



City of Saint Paul

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Minutes - Final

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, March 17, 2021

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 3:33 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 Nelsie Yang

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 said we are pulling Item 21 for separate consideration.

Councilmember Thao moved 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 Yang

Nay: 0

1 [Min 21-11](#) Approving the minutes of the December 2, 9, and 16, 2020 City Council meetings.

Adopted

2 [RES 21-269](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during January 5 to 14, 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for April 20, 2021 and City Council public hearing for June 2, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2115A, Assessment No.

218514)

Adopted

- 3 [RES 21-270](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during January 12 to 29, 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for April 20, 2021 and City Council public hearing for June 2, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2116A, Assessment No. 218515)

Adopted

- 4 [RES 21-302](#) Accepting new play equipment and playground renovation at Dunning playground through KaBOOM! and enter into a partner agreement as necessary to accept and implement this project on behalf of the City.

Adopted

- 5 [RES 21-353](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for and, if awarded, accept up to \$700 in funds from the Minnesota Alliance with Youth, which includes indemnification, for the Saint Paul Youth Commission's IMPACT Project.

Adopted

- 6 [RES 21-361](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for the Shade Tree Program Bonding Grant (2021-2024) of up to \$50,000 from the Department of Natural Resources to replace trees lost to the Emerald Ash Borer and, if funds are granted, authorizing the proper City of Saint Paul officials to execute the grant agreement.

Adopted

- 7 [RES 21-362](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for, and if awarded, accept four AmeriCorps VISTA members from the Minnesota Alliance with Youth for Recreation Services, Awakenings, and Right Track in program years 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024.

Adopted

- 8 [RES 21-414](#) Authorizing the use of a Project Labor Agreement for HVAC improvements in Parks and Recreation and Public Works facilities.

Adopted

- 9 [RES 21-357](#) Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement (January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2022) between the City of Saint Paul and the Saint Paul Fire Supervisory Association International Association of Firefighters, Local 3939. (Laid over from March 17)

Laid over to March 24 for adoption

- 10 [RES 21-366](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during October to December 2020, and setting date of legislative hearing for April 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for May 26, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG2101A1, Assessment No. 210100)

Adopted

- 11 [RES 21-367](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during October to December 2020, and setting date of legislative hearing for April 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for May 26, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG2101A2, Assessment No. 210101)

Adopted

- 12 [RES 21-368](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for service during October to December 2020, and setting date of legislative hearing for April 8, 2021 and City Council public hearing for May 26, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CG2101A3, Assessment No. 210102)

Adopted

- 13 [RES 21-372](#) Approving a Cooperative Construction Agreement with MnDOT regarding construction and maintenance of a noise wall along the south side of I-94 between Prior Avenue and Fairview Avenue.

Adopted

- 14 [RES 21-409](#) Approving the release of a Municipal Utility and Water Services Easement dedicated in the FORD plat and reflected in the WESTERN HIGHLAND BRIDGE plat.

Adopted

- 15 [RES 21-374](#) Approving ordinance permit 20200010601 for sanitary sewer collection infrastructure installed by Ryan on the Ford (Highland Bridge) Site.

Adopted

- 16 [RES 21-404](#) Approving Ordinance Permit 20200011001 for Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure Installed by Ryan Companies for Pulte Model Homes.

Adopted

- 17 [RES 21-380](#) Preliminary Order setting the date of Public Hearing for April 21, 2021 to consider approval of the Seventh Place Mall operation and maintenance costs for 2020. (File No. 18428-21, Assessment No. 217200)

Adopted

- 18 [RES 21-384](#) Preliminary Order setting the date of City Council public hearing for April 21, 2021 to consider approval for the Grand/Snelling parking lot operation and maintenance costs for 2022. (File No. 18746-21, Assessment No. 217202)

Adopted

- 19 [RES 21-399](#) Amending the 2021 State Legislative Agenda to include support for Regions Hospital's request for legislative action to approve 45 additional bed licenses to support community needs in the East Metro.

Adopted

- 20 [RES 21-427](#) Approving an Auto Repair Garage with conditions to GJN Auto Service LLC, d/b/a Gary's Automotive Repair (License ID #20210000033), for the premises located at 455 Atwater Street.

Adopted

- 22 [RES 21-426](#) Recognizing March 2021 as Women's History Month.

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 21 [RES 21-425](#) Declaring May 5, 2021 to be Irish Unity Day in the City of Saint Paul.

Councilmember Prince thanked Mark Connor. Today is a quiet St. Patrick's Day again. (She read a few paragraphs from the resolution.)

Mike Connor said they are an organization of Irish, Catholic, and American. They want to be unified with their fellow citizens. That is the spirit in which they put forth this resolution. There were people murdered in the conflict seeking justice, truth, and reconciliation, holding people accountable. We want to see a united Ireland, but we don't want to see war and conflict among communities. We as Americans learn to live together.

Prince moved approval.

Connor said he was in Ireland at the signing at the agreement.

Prince said that she would like to add that his dad Bob Connor was a legislative aide in Ward 7. We lost him this year.

Councilmember Tolbert says this is a different St. Patrick's Day than normal years, as many things were cancelled. In many ways, St. Patrick's Day celebrates Ireland and Irish Americans. Tolbert said his great great great grandparents came over from Ireland to seek a better life. He likes to remind people when out there celebrating St. Patrick's day, the Irish were discriminated against for being Irish and for their religion, and they were seeking a better life for themselves and their kids. If you are out celebrating, don't forget there are immigrants today who are seeking a better life for themselves, for their religion, for how they look. We are a city that has been greatly benefited by all that immigrant and refugees and others and the contributions they have made.

*7 in favor, none opposed
Resolution is adopted*

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 23** [RES PH 21-18](#) Ratifying the assessment for replacement of sanitary sewer services within the right-of-way as part of the Wheelock Parkway paving and lighting project. (File No. 19206C, Assessment No. 206002)

Council President Brendmoen said this is a public hearing held online and transcribed over the phone.

Councilmember Jalali moved to close the public hearing and approve.

*7 in favor, none opposed
Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 24** [RES PH 21-42](#) Ratifying the assessments for Repair of Sanitary Sewer Line on Private Properties during October to December 2020. (File No. SWRP2101, Assessment No. 213001)

Council President Brendmoen said this public hearing was held online and transcribed over the phone.

Councilmember Yang moved to close the public hearing and approve.

*7 in favor, none opposed
Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 25** [RES PH 21-14](#) Ratifying the assessment for a water main and connection at 1628 Point Douglas Road South. (File No. 18982B4, Assessment No. 216100)

Council President Brendmoen said this public hearing was held online and transcribed over the phone.

Councilmember Yang moved to close the public hearing and approve.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Public hearing closed; laid over to March 24

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

Nay: 0

- 26** [RES PH 21-41](#) Ratifying the assessments for Replacement of Lead Water Service Line on Private Properties during October to December 2020. (File No. 2101LDSRP, Assessment No. 214001)

Council President Brendmoen said this is a public hearing held online and transcribed over the phone.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to close the public hearing and approve.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 27** [RES PH 21-43](#) Accepting Federal Recreational Trail Grant Program funds through the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, entering into a grant agreement detailing conditions of the grant which includes an indemnification clause, and amending the finance and spending plan in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$150,000 to reflect said grant funds for the Robert Piram Regional Trail project.

Councilmember Noecker said she doesn't need a staff report. She loves the Piram trail. It is wonderful. Her son loves it. It is an amazing amenity.

Council President Brendmoen supports it as well. The connection across Plato is really cool. They tested it out before it was done.

Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

28 [RES PH 21-44](#)

Amending the financing and spending plan in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$73,150 to reflect funds received from the Lower Phalen Creek Project for staff design services for the Wakan Tipi project.

Councilmember Prince said she would like a staff report. (There was a problem with staff person being on the meeting.) She thought it would be a nice opportunity to say what a fabulous thing it is. She will move to close the public hearing and approve.

Council President Brendmoen said these projects are worth acknowledging. She is in support.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

29 [RES PH 21-45](#)

Amending the financing and spending plan in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$56,450 for funds received from the Saint Paul Parks Conservancy for the Swede Hollow Signage project.

Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing and approve. This means a lot to people of Suede Hollow.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

30 [RES PH 21-50](#)

Amending the financing and spending plan in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$8,482.59 for funds received from the Saint Paul

& Minnesota Foundation for the upkeep and environment maintenance of Swede Hollow Park.

Councilmember Prince said this is more good news for the Hollow. She moved to close the public hearing and approve.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

31 [RES PH 21-57](#)

Amending the budget of the Office of Financial Empowerment to reflect an additional \$8,000 due to amended contract with Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund, Inc. for consumer financial protection planning activities.

Council President Brendmoen said this has been a public hearing online and transcribed over the phone. Brendmoen moved to close the public hearing and approve.

7 in favor, none opposed

Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

32 [APC 21-1](#)

Public hearing to consider the appeal of Alatus Development LLC to a decision of the Planning Commission to deny a site plan for Lexington Station Apartments at 411-417 Lexington Parkway North. (Public hearing was closed on March 17)

Council President Brendmoen said the Council requested a staff report on this item.

Councilmember Thao said he will like Director Nicolle Goodman to give context on this situation.

Tia Anderson said she will be sharing her screen for the presentation portion while Mia Skarda does the talking. The site plan review is a delegated function of the Planning Commission. It is decided by City staff and experts in representative jurisdictions. Out of 80 files each year, the Planning commission may see maybe 1 or 2 of those. The Planning Commission voted to review this site plan on November 4. Staff reviewers looked at the plan and recommended approval with conditions to the Zoning Committee. The Planning Commission denied the site plan. Alatus has appealed that denial.

(She showed a map and renderings.) This is a T4 zone. There are 228 residential

units proposed, 3,000 square feet of ground level commercial space, 254 parking spaces, and there is a 12-foot sidewalk. There is some landscaping 15 plus feet to the right of it. They can allow for future bike facilities when those come into play. So, they received quite a bit of testimony for both hearings. There were 9 letters and one speaker in support, 21 letters against, and 10 speakers against. One organization wrote in both times and she counted that as two. All letters have been forwarded to the Council. In the zoning code, there are 11 findings for approving a site plan. 1 and 2 are bolded at the top where the two findings that were denied are found to be not met when the Planning Commission denied the site plan. They concurred with staff on the remaining items that they were met.

The Planning Commission's first reason for denial is it is inconsistent with the 2040 comp plans core values of equity, affordability, and sustainability. Appellant noted that affordable housing will be provided. The Planning Commission found it did not comply with lower density. The appellant noted the impracticality of that, and the potential continuation of the street grid is out of the developer's control.

Next steps: appellant has made an ask for a few additional conditions to be added. The normal site plan review committee had reviewed the plan and given feedback. Not a lot has happened since then. They have not received the revised plans. The first 5 conditions are related to making sure the plan is revised and turned back into the City reviewers. There are 3 additional conditions: be enrolled in an affordable housing plan, commit to public art, public review process and theme. With the first one, it would be more important that they are saying something more like they should submit a more complete application to be reviewed.

Brendmoen asked if her colleagues have questions.

Councilmember Thao said he is curious, with the 5 conditions, what is the timeline for that? Will those conditions come before the Council for approval?

Ashley Skarda said the timeline depends on how busy her team is and the turnaround from the developer. Usually it takes a couple of months to go back and forth.

Thao has concerns about the traffic. Do they come back to the Council for approval. Skarda responded that they typically do not. What she would be looking for is if the traffic engineers would accept the final draft.

Tia Anderson said so that staff from various disciplines could ensure that all codes were being included in the plan set. None of the outstanding comments would materially impact the plan. It's making sure that there is overall compliance with codes and policies, but there is nothing that would change the look and feel of the plan. If the Council wants to see the plan again, they could bring it back.

Thao said he is concerned about the left hand turn on Lexington going northbound. The traffic study will still happen. It's a major mistake to allow a left hand turn going northbound on Lexington. He would like this presentation to be submitted for public record.

Brendmoen said getting it attached to Legistar, they can get it to Shari Moore, City Clerk.

Councilmember Prince she appreciates the appellants adding the 4D program as a condition they are placing on themselves. She is wondering if there are going to be

units that qualify for the 4D program as it is currently planned.

Brendmoen asked is it a zoning question. Prince responded she can wait for Goodman. She is confused that the completion of the street grid is out of the developer's control. She thought the developer was seeking a Met Council grant to put in the continuation of the street grid on Fuller. Is that accurate? Maybe that's a question for PED.

Tia Anderson said the Met Council grant was 5-4 but never fully executed upon. There have been various iterations of designs for this development. Earlier versions included potential for Fuller bike right of way. That did not come to fruition. Part of the appeal is that Fuller Avenue does not extend from Lexington Parkway all the way to Allianz field. It is a number of blocks without that street grid extension.

Prince asked about the withdrawn application. Anderson responded she was not involved with that. She believes there were a variety of reasons why that did not go through between the developer and the City accepting it.

Prince said if the developer went through the application, it doesn't seem it is outside the developer's control. She can save that question.

Pereira said he can speak to the grant application. There was a previous award made. The grant was awarded, and the developer requested the City withdraw it. If they got the grant and turned it back, that is a decision the developer made. That's an important part of the Lexington Station plan. He does not know all the details of that grant whether it would cover the cost of building it. Some of the infrastructure were related to this and he is not sure how much of the cost is covered with that grant.

Brendmoen said we should be sure if it was a partial grant or full grant. One of the challenges is that we are looking at a site plan approval and also talking about context around it. We are really voting on this site plan, which is not something we typically vote on. We are required to make a final decision by April 17. If we choose not to decide, we still have made a choice. Let's keep that in mind.

Goodman said she will respond to the question: the developer has not applied for 4D. We do not have the information we need to answer that question. They would need financing. We can't answer questions about eligibility until they apply. (She shared her screen.) Here are some of the challenges we are facing in Saint Paul: 1) Home prices are rising at all levels. 2) We have a housing shortage at all levels. 3) Rising costs in commercial spaces are making it hard for small business owners. 4) Risks of displacement are real. She discussed some of the programs. There is much work to be done. She talked about the equity goals in the comprehensive plan. There are tenant protections. (She went into detail about Tenant Protection, 4-D Affordable Housing Incentive Program, and Qualified Allocation Plan for Low Income Housing Tax Credits, \$16 Million Housing Trust Fund.) Inclusionary Zoning should be considered. (She talked about Possible Tools to Study and Consider for a 1 to 4 unit infill housing study.)

Thao said the common denominator is that we do not have enough housing. That adds to the problem of not having affordable housing. He is interested in the inclusionary zoning. He asked what is the time frame for that.

Goodman said they can begin studying right away. There have been competing priorities. If it is a priority, they can start on that right away. We are going to need a

suit of tools. Assuming we have staff, it would be ideal to look into a consultant.

Thao said there is no capacity in PED. What is she asking? Goodman responded she does not have a cost estimate. This is the kind of work we will want to have.

Noecker said she is concerned about displacement and interested in inclusionary zoning. Based on her expertise, if we are concerned about displacement, is the right approach to turn down projects like this one that are half affordable with no subsidy? Secondly, are we within our legal rights to deny a use that is compatible with the zoning, particularly with no zoning attached. Can we take all housing projects and turn them down because they are not compatible with affordability goals. Goodman responded she is not an attorney. This is a site plan review. We do not have inclusionary zoning. There is not an affordability requirement. It is a site plan review. It is rather or not it meets the zoning. We do have a housing shortage.

Noecker says it is helpful. One of the things driving our housing shortage is the regulation and the process of getting things through bodies like the Council. It is ironic in some ways. She would love her thoughts on how to prevent displacement. Goodman responded inclusionary is not a silver bullet. There are levers, there has to be a balance, there has to be supply, we need to build as much affordable housing, we need to incentivise affordable housing, increase community ownership and pathways to ownership, find ways to mitigate property tax increases. We need to define vulnerable areas. We need to look at every tool we have to mitigate risk of displacement. We can do a better job with tax increment financing. It's a whole sort of anti-displacement strategy.

Brendmoen said many of these are an increase related to COVID. Maybe there is money to help navigate this. There is an interesting article about a shortage of housing for sale across the country.

Prince said she would like to remind her colleagues that the inclusionary zoning was in the housing policy resolution that they passed. It was passed 2½ years ago. We are moving through it and implementing it. They are being told this is site plan review. The opportunities for impact are limited. The project does not request public funding. The developer added conditions to hold themselves to. The developer is obviously responding to the fact that they have a serious community relations problem. She would have hoped that Wilder would have been a better neighbor to the 3 different councils that were not involved in the process. This developer made decisions that has resulted in a lot of community controversy. They are not seeking City funding, so we don't know what they will look it. They are buying goodwill. If the developer is going to make good on affordability claims, she would like to see assurance that is going to happen. She doesn't know how we get more assurance about the affordability. The developer needs to make some commitments about what they are talking about. We can't require it. This is playing out in the court of public opinion. She would like to encourage the developer to have a talk about the affordability they are willing to provide on this project.

Councilmember Jalali said there is so much she is struck by. She wants to go back to the presentation Goodman brought. We got a presentation from Shukman. The market alone is not producing housing that is affordable enough. The market is producing market rate. It is still hundred of dollars a month in rent. City medium income is lower. We know these things around the table. Affordability is not defined well enough for our neediest residents. The things she saw was the resource. We have an affordable housing trust fund. She would like to see how federal funds are

going to change the equations for us. There is a piece here of what developers can do about affordability on their own. As we think about those connections, where do you see the opportunity to see the gap? Other levels of government are finally paying for housing. What can we do? Goodman says it is a resource gap. We have to have more resources. She has been here just 8 months. Our leadership level in the city, we are focusing on federal funding. It is a huge resource gap. We are not the only City having this challenge. There is a different formula in each city. We need to look at as part of this study. All these things need a hard look.

Councilmember Thao said there is a lot about the comprehensive plan. What is the difference between the comprehensive plan and the zoning code? Can we deny based on the comprehensive plan? Goodman responded it was just adopted and they need tools to achieve those goals.

Thao said he will lay this over and go through the conditions. He will close the public hearing, but accept any letters of comments until the next hearing to give people time to share their thoughts and concerns. Lay over to April 7.

Jalali said if we close the public hearing, people can still e-mail the public record. How can we receive public input?

Brendmoen said it is still ex parte. We're not in the Chambers. We often close the public hearing, but continue to take public input through our regular system. If people want to contact us, they can continue to do that until we vote on the item. We clarified this morning. That is our customs and practices. We continue to take input until the final vote.

Thao moved to close the public hearing and lay over to April 7
7 in favor, none opposed
Public hearing is closed; file is laid over to April 7

Public hearing closed; laid over to April 7

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS

The Legislative Hearing Officer recommends adoption of the following resolutions, as no objections to these recommendations were received:

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

Nay: 0

- 34** [RLH TA 20-324](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1112 ALBEMARLE STREET. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530) (Public hearing to be continued to March 17, 2021)

Adopted

- 35 [RLH TA 20-460](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1319 BAYARD AVENUE. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530)
Adopted
- 36 [RLH TA 20-318](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1128 BEECH STREET. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530) (Public hearing to be continued to March 17, 2021)
Adopted
- 37 [RLH TA 20-287](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 250 BIRMINGHAM STREET. (File No. J2009B, Assessment No. 208108) (Public hearing to be continued to March 17, 2021)
Adopted
- 38 [RLH TA 21-78](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1696 BOHLAND AVENUE. (File No. J2017A, Assessment No. 208529)
Adopted
- 39 [RLH TA 20-315](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 919 CLEAR AVENUE. (File No. J2017A, Assessment No. 208529)
Adopted
- 41 [RLH TA 20-334](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1450 DALE STREET NORTH. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530)
Adopted
- 42 [RLH TA 21-48](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1692 EDMUND AVENUE (1694 EDMUND). (File No. VB2105, Assessment No. 218804)
Adopted
- 43 [RLH TA 21-124](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 889 EUCLID STREET. (File No. CG2004A5, Assessment No. 200167)
Adopted
- 44 [RLH SAO 21-14](#) Appeal of Eden Gartner to a Summary Abatement Order at 741 FLANDRAU STREET.
Adopted
- 45 [RLH TA 21-53](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 852 FREMONT AVENUE. (File No. CG2004A5, Assessment No. 200167)

Adopted

- 46 [RLH VBR 21-13](#) Appeal of Steven Kraut to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 62 HATCH AVENUE.

Adopted

- 49 [RLH SAO 21-16](#) Appeal of Aaron Huisenga to a Summary Abatement Order at 916 IGLEHART AVENUE.

Adopted

- 50 [RLH TA 21-9](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1836 IGLEHART AVENUE. (File No. CG2004A5, Assessment No. 200167)

Adopted

- 51 [RLH TA 20-320](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 969 JUNO AVENUE. (File No. J2017A, Assessment No. 208529)

Adopted

- 52 [RLH TA 20-317](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 661 KENT STREET. (File No. J2017A, Assessment No. 208529)

Adopted

- 53 [RLH TA 20-329](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 160 LARPENTEUR AVENUE WEST (1675 RICE STREET-GIANT WASH LAUNDRY). (File No. J2017A, Assessment No. 208529) (Public hearing to be continued to March 17, 2021)

Adopted

- 54 [RLH TA 20-457](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 953 LAWSON AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530)

Adopted

- 55 [RLH TA 21-52](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 52 MAGNOLIA AVENUE WEST. (File No. CG2004A5, Assessment No. 200167)

Adopted

- 56 [RLH TA 21-51](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1516 MARGARET STREET. (File No. CG2004A6, Assessment No. 200168)

Adopted

- 58 [RLH TA 21-104](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1708 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. VB2105, Assessment No. 218804)

Adopted

- 59 [RLH SAO 21-13](#) Appeal of Eric R Jacobson to a Summary Abatement Order at 2359 PEARL STREET.
Adopted
- 60 [RLH TA 21-66](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 520 ROBERT STREET NORTH. (File No. J2105B, Assessment No. 218104)
Adopted
- 61 [RLH TA 21-16](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2093 ROBLYN AVENUE. (File No. CG2004A5, Assessment No. 200167)
Adopted
- 62 [RLH TA 21-10](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2134 SAINT ANTHONY AVENUE. (File No. CG2004A5, Assessment No. 200167)
Adopted
- 63 [RLH AR 21-21](#) Ratifying the assessments for Removal of Dangerous Tree(s) service during February 2020 at 1711 SAINT CLAIR AVENUE. (File No. 2101T, Assessment No. 219000)
Adopted
- 64 [RLH TA 21-107](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1670 SEVENTH STREET EAST. (File No. J2105E, Assessment No. 218304)
Adopted
- 65 [RLH TA 21-136](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 277 SHERBURNE AVENUE. (File No. CG2004A6, Assessment No. 200168)
Adopted
- 66 [RLH TA 21-24](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 749 SIMS AVENUE. (File No. CG2004A5, Assessment No. 200167)
Adopted
- 67 [RLH TA 21-8](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 397 THOMAS AVENUE. (File No. CG2004A6, Assessment No. 200168)
Adopted
- 68 [RLH TA 21-161](#) Amending Council File RLH AR 21-6 to delete the assessment for Graffiti Removal services during October 7 to 15, 2020 at 1831 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2104P, Assessment No. 218403)
Adopted

- 71 [RLH RR 20-57](#) Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 985 WOODBRIDGE STREET in Council File RLH RR-19.
Adopted
- 75 [RLH AR 21-15](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2020. (File No. CG2004A5, Assessment No. 200167)
Adopted
- 76 [RLH AR 21-16](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2020. (File No. CG2004A6, Assessment No. 200168)
Adopted
- 77 [RLH AR 21-17](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during May 20 to September 17, 2020. (File No. VB2105, Assessment No. 218804)
Adopted
- 78 [RLH AR 21-18](#) Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during October 2020. (File No. J2105B, Assessment No. 218104)
Adopted
- 79 [RLH AR 21-19](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during August 19 to September 14, 2020. (File No. CRT2105, Assessment No. 218204)
Adopted

For the following items, no objection to the Legislative Hearing Officer's amended recommendation was received and, therefore, she recommends amendment and adoption:

- 33 [RLH TA 20-307](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 201 ACKER STREET. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530) (Public hearing to be continued to March 17, 2021)
Adopted as amended (reduce assessment)
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 47 [RLH TA 20-355](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 691 HOYT

AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530) (Public hearing to be continued to January 13, 2021)

Adopted as amended (ratify assessment)

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

Nay: 0

- 57 [RLH TA 20-321](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1180 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2017A, Assessment No. 208529) (Public hearing to be continued to March 17, 2021)

Adopted as amended (ratify assessment)

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

Nay: 0

- 69 [RLH TA 20-323](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 560 VAN BUREN AVENUE. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530) (Public hearing to be continued to March 17, 2021)

Adopted as amended (reduce assessment)

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

Nay: 0

- 70 [RLH TA 20-312](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 937 WOODBRIDGE STREET. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530)

Adopted as amended (delete assessment)

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

Nay: 0

- 72 [RLH TA 20-332](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1832 YORK AVENUE. (File No. J2017A, Assessment No. 208529) (Legislative Hearing on July 7)

Adopted as amended (ratify assessment)

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

Nay: 0

- 73 [RLH AR 20-88](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during February 3 to 14, 2020. (File No. J2017A, Assessment No. 208529)

Adopted as amended (delete 553 Van Buren Avenue for 4/6/21; 1696 Bohland Ave-technical amendment and 31 Winter St-public hearing continued to 3/24/21)

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

Nay: 0

- 74 [RLH AR 20-89](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during February 19 to 27, 2020. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530)

Adopted as amended (1319 Bayard Avenue and 953 Lawson Avenue East are technical amendments)

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

Nay: 0

- 80 [RLH AR 21-20](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during August 26 to September 21, 2020. (File No. J2105E, Assessment No. 218304)

Adopted as amended (refer 1323-1327 Barclay Street to the Legislative Hearing of April 6, 10:00 a.m.)

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

Nay: 0

For the following item, the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendation is to continue the public hearing to July 14:

- 40 [RLH TA 21-84](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 919 CLEAR AVENUE. (File No. J2105E, Assessment No. 218304) (Continue PH to July 14, 2021)

Public hearing continued to July 14

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

Nay: 0

For the following item, the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendation is to continue the public hearing to March 24

- 48 [RLH TA 21-166](#) Reconsidering ratification of the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 959 HUDSON ROAD. (File No. VB2102, Assessment No. 218801)

Public hearing continued to March 24

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

Nay: 0

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