



City of Saint Paul

City Hall and Court House
15 West Kellogg Boulevard
Council Chambers - 3rd
Floor
651-266-8560

Meeting Minutes - Action Only

City Council

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

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 3:32 PM

Present 5 - Councilmember Mitra Jalali, Councilmember Nelsie Yang, Councilmember Anika Bowie, Councilmember Saura Jost and Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson

Absent 2 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker and Councilmember HwaJeong Kim

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 24-81](#) Reallocating funds from two (2) 2024 Neighborhood STAR projects to establish one (1) new project per Res 24-1460.
Received and Filed
- 2 [AO 25-2](#) Amending the 2022 Citywide Long-Term Capital Maintenance Program Capital Improvement Budget to correct spending and financing allocations.
Received and Filed
- 3 [AO 25-6](#) Establishing one (1) new project through the Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program as adopted via City Council RES # 24-1875.
Received and Filed
- 4 [AO 25-8](#) Amending the 2025 Planning and Economic Development budget to correct revenue account codes.
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 Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

- 5 [RES 25-172](#) Authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for federal funding to lease electric vehicles for the Twin Cities Electric Vehicle Mobility Network (Evie Carshare).
Adopted
- 6 [RES 25-209](#) Authorizing the Department of Public Works to accept a grant of \$250,000 from the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES) 2025 Private Property Inflow & Infiltration Grant Program.
Adopted
- 7 [RES 25-110](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the January 2025 Wage & Fringe Adjustment (Dues Only) between the City and the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council 82.
Laid over to February 12, 2025
- 8 [RES 25-111](#) Authorizing the Department of Talent and Equity Resources to accept donations of refreshments and items of support at new employee orientations and other citywide educational events for City employees in 2025.
Adopted
- 9 [RES 25-112](#) Establishing the rate of pay for the new classification of Outreach Supervisor in EG 09, Grade 015.
Laid over to February 12, 2025
- 10 [RES 25-126](#) Authorizing the City to amend the lease agreement with National Cooperative Leasing to expand the fleet size of the Evie carshare program by 45 vehicles.
Adopted
- 11 [RES 25-166](#) Authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation for the Kellogg-3rd Bridge Project.
Adopted
- 12 [RES 25-170](#) Amending the 2024 and 2025 Capital Improvement Budget to allocate funding for Community Proposal Allocations, and reprogramming unspent 2021 Community Proposal funding as recommended by the Capital Improvement Budget Committee.
Adopted

- 13 [RES 25-175](#) Approving the City's Council's reappointment of Jamila Pickett, Khulia Pringle and Nick Khaliq to the Saint Paul Recovery Act Community Reparations Commission.
Adopted
- 14 [RES 25-184](#) Accepting the gift of travel expenses from the Knight Foundation for Councilmember Saura Jost and Library Director Maureen Hartman to attend the Knight Foundation Library Leaders Convening and Knight Media Forum from February 17 - February 20, 2025 in Miami, Florida.
Adopted
- 15 [RES 25-186](#) Authorizing the City to enter into the attached Lease Agreement with Macalester-Groveland Community Council for office space at Edgumbe Recreation Center.
Adopted
- 16 [RES 25-187](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept a donation of tickets to local theater and sporting events from Tickets for Kids Charities for youth and their families to attend various events in the metropolitan area.
Adopted
- 17 [RES 25-189](#) Authorizing the City to enter into the attached Lease Agreement with Highland Area Community Council for office space at Hillcrest Community Recreation Center.
Adopted
- 18 [RES 25-190](#) Authorizing the City to enter into the attached Lease Agreement with Summit-Hill Association Community Council for office space at Linwood Recreation Center.
Adopted
- 19 [RES 25-197](#) Authorizing the City to apply for \$72,000 from the Minnesota Department of Commerce's Solar on Public Buildings Grant Program for rooftop solar installation at Animal Services.
Adopted
- 20 [RES 25-200](#) Approving the use of grant funds through the Ward 4 Neighborhood STAR Year-Round program for Cadenza Music, LLC.
Adopted
- 21 [RES 25-215](#) Approving the use of grant funds through the Ward 6 Neighborhood Star Year-Round Program for Foot & Ankle Medical Clinic, P.A.
Adopted
- 22 [RES 25-217](#) Approving the use or non-use of a Project Labor Agreement on Department of Parks and Recreation construction projects for the first half of 2025.

Adopted

- 23 [RES 25-221](#) Authorizing the Police Department (SPPD) to accept an amended grant from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS), Intensive Comprehensive Police Officer Education and Training (ICPOET) Program.

Adopted

- 24 [RES 25-199](#) Honoring the life of Edward Nao Yeng Yang and proclaiming Wednesday, February 5, 2024, as Edward Nao Yeng Yang Day in the City of Saint Paul.

Adopted**SUSPENSION ITEM**

- [RES 25-260](#) Recognizing Mitra Jalali's leadership and service to the City of Saint Paul.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

FOR DISCUSSION

- 25 [RES 25-161](#) Approving adverse action against the Tobacco Shop License held by Peters Market Inc., d/b/a Peters Market (License ID #20200001649), for the premises located at 530 Saint Peter Street. (Licensee will be represented by legal counsel for the hearing before the City Council) (Laid over from February 5, 2025).

Laid over to February 12, 2025

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

- 26 [RES 25-213](#) Recognizing Black History month in the City of Saint Paul for the month of February and uplifting the local work of Proceed, Progressive Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. Paul Johnson and "Mama" Jo Ann Clark.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

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.

First Reading

- 27 [Ord 25-17](#) Granting the application of Tong Thanh Nguyen to rezone property at 25 George Street E from B1 local business to H1 residential and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.
Laid over to February 12, 2025 for Second Reading
- 28 [Ord 25-18](#) Granting the application of LB1041 Selby LLC to rezone property at 642 Selby Avenue from B2 community business to T3 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.
Laid over to February 12, 2025 for Second Reading
- 29 [Ord 25-19](#) Amending Chapter 2.02 of the Administrative Code to add Section (G)(10) establishing an Office of Financial Services grants section.
Laid over to February 12, 2025 for Second Reading

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 30 [RES PH 25-13](#) Authorizing the City to enter into a joint powers agreement with Ramsey County for solid waste and recycling funding.
Adopted
Yea: 5 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
Nay: 0
Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim
- 31 [RES PH 25-16](#) Approving the application of Burger Moe's for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for the St Patrick's Day/Lucky Palooza events on March 15, 2025 and March 16, 2025 at 242 7th Street West - Burger Moe's parking lot.
Adopted
Yea: 5 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
Nay: 0
Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

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Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

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Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 34** [RLH TA 24-406](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 916 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST (918 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST). (File No. J2501C, Assessment No. 252000)

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

- 38** [RLH SAO 25-5](#) Appeal of Norma C Roberts Hakizimana to a Summary Abatement Order at 411 CHARLES AVENUE.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

- 42** [RLH TA 24-439](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2130 IVY AVENUE EAST. (File No. VB2503, Assessment No. 258802) (Public hearing closed and laid over from February 5, 2025)

Public hearing closed and laid over to February 12, 2025

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Kim

- 45** [RLH SAO 25-6](#) Appeal of William A Sylvester to a Vehicle Abatement Order at 1463 MIDWAY PARKWAY.

Adopted

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Kim and Councilmember Bowie

- 52** [RLH TA 24-455](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1769 SAINT ANTHONY AVENUE. (File No. VB2503, Assessment No. 258802)

Adopted as amended (assessment ratified and made payable over 5 years)

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Kim and Councilmember Bowie

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

Yea: 4 - Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Kim and Councilmember Bowie

- 35** [RLH TA 24-431](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1177 ALBEMARLE STREET. (File No. J2503E, Assessment No. 258302)

Adopted

- 37** [RLH SAO 24-80](#) Appeal of Thomas Grant to a Vehicle Abatement Order at 1449 BREDA AVENUE.

Adopted as amended

- 39** [RLH VBR 25-5](#) Appeal of Thang Nguyen to a Vacant Building Registration Fee Warning Letter Requirement at 1205 EDGERTON STREET.

Adopted

- 40** [RLH TA 24-476](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1601 FREMONT AVENUE. (File No. J2503E, Assessment No. 258302)

Adopted

- 43 [RLH TA 24-464](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2023 MAGNOLIA AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2503B, Assessment No. 258102)

Adopted

- 46 [RLH VO 24-33](#) Appeal of Jerry A. Brashier to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 511 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST.

Adopted as amended

- 47 [RLH CO 25-2](#) Appeal of Jennifer Adams to a Correction Notice at 2147 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST.

Adopted

- 48 [RLH TA 24-441](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2117 MOHAWK AVENUE. (File No. VB2503, Assessment No. 258802)

Adopted

- 49 [RLH SAO 25-8](#) Making finding on the appealed of Joseph Richardson to a nuisance abatement ordered for 1875 NORTH PARK DRIVE in Council File SAO 24-82.

Adopted

- 50 [RLH SAO 25-4](#) Appeal of Mai Tran to a Summary Abatement Order at 801 PIERCE BUTLER ROUTE.

Adopted

- 54 [RLH AR 24-100](#) Ratifying the assessment for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during November 8, 2023 to May 20, 2024. (File No. VB2503, Assessment No. 258802)

Adopted

- 56 [RLH AR 24-102](#) Ratifying the assessment for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during May 27 to June 24, 2024. (File No. CRT2503, Assessment No. 258202)

Adopted

- 55 [RLH AR 24-101](#) Ratifying the assessment for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during June 2024. (File No. J2503B, Assessment No. 258102)

Adopted

- 57 [RLH AR 24-103](#) Ratifying the assessment for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during April 22 to May 21, 2024. (File No. J2503E, Assessment No. 258302)

Adopted

- 58 [RLH AR 24-104](#) Ratifying the assessment for Graffiti Removal services during June 18 to 28, 2024. (File No. J2503P, Assessment No. 258402)

Adopted

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 5:28 PM