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City of Saint Paul

City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Council President Amy Brendmoen
Councilmember Kassim Busuri
Councilmember Mitra Jalali Nelson
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
Councilmember Jane L. Prince
Councilmember Dai Thao
Councilmember Chris Tolbert

Wednesday, December 4, 2019

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Council President Brendmoen at 3:31 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 Kassim Busuri

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 **AO 19-37** Amending ESG activities budgets.

 Received and filed

- 2 **AO 19-58** Amending the 2019 spending budget in the Department of Public Works
 General Fund Traffic Signs & Markings accounting unit.

 Received and filed

- 3 **AO 19-60** Amending the 2019 spending budget in the General Fund Right of Way
 Management accounting unit to better align budget to actual costs.

 Received and filed

- 4 **AO 19-61** Amending the 2019 spending budget in the Department of Public Works
 Special Fund Brushing and Seal Coating accounting unit.

 Received and filed

- 5 **AO 19-62** Amending CDBG activities budget.

 Received and filed

- 6 **AO 19-65** Authorizing the Library to reallocate \$54,046 within its various accounting units in the 2019 adopted budget to most accurately reflect the projected actual spending in each accounting unit and provide the appropriate levels of spending authority.
- 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 7 - 32)

Item 12 was removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration. Item 31 was withdrawn. Councilmember Thao moved approval of the Consent Agenda as amended.

Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

- 7 **RES 19-2025** Memorializing the City Council's decision regarding the appeal of Dorian P. Nelson from decisions of the Board of Zoning Appeals denying building height and sidewall articulation variances for property at 1946 Wellesley Ave, granting the appeal for the building height variance but denying the sidewall articulation variance appeal.

Adopted

- 8 **RES 19-2026** Memorializing the City Council's decision denying the appeal of Seth Brand from decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals which had granted an off-street parking variance for property at 1886 Ford Parkway.

Adopted

- 9 **RES 19-2027** Approving the Settlement Agreement and Release between the City of Saint Paul and Jerald Boitnott.

Adopted

- 10 **Min 19-49** Approving the minutes of the November 13 and 20, 2019 City Council meetings.

Adopted

- 11 **RES 19-2053** Approving the polling locations for the 2020 elections.

Adopted

- 13 **RES 19-1964** Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for installation of a fire protection system, as requested by Francesco O’Ryan, for 786 University Avenue West. (File No. FP2019-04, Assessment No. 197103)
Adopted
- 14 **RES 19-2036** Approving the City’s cost of providing Collection of Vacant Building Registration Fees billed during January 18 to August 19, 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for January 7, 2020 and City Council public hearing for February 19, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. VB2005, Assessment No. 208804)
Adopted
- 15 **RES 19-2037** Approving the City’s cost of providing Boarding and/or Securing services during September 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for January 7, 2020 and City Council public hearing for February 19, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2005B, Assessment No. 208104)
Adopted
- 16 **RES 19-2041** Approving the City’s cost of providing Demolition service during August 2019 at 1018 Jenks Avenue, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for January 7, 2020 and City Council public hearing for February 19, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments. (File No. J2003C, Assessment No. 202002)
Adopted
- 17 **RES 19-2042** Approving the City’s cost of providing Demolition services during September 2019 (C.D.B.G. Funds), and setting date of Legislative Hearing for January 7, 2020 and City Council public hearing for February 19, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2004C, Assessment No. 202003)
Adopted
- 18 **RES 19-2043** Approving the City’s cost of providing Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy Fees billed during July 17 to August 23, 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for January 7, 2020 and City Council public hearing for February 19, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CRT2005, Assessment No. 208204)
Adopted

- 19 **RES 19-2045** Approving the City's cost of providing Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during July 23 to August 21, 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for January 7, 2020 and City Council public hearing for February 19, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2005E, Assessment No. 208304)
Adopted
- 20 **RES 19-2046** Approving the City's cost of providing Graffiti Removal services during September 23 to October 27, 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for January 7, 2020 and City Council public hearing for February 19, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2004P, Assessment No. 208403)
Adopted
- 21 **RES 19-2047** Approving the City's cost of providing Removal of Dangerous Tree(s) during January to September 2019, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for January 7, 2020 and City Council public hearing for February 19, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. 2002T, Assessment No. 209001)
Adopted
- 22 **RES 19-1981** Establishing the rate of pay for Right Track Worker in Special Employment.
Adopted
- 23 **RES 19-2000** Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2020 Wage and Fringe Adjustment between the City of Saint Paul and the International Union of Elevator Constructors, Local 9.
Adopted
- 24 **RES 19-2065** Changing the rate of pay for classifications in Grades 001, 002, 28H, and 31H of the Special Employment Salary Schedule 99; and Grade 001 of AFSCME Clerical, AFSCME Technical, and Tri-Council Laborers Salary Schedules.
Laid over to December 11 for adoption
- 25 **RES 19-2022** Approving the 2020 capital investment bonding priorities.
Adopted
- 26 **RES 19-1985** Authorizing the Police Department to enter into the Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension for the Minnesota Anti-Heroin Task Force Program.
Adopted

27 RES 19-1957 Approving a transfer agreement with the Metropolitan Council to accept two traffic signal controllers for installation on University Avenue.

Adopted

28 RES 19-2074 Authorizing the City of Saint Paul Department of Public Works to amend its existing towing contracts to increase towing charges for Snow Emergency Towing.

Adopted

29 RES 19-2057 Accepting a gift from the Humane Society of the United States for travel costs for an Animal Control Supervisor from the Department of Safety and Inspections to transport a marmoset primate from Minnesota to Kentucky for final transport to a primate sanctuary in Florida.

Adopted

30 RES 19-2029 Approving a waiver of the 45-day notice requirement to issue Liquor On Sale- 100 seats or less, Liquor On Sale- Sunday, Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Patio), and Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Sidewalk) licenses with conditions to Tori 2 LLC, d/b/a Tori (License ID #20190003530) at 603 7th Street West.

Adopted

31 RES 19-2009 Approving adverse action against the Cigarette/Tobacco and Gas Station licenses held by Dabalato LLC, d/b/a McKnight Market (License ID #20090000223) at 275 McKnight Road. (To be withdrawn and resubmitted at a later date for a public hearing)

Withdrawn

32 RLH OA 19-11 Making recommendation to Ramsey County on the application of James T. Connelly, Jr. for repurchase of tax forfeited property at 1615 STANFORD AVENUE.

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

12 RES 19-2078 Approving the West 7th Street Parking Study of West 7th Street between Seven Corners and St. Clair Avenue.

Ross Currier, Planning and Economic Development, gave a staff report.

Councilmember Noecker made brief comments and moved approval of the resolution.

Adopted

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

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

- 33 Ord 19-64** Granting the application of David Wetherill to rezone property at 600-602 Lawson Avenue West from RM2 Multiple Family Residential to T2 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Council President Brendmoen moved final adoption of the ordinance.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 34 Ord 19-69** Amending Section 105.04 of the Legislative Code to aid construction of boulevard rain gardens.

Councilmember Jalali moved final adoption of the ordinance.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

First Reading

- 35 Ord 19-72** Amending Chapters 65 and 66 of the Legislative Code pertaining to hotel, motel, and inn.

Laid over to December 11 for second reading

- 36 Ord 19-73** Granting the application of Blackstone 1, LLC to rezone property at 823 Englewood Avenue from R4 Single Family Residential to RT2 Townhouse Residential, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Laid over to December 11 for second reading

37 **Ord 19-74** Amending Chapter 2.02 of the Administrative Code by creating the Office of Financial Empowerment.

Laid over to December 11 for second reading

38 **Ord 19-75** Amending Chapter 33 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to Establishment of Permit Fees, Certificate of Compliance, and Fence Requirements.

Laid over to December 11 for second reading

39 **Ord 19-78** Amending Chapter 310 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to Uniform License Procedures as it relates to the License Fee Schedule.

Laid over to December 11 for second reading

PUBLIC HEARINGS (3:30 p.m.)

40 **RES PH 19-389** Amending the financing and spending plans in the General Government Accounts operating budget for 2019 flood related expenses in the amount of \$4 million.

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Thao moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

41 **RES PH 19-392** Amending the City's Capital Improvement Budget and Operating Budget to reflect the final sale details resulting from the issuance of the G.O. Refunding Bonds, Series 2019H, and the Taxable G.O. Street Improvement Special Assessment Refunding Bonds, Series 2019I.

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

42 **RES PH 19-391** Amending the financing and spending plans in the Fire Department for the Minnesota Task Force One team reimbursement from the City of Edina in the amount of \$27,588.30.

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 43 RES PH 19-395** Amending the financing and spending plans in Fire Department in the amount of \$32,400 for the 2018 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant.

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 44 RES PH 19-374** Amending the 2019 spending and financing budget in the Department of Public Works General Fund Traffic Signals accounting unit by \$128,762.

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA (3:30 p.m.)

Items listed under the Consent Agenda will receive a combined public hearing and be enacted by one motion with no separate discussion. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda for a separate public hearing and discussion if desired.

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 45 - 68)

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve the Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda as amended.

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

- 45 **RLH TA 19-880** Amending Council File RLH AR 19-95 to reduce the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2019 at 984 ARMSTRONG AVENUE. (File No. CG1902D2, Assessment No. 190114)
Adopted
- 46 **RLH VBR
19-79** Appeal of Daniel Curuz, tenant, to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1129 BEECH STREET.
Adopted
- 47 **RLH VBR
19-81** Appeal of Shai Leibovich to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1129 BEECH STREET.
Adopted
- 48 **RLH TA 19-900** Amending Council File RLH AR 19-139 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during April to June 2019 at 930 CARROLL AVENUE. (File No. CG1903E4, Assessment No. 190140)
Adopted
- 49 **RLH VO 19-48** Appeal of Patrick Murphy to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 61 COMO AVENUE.
Adopted
- 50 **RLH VBR
19-75** Appeal of Lynse Paasch of Real-Time Leasing representing owner - Michael Gudejko to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 885 CONWAY STREET.
Adopted
- 51 **RLH TA 19-899** Amending Council File RLH AR 19-47 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during October to December 2018 at 758 COTTAGE AVENUE WEST. (File No. CG1901B4, Assessment No. 190060)
Adopted
- 52 **RLH TA 19-902** Amending Council File RLH AR 19-74 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2019 at 414 DAYTON AVENUE. (File No. CG1902A1, Assessment No. 190101)
Adopted

- 53 **RLH TA 19-878** Amending Council File RLH AR 19-39 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during October to December 2018 at 706 DAYTON AVENUE. (File No. CG1901A1, Assessment No. 190051)
Adopted
- 54 **RLH TA 19-879** Amending Council File RLH AR 19-86 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2019 at 706 DAYTON AVENUE. (File No. CG1902C3, Assessment No. 190111)
Adopted
- 55 **RLH TA 19-882** Amending Council File RLH AR 19-118 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during April to June 2019 at 706 DAYTON AVENUE. (File No. CG1903A1, Assessment No. 190121)
Adopted
- 56 **RLH VBR
19-78** Appeal of Carolyn Brown, Community Stabilization Project, to a Vacant Building Registration Fee at 914 EARL STREET.
Adopted
- 57 **RLH FCO
19-117** Appeal of Chris Skarupa to a Correction Notice - Re-Inspection Complaint at 2015 FORD PARKWAY.
Adopted
- 58 **RLH VBR
19-63** Appeal of Genarro Moten to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 579 FOREST STREET.
Adopted as amended (extension granted)
- 59 **RLH TA 19-892** Amending Council File RLH AR 19-120 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during April to June 2019 at 675 HALL AVENUE. (File No. CG1903A3, Assessment No. 190123)
Adopted
- 60 **RLH FCO
19-111** Appeal of Jeff Langer to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Approval With Corrections at 949 IOWA AVENUE WEST.
Public hearing continued to December 11
- 61 **RLH VBR
19-80** Appeal of Joe Collins to a Vacant Building Registration Fee Warning Letter at 112 MANITOBA AVENUE.
Adopted

- 62 **RLH SAO 19-55** Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 958 REANEY AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 19-52.
Adopted
- 63 **RLH VO 19-52** Appeal of Daniel Ward to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 2034 REANEY AVENUE.
Adopted as amended (additional extension granted on first deadline)
- 64 **RLH SAO 19-56** Appeal of Blong Lee to a Summary Abatement Order at 1676 SEVENTH STREET EAST.
Adopted
- 65 **RLH VO 19-51** Appeal of Jay Mitchell, on behalf of Quality Residences, to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 743 THIRD STREET EAST.
Public hearing continued to December 11
- 66 **RLH VBR 19-55** Appeal of Angel Lawrence to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 342 THOMAS AVENUE.
Adopted as amended (4-month waiver granted)
- 67 **RLH FCO 19-110** Appeal of Linda Brooks to a Correction Notice - Complaint Inspection at 421 VANCE STREET.
Adopted
- 68 **RLH TA 19-901** Amending Council File RLH AR 19-96 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2019 at 1820 YORK AVENUE. (File No. CG1902D4, Assessment No. 190116)
Adopted

The Council recessed at 3:42 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (5:30 p.m.)

The City Council reconvened for Public Hearings at 5:32 p.m.

- 69 **Ord 19-71** Amending Chapter 24.03 of the Administrative Code related to financial disclosure requirements.
No one was present to testify. Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing.
Public hearing held and closed; laid over to December 11 for final adoption

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

Nay: 0

70 RES PH 19-364 Adopting the Frogtown District 7 Plan as an addendum to the Saint Paul Comprehensive Plan.

Tony Johnson, Planning and Economic Development, distributed copies of some last-minute changes. He gave a staff report on the neighborhood plan.

Councilmember Thao and Council President Brendmoen spoke on support of the plan and the graphic novel format.

Mychal Batson, graphic novel artist, spoke in support of the plan, and noted that most of the speech bubbles in the plan were taken directly from community members' comments.

Councilmember Thao moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

71 RES PH 19-381 Approving the Plat for the West Side Flats Phase III. (Public hearing continued from December 4)

Council President Brendmoen said the item was noticed incorrectly, and the public hearing would be held on December 18.

No one was present to testify. Council President Brendmoen moved to continue the public hearing to December 18.

Public hearing continued to December 18

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

Nay: 0

72 RES PH 19-390 Authorizing an extension of the Lowertown Ballpark Project internal loan term.

Michael Solomon, Office of Financial Services, gave a brief staff report.

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

73 RES PH 19-385 Approving the Energy Park Utility Company Schedule A.

No one was present to testify. Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

74 APC 19-4 Public hearing to consider the appeal of St. Anthony Park Community Council to a decision of the Planning Commission denying the appeal and approving a conditionally approved site plan for improvement of a vacant lot for outdoor storage at 2495 Kasota Avenue. (Public hearing to be continued to February 5)

City Clerk Shari Moore said this item would be continued to January 8. Council President Brendmoen said it was being continued because of the environmental review.

No one was present to testify. Council President Brendmoen moved to continue the public hearing to January 8.

Public hearing continued to January 8, 2020

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

Nay: 0

The Council recessed at 5:46 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

Present 6 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Dai Thao, Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Jane L. Prince, Councilmember Mitra Jalali and Councilmember Kassim Busuri

Absent 1 - Councilmember Chris Tolbert

Councilmember Tolbert arrived after 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 Kassim Busuri

2020 BUDGET AND TAX LEVY HEARING (TO BE HELD AT OR AFTER 6:00 P.M.)

76 PH 19-1

Final Hearing on the proposed 2020 Budget and Tax Levy, aka Truth in Taxation hearing.

Council President Brendmoen clarified that the estimated tax statements reflected the 22.23% "placeholder" levy limit set by the City Council due to uncertainty about the organized trash system. Because the trash referendum passed, the levy being considered was between 4.85% and 5.85%. She noted that a big driver of property taxes was a home's assessed value, and she said Ramsey County staff were present in the hall to answer questions about assessed value increases. She said City Finance staff were also available with a tax estimator tool to provide an updated estimate.

Susan Earle, Office of Financial Services, gave a staff report.

Holly Huston, Council Budget Officer, gave a staff report.

Testimony:

Jean Comstock (729 E. 6th Street), representing St. Paul 350, said she was disappointed in no funding for staff for the Climate Resilience Advisory Board, and was opposed to reducing funding for electric charging hubs.

Council President Brendmoen noted there would be a public hearing and vote on the Climate Action plan on December 18

Myrna Nelson (334 Cherokee Avenue), ISAIAH, spoke in support of the housing trust fund and other supports for affordable housing.

Rich Nymoen (1453 Payne Avenue), ISAIAH, encouraged continued housing support.

Elaine Tarone (2163 Como Avenue), on behalf of Interfaith Action, spoke in support of housing supports for low income families.

Bill Johnston (1315 Raymond Avenue), MICA, spoke in support of inclusionary zoning.

Arline Datu (93 Lexington Parkway S.), ISAIAH, spoke about the importance of immigrant protections.

Sharon Schrantz (1291 Sargent), ISAIAH, spoke in support of Community First Public Safety.

Ahmed Anshur (787 Hampden Avenue N.) spoke in support of affordable housing, and the need for Islamic financing.

Gaye Sorenson (247 Kennard), ISAIAH, spoke about the need for support for enforcement of Earned Sick and Safe time, and minimum wage.

Dan Humes (2153 Iglehart Avenue) spoke about the urgency for action on climate change.

Stephanie Stoessel (100 Yacht Club Road), ISAIAH, spoke about the need to invest in housing and public safety.

Tom Baxter (1791 Goodrich Avenue) expressed alarm about the condition of City infrastructure.

Ossian Or (440 Hall), spoke in support of community engagement and funding for social programs to address violence, and urged the Council to aggressively pursue LGA.

Michaelene Colestock (1075 Hudson Road), spoke about the impact of a property tax increase on her transitional housing programs for women and children.

Tim Colestock (2232 Carver Avenue) spoke about the impact of the property tax increase on his family, and said services are the same for all homes regardless of value.

John Slade (3 Linder Court), MICAH, spoke about the need for supports for youth homelessness and fair housing.

Mara Vasquez (no address given) (via a Spanish interpreter) spoke about workers rights.

Carlos Hernandez (1115 York Avenue) (via a Spanish interpreter) spoke about the need for more investigators and funding for community contracts for organizations that educated workers about their rights.

Matthews Hollinshead (2114 Pinehurst Avenue) reviewed his written testimony stressing the need for access to car sharing, and he suggested taxing motor vehicles as real property as a revenue source.

Bob ? (no address given), spoke in opposition to the organized trash system. He said taxes were increasing but plowing was not being done properly.

Beth Hyser (1299 Earl Street), NeighborWorks Home Partners, said she was present to advocate for the restoration of CIB funds for home-improvement lending.

Sanna Towns (300 4th Street E.) spoke in support of Mayor Carter's Community Public Safety proposal.

Adan Abdi (1374 Westminster) thanked the Council for increased funding in Parks and Recreation, and spoke about the importance of free access to schools, summer programs, and recreation centers for families in the community.

Mai Xee Lee (1674 Luella Street), St. Paul Youth Commission, said they supported the vision of Community First Public Safety.

The Council recessed at 7:12 and reconvened at 7:16.

Peter Meier (1497 Fairmount Avenue), said gun violence was a criminal issue and not a public health issue, and the City should be most concerned about law-abiding citizens.

Carrie Pomeroy (1687 Minnehaha Avenue E.), Root and Restore, spoke about the importance of investing in crime prevention. She said the Community Safety budget supplement was a good first step, but others were needed.

Chauntyll Allen (1538 Edmund Avenue), spoke in support of "funding the village," and Community First.

Tia Williams, Frogtown Neighborhood Association, (501 N. Dale Street) said they had been working on alternatives to displacement and gentrification, and felt conversations about gun violence intersected with that issue.

Reverend Spence (783 Fuller Avenue), Community Action Partnership, said they were not satisfied with \$3 million out of a \$600 million budget.

Victoria Caprioni (2189 Rose Avenue E.), spoke in support of the work of MICAH and ISAIAH and their housing efforts, and said she felt St. Paul was falling down in its work with accessory dwelling units as a housing solution.

Bahieh H. (682 Robert Street S.), Root and Restore, said the community public safety supplement was a step in the right direction to fund the village but didn't meet the urgency of the current situation.

Shaquonna Jackson (2105 1/2 Old Hudson), working with District 1 Community Council and MICAH, said Section 8 voucher holders were being pushed out of the City, and she would like to see more investment in that housing.

Anika Bowie (874 Aurora Avenue) spoke about the systems of transactional vs transformational.

Vivian Ihekoronye (295 Arlington Avenue W.), ISAIAH, said the City should be moving in the direction of a multiracial democracy and caring economy.

A.B. (name illegible) (615 Hall Avenue) said she was speaking as a mother. She said children were being killed, and the public safety budget was needed.

Larry Zieske (1365 5th Street E.) said his concern was the overall tax burden. He made suggestions for trimming down.

Kate Thomas (736 Goodrich Avenue) said she was speaking on behalf of her friend whose family was thinking about moving out of St. Paul family because of lack of affordable housing. She said single-family zoning was unreasonable, and the City needed to work more on having a community where everyone could stay.

Mohamed Liban (557 N. Dale Street), ISAIAH, said issues of poverty were tied to equity, and he would like the Council to support communities that needed equity the most.

Emelia Godinez (1116 Lawson Avenue E.) said property taxes going up 50% on the East Side was shocking. She said the trash referendum hurt a lot of people, and she wished taxes could be spent on simple things like snow plowing and more police.

Iricia and Imaiya Lucio (West Side), stressed the importance of funding the village, and said it was important to have more money for programming for youth. Imaiya spoke about how she had benefited from youth and community programs.

Timothy Davis (1361 Ashland Avenue) said his estimated property tax statement showed a 43% increase, and the new value was 33%. He said he wanted to know the money was going to something that was beneficial. He said the streets in his neighborhood were in bad shape.

Steve Ficker (1838 Franklin Avenue S.E., Minneapolis), MICAH, said he was

concerned that the policies and practices of the government were doing damage to its most vulnerable citizens, by selectively restricting the availability. He said developers getting City funding should have affordable housing requirements.

Nao Houa Moua (2432 Homestead Court N., Oakdale), Hmong 18 Council of Minnesota, said they were dealing with gun violence and domestic violence, and asked for the City to help with those issues.

Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 7 Nays - 0

Council members Prince and Jalali thanked everyone for their comments.

Received and filed

75 RES PH 19-388

Approving an amendment to the Capital Improvement Budget; declaring official intent to reimburse expenditures from the proceeds of tax exempt bonds; authorizing interfund loans; providing for the use of Project Labor Agreements in accordance with policy; and authorizing execution of a redevelopment agreement and related documents for the Ford Site Redevelopment Project (District 15, Ward 3) (v).

Council President Brendmoen said there would be a combined staff report for the City Council and HRA resolutions related to the Ford re-development. She described the process for the HRA convening.

Christine Guild, Planning and Economic Development, and John McCarthy, Office of Financial Services, gave a staff report and answered questions from Council members.

In opposition:

Kathy McGuire (2203 Fairmount), Neighbors for a Livable St. Paul, asked that there be a public meeting to explain TIF and provide transparency and public input before the vote was taken.

Kate Hunt (2081 Highland Parkway) echoed the request to postpone TIF approval until questions are answered in a public forum.

In support:

Dr. Tom Kottke, HealthPartners, distributed written materials and spoke about the need for housing.

Bobby Kasper, St. Paul Regional Labor Federation, spoke in support of job creation and use of project labor agreements.

Tony Barranco (4439 Fremont Avenue S., Minneapolis), Ryan Companies

Kalique Rogers (867 Thomas Avenue), United for Action, spoke in support and about the importance of affordable housing and education.

Don Mullin, St. Paul Construction and Building Trades (353 W. 7th Street), spoke about the potential job creation at the site.

Paul Williams (1706 Hillcrest Avenue), PPL, spoke about the need for affordable housing.

Cecil Bedor (4904 Oakland Avenue), Common Bond Communities, spoke about the

need and importance of affordable housing. She stressed that they intended to bring in other partners.

B. Kyle (4886 Bolger Trail, Inver Grove Heights), SPACC, spoke in support of the proposed investment plan.

Ben Rabe (1123 Lafond Avenue), Fresh Energy, spoke in support of the City's investment in sustainable building and clean energy. He said they didn't think energy credits from the Ford site dam should be counted towards the building standards.

Tony Giuliani (2154 Pinehurst Avenue) spoke in support on behalf of St. Paul Highland Ball.

Dan Hintz (672 Sue Place) said he was excited about the project. He said he felt the communication had been great, and Ryan Companies and Councilmember Tolbert had done a great job. He urged the Council to move it forward.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 7 Nays -0

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

The City Council will recess and convene as the HRA to consider RES 19-2066: Resolution (i) approving an amendment to the HRA Budget, (ii) administratively amending the budget set forth in the TIF Plan for the Ford Site Redevelopment Tax Increment Financing District (#322), (iii) authorizing interfund loans, (iv) declaring official intent to reimburse expenditures from the proceeds of tax exempt bonds, and (v) authorizing execution of a redevelopment agreement and related documents (Ford Site Redevelopment Project), District 15, Ward 3.

THE HRA will adjourn and the City Council will reconvene.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Brendmoen adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

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