) Approving the application of Anderson Race Management for MN Recovery Connection for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound on September 13, 2025 at the Minnesota State Capitol Grounds - 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 33** [RLH SAO 25-10](#) Making finding on the appealed of Michael E. Corcoran to a nuisance abatement ordered for 1478 AMES AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 24-51. (Public hearing closed and laid over from July 23, 2025)

Adopted as amended (nuisance not abated)

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 37** [RLH TA 25-294](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 427 AURORA AVENUE. (File No. J2522R, Assessment No. 258555) (Public hearing continued to August 6, 2025)

Public hearing continued to August 27, 2025

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 46** [RLH TA 25-344](#) Amending Council File RLH AR 24-25 to reduce the assessment Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during April 5 to October 20, 2023 at 1350 HAGUE AVENUE. (File No. VB2407, Assessment No. 248806)

Public hearing continued to August 27, 2025

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 48** [RLH SAO 25-48](#) Appeal of Adam Dullinger to a Summary Abatement Order at 1345 KENT STREET.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda will receive a combined public hearing and be enacted by one motion with no separate discussion. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda for a separate public hearing and discussion if desired.

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

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Privratsky

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Bowie

- 34** [RLH TA 25-237](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1245 ALBEMARLE STREET. (File No. J2520R, Assessment No. 258548)
Adopted
- 35** [RLH SAO 25-47](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 2125 AMES AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 25-43.
Adopted
- 36** [RLH TA 25-324](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 333 ARLINGTON AVENUE EAST. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)
Adopted
- 38** [RLH TA 25-317](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 306 BURGESS STREET. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)
Adopted
- 39** [RLH TA 25-318](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 1107 BURNS AVENUE. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)
Adopted
- 40** [RLH VO 25-15](#) Appeal of Crystal Van Canneyt, Ramsey County Case Manager, on behalf of Richard Polly, to a Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation & Order to Vacate at 1872 CLEAR AVENUE.
Adopted
- 41** [RLH TA 25-326](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for

Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 600 DESOTO STREET. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)

Adopted

- 42 [RLH SAO 25-45](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 1119 EDGERTON STREET in Council File RLH SAO 25-41.

Adopted

- 43 [RLH TA 25-325](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 729 FOURTH STREET EAST. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)

Adopted

- 44 [RLH TA 25-327](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 1743 FREMONT AVENUE. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)

Adopted

- 45 [RLH FCO 25-24](#) Appeal of Yia Jef Yang to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 337 FULLER AVENUE.

Public hearing continued to August 27, 2025

- 47 [RLH TA 25-321](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 1658 JULIET AVENUE. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)

Adopted

- 49 [RLH TA 25-323](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 1354 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)

Adopted

- 50 [RLH VBR 25-29](#) Appeal of Zoltan Pusenyak to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1024 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST.

Adopted

- 51 [RLH TA 25-322](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 1326 RANDOLPH AVENUE. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)

Adopted

- 52 [RLH RR 25-19](#) Third Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 401 ROSE AVENUE EAST in Council File RLH RR 25-14.
Public hearing continued to August 20, 2025
- 53 [RLH TA 25-319](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 80 SNELLING AVENUE SOUTH. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)
Adopted
- 54 [RLH TA 25-320](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 1300 SUMMIT AVENUE. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)
Adopted
- 55 [RLH TA 24-489](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 676 THIRD STREET EAST. (File No. J2504E, Assessment No. 258303) (Continue public hearing to August 6, 2025)
Public hearing continued to August 20, 2025
- 56 [RLH VBR 25-21](#) Appeal of Gladys Igbo to a Vacant Building Registration Fee Warning Letter at 385 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (Legislative Hearing August 5, 2025)
Referred to August 19, 2025 Legislative Hearing
- 57 [RLH TA 25-330](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 490 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)
Adopted
- 58 [RLH TA 25-329](#) Amending the previously ratified assessment to reduce the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during January 31 to February 28, 2025 at 946 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. CRT2509, Assessment No. 258208)
Adopted

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 5:04 PM

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