



City of Saint Paul

City Hall and Court House
15 West Kellogg Boulevard
Council Chambers - 3rd
Floor
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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, August 12, 2026

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 3:30 PM

Present 5 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Nelsie Yang,
Councilmember HwaJeong Kim, Councilmember Saura Jost and
Councilmember Molly Coleman

Absent 2 - Councilmember Anika Bowie and Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 26-55](#) Authorizing the Police Department to reallocate activity budget to more accurately reflect activity in the Police General Fund.

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

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim,
Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Coleman

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Bowie and Councilmember Johnson

- 2 [RES 26-692](#) Requesting City Council approval of amendments to the 2024 adopted Special Assessment Policies.

Adopted

- 3 [RES 26-1216](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Repair of Sanitary Sewer Service Line on Private Properties and setting date of City Council public hearing for September 16, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. SWRP2603, Assessment No. 263002)
- Adopted**
- 4 [RES 26-1230](#) Preliminary Order setting the date of Public Hearing for September 16, 2026, to consider approval of the Seventh Place Mall operation and maintenance costs for 2025. File No. 18428-25, Assessment No. 257200.
- Adopted**
- 5 [RES 26-1232](#) Preliminary Order setting the date of Public Hearing for September 16, 2026, to consider approval of the Seventh Place Mall operation and maintenance costs for 2026. File No. 18428-26, Assessment No. 267200.
- Adopted**
- 6 [RES 26-1267](#) Authorizing the Police Department to submit an application to the FY 2026 LEMHWA Grants Program from the U.S. Department of Justice.
- Adopted**
- 7 [RES 26-1270](#) Preliminary Order setting the date of City Council public hearing for September 16, 2026 to consider approval for the Grand/Snelling parking lot operation and maintenance costs for 2027. File No. 18746-26, Assessment No. 267202.
- Adopted**
- 8 [RES 26-1279](#) Authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for traffic signal system interconnect construction on Trunk Highway 61 from Burns Avenue to Third Street.
- Adopted**
- 9 [RES 26-1296](#) Authorizing approval of settlement and payment in full and final settlement of the lawsuit captioned, Jon Berry v. City of St. Paul, and St. Paul City Council Member Anika Bowie in her individual capacity, Ramsey County District Court File Number, 27-CV-25-5519.
- Adopted**
- 10 [RES 26-1305](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Elisa Rasmussen and reappointment of Amanda Heu to the Visit Saint Paul Board of Directors.
- Adopted**
- 11 [RES 26-1306](#) Approving the Mayor's reappointment of Kristin Beckmann to the Public Housing Agency (PHA).
- Adopted**

- 12 [RES 26-1311](#) Finding that ST. PAWS LLC violated Legislative Code, Chapters 224 and 233, and imposing restitution in the amount of \$40,201.23.
Adopted
- 13 [RES 26-1177](#) Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement (January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2028) and Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and the International Association of Fire Fighters, AFL-CIO Local 21.
Adopted
- 14 [RES 26-1251](#) Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement (January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026) between the City of Saint Paul and the Law Enforcement Labor Services Local No. 635 representing Deputy Chiefs and Memorandums of Agreement.
Adopted
- 15 [RES 26-1262](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 110, for the purpose of establishing mandatory contributions for the utilization of the Minnesota Paid Leave program.
Adopted
- 16 [RES 26-1314](#) Amending RES 25-192, as amended, to integrate the responsibilities of the Administrative Citations Legislative Advisory Committee into a public Administrative Citations Implementation Working Group.
Adopted

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

- 17 [Ord 26-27](#) Administrative Ordinance placing the classification titled Deputy City Clerk in the unclassified service pursuant to Section 12.03.2(H) of the City of Saint Paul Charter (must be approved by Civil Service Commission after adoption by City Council but prior to Mayor signature).
Withdrawn

ROLL CALL

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

- 18 [Ord 26-31](#) Amending Section 224.05(c) of the Legislative Code to eliminate the City's provisional 90-day minimum wage rate in the City of Saint Paul for workers between the ages of 14 and 17.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

First Reading

- 19 [Ord 26-38](#) Administrative Ordinance establishing a Qualifications and Examining Committee for the position of Fire Chief pursuant to the provisions of Section 9.01(a) of the Administrative Code and Section 12.12.1 of the Saint Paul City Charter.

Amended and laid over to August 19, 2026

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

Nay: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 20 [RES PH 26-148](#) Ratifying the assessments for sanitary sewer replacement within the street right-of-way from the public sewer to the property line, done with the Metro Transit 10-mile Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit project. (File No. 19252C, Assessment No. 226001)

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 21 [RES PH 26-177](#) Approving the petition of Scott Ramsay, on behalf of Buck Valley Developers LLC, property owner at 779 Lexington Parkway South, to vacate the alley right-of-way abutting Lot 1, Block 19, West End Addition.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

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- 22** [RES PH 26-188](#) Amending the City's Operating Budget to reflect the final sale details resulting from the issuance of Judgment Bonds, Series 2026A, judgment payment and transfer of proceeds from a special revenue fund.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay:** 0
- 23** [RES PH 26-184](#) Authorizing the City, on behalf of the Public Works Department, to accept a donation of one (1) Big Belly-brand garbage and recycling collection station, with a value of \$6,951.60, from the Highland District Council to support public garbage and recycling operations.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay:** 0
- 24** [RES PH 26-185](#) Approving the application of the Department of Parks and Recreation for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for the Saint Paul Get Down event on Saturday, August 29, 2026, at 2 Wabasha Street - Raspberry Island Regional Park.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay:** 0
- 25** [RES PH 26-186](#) Approving the application of the University of Saint Thomas for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for the 2026 Back to School Pep Rally event on Thursday, September 3, 2026, at 2115 Summit Avenue - O'Shaughnessy Stadium.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay:** 0
- 26** [RES PH 26-187](#) Approving the application of Selby Ave JazzFest for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for the Selby Ave JazzFest event on Saturday, September 12, 2026, at the intersection of Selby Avenue and Milton Street North.
- Adopted**
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Yea: 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

Nay: 0

- 27** [RES PH 26-189](#) Approving the application of University of Saint Thomas for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for a UST vs. Winona State Football Game event on Thursday, August 27, 2026, at 2115 Summit Avenue - O'Shaughnessy Stadium.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEM

- 29** [RLH SAO 26-62](#) Appeal of Lucky Tiger Jack Rosenbloom to a Summary Abatement Order at 369 DALE STREET NORTH.

Adopted as amended (granted to October 26, 2026 for compliance)

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

Nay: 1 - Councilmember Johnson

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

- 28** [RLH VO 26-31](#) Appeal of Brent Rekstad to a Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation and Order to Vacate at 1083 BRADLEY STREET. (To refer to August 18, 2026 Legislative Hearing)

Referred to August 18, 2026 Legislative Hearing

- 30** [RLH SAO 26-65](#) Making finding on the appealed of Katherine Werner to a nuisance abatement ordered for 2177 FAIRMOUNT AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 26-57.

Adopted

- 31 [RLH VO 26-36](#) Appeal of Jade L. Nilo to a Fire Inspection Report at 1400 HEWITT AVENUE.

Adopted

- 32 [RLH CO 26-4](#) Appeal of Kinnell Tackett to a Notice to Cut Tall Grass and/or Weeds at 444 JOHNSON PARKWAY.

Adopted as amended (granted to September 14, 2026 for compliance)

- 33 [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. (Continued Public Hearing to August 5, 2026)

Adopted as amended (granted 180 days)**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting ended at 4:04 PM

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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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