



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

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, July 15, 2020

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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ROLL CALL

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 20-35](#) Mayor's Emergency Executive Order 20-18.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Received and filed

2 [AO 20-31](#) Amending the CDBG project budget.

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 (Items 3 - 13)

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 20-932](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during April 30 to May 13, 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for August 18, 2020 and City Council public hearing for June 2, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2023A, Assessment No. 208539)
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- 4 [RES 20-933](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during May 15 to 28, 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for August 18, 2020 and City Council public hearing for June 2, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2024A, Assessment No. 208540)
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- 5 [RES 20-951](#) Authorizing the Fire Department to enter into a joint powers agreement with the City of Lauderdale to provide fire and hazardous materials response to the City of Lauderdale.
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- 7 [RES 20-963](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Alene Tchourumoff to the Board of Water Commissioners.
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- 8 [RES 20-965](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Daniel Yang to the Capital Area Architectural and Planning Board.
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- 9 [RES 20-966](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Robin Hickman to the Saint Paul Neighborhood Network.
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted**

- 12 [RES 20-975](#) Approving and authorizing subordination of a STAR loan made to Bad Weather Brewing.
- Sponsors: Noecker
- Adopted**
- 13 [RES 20-950](#) Authorizing the Department of Planning and Economic Development to apply to the Metropolitan Council for Livable Communities Demonstration Account Development funding for projects at 2481 Como Avenue and 617 Stryker Avenue.
- Sponsors: Jalali, Noecker and Brendmoen
- Adopted**

FOR DISCUSSION

- 6 [RES 20-962](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Matt Slaven to the Saint Paul Port Authority.
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Laid over to July 22**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 10 [RES 20-971](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of John McCarthy to serve as the City's Office of Financial Services Director, effective July 20, 2020.
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 11 [RES 20-972](#) Approving the Mayor's appointment of Sean Kershaw to serve as the City's Director of Public Works, effective July 20, 2020.
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

- 14 [RES 20-959](#) Authorizing the appropriate City officials to enter into the Violence Prevention Initiative Joint Powers Agreement with the Ramsey County Department of Public Health.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

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 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.

Final Adoption

- 15 [Ord 20-22](#) Granting the application of Selby Dale LLC to rezone the property at 156 Dale Street from B2 Community Business to T3 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Sponsors: Thao

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 16 [Ord 20-24](#) Granting the application of 978 Front LLC to rezone property at 978 Front Avenue from B2 Community Business to T2 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the Zoning Map.

Sponsors: Thao

Public hearing held and closed; laid over to July 22 for final adoption

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

Nay: 0

- 17 [RES PH 20-143](#) Approving the petition of Paul M. Sawyer to vacate a portion of Hastings Avenue, as dedicated in Burlington Park, Ramsey County, and abutting Lot 3, Block 1, John R. Dunn Addition.

Sponsors: Prince

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 18 [RES PH 20-154](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Fire Department in the amount of \$125,000 for a contribution received from the State of Minnesota to pay for training and equipment from the Fire Department Hazardous Materials team.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 19 [RES PH 20-153](#) Approving the request for sound level variances for Granite Inliner, LLC. to allow for multiple cure-in-place sewer liner projects at eleven (11) locations within the City of Saint Paul (Aldine between St. Anthony and University; Cleveland between Marshall and Dayton; Cleveland between Portland and Ashland; Como between Snelling and Pascal; Grand between Cleveland and Prior; Marshall between Prior and Howell; Marshall between Snelling and Asbury; Pelham between Wabash and Myrtle; Portland between Hamline and Syndicate; Rice between Maryland and Ivy and Snelling between Upper St. Dennis and Edgumbe) from September 8 through October 9, 2020.

Sponsors: Thao, Tolbert, Jalali and Brendmoen

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

For the following cases, no objections to the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendations were received; therefore, the recommendation is to adopt the items.

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

Nay: 0

- 21** [RLH TA 20-121](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1159 CENTRAL AVENUE WEST. (File No. CG1904E2, Assessment No. 190161)

Sponsors: Thao

Adopted
- 22** [RLH TA 20-374](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 768 DESOTO STREET. (File No. J2008E, Assessment No. 208307)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted
- 26** [RLH TA 20-38](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 848 JENKS AVENUE. (File No. CG1904D1, Assessment No. 190156)

Sponsors: Yang

Adopted
- 28** [RLH TA 20-243](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2085 LACROSSE AVENUE. (File No. J2008E, Assessment No. 208307)

Sponsors: Yang

Adopted
- 29** [RLH TA 20-164](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 59 LAWSON AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2007E, Assessment No. 208306)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

- 31 [RLH TA 20-228](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 885 MARGARET STREET. (File No. VB2008, Assessment No. 208807)
Sponsors: Prince
Adopted
- 33 [RLH TA 20-103](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1865 MARGARET STREET. (File No. CG1904E2, Assessment No. 190161)
Sponsors: Prince
Adopted
- 35 [RLH TA 20-114](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2127 NORTONIA AVENUE. (File No. CG1904C3, Assessment No. 190154)
Sponsors: Prince
Adopted
- 36 [RLH TA 20-104](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1078 REANEY AVENUE. (File No. CG1904D2, Assessment No. 190157)
Sponsors: Prince
Adopted
- 37 [RLH TA 20-156](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1941 SELBY AVENUE. (File No. CRT2007, Assessment No. 208206)
Sponsors: Jalali
Adopted
- 39 [RLH TA 20-272](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1032 SIXTH STREET EAST. (File No. VB2008, Assessment No. 208807)
Sponsors: Prince
Adopted
- 40 [RLH TA 20-231](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 678 SNELLING AVENUE NORTH. (File No. J2008E, Assessment No. 208307)
Sponsors: Jalali
Adopted

- 42 [RLH TA 20-219](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 658-660 THOMAS AVENUE. (File No. CG1904E3-1, Assessment No. 200170)

 Sponsors: Thao

 Adopted
- 43 [RLH TA 20-153](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 410 VIRGINIA STREET. (File No. CG1904E4, Assessment No. 190163)

 Sponsors: Thao

 Adopted
- 44 [RLH TA 20-364](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 912 YORK AVENUE. (File No. VB2007, Assessment No. 208806)

 Sponsors: Yang

 Adopted
- 54 [RLH AR 20-47](#) Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during November 2019. (File No. J2007B, Assessment No. 208106) (Public hearing continued from April 8)

 Sponsors: Brendmoen

 Adopted
- 55 [RLH AR 20-48](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy Fees billed during September 17 to October 10, 2019. (File No. CRT2007, Assessment No. 208206) (Public hearing continued from April 8)

 Sponsors: Brendmoen

 Adopted
- 56 [RLH AR 20-49](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during September 23 to October 21, 2019. (File No. J2007E, Assessment No. 208306) (Public hearing continued from April 8)

 Sponsors: Brendmoen

 Adopted

- 59 [RLH AR 20-60](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration Fees billed during February 5 to November 22, 2019. (File No. VB2008, Assessment No. 208807) (Public hearing continued from May 20)
- Sponsors:** Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- 62 [RLH AR 20-90](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during September 12 to January 16, 2020. (File No. VB2010, Assessment No. 208811)
- Sponsors:** Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- 63 [RLH AR 20-91](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during December 18 to January 6, 2020. (File No. CRT2010, Assessment No. 208209)
- Sponsors:** Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- 64 [RLH AR 20-92](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during December 23 to January 17, 2020. (File No. J2010E, Assessment No. 208315)
- Sponsors:** Brendmoen
- Adopted**
- For the following cases, no objections to the Legislative Hearing Officer's amended recommendations were received; therefore, the recommendation is to amend and adopt the items.**
- 20 [RLH TA 20-388](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 460 CARROLL AVENUE. (File No. CG1904E4, Assessment No. 190163) (Amend to delete)
- Sponsors:** Thao
- Adopted as amended (assessment deleted)**
- 25 [RLH TA 20-229](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 847 HUDSON ROAD. (File No. VB2007, Assessment No. 208806)
- Sponsors:** Prince
- Adopted as amended (assessment ratified)**

- 27 [RLH TA 19-797](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Property at 823 JUNO AVENUE. (File No. J2004A, Assessment No. 208503) (Public hearing continued from April 15)

 Sponsors: Noecker

 Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)
- 30 [RLH TA 20-386](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2300 LONG AVENUE. (File No. CG1904D3, Assessment No. 190158) (Legislative Hearing on July 9) (Amend to delete)

 Sponsors: Jalali

 Adopted as amended (assessment deleted)
- 32 [RLH TA 20-402](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1847 MARGARET STREET. (File No. CG1904E3, Assessment No. 190162) (Legislative Hearing on July 9)

 Sponsors: Prince

 Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)
- 34 [RLH TA 19-754](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1015 MCLEAN AVENUE. (File No. J2004A, Assessment No. 208503) (Public hearing continued from April 15)

 Sponsors: Prince

 Adopted as amended (assessment ratified)
- 41 [RLH TA 20-401](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 700 SURREY AVENUE. (File No. CG1904E4, Assessment No. 190163) (Legislative Hearing on July 9, 2020)

 Sponsors: Prince

 Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)
- 53 [RLH AR 20-46](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration Fees billed during July 4 to October 21, 2019. (File No. VB2007, Assessment No. 208806) (Public hearing continued from April 8)

 Sponsors: Brendmoen

 Adopted as amended (1262 Minnehaha Avenue East, 912 York Avenue, 575 McKnight Road South removed from the assessment roll and referred to Legislative Hearings)

- 60 [RLH AR 20-62](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy Fees billed during October 14 to November 20, 2019. (File No. CRT2008, Assessment No. 208207) (Public hearing continued from May 20)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted as amended (58 Lawson Avenue West removed from the assessment roll and referred to Legislative Hearings)

- 61 [RLH AR 20-63](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during October 22 to November 21, 2019. (File No. J2008E, Assessment No. 208307) (Public hearing continued from May 20)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted as amended (768 Desoto Street removed from the assessment roll and referred to Legislative Hearings)

For the following case, the recommendation is to refer the item to Legislative Hearing on July 16, 2020.

- 24 [RLH TA 20-387](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 37 HATCH AVENUE. (File No. CG1904D3, Assessment No. 190158) (To be referred back to July 16, 2020)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Referred to Legislative Hearings on July 16

For the following items, the recommendation is to continue the public hearing to January 13, 2021 – per request of the Mayor to assist residents with deferment of nuisance-abatement related assessment until 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- 23 [RLH TA 20-158](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 365 EDMUND AVENUE. (File No. 2003T, Assessment No. 209002)

Sponsors: Thao

Public hearing continued to January 13, 2021

- 47 [RLH AR 20-30](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019. (File No. CG1904D3, Assessment No. 190158) (Public hearing continued from June 10)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

- 50 [RLH AR 20-33](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019. (File No. CG1904E2, Assessment No. 190161) (Public hearing continued from June 10)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

Item 45, 48, 49, 51 and 52 will be read as one item as they all pertain to "Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019." The files included are RLH AR 20-28, 20-31, 20-32, 20-42 and 20-43. The recommendation is to amend and adopt.

- 45 [RLH AR 20-28](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019. (File No. CG1904D1, Assessment No. 190156) (Public hearing continued from June 10)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted as amended

- 48 [RLH AR 20-31](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019. (File No. CG1904D4, Assessment No. 190159) (Public hearing continued from June 10)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted as amended

- 49 [RLH AR 20-32](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019. (File No. CG1904E1, Assessment No. 190160) (Public hearing continued from June 10)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted as amended

- 51 [RLH AR 20-42](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019. (File No. CG1904E3, Assessment No. 190162) (Public hearing continued from June 10)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted as amended

- 52 [RLH AR 20-43](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019. (File No. CG1904E4, Assessment No. 190163) (Public hearing continued from June 10)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted as amended

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned

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