



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, May 19, 2021

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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

ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 3:33 p.m.

Present 6 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Chris Tolbert,
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Jane L. Prince,
Councilmember Mitra Jalali and Councilmember Nelsie Yang

Absent 1 - Councilmember Dai Thao

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 21-23](#) Authorizing the Police Department to reallocate its 2021 Special Fund operating budget to reflect expenditures more accurately.

Received and Filed
- 2 [AO 21-24](#) Amending CDBG projects budget: funding for 971 Payne Avenue.

Received and Filed
- 3 [AO 21-26](#) Amending CDBG projects budget: funding for 2020-2021 Fair Housing Activities.

Received and Filed

CONSENT AGENDA

Council President Brendmoen said we will be removing Items 8 and 16 for separate consideration.

Councilmember Yang moved the balance of the Consent Agenda.

6 in favor, none opposed

Consent Agenda is adopted as amended

Adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 4** [RES 21-481](#) Supporting the development of the proposed Wakan Tipi Center in the Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary, and determination that a portion of the conservation easement held by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources in the Nature Sanctuary property is required for construction of the Center in furtherance of Parks and Recreation programming.

Adopted

- 5** [RES 21-603](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during February 26 to March 11, 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 22, 2021, and City Council public hearing for August 4, 2021, to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2119A, Assessment No. 218535)

Adopted

- 6** [RES 21-604](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during March 15 to 29, 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 22, 2021 and City Council public hearing for August 4, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2120A, Assessment No. 218536)

Adopted

- 7** [RES 21-616](#) Authorizing expenditures for the Plan, Eat, Save. Food: Too Good to Waste Project, action kits and incentives to encourage progress toward the City's adopted sustainability goals.

Adopted

- 9 [RES 21-724](#) Authorizing the Department of Safety and Inspections to receive funds for a citywide wetland management plan update of up to \$45,000 from the Capital Region Watershed District to jointly develop wetland restoration strategies and authorizing the proper City officials to execute a partnership agreement.
- Adopted**
- 10 [RES 21-731](#) Approving a Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Sidewalk) license with conditions to be added to existing licenses for Big River Pizza, Inc (License ID #20150000849) at 280 Sixth Street East.
- Adopted**
- 11 [RES 21-740](#) Accepting right-of-way easements from property owners abutting Edgcombe Place in conjunction with the 2021 Griggs-Scheffer Phase II St. Paul Streets Project.
- Adopted**
- 12 [RES 21-742](#) Authorizing the City to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Roseville for the completion of signal system revisions at the intersection of Snelling Avenue and Lydia Avenue, and any additional services that comply with the terms of this agreement.
- Adopted**
- 13 [RES 21-751](#) Authorizing the Fire Department to pay for costs incurred to hold the Fire Captain exam being held between June 7-15, 2021.
- Adopted**
- 14 [RES 21-754](#) Approving the Mayor's reappointment of Karen Reid to two-year term on the Lower Mississippi River Watershed Management Organization.
- Adopted**
- 15 [RES 21-755](#) Approving the Mayor's appointments of Nonkululeko Shongwe, Krystle Igbo-Ogbonna, Mala Thao, Jennifer Thorson, Amane Badhasso, and Naomi Alemseged to the Human Rights and Equal Economic Opportunity Commission.
- Adopted**
- 17 [RES 21-752](#) Changing the rate of pay for the Meter Operations Supervisor classification. (laid over from May 19)
- Laid over to May 26**

- 18 [RES 21-691](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2021 Wage and Fringe Adjustment for the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council #82. (Laid over from May 12)

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 8 [RES 21-720](#) Seeking a recommendation from the Charter Commission to amend Chapter 6.03 of the City Charter pertaining to the imposition of civil penalties for violations of city ordinances.

Councilmember Prince she called their attention to this because this is moving forward to the Charter Commission. The Administration has done an excellent job of community forums. She looked forward to the Charter Commission process and is encouraging them to have a public hearing.

Council President Brendmoen said this has been in the works for quite a while. They are requesting the authority to do administrative fines and the level to use that authority.

*6 in favor, none opposed
Resolution is adopted*

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 16 [RES 21-760](#) Recognizing May 2021 as Jewish American Heritage Month and honoring the contributions of Jewish Americans to Saint Paul.

Councilmember Noecker said as a Jewish resident, she has been proud of this City. Saint Paul has been remarkable to it's openness to the Jews. She acknowledged Councilmember Yang who inspired her to do it. (She read part of the resolution.) She moved approval.

*6 in favor, none opposed
Resolution is adopted*

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 19 [SR 21-69](#) Report regarding a Youth on Boards cohort program.

Erica Prosser and Shaina Abraham, Parks and Rec, gave a report to the Council about the new initiative of having youth on boards and commissions. Several youth addressed the Council.

Received and filed

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 20 [RES PH 21-70](#) Amending the City's Capital Improvement Budget and Operating Budget to reflect the final sale details resulting from the issuance of the G.O. Various Purpose and Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A; the G.O. Street Reconstruction and Refunding Bonds, Series 2021B; the G.O. Temporary Tax Increment Bonds, Series 2021C; and the G.O. Library Refunding Bonds, Series 2021D.

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 21 [RES PH 21-72](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Arlington Avenue. (Project No. MO1900, Assessment No. 195501)

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

Councilmember Yang moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 22** [RES PH 21-79](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Downtown project area. (Project No. MO2008, Assessment No. 205500)
- Council President Brendmoen said they deferred a lot of assessments from last year. The public hearing has been held virtually.*
- Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.
6 in favor, none opposed
Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao
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- 23** [RES PH 21-80](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Eustis Street. (File No. MO2001, Assessment No. 205501)
- Council President Brendmoen said public hearing has been held virtually.*
- Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.
6 in favor, none opposed
Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Thao
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- 24** [RES PH 21-81](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Mississippi River Boulevard. (Project No. MO2005, Assessment No. 205503)
- Council President Brendmoen said public hearing has been held virtually.*
- Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.
6 in favor, none opposed
Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 25** [RES PH 21-82](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Territorial Avenue. (Project No. MO2006, Assessment No. 205504)

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 26** [RES PH 21-83](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Cromwell Avenue. (Project No. MO2009, Assessment No. 205506)

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 27** [RES PH 21-84](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Suburban Avenue. (Project No. MO2010, Assessment No. 205507)

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 28** [RES PH 21-85](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Downtown (Delayed from 2019). (Project No. MO2011, Assessment No. 205508)

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 29** [RES PH 21-114](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Department of Public Works Capital and Operating Budgets for the 2019 Como and Johnson Trail Projects.

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing was held virtually.

Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 30** [RES PH 21-116](#) Amending the 2019 Capital Improvement Budget in the amount of \$32,000 to accept additional financing from the Sanneh Foundation to fund City staff time for project supervision and construction improvements of the field space at the Conway Recreation Center.

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 31** [RES PH 21-119](#) Amending the financing and spending plan of the Public Library in the amount of \$1,017,346 to utilize available capital maintenance and CIB Contingency funds for emergency and related cornice, water infiltration, and stone repair at the George Latimer Central Library.

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 32 [RES PH 21-121](#) Approving adverse action against the Cigarette/Tobacco License held by Mahdi LLC, d/b/a East Market Grocery and Tobacco (License ID #20200001880), at 913 Payne Avenue.

Theresa Skarka, City Attorney's Office, on behalf of DSI (Department of Safety and Inspections), said this is a request from the department to approve adverse action against the cigarette and tobacco licenses, and the notice of violation and request for upward departure to a \$1,000 matrix penalty. The notice was based on a complaint inspection that happened on March 3rd where a DSI inspector saw a large quantity of different types of flavored tobacco products and prepackaged drug kits. Due to the amount of flavored tobacco products and prepackaged kits found, DSI suggested an upward departure of a \$1,000 fine. The licensee received a notice and responded with a request for a hearing before Council. There are people here to testify on this matter.

Marcia Moermond said Abbas Oglah, license holder, and his uncle are on the line.

Abbas Oglah said he grew up in 55432. He was told he could sell it in his store. When the inspector came, he asked what he is allowed to sell. This is his first time.

Ahmed Jaffray, uncle, appeared.

Councilmember Yang asked is he here to support the upward departure?

Jaffray asked is there a way for him to avoid this. This is the first time. He claims it is not his fault.

*Councilmember Yang moved to close the public hearing.
6 in favor, none opposed
Public hearing is closed*

Yang said if they are interested in basically getting the entire violation taken away, aren't they supposed to go back to the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ)? She wants to make sure they understand their options.

Skarda said the licensees were sent a notice of violations that laid out a number of choices: 1) they could do nothing, 2) pay the penalty and that would be deemed admission, 3) they can ask for a hearing, which they have done, where they admit the violations and ask for a lower penalty, 4) ask for an ALJ at which they can present the facts. It is her understanding the licensee chose Option 3. The licensee spoke with DSI prior to selecting #3 for a public hearing. She is hearing him say it wasn't his fault. The materials they use are written and with pictures.

Yang asked do we need to confirm if that is their understanding. She's trying to figure out if they are disputing the facts so we can move forward with voting if we have to do that today.

Skarda said she heard him say it wasn't his fault. She didn't hear him say he didn't have flavored products there.

Yang said we should move forward with a vote then. She moved to approve the upward departure. She looked at the report from staff. They provided images as well. It is apparent the business owner violated the ordinance. It was infuriating to see that happen. They should be a community that lifts each other up. This is irresponsible.

If the owner was here, she would look at him and say you need to step up. He should have a higher standard for yourself. He should have a grocery store to serve people. This is about building a community that cares for each other and he has a role to play in that. He needs to make a change that is better.

Brendmoen said she wants to hear business owners say this is our fault, I will take responsibility, and I will do better.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 33** [RES PH 21-122](#) Approving the application of Pangea World Theater for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound on May 21, 22 and 23, 2021, at 1415 Mississippi River Boulevard South-Hidden Falls Regional Park.

Council President Brendmoen said this public hearing was held virtually.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 34** [RES PH 20-88](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2019 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Downtown Streets (Phase I). (Project No. 195500, Assessment No. 195500) (Public hearing to be continued to May 19.)

Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 35** [RES PH 20-89](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2019 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Saint Clair Avenue from Fairview to Snelling (2019). (Project No. MO1905, Assessment No. 195505) (Public hearing to be continued to May 19)

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing was held virtually.

*Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.
6 in favor, none opposed*

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 36** [RES PH 20-90](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2019 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Cleveland Avenue from Yorkshire to Mississippi River Blvd. (2019). (Project No. MO1901, Assessment No. 195502) (Public hearing to be continued to May 19.)

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

*Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.
6 in favor, none opposed*

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 37 [RES PH 20-91](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2019 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Pascal Street from University to Saint Anthony (2019). (Project No. MO1903, Assessment No. 195503) (Public hearing to be continued to May 19)

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing was held virtually.

Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 38 [RES PH 20-92](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2019 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Prior Avenue from Summit to I-94 (2019). (Project No. MO1904, Assessment No. 195504) (Public hearing to be continued to May 19)

Council President Brendmoen said the public hearing has been held virtually.

Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 39 [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.

Council President Brendmoen said this item has been laid over for a vote today. There is a Version 2 in Legistar. The second item in tandem with this will be coming under suspension.

Councilmember Yang thanked her colleagues for supporting a 4-week layover. This gave time to dig deeper into this item. She wanted to thank Councilmember Prince. She wanted to be able to tag team on this and how deeply her constituents treasure the park. She also thanked Michael Hahm and Patrick Shea. They owe it to people on the East Side to bring equity into this. They can't make every person happy, but there will be more wins for the East Side. She is supportive of the upgraded agreements. In the new lease, they included a new public access. She is excited to have more conversations about what we can use this site for. (She named the key items from the proposal because they address the concerns.) The lease agreement has a reduction in the land, a reduction in the overall lease term at Pigs Eye, and the City will be able to terminate early. The lease agreement was for 30 years. There are more defined expectations. This is significant for the East Side. It's really important that the community that benefits from it.

Michael Hahm appeared and spoke. He said the agreement is a lease agreement of park land from Parks and Rec to the Board of Water Commissioners at Pigs Eye. It will allow some maintenance down there. The Charter calls out specific compensation for park land and trade offs for park land. He appreciates the time afforded to them to allow them to get here. Version 2 in Legistar introduces Hillcrest Reservoir property to the discussion. (Hahm showed a map.) The resolution calls that out. This is the first property we would look to. This makes the agreement contingent on these leases being executed. If they don't execute this lease, they will not have an agreement with the water utility at Pigs Eye. Article 2 is referencing shortening the term to 20 years. That is the typical length of municipal bonds. Finally, 4C is a late change. The water utility will not land fill at the lease site. Water Utility has been on site at Pigs Eye for 10 years. They will also look back and perform evaluation of the Water Utility. This has been a very prolonged discussion.

Patrick Shea appeared and spoke. He is general manager of Regional Water Services. They cannot provide clean drinking water without a site in a suitable location like this. Water responds to about 140 main breaks a year. The majority are in winter. This is also the time where the soil is wet and sloppy and not able to be put back in the hole that was created by the water main break. The soil is staged in a center where dewatered materials is taken from that site and used to make those repairs. An extra 20 minutes of dry time can add up to 2 hours per main break. That is an hour of lost water service outside of the water service. As part of this process, they have found suitable and available property for public use and park use. That is a benefit to the public as part of this action. This is a major step forward. He is available for questions and comments.

Yang expressed her gratitude to the East Side residents.

Councilmember Prince thanks Yang and mentioned two former councilmembers Kiki Sonnen and Tom Dimond plus Peggy Lynch. They got involved in this issue because they were the councilmembers who were here. They have been taking a close look at

what was happening here. We are all grateful to Yang for her efforts to make this particular park diversion more reflective of the charter. There is also a public entrance that is accessible to the public like it has never been before. Also, there is a contribution of \$100,000 plan for the east river passage, which is the portion of the riverfront. For much of the last century, the East Side Riverfront was the City's dump. Today's actions actually does represent a much brighter future for the East Side. She wanted Parks to look into the future acquisition of that site.

Councilmember Tolbert asked what she is amending. Prince responded she is not amending anything. She just wanted to call attention to Parks looking into the possibility of future acquisition of a site for that great river passage. She is not asking for the Council to vote on that. It is an important part of the plan that the water utility is investing in.

Brendmoen said that as we are building up our City, we will continue to have challenges. She appreciates Yang's acknowledgement of Plan B. The challenges will be in front of the Council often. The dump sites are all over the City. They are usually between railroad tracks and not near homes. She thinks about trucks backing up and the sound that they make. As we infill with housing and the projects we want, we need to store things in places. We put our different items someplace. This is the municipal work that we do. She will support the Version 2 motion.

Yang moved Version 2

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted as amended

Adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

SUSPENSION ITEM

Rules Suspended

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

[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.

*Councilmember Yang moved approval.
6 in favor, none opposed
Resolution is adopted*

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

SUSPENSION ITEM**Rules Suspended**

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

[RES 21-783](#)

Approving a Liquor On Sale, a Liquor On Sale-Sunday and a Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Patio) license for Iron Ranger, Inc. d/b/a Iron Ranger (License ID #20210000222) located at 1085 Grand Avenue.

*Councilmember Noecker said we don't need a report. It missed the deadline to get on the agenda today.
6 in favor, none opposed
Resolution is adopted*

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

SUSPENSION ITEM**Rules Suspended**

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

[Ord 21-16](#)

Granting the application of IO Investments LLC to rezone property at 1053 Dale Street North from R4 one-family residential to T2 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Council President Brendmoen said the first reading was this week. It didn't make it on the agenda. It was noticed. Public hearing was held online.

Shari Moore, City Clerk, said the public hearing will need to be continued.

6 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is continued to May 26, which will be the final reading

Continued to Public Hearing on May 26

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS

The Legislative Hearing Officer recommends adoption of the following resolutions:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 41** [RLH VBR 21-25](#) Appeal of Kenneth D. Tupper to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1965 BERKELEY AVENUE.

Adopted

- 44** [RLH TA 21-199](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1435 CLEVELAND AVENUE NORTH. (File No. CRT2107, Assessment No. 218206)

Adopted

- 45 [RLH TA 21-245](#) Amending Council File RLH AR 20-133, adopted January 13, 2021, to ratify the assessment at 1726 FOURTH STREET EAST. (File No. VB2101, Assessment No. 218800).
- Adopted**
- 47 [RLH SAO 21-35](#) Appeal of Jeremy McDonald to a Summary Abatement Order at 978 JACKSON STREET.
- Adopted**
- 48 [RLH TA 21-194](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 578 LAFOND AVENUE. (File No. VB2107, Assessment No. 218806)
- Adopted**
- 49 [RLH TA 21-187](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 363 LAWSON AVENUE EAST. (File No. VB2107, Assessment No. 218806)
- Adopted**
- 51 [RLH VO 21-13](#) Appeal of Rico Duran, Latino Economic Development Center, to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 857 and 859 PAYNE AVENUE.
- Adopted**
- 53 [RLH TA 21-117](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 545 SEVENTH STREET WEST. (File No. J2105P, Assessment No. 21804)
- Adopted**
- 56 [RLH TA 21-201](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 587 VIRGINIA STREET. (File No. J2107B, Assessment No. 218106)
- Adopted**
- 57 [RLH AR 20-93](#) Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during February 2020. (File No. J2010B, Assessment No. 208109)
- Adopted**
- 58 [RLH AR 20-94](#) Ratifying the assessments for Towing of Abandoned Vehicle service during October 2019 at 814 MANOMIN AVENUE. (File No. J2004V, Assessment No. 208004)
- Adopted**
- 63 [RLH AR 21-34](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during October 28 to December 18, 2020. (File No. CRT2107, Assessment No. 218206)
- Adopted**

- 64 [RLH AR 21-35](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during October 22 to November 20, 2020. (File No. J2107E, Assessment No. 218306)
Adopted
- 65 [RLH AR 21-36](#) Ratifying the assessments for Graffiti Removal services during October 15 to November 20, 2020. (File No. J2105P, Assessment No. 218404)
Adopted

The Legislative Hearing Officer recommends adoption as amended of the following resolutions:

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

- 42 [RLH TA 20-463](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1008 CARROLL AVENUE. (File No. J2021A, Assessment No. 208537)
Adopted as amended (ratify assessment)
- 43 [RLH TA 21-229](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 880 CASE AVENUE. (File No. J2107E, Assessment No. 218306) (Legislative hearing May 18, 2021)
Adopted as amended (ratify assessment)
- 46 [RLH TA 20-667](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1508 IVY AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2104A, Assessment No. 218530) (Public hearing continued to May 19, 2021)
Adopted as amended (reduce assessment)
- 50 [RLH TA 21-240](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 876 LAWSON AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2105P, Assessment No. 218404) (Legislative Hearing May 18, 2021)
Adopted as amended (delete assessment)
- 52 [RLH TA 20-461](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1215 RICE STREET. (File No. J2022A, Assessment No. 208538)
Adopted as amended (delete assessment)

- 54** [RLH TA 20-469](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 811 SMITH AVENUE SOUTH. (File No. J2021A, Assessment No. 208537)
Adopted as amended (delete assessment)
- 55** [RLH TA 20-659](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 663 THIRD STREET EAST. (File No. J2106A, Assessment No. 218505) (Amend to File No. J2106A1, Assessment No. 218523 and to delete)
Adopted as amended (delete assessment)
- 59** [RLH AR 20-110](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during April 1 to 10, 2020. (File No. J2021A, Assessment No. 208537)
Adopted as amended (delete for separate consideration; refer 181 Front Ave to June 8, 2021 and 959 Beech St to June 22, 2021 Legislative Hearings)
- 60** [RLH AR 20-111](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during April 14 to 30, 2020. (File No. J2022A, Assessment No. 208538)
Adopted as amended (delete for separate consideration; refer 581 Thomas Ave to June 8, 2021 and 687 Charles Ave to June 22, 2021 Legislative Hearings)
- 61** [RLH AR 21-32](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during June 1 to November 13, 2020. (File No. VB2107, Assessment No. 218806)
Adopted as amended (delete for separate consideration; refer 1411 Albemarle St to June 8, 2021 Legislative Hearing)
- 62** [RLH AR 21-33](#) Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during December 2020. (File No. J2107B, Assessment No. 218106)
Adopted as amended (delete for separate consideration; refer 1802 Ross Ave to June 8, 2021 Legislative Hearing)
- The Legislative Hearing Office recommends to continue the public hearings to the dates listed:**
- 40** [RLH TA 21-216](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 971 ARCADE STREET. (File No. VB2107, Assessment No. 218806) (Public hearing continued to July 7, 2021)
Continue to Public hearing on July 7
Yea: 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

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