



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 Amy Brendmoen
Councilmember Russel Balenger
Councilmember Mitra Jalali
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
Councilmember Jane L. Prince
Councilmember Chris Tolbert
Councilmember Nelsie Yang

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 3:32 PM

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

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 22-77](#) Amending the 2022 Saint Paul Regional Water Services spending budget to reflect the final sale details resulting from the issuance of the PFA Note, Series 2021 for the McCarron's Treatment Plant Improvement Project.
Received and Filed

- 2 [CO 22-73](#) Letter from the Department of Safety and Inspections declaring 901 Fuller Avenue a nuisance property. (For notification purposes only; public hearings will be scheduled at a later date if necessary.)
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

Council President Brendmoen stated that Item 11 would be taken separately.

Councilmember Prince moved approval.

Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

- 3 [RES 22-1864](#) Authorizing the Department of Emergency Management to pay for all costs for Emergency Management training and/or costs associated with the operation of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) during emergency and declared disasters in 2023.

Adopted

- 4 [RES 22-1876](#) Accepting the gift of travel expenses from the Advancing Conservation through Empathy (ACE) for Wildlife Network for Laura Wake Wiesner to attend the ACE for Wildlife In-Person 2023 Summit in Seattle, Washington from Feb 7th - 10th 2023.

Adopted

- 5 [RES 22-1882](#) Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement (January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2025) between the City and the International Union of Elevator Constructors, Local 9.

Laid over to December 21, 2022

- 6 [RES 22-1883](#) Authorizing the Department of Safety and Inspections ("DSI") to enter into a Settlement Agreement with Bilal Alsadi on behalf of Hana Co. d/b/a Premium Stop ("Licensee").

Adopted

- 7 [RES 22-1893](#) Authorizing the City to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Ramsey County for the Como Avenue Trail Project.

Adopted

- 8 [RES 22-1894](#) Authorizing the City to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Ramsey County for the Johnson Parkway Trail Project.

Adopted

- 9 [RES 22-1903](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for \$3,000 in funding through the Saint Paul Garden Club, Community Improvement Project Grant program to purchase seeds, plants and related materials to enhance ornamental garden beds in Como and Phalen Regional Parks and in Shadow Falls Park (no match required).

Adopted

- 10 [RES 22-1905](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to purchase gift cards for mammal survey volunteers supporting the Natural Resources program.

Adopted

- 12 [RES 22-1912](#) Approving the polling locations for the 2023 elections pursuant to Minnesota

Statute, Section 204B.16.

Adopted

- 13 [RES 22-1916](#) Accepting a grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service to support the Saint Paul VISTA Program.

Adopted

- 14 [RES 22-1917](#) Authorizing the appropriate City officials to enter into Memorandums of Understanding with participating VISTA Sites.

Adopted

- 15 [RES 22-1918](#) Approving and authorizing modifications to a CDBG loan and a STAR loan made to 754 Randolph, LLC for property at 754 Randolph Avenue (District 9, Ward 2)

Adopted

- 16 [RES 22-1919](#) Approving the expenditure of program dollars on housing expenses for Victoria Williams, returning VISTA member of the Saint Paul's VISTA Program, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.

Adopted

- 17 [RES 22-1936](#) Approving the use of grant funds through the Ward 3 Neighborhood Star Year-Round program for a new Hamline Avenue pathway.

Adopted

- 18 [RES 22-1947](#) Approving Ordinance Permit 20210011003 for Storm Sewer Infrastructure by Presbyterian Homes and Services

Adopted

- 19 [RES 22-1782](#) Changing the rate of pay for the classification of Payroll Manager to Grade 023 of EG 17, Non-Represented Managers.

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 11 [RES 22-1910](#) Approving the proposed issuance of conduit revenue bonds by the Housing and Redevelopment Authority for The Higher Ground Academy Charter School Project, 1381 Marshall Avenue, under Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.152 through 469.1655 (District 13 Ward 1).

Councilmember Yang spoke in opposition.

Councilmember Jalali spoke in opposition.

Council President Brendmoen spoke in favor.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince and Councilmember Balenger

Nay: 2 - Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

- 20** [RES 22-1928](#) Approving the appointment of Maureen Hartman as the Interim Director of Saint Paul Public Libraries, effective November 25, 2022.

Councilmember Noecker spoke in favor and moved approval.

Maureen Hartman was sworn in as Interim Director of Saint Paul Public Libraries.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

ITEM FOR RECONSIDERATION

- 21** [RES PH 22-345](#) Authorizing Public Works to request \$767,266 in SCORE grant funds from Ramsey County to support the curbside recycling program and setting the 2023 City Recycling Service Fees. (Being reconsidered for Version 2 after adoption on December 7, 2022.)

Council President Brendmoen explained the need for corrections and moved approval as amended.

Adopted as amended

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

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 Pioneer Press. Public hearings on ordinances are generally held at the first reading.

First Reading

- 22** [Ord 22-52](#) Creating Chapter 112 of the Administrative Code to establish the Saint Paul Recovery Act Community Reparations Commission.

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer, gave a staff report.

Councilmember Prince thanked Moermond and other staff, and spoke in favor.

Councilmember Yang thanked Moermond and other staff, and spoke in favor.

Councilmember Jalali thanked Moermond and other staff, and spoke in favor.

Council President Brendmoen thanked Moermond and other staff, and spoke in favor.

Laid over to December 21, 2022 for Second Reading

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 23** [Ord 22-55](#) Amending Section 409.02 of the Legislative Code to allow restaurants to stay open and serve food and beverages until 1:00 a.m. on January 1st.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Laid over to December 21, 2022 for Final Adoption

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

Nay: 0

- 24** [RES PH 22-350](#) Amending the City's Capital Improvement Budget and Operating Budget to reflect the final sale details resulting from the issuance of the G.O. Street Reconstruction Bonds, Series 2022C and pay off G.O. Variable Rate Street Reconstruction Bonds, Series 2020F.

Councilmember Jalali moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 25** [RES PH 22-356](#) Approving the application of St. Paul Festival & Heritage Foundation for two sound level variances in order to present amplified sound for the St. Paul Winter Carnival in Rice and Landmark Plaza Parks starting January 23, 2023 through February 7, 2023 at Rice Park & Landmark Plaza - 109 W 4th St and 379 St. Peter St.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 26** [RES PH 22-366](#) Approving the application of Monster Series, LLC for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for the Get Lucky event on March 11, 2023 by Harriet Island - 200 Dr Justus Ohage Blvd.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 27** [RES PH 22-375](#) Accepting grant funds, authorizing execution of a grant agreement with indemnity obligations and other documents related thereto and amending the operating budget with respect to the City's sponsorship of a Metropolitan Council Livable Communities Act Pre-Development grant for the benefit of 965 Payne Ave./Inclusive Design Center project.

Councilmember Yang moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 28** [RES PH 22-377](#) Authorizing an Internal Loan Agreement and 2022 budget for the Ford Site Redevelopment Project

Councilmember Tolbert moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 29** [RES PH 22-378](#) Authorizing the City to accept a \$15,000 grant from the American Immigration Council for the purpose of assisting in the implementation of the recommendations from the Journey to Belonging in the Twin Cities multi-sector strategic plan; and authorizing a corresponding budget amendment.

Councilmember Balenger moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

30 [RES PH 22-382](#) Amending the spending and financing plans for various City departments.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA

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Approval of the Consent Agenda

Councilmember Prince moved approval.

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

31 [RLH RR 22-52](#) Denying a stay of enforcement of demolition for property at 587 COOK AVENUE EAST. (Amend to grant a 180 day stay of enforcement)

Adopted as amended (granted 180 days)

32 [RLH VBR 22-58](#) Appeal of Dennis J. Gmur to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1318 ELEANOR AVENUE.

Adopted

33 [RLH FCO 22-109](#) Appeal of Keith Denison to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 1059 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST.

Adopted

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 3:57 PM

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