

City of Saint Paul

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Minutes - Final City Council

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

Wednesday, January 4, 2012

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

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

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

Absent 1 - Councilmember Melvin Carter III

CONSENT AGENDA

Note: Items listed under the Consent Agenda will be enacted by one motion with no separate discussion. If discussion on an item is desired, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Councilmember Bostrom moved approval of the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Carter III

1 RES 12-6 Approving the Mayor's appointments of Chris Tolbert and Melvin Carter, III to serve on the Saint Paul Children's Collaborative.

Adopted

2 RES 12-7 Approving the Mayor's appointment of Amy Brendmoen to serve on the Community Action Partnership of Ramsey & Washington Counties.

Adopted

3	RES 12-8	Approving the Mayor's appointment of Amy Brendmoen, and the reappointments of Jacquelyn Carpenter, Joe Stratig, Barb Jeanetta, Michael Chanaka, Robert de la Vega, Kathleen Engesser, and Doug Hubbard to serve on the Workforce Investment Board. Adopted
4	RES 12-9	Approving the Mayor's appointments of Chris Tolbert and Russ Stark to serve on the Ramsey County League of Local Governments. Adopted
5	RES 12-10	Approving the Mayor's appointment of Chris Tolbert to serve on the League of Minnesota Cities. Adopted
6	RES 12-11	Approving the Mayor's appointments of Amy Brendmoen, Chris Tolbert, and Kathy Lantry, and the reappointment of Matt Anfang to serve on the Board of Water Commissioners. Adopted
7	RES 12-12	Approving the Mayor's appointment of Chris Tolbert to serve on the Dispatch Policy Committee. Adopted
8	RES 12-13	Approving the Mayor's appointments of Russ Stark and Melvin Carter to serve on the Family Housing Fund Board. Adopted
9	RES 12-14	Approving the Mayor's appointments of Russ Stark, Amy Brendmoen, and Kathy Lantry to serve on the Joint Property Tax Advisory Committee. Adopted
10	RES 12-16	Approving the Mayor's appointments of Dave Thune, Dan Bostrom, and Kathy Lantry to serve on the Minneapolis / Saint Paul Housing Finance Board. Adopted
11	RES 12-17	Approving the Mayor's appointments of Chris Tolbert and Amy Brendmoen to serve on the First Class Cities/Counties/School Districts Property Tax Advisory Committee. Adopted

12	RES 12-18	Approving the Mayor's appointments of Amy Brendmoen and Russ Stark to serve on the Red Rock Corridor Commission. Adopted
13	RES 12-4	Approving the assessment and fixing time of hearing to ratify the assessment for sanitary sewer construction completed at the request of the property owners in connection with the Front/Victoria RSVP. (File No. 19080C2 Assessment No. 106062) Adopted
14	RES 12-2	Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for alley improvements on the north-south alley in Randolph Villas (bounded by Niles, Randolph, Brimhall, and Saratoga). (File No. 19116 Assessment No. 110582) Adopted
15	RES 12-3	Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for alley improvements on the east-west alley in Denslow's Subdivision of Lots 54 and 47, Lake Como Villas (bounded by Front, Hatch, Kilburn, and Ryde). (File No. 19090 Assessment No. 105130)
16	RES 11-2607	Approving the application with conditions, per the Deputy Legislative Hearing Officer, to upgrade the restaurant license from a Restaurant (3) - 13-50 Seats license to a Restaurant (4) - 51-150 Seats license and to add a Wine On Sale, Malt On Sale (Strong), and Liquor-Outdoor Service Area (Patio) licenses, for Lily Pad Design LLC (ID #20050002044), doing business as Java Train at 1341 Pascal Street North. Adopted
17	RES 12-15	Reviewing and approving the Pay Equity Implementation Report for submission to the State Minnesota Management and Budget (MMS). Adopted
18	RES 12-22	Election of Council Officers. Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

19 **AHPC 11-1**

Public hearing to consider the appeal of Shari Wilsey and Susan Foote to a decision of Heritage Preservation Commission Staff for conditionally approving a 78 feet by 34 feet galvanized steel panel fence with cedar posts and top in the front yard at 797 Summit Avenue, House of Hope Presbyterian Church, Hill Historic District. (Public hearing held July 20; laid over from December 21)

Council President Lantry stated that Carter has an amendment with a compromise agreement.

Hendrickson stated his understanding is that Councilmember Carter worked with the church and the appellants. They reached an agreement that involved a change in the fence.

Adopted as amended

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

Nav: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Carter III

(Councilmember Carter joined the meeting.)

Present 7 - Councilmember Dan Bostrom, Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Melvin Carter III, City Council President Kathy Lantry, Councilmember Russ Stark, Councilmember Dave Thune and Councilmember Chris Tolbert

20 **RLH OA** 11-31

Second Stay of Council File 10-1185, An Order to Remove or Repair the Buildings at 578 THOMAS AVENUE. (Public hearing held December 21)

Councilmember Carter said he understood from Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond that the property owner had provided the minimum of what had been asked for, and a 90 day stay would be granted. Council President Lantry asked for clarification of the motion. Ms. Moermond said the motion was embodied in the version of the resolution in front of the Council, which granted a 90-day stay.

Adopted as amended (90-day stay granted)

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

21 RLH FCO 11-496

Appeal of Juley Viger to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 730 COMO AVENUE. (Public hearing held December 7)

Councilmember Brendmoen moved a one week layover to allow time for the appellant to receive a decision from the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Laid over to January 11

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and

Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Carter III

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.

Third Reading, No Public Hearing

22 Ord 11-121

Memorializing City Council action taken on December 7, 2011, granting the application of Fort Road Coffee Company LLC to rezone property at 1518 Randolph Avenue from B1 Local Business to T2 Traditional Neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map. [Zoning File #11-282-365] [Public hearing held December 7, 2011].

Laid over to January 11 for final adoption

Second Reading

23 Ord 11-119

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

Laid over to January 18 for third reading/public hearing

SUSPENSION ITEMS

Council President Lantry said two items were being brought in under suspension due to timing issues.

Councilmember Tolbert moved suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember

Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

RLH TA 11-412

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 118500 at 2216 ELEANOR AVENUE.

Councilmember Tolbert moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember

Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,

Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

Council President Lantry moved suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember

Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,

Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

RLH AR 11-116

Ratifying the assessment for Property Cleanup Services during August 2011 at 1332 THIRD STREET EAST. (File No. J1202A, Assessment No. 128501)

Council President Lantry moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,

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Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

The meeting was recessed at 3:37 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Council reconvened for public hearings at 5:30 p.m.

Present 5 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Melvin Carter III, City
Council President Kathy Lantry, Councilmember Russ Stark and
Councilmember Chris Tolbert

Absent 2 - Councilmember Dan Bostrom and Councilmember Dave Thune

24 Ord 11-105

Amending Chapter 183 of the City of Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to human rights.

No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Carter moved to close the public hearing.

Laid over to January 11, 2012 for final adoption

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thune

Councilmember Bostrom arrived.

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

Absent 1 - Councilmember Dave Thune

25 Ord 11-120

Amending Chapter 185 of the Legislative Code to move debarment determinations from the City Council to the Department of Human Rights and Equal Employment Opportunity.

No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Carter moved to close the public hearing.

Laid over to January 11, 2012 for final adoption

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thune

26 RES PH 12-12

Approving the application of O'Gara's Bar & Grill for a sound level variance to allow the use of a P.A. system and to present amplified music from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. on January 14, 2012 at 164 Snelling Avenue N.

No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Carter moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Mr. O'Gara appeared. He came down in case there were any questions. This is in conjunction with the Red Bull event; they are doing a post party. This will be an economic impact in Saint Paul.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thune

Councilmember Thune arrived.

Present 7 - Councilmember Dan Bostrom, Councilmember Amy Brendmoen,
Councilmember Melvin Carter III, City Council President Kathy Lantry,
Councilmember Russ Stark, Councilmember Dave Thune and
Councilmember Chris Tolbert

27 RES PH 12-2

Ratifying the assessment for above-standard lighting on the north side of Ford Parkway between Finn Street and Cleveland Avenue. (File No. 19124, Assessment No. 115101)

No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS REQUIRING DISCUSSION

28 RES 11-471

Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 260 MARIA AVE within fifteen (15) days after the April 20, 2011 City Council Public Hearing. (Public hearing continued from October 5)

No one appeared in opposition; Council President Lantry moved to close the public hearing and lay the matter over to June 13, 2012.

Laid over to June 13, 2012

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

46 RLH FCO 11-569

Appeal of James Warren to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 812 ATLANTIC STREET. (Public hearing continued from January 4)

Moermond appeared and stated this is because of the weather right now. It is almost impossible to do driveway work. She is asking for it to be sent back to Legislative Hearings for when it is warmer.

No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Bostrom moved to continue the public hearing to May 16.

Laid over to the May 16, 2012 Public Hearing

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,
Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

29 RLH AR 11-114

Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Fees Services from August 2011. (File No. VB1201, Assessment No. 128800)

No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Thune moved to close the public hearing.

Thune would like to delete 413 Robie from the assessment roll. Guadalupe Area Project is going to do a green demolition and building a new house there with students. Thune moved to adopt the resolution as amended.

Adopted as amended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

64 RLH SAO 11-42

Appeal of John Krenik to a Summary Abatement Order and Correction Notice at 1270 CLEVELAND AVENUE SOUTH.

Tolbert recommends granting an extension to August 31 to remove the exterior storage.

Moermond stated this is a cleanup issue what is largely construction materials. She has photographs to show. Some materials have been removed.

(Moermond showed photos.)

Moermond said there are bricks, lumber, trusses, blue tarp, concrete mixers, toys, shovels, ladder. There is accumulation in the yard. One question is the deadline of what should be removed from the yard. Her recommendation is to grant an extension to August 31 to remove the items entirely. Right now the compliance date is that he has existing building permit pulled on this property. One of the arguments Krenik will make is that he has an existing permit, but that does not trump exterior maintenance concerns and does not mean these things can be definite.

Lantry asked when the original orders were given. Moermond stated the summary abatement order was issued on November 22, as was the correction notice. And her recommendation is to give them until August 31 to allow them the full summer construction season to deal with the items in the yard instead of requiring the items to be removed precipitously.

John Krenik stated he was just released from the hospital a few hours ago. If he becomes light headed, he will have to sit down. Some of the photos have been resolved back in November. He has a large yard of 1 1/3 acre.

(Krenik passed around photos.)

Krenik said one picture was taken over Thanksgiving. The leaves were in bags that were taken to the recycling. There were no bags or nothing in front of the house.

Thune asked does he need more time than August to clean it out. Krenik responded yes. Krenik stated the issue are things leaning against the house. This was taken the same day. There are no items against the house.

Lantry stated if the items are removed, then it is moot. Krenik responded that Moermond brought it up, so he wanted to reiterate. He built this building in the Midway area, Stark's ward, and he had additional materials. There are nice block structure that he wanted to replicate at his property in Highland. He got building permit to use the block that he had. On December 12, he had additional building materials put there to finish the project. These are blocks, wrapped in plastic, off the ground. This is several thousands of dollars worth of materials brought onto the site to invest in Saint Paul

The issue with the date is that Krenik is asking for October 31, which is sooner than state law requires.

(Krenik showed and read from a letter from Mr. Paul.) He asked for October 31 as the end of the construction period because the building will take a lot of intricate work. Krenik also has a letter from Mr. Paul about the stair issue as being okay. Also, he has a document that backs up his one year claim. Moermond ruling of August 31 is in violation of city ordinance and state ordinance. He has a document that backs up the one year claim that Moermond's ruling of the 31st is in violation of city ordinance

and state ordinance that is conformed by the case of Sachs versus the City of Morrison. He has a copy of that. This backs up the line should be November 2012 instead of August.

Krenik passed around two pictures. This is why he asked for a layover to address two issues with the building inspector involved here. When the City inspector came out to his property, he has to walk by this other property to get to his property.

(Krenik had pictures of other properties.)

Krenik stated this is October 2010 and December 2011. The inspector has not done anything about it.

Lantry stated he would like to get back to his property. She asked if he had called in the other properties. Krenik responded that he asked Mr. Essling to take care of that. Essling stated that he does not look at on site issues and it has to be called in. There are two windows that Krenik has broken. He has a lawn tractor. He did knock out two windows. He has the sashes orders and they are coming. He recognizes that is an issue and that will be rectified along with everything else. The materials are just for his construction project. He only asks that he has until November 2012. Moermond and he are close in agreement of the time. He asked for the City law to be interpreted equally among people.

Tolbert moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 7 Nays - 0

Tolbert asked how long the materials have been at the property. Moermond responded there are a lot of orders issued for vehicles and other things. Inspector indicated the materials have been there since summer but things are changing as projects go on: boards are used, disappear, more appear, etc.

Tolbert asked about the state law Krenik talked about. Moermond deferred to the deputy City Attorney Jerry Hendrickson. The exterior maintenance code is distinct from a building permit.

Stark stated there is a lot of exterior storage, various things over a period of time, and there is now building materials. How reasonable is it for building materials to stay out. Moermond responded it is not legal storage outside sheds and garages for building materials. The City tries to be reasonable: for example if you are roofing a house, shingle pallets will be out. It is a question of how much time these things will take. It seemed more than reasonable to require this to be done by the end of summer. And that allows to, if there are additional enforcement action, there is a time period in the fall when the project could be completed.

Thune asked about the photograph with bricks wrapped on the pallets. It did not seem unreasonable to allow people to store things properly off the ground while they are doing a project. At Penfield, they are going to put materials on the City park during the construction. If they are stored properly, he personally would not have a problem with it.

Lantry said the insulation should be used within the next ten months. Some people need a time line to shoot for. To shoot for August 1 date, then revisit the item, that is one way to do it.

Moermond stated that for the sake of the enforcement officers, she would ask for a definitive end date so the inspector knows the date. Lantry responded there should be interior storage by August 31. By August 31, there should be an enclosed

structure to put those things in, even if it is not completely done. .

Tolbert said this project needs to get going and he moves Moermond's recommendation.

Adopted.

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember

Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,

Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

65 RLH TA 11-462

Ratifying and Spreading the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1201, Assessment No. 128800 at 394 CLIFTON STREET

Moermond stated this is a simple amendment to spread over two years.

Krenik stated there have been no public complaints against his property; it was only Essling (inspector).

Thune closed the public hearing and moved to approve spreading the assessment over two years.

Adopted

Yea: 7 -

 Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

83 RLH FCO 11-39

Appeal of Edward Valdes to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 168 GEORGE STREET EAST.

Moermond stated the appeal has been withdrawn as the owner has complied with the orders.

Withdrawn

93 RLH RR 11-88

Ordering razing and removal of the structures at 81 JESSAMINE AVENUE WEST within fifteen (15) days after the January 4, 2012 City Council Public Hearing. (Public hearing continued from January 4)

Moermond stated this is an interesting structure and rather large. Taxes have not been paid for a while, and it is scheduled to go tax forfeit at the beginning of August.

Brendmoen stated she was briefed on this and would like to lay it over to February 1.

Laid over to the February 1, 2012 Public Hearing

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

91 RLH TA 11-448

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1201, Assessment No. 128800 at 569 JEFFERSON AVENUE.

Moermond's recommendation is approval.

Moermond stated this has been abandoned for 4 to 5 years. There is a vacant building fee. The file was open in July 2009. She was hoping to see some progress. She would hope to use the vacant building fee to see some progress. There does not seem to be an end in the foreseeable months. Moermond's recommendation is approval.

Robert Orth, 569 Jefferson, said the question is whether it is a fee or tax. It is clearly a tax and not a fee. He has gotten two homes off the list. He opposes the vacant building fee, which is actually a tax. He called Thune twice. He had requested to get a copy of all expenses and revenues on this. He did not get this until today. These inspectors go out everyday and look at vacant buildings. They drive around and write up properties. From the City, he got only expenses incurred and approved; not all the fees from all the properties. At the hearing, the inspector said these see these properties every two weeks. There are 1900 properties and they see them 15,000 times a year, they go around 8 times a year. That figure is exaggerated by 70%. They are going around once every month and a half.

Orth says there are two things: 1) The vacant building fee is exaggerated. For the expenses, there is no revenue the inspectors get for going around everyday. Senty looks at 9 properties, but Orth can 50 vacant properties in one day. This is not a vacant building fee; this is a vacant building tax. 2) There is a paralegal that makes as much as a city attorney. There are four inspectors and 17 people that get paid over \$100,000 a year to get to this \$2 Million budget. These rates are exorbitant. There are expenses and revenues. What he has is the expenses. There are no revenues for what is occurred for them writing up all of these.

Lantry stated this is not a general policy discussion on whether the vacant building fee is appropriate.

Orth said that the vacant building is discriminatory against those who buy the vacant building. His house had been proved that the plumbing is good. A person has a freedom to live in a house. If I buy a vacant house, the next day it is assessed this rate. I have to adhere to rules that no one else has to adhere to. If I buy my house for ten years and it is not up to 2007 codes, I have to pull all the plumbing out and spend tens of thousands of dollars while others can buy a house as is. There has to be some uniformity for everyone to buy a house whether it is vacant or not. When it is purchased from the bank, it is no longer vacant. Every house that is sold should adhere to a certain minimum quality. Once this house is purchased by an individual, it is no longer a vacant building. The banks are not going to fix it up. This is a sore issue of basic freedom of one complete group. Everyone here would have to pull out their plumbing to bring it up to 2007 standards.

Thune moved to close the public hearing. He appreciates what Mr. Orth said, but this is a policy issue. Mr. Thune did not hear any testimony that the property is not vacant. He would move the recommendation of the Legislative Hearing Officer.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,

Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

98 RLH OA 11-8

Appeal of Benjamin Roberts to an Inspection Appointment at 808 LAUREL AVENUE.

Moermond stated that Roberts wanted this property taken out of the fire certificate of occupancy program. She asked for documentation that the property was owner occupied. That documentation was not forthcoming.

Moermond recommends denial.

No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Carter moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution as amended (grant the appeal).

[This information was inadvertently omitted from Ms. Moermond's staff report: On December 21, 2011, Mr. Robert provided documentation showing that Ms. Carol Dawson has been added to the title. Therefore, Ms. Moermond recommends granting the appeal.]

Adopted as amended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,
Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

101 RLH TA 11-418

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 230 MAPLE STREET.

Moermond would like to refer this back into Legislative Hearing.

No one appeared in opposition; Lantry moved to continued public hearing to February 1.

Laid over to the January 17 Legislative Hearing and the February 1 City Council Public Hearing

 Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

104 RLH RR 11-90

Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 594 MARYLAND AVENUE WEST within one hundred twenty (120) days after the January 4, 2012 City Council Public Hearing. (Public hearing continued from January 18)

Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond stated the property is going through site plan review, which should be concluded before the next public hearing.

No one appeared in opposition; Council President Lantry moved to continue the public hearing to January 18.

Laid over to the January 18 City Council Public Hearing

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,
Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

105 RLH SAO 11-41

Appeal of Michael Ahrndt to a Summary Abatement Order at 1901 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST.

Moermond stated this is a summary abatement order, which orders the building boarded because it was found to be occupied after it had been ordered vacated. In the hearing she recommended the appeal granted if remained empty between the Legislative Hearing and this public hearing. It has been vacant; therefore, she would recommend the Council not order the building boarded at this time.

No one appeared in opposition; Bostrom moved to close the public hearing and approve.

Adopted as amended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,

Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

58 RLH TA 11-431

Reducing the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 1359 BURR STREET.

Moermond stated this is an assessment for a substantial cleanup. There was scrap wood, metal, etc. Owner argued that he did not get a notice, the owner was shocked at the amount of the assessment. Moermond stated there was a lot of stuff taken out of yard. This is an appropriate assessment for the work that was done. She was giving him a little credit and taking \$100 off.

Bill Acree said not that much was removed there. The grass in the back was kind of high. He got the notice in terms of the assessment. He did not receive the two letters that were sent. He did not feel that was fair. His case is simple.

Brendmoen stated she checked out the property. She asked was it vacant now because there were concrete boards there. Krieg responded right after the Legislative Hearing, he got letter, he called the inspector, they said they would board it up. When he got back in town, he called the inspector and told him he would be right over there to board it up. This was over the weekend, but there was a truck there already boarding up my house. In addition to boarding it up, he had several broken windows because the company that boarded it up did not care. They damaged quite a few windows. They took the front door off the house and threw it off the side. The screens were there and air conditioning on the three season porch, and the were thrown out.

Brendmoen asked was he living there at the time. Acree responded he lives in Maplewood. He does not mind paying the fee if he is liable, but he did not get the notice.

Brendmoen moved to close the public hearing. She then moved the recommendation of Moermond.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

106 RLH VBR 11-87

Appeal of Michael Ahrndt to a Vacant Building Registration Requirement at 1901 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST.

Moermond stated Mr. Ahrndt left after the hearing on his other item. She can hold her report until he returns. She recommends denying the appeal; it should be a registered vacant building.

Thune moved to close the public hearing and approve the assessment.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

124 RLH RR 11-92

Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 718 WATSON AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the January 4, 2012 City Council Public Hearing. (Public hearing continued from February 1)

Councilmember Thune moved to continue the public hearing to February 1.

Kelly Nelson, on behalf of U.S. Bank, said the bank is working to repair or demolish the property, whichever the City chooses. She said she is present to learn what the expectations were so she could report back to U.S. Bank.

Councilmember Thune suggested chatting with Ms. Moermond and the District Council. No one is able to move responsibly to take care of it, and maybe it can be donated to the district council or something.

Council President Lantry said it would be laid over to February 1 for that conversation to take place.

Laid over to the February 1 City Council Public Hearing

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

53 RLH TA 11-405

Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No.128500 at 1420 BEECH STREET.

Moermond stated she would like the assessment deleted.

Appellant appeared and was unclear as to the reason for the item. Lantry explained it to her.

Lantry moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

Yea: 7 -

 Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

97 RLH TA 11-445

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201B, Assessment No. 128100 at 2006 LARPENTEUR AVENUE EAST.

Moermond stated this is a no show for the Legislative Hearing.

Property manager appeared.

Moermond said it can be referred back to Legislative Hearing to January 17 and February 1 City Council Meeting.

Bostrom moved to continue the public hearing to February 1.

Laid over to the January 17, 2012 Legislative Hearing and February 1 City Coucil Public Hearing

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III. City Council President Lantry. Councilmember Stark.

Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

121 RLH TA 11-422

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. CRT1201, Assessment No. 128200 at 1609 UPPER AFTON ROAD.

Moermond stated this is a no show.

Property manager stated she does not manage this one. This is not rental property any longer, so they do not need to pay for a rental license this year. They rented it out as one unit earlier. (She explained who lived there.)

Lantry explained that this would need to be proved at the Legislative Hearing. Property Manager asked what is needed to prove that. Lantry responded however you prove you live someplace. They were renting out the basement, too. There needs to be a chat about that, too. Property Manager responded they were renting it out as one unit. Lantry responded that there should not be renting at all. Property Manager responded that before they were renting it out. They had guests staying there.

Moermond stated this bill was issued in July for inspection services. Property Manager responded the renter was evicted on June 30. Moermond stated it was actually a rental property. The fire certificate of occupancy inspection did occur. Those are the fees they are talking about. She would recommend approval.

To get out of the rental program, Lantry said, they need to schedule something with Ms. Moermond. The Council will approve this one because they were using the services. It was a rental property until June 30. Property manager concurred.

Lantry stated this is the annual certificate of occupancy fee. Since it was a rental property, they are going to pay for it. She is familiar with this property. There have been many inspections. She would suggest that they were in the certificate of occupancy program and the City will charge them for services provided.

Lantry moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,

Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA

Note: 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.

No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Bostrom moved approval of the balance of the Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda Adopted as amended

30	RLH AR 11-119	Ratifying the assessments for Trash Hauling Services from September 1 to 28, 2011. (File No. J1202G, Assessment No. 128701) Adopted
31	RLH AR 11-104	Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Certificate of Occupancy Fees from August 2011. (File No. CRT1201, Assessment No. 128200) Adopted
32	RLH AR 11-106	Ratifying the assessments for Graffiti Removal Services from July 20 to 24, 2011. (File No. J1201P, Assessment No. 128400) Adopted
33	RLH AR 11-107	Ratifying the assessments for Property Cleanup Services from July 28 to August 31, 2011. (File No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500) Adopted
34	RLH AR 11-108	Ratifying the assessments for Trash Hauling Services from August 3 to 31, 2011. (File No. J1201G, Assessment No. 128700) Adopted
35	RLH AR 11-109	Ratifying the assessments for Demolition Services from August 2011 (NON-CDBG Funds). (File No. J1201C, Assessment No. 122000) Adopted
36	RLH AR 11-115	Ratifying the assessments for Demolition Services from August 2011 (CDBG Funds). (File No. J1202C, Assessment No. 122001) Adopted

37	RLH AR 11-117	Ratifying the assessments for Boarding and/or Securing Services in August 2011. (File No. J1201B, Assessment No. 128100) Adopted
38	RLH AR 11-118	Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Inspection Services during July 2011. (File No. J1201E, Assessment No. 128300) Adopted
39	RLH AR 11-120	Ratifying the assessments for Graffiti Removal Services from July 20 to September 15, 2011. (File No. J1202P, Assessment No. 128401) Adopted
40	RLH AR 11-140	Ratifying the assessments for Tree Removal services for June and July 2011 (File No. 1201T, Assessment No. 129000). Adopted
41	RLH TA 11-394	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201P, Assessment No.128400 at 174 SIXTH STREET EAST. Adopted
42	RLH TA 11-449	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201E, Assessment No. 128300, at 950 SIXTH STREET EAST. Adopted
43	RLH OA 11-17	Recommending that the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners deny the application of Nhia Xiong Vang for repurchase of tax forfeited property at 781 SEVENTH STREET EAST. Adopted
44	RLH FOW 11-255	Appeal of Tab Properties, on behalf of Jenna Anderson, to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 1199 ALBEMARLE STREET. Adopted
45	RLH TA 11-461	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1201, Assessment No. 128800 at 392 ARBOR STREET. Adopted

47	RLH TA 11-425	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. CRT1201, Assessment No. 128200 at 920 ATLANTIC STREET. Adopted
48	RLH FOW 11-256	Appeal of Robert Herzog to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 1622 ATLANTIC STREET. Adopted
49	RLH TA 11-446	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1201, Assessment No. 128800 at 786 AURORA AVENUE. Adopted
50	RLH TA 11-417	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 916 AURORA AVENUE.
		Adopted
51	RLH TA 11-411	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 929 AURORA AVENUE.
		Adopted
52	RLH TA 11-416	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No.128500 at 698 BEDFORD STREET.
		Adopted
54	RLH TA 11-426	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 1564 BEECH STREET.
		Adopted
55	RLH TA 11-459	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201B Assessment No. 128100 at 651/653 BURR STREET.
		Adopted
56	RLH TA 11-453	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1202P, Assessment No. 128401 at 653 BURR STREET.
		Adopted

57	RLH VO 11-118	Appeal of Roberto Rodriguz to a Certificate of Occupancy Revocation and Order to Vacate 881 BURR STREET. Adopted
59	RLH TA 11-440	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201E, Assessment No. 128300 at 980 BUSH AVENUE. Adopted
60	RLH TA 11-419	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No.128500 at 1165-1167 BUSH AVENUE. Adopted
61	RLH TA 11-434	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 754 CHARLES AVENUE. Adopted
62	RLH FOW 11-266	Appeal of Delanghe Estates LLC (Sarah Vogt) to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 2012 CLEAR AVENUE. Adopted
63	RLH TA 11-421	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. CRT1201, Assessment No. 128200 at 359 CLEVELAND AVENUE NORTH. Adopted
66	RLH TA 11-447	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201E, Assessment No. 128300 at 253 & 255 COLBORNE STREET. Adopted
67	RLH TA 11-401	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201G, Assessment No.128700 at 612 COOK AVENUE EAST. Adopted
68	RLH TA 11-455	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201E, Assessment No. 128300 at 693 COOK AVENUE EAST. Adopted

69	RLH TA 11-432	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No.128500 at 954 COOK AVENUE. Adopted
70	RLH TA 11-437	Reducing the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. 1201T, Assessment No. 129000 at 469 DAYTON AVENUE. Adopted
71	RLH FCO 11-556	Appeal of Alvin Henke to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 878-880 DAYTON AVENUE. Adopted
72	RLH TA 11-427	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 2076 DAYTON AVENUE, UNIT ONE.
73	RLH TA 11-428	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 2076 DAYTON AVENUE, UNIT TWO.
74	RLH TA 11-429	Adopted Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 2076 DAYTON AVENUE,
		UNIT THREE. Adopted
75	RLH TA 11-430	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 2076 DAYTON AVENUE, UNIT FOUR. Adopted
76	RLH TA 11-460	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. CRT1201, Assessment No. 128200 at 1032 DULUTH STREET. Adopted
77	RLH AR 11-133	Amending the assessment at 730 EARL STREET for collection of delinquent vacant building fees re-invoiced for August and September 2009. (File No. VB0907, Assessment No. 108747. Approved in 2010) Adopted

78	RLH RR 11-80	Ordering the razing and removal of the structure(s) at 910 EDMUND AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the November 16, 2011 City Council Public Hearing. (Public hearing continued from November 16, 2011) Adopted
79	RLH TA 11-479	Reducing the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1203A, Assessment No. 128502 at 1543 EUCLID STREET.
		Adopted
80	RLH TA 11-436	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 1315 FREMONT AVENUE.
		Adopted
81	RLH TA 11-402	Reducing the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 717 FRY STREET, AKA 1642 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST.
		Adopted
82	RLH TA 11-403	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201G, Assessment No. 128700 at 717 FRY STREET, AKA 1642 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST.
		Adopted
84	RLH FOW 11-257	Appeal of Bill Wengler to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 833 GRAND AVENUE.
		Adopted
85	RLH TA 11-424	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. CRT1201, Assessment No. 128200 at 236 GRAND AVENUE.
		Adopted
86	RLH TA 11-415	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No.128500 at 1618 GROTTO STREET NORTH. Adopted
87	RLH WP 11-121	Appeal of Mitchell Caron, Usonia Properties LLC, to an Egress Window Non-Compliance Determination at 2058 HAWTHORNE AVENUE EAST.
		Adopted

88	RLH TA 11-406	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 1571 HAZELWOOD STREET.
		Adopted
89	RLH FCO 11-557	Appeal of John Schoenfelder and Renee Laurent Schoenfelder to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 1879 HOYT AVENUE.
		Adopted
90	RLH TA 11-438	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1201, Assessment No. 128800 at 1840 IDAHO AVENUE EAST.
		Adopted
92	RLH TA 11-452	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1201, Assessment No. 128800 at 530 JENKS AVENUE
		Adopted
94	RLH TA 11-409	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 735 JESSIE STREET.
		Adopted
95	RLH TA 11-413	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 1218500 at 663 LAFOND AVENUE. Adopted
96	RLH TA 11-443	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1202P, Assessment No. 128401 at 1338 LAFOND AVENUE. Adopted
99	RLH WP 11-126	Appeal of Chamee Her to an Egress Window Non-Compliance Determination at 1725 LOUISE AVENUE. Adopted
100	RLH FCO 11-535	Appeal of Xuan Hguyen to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 1227 MAGNOLIA AVENUE EAST. Adopted

102	RLH TA 11-423	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 525 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST.
		Adopted
103	RLH RR 11-89	Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 576-586 MARYLAND AVENUE WEST within fifteen (15) days after the January 4, 2012 City Council Public Hearing.
		Adopted
107	RLH TA 11-400	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 164 MILFORD STREET.
		Adopted
108	RLH TA 11-420	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No.128500 at 545 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST.
		Adopted
109	RLH TA 11-433	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 760 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST.
		Adopted
110	RLH FOW 11-251	Appeal of Ryan Ferguson, on behalf of Ryan Partners, to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Inspection Correction Notice at 667 OTSEGO STREET.
		Adopted
111	RLH TA 11-439	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201P, Assessment No. 128400 at 565 PASCAL STREET NORTH.
		Adopted
112	RLH TA 11-454	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1202G, Assessment No. 128701 at 1615 PINEHURST AVENUE.
		Adopted
113	RLH WP 11-122	Appeal of Keven Steen, Wellington Window & Door Company, on behalf of Kendra Liu, to an Egress Window Non-Compliance Determination at 2099 PINEHURST AVENUE.
		Adopted

114	RLH TA 11-399	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 1127 REANEY AVENUE. Adopted
115	RLH VBR 11-89	Appeal of Kiem Dao to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1221 RICE STREET. Adopted
116	RLH RR 11-91	Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 155 RUTH STREET NORTH within fifteen (15) days after the January 4, 2012 City Council Public Hearing. Adopted
117	RLH TA 11-408	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No.128500 at 1428 SHERBURNE AVENUE. Adopted
118	RLH TA 11-435	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 1752 STILLWATER AVENUE. Adopted
119	RLH TA 11-451	Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 2022 STILLWATER AVENUE. Adopted
120	RLH TA 11-457	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201E, Assessment No. 128300 at 1424 UPPER AFTON RD. Adopted
122	RLH TA 11-414	Reducing the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 1347 VAN BUREN AVENUE. Adopted
123	RLH TA 11-410	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1201A, Assessment No. 128500 at 984 WAKEFIELD AVENUE. Adopted

125	RLH VO 11-120	Appeal of Matthew Ladwig, Ladwig Companies, to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 32 WHEELER STREET SOUTH. Adopted
126	RLH FOW 11-258	Appeal of Kawkheelar Hsa Moo to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 354 WHEELOCK PARKWAY EAST. Adopted
127	RLH TA 11-442	Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1202P, Assessment No. 128401 at 617 WHITALL STREET. Adopted

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at approximately 6:40 p.m.

Adjourned

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Carter III, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark,

Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

Nay: 0

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