



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Council President Amy Brendmoen
Councilmember Mitra Jalali
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
Councilmember Jane L. Prince
Councilmember Dai Thao
Councilmember Chris Tolbert
Councilmember Nelsie Yang

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

Please see the meeting guidelines due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m.

Present 7 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Dai Thao, Councilmember Chris Tolbert, Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Jane L. Prince, Councilmember Mitra Jalali and Councilmember Nelsie Yang

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [CO 21-38](#) Mayor's Emergency Executive Orders 21-16, 21-17 and 21-18.
Received and Filed
- 2 [AO 21-18](#) Amending the 2021 Capital Improvement Budget to allocate funding for community projects to the appropriate departments, as recommended by the Capital Improvement Budget Committee.
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: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 3 [RES 21-456](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean-Up services during February 1 to 11, 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for May 18, 2021, and City Council public hearing for July 7, 2021, to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2117A, Assessment No. 218526)

Adopted

- 4 [RES 21-584](#) Authorizing the City of Saint Paul to apply to Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development Contamination Cleanup Grant funding for The Hollows (520 Payne Avenue), Farwell Yards (102 and 150 West Water Street and 75 Bidwell Street), and Wakan Tipi Center (Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary) projects

Adopted

- 5 [RES 21-606](#) Authorizing the Department of Planning and Economic Development to apply for the Metropolitan Council's Livable Communities Demonstration Account Pre-Development grant fund for ReConnect Rondo and Livable Communities Demonstration Account Transit-Oriented Development Pre-Development grant fund for 990 Payne Avenue.

Adopted

- 6 [RES 21-613](#) Condemning the use of discriminatory covenants, discharging discriminatory covenants on city-owned property, and approving participation in the Just Deeds coalition.

Adopted

- 8 [RES 21-626](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2021 Wage and Fringe Adjustment for the Operative Plasterers and Cement Masons International Association, Local 633. (Laid over from April 21)

Laid over to April 28

- 9 [RES 21-630](#) Authorizing Mayor Carter's Office to submit a Bloomberg Mayor's Challenge Program Grant Proposal

Adopted

SUSPENSION ITEMS

Rules suspended

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

[RES 21-664](#)

Approving the appointment of Kristien Butler as Interim Director of the Department of Human Rights and Equal Economic Opportunity.

Council President Brendmoen said this is an interim director appointment.

*Councilmember Thao moved the resolution
7 in favor, none opposed*

Shari Moore, City Clerk, swore in Butler.

Kristien Butler thanked Mayor Carter, Deputy Mayor, and the Council to have the faith and trust in him to step into this role. Director Jensen's departure was a surprise. He was in the role for 2 months as deputy director. She did an excellent job of laying a foundation for HREEO. They know how much the residents of Saint Paul depend on what they do for them. He was born and raised in Nassau, Bahamas. He has been here for 20 years. He went to St. Johnson and William Mitchell for law school. (He gave further background.)

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

FOR DISCUSSION

7 [RES 21-614](#) Establishing names for four new parks in the Highland Bridge development.

Councilmember Tolbert said this is another step in the process. They are bringing the names forward. It's really exciting to welcome these new parks. The names are Gateway Park, Assembly Union Park, Unci Makha Park, Mica Park. It was fun to look at the names that were submitted. He recognized the names of the Dakota community. We were going to have a meeting last night in the community. It was postponed for the actual design of the parks.

Ellen Stewart, Parks and Rec, spoke. They have concluded the design process for the 4 parks. They had an open call for the names. The public had generated over 300 names from over 90 individuals. They are excited about that. They put together an adhoc group of Dakota for names. They worked with Saint Paul Youth Commission. They had them look at the names and provide feedback. There are 4 parks. The parks owned by the City are in yellow. The names are Gateway Park, which reflects the importance of this site as you are coming from Minneapolis into Saint Paul and we are bridging the past to the future; Assembly Union Park with play area and it stands where the assembly line was; Unci Makha Park means Mother Earth in Dakota; Mica Park is the final small park. That will be largely undeveloped. Mahka is the abbreviation for coyote in Dakota.

Tolbert added that Makha Park says there is a famous coyote in Highland. It's a great name for that area. This is an exciting step in the Highland Bridge development.

Council President Brendmoen said there is process being made. Saint Paul Youth Commissioners is a great board.

*Tolbert moved the resolution.
7 in favor, none opposed*

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

10 [RES 21-324](#) Approving a Lease Agreement between the City and the Board of Water Commissioners to lease a portion of Board-owned property at 750 Snelling Avenue South for use by the City's Parks and Recreation Department.

Council President Brendmoen said Councilmember Yang requested a 4-week layover to May 19.

*7 in favor, none opposed
Laid over to May 19*

Laid over to May 19

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

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 Legal Ledger. Public hearings on ordinances are held at the second reading.

Final Adoption

11 [Ord 20-29](#)

Amending Chapter 409 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the distance restriction between liquor license locations and to reduce the location radius for off-sale wine only license locations.

Councilmember Prince said she requested Ricardo Cervantes (Director of Safety and Inspection) or representative attend today's meeting. She is looking for an update.

Cervantes said he is back in a request to have DSI staff review the proposal to reduce the distance requirement for off sale and create only off sale wine. They have done some of the review. They took time to review the good work Stephanie produced. They reviewed the ordinance language to ensure what the language would mean. Dan Noziolek provided a report that talks about the guide for wine and alcohol outlets. They also want to provide items for consideration.

As they look at guiding principals around distance requirement for on sale and off sale, that has a lot to do with studies that have been done that talk about the harm which alcohol has done. Use of alcohols can have negative impacts in the community. Some of the research has been done with regards to alcohol use. Their observations has been changing his perspective in regards to density and opportunity in the use of alcohol. There has been a concerted effort to ensure there is increased enforcement for DWI's. There have been a reduction in the number of accidents related to DWI. Some of the culture has been changed for bars. On sale poses its own level of issues and problems. Off sale poses its own challenges. There are fewer issues. They have contributed to that. They have redefined restaurants. This has allowed for more opportunities for alcohol in the state. They have increased the opportunities for breweries, off sale malt, off sale growlers, and off sale spirits. There has been an increase in the number of off sales in the city. In addition, he wanted to highlight that Saint Paul and Minneapolis are the only cities with distance requirements. In the beginning, there was no distance requirement for off sale in Saint Paul. There are grandfathered sites throughout the City, which makes up about 1/3 of the off sale liquor licenses in the City. By redoing the distance requirements for wine only off sale will have variable impact in regard to what has already transcribed. The use of alcohol has its own risks. They are moving in the directions to add more opportunities and more access to alcohol. He would ask the Council to take into consideration: 1) the way the language is written, it is less distance Downtown. He would ask the Council to consider separating the section that pertains to wine only for clarity and enforcement purposes. 2) There is value in distance and spacing, he would ask Council to consider ¼ mile distance for off sale wine only license.

Council President Brendmoen said his recommendation is to amend it to the specifications he just mentioned. Cervantes responded that is correct.

Councilmember Prince thanked Cervantes for paving the way for it to be passed. The Council has already amended this so the distance is ¼ mile. She is wondering if we can get clarity on the second amendment, so we can lay it over and be clear about it so it can get it in for a final vote next week.

Cervantes said to create another preference about the licenses outside of the Downtown.

Prince asked if the Council could get a redline version of that, so it can be in Legistar for next week. Cervantes said he will have staff work with their city attorney.

Dan Noziolek (Department of Safety and Inspections) stated he would like the amended language read for the ¼ mile.

Councilmember Noecker said she is happy to follow Prince's lead. It sounded like policy advice instead of enforcement advice. The text is in front of DSI staff. The quarter mile is written right there. It was introduced 6 months ago. It feels like it can be continually laid over so that DSI can get us the support we need. It is very clear what we are talking about. This is really dragging on. She would like to vote.

Councilmember Jalali said she continues to not understand the problem this ordinance is trying to solve. From a good faith clarification, she would like someone to speak to that. Also, there are questions about why can't we include all liquor licenses within this and why is it just wine. She is still trying to figure out if she would support it today. If it is laid over, it would be good to get addressed.

Prince said she would like to provide that history for Jalali. She is inclined to lay it over because she didn't know what these potential changes might be. The original impetus came from a Ward 7 business which wanted to open a next door retail establishment which would help him during COVID. They faced the half mile distance requirement for off sale liquor licenses. The idea to reduce the distance for wine shops requirement came from Niziolek. DSI became busy with COVID and was unable to work on it. Stephanie Harr worked with DSI, to provide research and community outreach to be able to provide that so DSI wouldn't have to worry about it. A week ago, one of the owners announced he is going to move into a different direction for his business. With that said, during the entire process, they met several business owners who felt this is an option they would like to consider in face of the financial challenges with COVID. Her colleagues see this as the open for business initiative. Stephanie met with district councils. They received support from several district councils, all of which have commercial strips within them. In particular, Summit Hill and others felt a wine shop was a retail opportunity that you could put in a small space that would be viewed as a neighborhood opportunity. Off sale liquor stores carry with them another type of nuisance issues. East Side Business Association, Payne Arcade Business Association thought this was a good opportunity. The Business Review Council voted in support of the ordinance. She is grateful people are considering it. She hopes people will reach out to her. It is high time that they move this off of the agenda. And we are able to offer this during this terrible year for food businesses as a business opportunity.

Jalali said it was helpful how the engagement has gone. The original problem was trying to help one business. Other business owners recognized it yielded a lot of community support. She understands a wine shop is different than a whole liquor store, but it would cover more bases to include more. She respects that we will give this some time.

Noecker thanked Jalali and said she had the same questions. It could be one constituent that raises an issue and then we realize it could benefit a lot of people. Ward 7 did a lot of research on this. We are an outlier to have these requirements in the first place. Other areas do not have these requirements.

Councilmember Thao said he has a wine only business in Ward 1, Solo Vino. He is in support of this. They are in a place where he would like us to be attractive to different types of businesses in Saint Paul. It would complement the neighborhood. He is a wine drinker, and he wants to go to a place that specializes in that.

Prince said if she knew where the votes were, she would put it to a vote today. She will lay it over. She asked Cervantes if we need two weeks to get it in final form. Brendmoen responded it would need to be in Legistar for the next meeting.

Prince moved the ordinance for a final vote.

Councilmember Yang said we should be a City open for business. With the layover, she would think more intensely about her vote and decision. She hasn't heard them talk about what do the people need. How do we make sure people are getting vaccinated? How do we make sure they can pay the rent? Also, food insecurity issues. When she prioritizes all of these things, the conversation around distance requirement for a wine shop does not come up at all. That is not a need in Ward 6. She cannot support the ordinance. She wants to make sure when she votes that it is the right thing.

Yeas – Thao, Noecker, Prince

No – Tolbert, Yang, Jalali, Brendmoen

3 in favor, 4 opposed

Motion fails

Failed

Yea: 3 - Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

Nay: 4 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

First Reading

12 [Ord 21-13](#)

Granting the application of Verus Praedium Holding LLC to rezone the property at 1001 Reaney Avenue from RT1 two-family residential to RM1 low-density multi-family residential and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Laid Over to April 28 for second reading

13 [Ord 21-14](#)

Granting the application of L & N Black Properties LLC to rezone property at 554 Broadway St from I1 light industrial to B5 central business-service district and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Councilmember Noecker said she wanted a brief staff report.

Bill Dermody, Planning and Economic Development, showed some graphics. This is a request to rezone. Most unique part is that it is typically thought of as Downtown. B5 is the central business district. The comprehensive plan calls for the entire area as mixed use. It is not going to be industrial forever. It's not spot zoning. Planning Commission recommends approval.

Laid over to April 28 for second reading/public hearing

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 14** [RES PH 21-54](#) Final Order approving the Seventh Place Mall operation and maintenance for 2020. (File No. 18428-21, Assessment No. 217200)
- Council President Brendmoen said we have taken comments online and transcribed on the phone.*
- Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.*
- 7 in favor, none opposed*
Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 15** [RES PH 21-55](#) Final Order approving the Grand/Snelling parking lot operation and maintenance costs for 2022. (File No. 18746-21, Assessment No. 217202)
- Council President Brendmoen said we have taken comments online and transcribed on the phone.*
- Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.*
- 7 in favor, none opposed*
Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 16** [RES PH 21-56](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Department of Public Works Capital Budget to add Ramsey County funding for multiple traffic signal improvement projects.
- Council President Brendmoen said this item has been an online public hearing, we have testimony online, and over the phone.*
- Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.*
7 in favor, none opposed
Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted
- Adopted**

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 17 [RES PH 21-62](#) Approving a Lease Agreement and parkland diversion for the City to lease a portion of City-owned property known as Pig's Eye Regional Park to the Board of Water Commissioners to use for soils recycling and storage.

Councilmember Yang seeks a 4-week layover to May 19.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is continued to May 19

Public Hearing is continued to May 19

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 18 [RES PH 21-78](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Department of Public Works Capital and Operating Budgets for the 2021 Sidewalk Reconstruction Program, the 2021 Jefferson/St Paul Avenue Pedestrian Improvement Project and the 2021 Griggs/Scheffer Phase II Project.

Council President Brendmoen said this is a public hearing held online and over the phone.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 19 [RES PH 21-88](#) Approving the application of Awaken Covenant Community for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound on May 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2021, at 1200 Montreal Avenue, Highland Park Pavilion.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 20 [RES PH 21-89](#) Approving the application of the University of St. Thomas for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound on May 16, 22, and 23, 2021, at O'Shaughnessy Stadium, 2115 Summit Avenue.

Council President Brendmoen said this had been a public hearing held online and over the phone.

Councilmember Jalali moved approval.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 21 [RES PH 21-95](#) Approving and authorizing acceptance of Livable Communities Fund grants from the Metropolitan Council and amending the 2021 Budget

Council President Brendmoen said public hearing has been held online and transcribed over the phone.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 22 [RES PH 21-101](#) Authorizing the City to enter into an agreement for HOURCAR to operate a Shared Electric Vehicle Fleet (“Evie”).

Russ Stark, Chief Resiliency Office, said he is talking about the next 2 items. (He showed his screen.) These are agreements between the City and Minneapolis and between the City and HourCar. The project is now known as the EV Spot Network and Evie Carshare. The brand was in partnership of all of their partners and the assistance from the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenges. This project is a longer vision to make sure 90% of residents live within a 5 minute walk of four affordable no/low carbon mobility options, emphasizing carbon reduction and improved transportation options and access for low wealth communities. They have goals to reduce single occupancy vehicles and reducing green house gas emissions. The lack of options falls hardest on under resourced residents. These resources are attractive to employees and employers.

This will deliver 70 powered EV spots in the 2 cities and 150 Evie Carshare vehicles. It will enable us to reduce the need to spend money on personal ownership of vehicles, improve mobility and access, reduce vehicle miles traveled, reduce air pollution, and accelerate EV adoption with a focus on accessible charging for renters. There are commitments being made to see a dramatic shift toward electrical vehicles in the coming years. The cost of an EV will be comparable to the cost of other cars.

There have been partners with various groups. There was a survey. They wanted flexibility, freedom, and independence with this new service. The process of selecting the locations was quite technical and involved. The agreement between Saint Paul and Minneapolis: overall investment includes \$4 million from federal transportation dollars, \$3.3 Million from energy grant, \$4 Million from Xcel for the electrical capacity to power them. Saint Paul got 38 EV spots and Minneapolis got 32. Each City will operate and maintain the spots. They will coordinate the alignment and pricing. They are exploring sponsorship of the system. They have agreed that should a sponsorship become available, it will be a 70% and 30% split.

Councilmember Noecker asked why there was that number of spots for the dollars. Stark responded the majority of the funding is noncity dollars. The project has a total cost of \$12 Million. The fairest way to figure out the spots is the cost per location and that is around \$100,000, so we came up with this agreement between the 2 cities. Most of the funding is coming from other sources, so that is a reasonable arrangement. They want to know there is a viable solution for Carshare.

Brendmoen said we are venturing into this work with Car2Go and expanded all across the City which played into its demise. Starting us off on the right foot gives us the opportunity to expand.

Stark says the contract insures HourCar will operate for 5 years with the option to extend beyond the 5 years. The City has oversight and approval of the rates to use the service as well as assuring there is a low income rate offering. HourCar will clear the snow from the EV spots. They will receive a 2 year waive where they would end up at metered parking spots and those funds will instead be focused on community outreach and engagement. Starting at Year 3 they would owe the city. They could reduce those costs for parking based on meeting the City's equity goals for the project. (Stark went into details on the parking costs relief incentives.)

Councilmember Noecker asked the cost of the waiver for parking at meters. Stark

estimated at about \$30,000 a year. It is based on Car2Go. Noecker responded that is a reasonable amount to pay. They should make sure there is not an incentive for HourCar to overly survey the community to save money.

Stark said this is 3 years in the making.

Council President Brendmoen said she got an answer every time she had a question on this issue. This is a public hearing held online and transcribed over the phone.

Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.

Councilmember Tolbert said this adds another tool to our transit diversity. He is excited to support it.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

23 [RES PH 21-102](#)

Authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with the City of Minneapolis outlining each City's commitments and responsibilities related to the EV Spot Network and Evie Carshare Service ("Evie").

Council President Brendmoen said we held a public hearing online and over the phone.

Councilmember Yang moved approval.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 24** [Ord 21-11](#) Granting the application of 1164 W 7th, LLC (previously Miley H R Separate Prop Trust) to rezone property at 1164 Seventh Street West from RT2 townhouse residential to RM2 multiple-family residential and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing was held online and over the phone. We had an opportunity for public hearing last week.

Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the ordinance is laid over to April 28 for final adoption

Laid over to April 28 for final adoption

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 25** [Ord 21-12](#) Granting the application of Hovda Properties LLC to rezone property at 1219 Saint Clair Avenue from B1 local business to T3 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing was held online and over the phone. There are comments in legistar.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing.

6 in favor, 1 opposed (Prince)

Laid over to April 28 for final adoption

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 1 - Councilmember Prince

LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS

The Legislative Officer recommends adoption of the following resolutions, as no objections to these recommendations were received:

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 28** [RLH VO 21-11](#) Appeal of Sheri Galindo to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 1082 EUCLID STREET.

Adopted

- 29 [RLH VO 21-9](#) Appeal of Kristin Holmes, Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services, on behalf of Tricia LaMotte, to a Correction Notice-Complaint Inspection (which includes condemnation) at 281 FIFTH STREET EAST, UNIT 103.

Adopted

- 30 [RLH TA 21-180](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1877 GRAND AVENUE. (File No. J2009B1, Assessment No. 208119)

Adopted

- 32 [RLH VBR 21-19](#) Appeal of Melanie Vang to a Vacant Building Registration Fee Warning Letter at 963 JESSAMINE AVENUE EAST.

Adopted

- 34 [RLH VBR 21-17](#) Appeal of David Meyer to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 359 MICHIGAN STREET.

Adopted

- 36 [RLH VBR 21-18](#) Appeal of James Sazevich to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 454 SMITH AVENUE NORTH.

Adopted

For the following items, no objection to the Legislative Hearing Officer's amended recommendation was received and, therefore, she recommends amendment and adoption:

- 33 [RLH TA 21-80](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 661 LAWSON AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2110A, Assessment No. 218509)

Adopted as amended (ratify assessment)

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 35 [RLH TA 21-134](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 818 SHERBURNE AVENUE. (File No. J2110A, Assessment No. 218509) (Amend to File No. J2110A2, Assessment No. 218333)

Adopted As Amended (reduce assessment)

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

For the following item, the Legislative Hearing Officer's amended recommendation is to continue the Public Hearing to October 13:

- 26** [RLH TA 21-182](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1323 BARCLAY STREET (1327 BARCLAY STREET-ARCHIVED). (File No. J2105E, Assessment No. 218304) (Continue public hearing to October 13, 2021)

Continue Public Hearing to October 13

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

For the following item, the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendation is to refer to Legislative Hearing to the dates listed:

- 27** [RLH RR 21-11](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 318 EDMUND AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the April 21, 2021, City Council Public Hearing.

Referred to the May 11 Legislative Hearings

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 31** [RLH TA 21-158](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 936 JEFFERSON AVENUE. (File No. J2106E, Assessment No. 218305) (Refer to Legislative Hearing October 5, 2021)

Referred to the October 5 Legislative Hearing

Yea: 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

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