



# 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*

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Wednesday, February 3, 2021

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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See the meeting guidelines due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### ROLL CALL

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

#### COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [CO 21-10](#) Mayor's Emergency Executive Order 21-5.  
Received and Filed
- 2 [AO 21-6](#) Amending CDBG projects budget.  
Received and Filed

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda will be enacted by one motion with no separate discussion. If discussion on an item is desired, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration.

#### Approval of the Consent Agenda

*Council President Brendmoen said Item 18 will be removed for separate consideration.*

*Councilmember Yang moved the balance of the Consent Agenda.*

*6 in favor, none opposed*

*Consent Agenda adopted as amended*

#### **Adopted Consent Agenda**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Tolbert

- 3     [RES 21-49](#)     Approving the release of a portion of the utility easement rights retained in vacation file RES PH 20-123.
- Adopted**
- 4     [RES 21-181](#)     Accepting a Sidewalk and Public Utility Easement from Snelling Shields LLC and an Emergency Vehicle Ingress/Egress Easement from Central Baptist Church in connection with "The Pitch" commercial development at 427 Snelling Avenue North.
- Adopted**
- 5     [RES 21-69](#)     Removing the parking meter zones on Park Street between Sherburne Avenue and Como Avenue.
- Adopted**
- 6     [RES 21-94](#)     Approving the extension agreements for transfer of Saint Paul Police employees, Tina C. McNamara, David A. Titus, and Michael D. Whisler, to the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office.
- Adopted**
- 7     [RES 21-119](#)     Granting preliminary approval to the issuance of certain general obligation and revenue bonds as approved in the 2021 budget of the City of Saint Paul; expressing the intent of the City of Saint Paul to reimburse itself from the proceeds of such tax-exempt bonds; and authorizing City finance staff and advisors to take certain actions with respect to the sale of such bonds.
- Adopted**
- 8     [RES 21-122](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during July 16 to October 19, 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for March 2, 2021 and City Council public hearing for April 14, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. VB2106, Assessment No. 218805)
- Adopted**
- 9     [RES 21-123](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during November 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for March 2, 2021 and City Council public hearing for April 14, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2106B, Assessment No. 218105)
- Adopted**
- 10    [RES 21-124](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Demolition services from November 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for March 2, 2021 and City

Council public hearing for April 14, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2103C, Assessment No. 212002)

**Adopted**

- 11     [RES 21-125](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during September 15 to October 22, 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for March 2, 2021 and City Council public hearing for April 14, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CRT2106, Assessment No. 218205)  
**Adopted**
- 12     [RES 21-127](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Removal of Diseased Tree(s) during August at 1052 Charles Ave, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for March 2, 2021 and City Council public hearing for April 14, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. 2102T, Assessment No. 219001)  
**Adopted**
- 13     [RES 21-131](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Replacement of Lead Water Service Line on Private Properties during July to September 2020, and setting date of City Council public hearing for March 3, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. 2100LDSRP, Assessment No. 214000)  
**Adopted**
- 14     [RES 21-133](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Repair of Sanitary Sewer Line on Private Properties during July to September 2020, and setting date of City Council public hearing for March 3, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. SWRP2100, Assessment No. 213000)  
**Adopted**
- 15     [RES 21-150](#)     Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for \$4,000 in funding through the Saint Paul Garden Club Community Improvement Project Grant program and, if awarded, accept said funds and enter into an agreement with the Saint Paul Garden Club to purchase seeds, plants, and related materials to enhance the Kellogg Mall Park roadway medians.  
  
**Adopted**
- 16     [RES 21-155](#)     Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to solicit and accept donations for the 2021 Citywide Spring Cleanup event.  
  
**Adopted**
- 17     [RES 21-173](#)     Approving the use or non-use of a Project Labor Agreement on Department of Parks and Recreation construction projects for the first half of 2021.  
  
**Adopted**
- 19     [RES 21-180](#)     Appointing City members to the board of directors of the Local Government

Information Systems (LOGIS).

**Adopted**

**FOR DISCUSSION**

- 18**     [RES 21-164](#)     Expressing the City's Priorities for the MnDOT "Rethinking I-94" Project.

*Council President Brendmoen said there are 3 authors listed. She asked if anyone wanted to take the lead on this.*

*Councilmember Thao thanked all the sponsors. He would like to take the responsibility to summarize the rethinking of the I-94 project. There is a collective vision and value for this project. It is led by MNDOT. I-94 has deteriorated to do more than just an overlay. They are in another phase of the environmental state. The community has been engaging in MNDOT. The City has a say in how this project gets shaped and completed. They have pushed to provide environmental and justice to this project. This has displaced a community. They are using this to right the wrongs. Whatever is invested benefits the community. We also want to make sure the disparity does not continue along its corridor. (The Council was experiencing technical difficulties.)*

*Councilmembers Jalali, Prince, Brendmoen, Yang also spoke in favor of the resolution.*

*Thao moved approval.*

*7 in favor, no one opposed*

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 20**     [RES 21-187](#)     Approving the appointment of Caitlin Grady as Legislative Aide in Ward 3.

*Councilmember Tolbert spoke about his new aide.*

*Council President Brendmoen said she has been in some of our pre-Council meetings.*

*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

- 21**     [SR 21-11](#)     Update on Covid-19 vaccinations.

*Laurel Anderson gave the Council an update on COVID 19 vaccinations.*

## Received and Filed

**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.

**Second Reading**

- 22     [Ord 21-3](#)             Granting the application of NBH Holdings LLC to rezone the property at 1350 Arcade Street and 835 Clear Avenue from R4 one-family residential to T2 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.  
                                 **Laid Over to Third Reading/Public Hearing**

**First Reading**

- 23     [Ord 21-7](#)             Amending and replacing ordinance CF10-779 and authorizing the issuance of general obligation library refunding bonds of the Public Library Agency in order to achieve debt service savings.  
                                 **Laid Over to Second Reading**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 24     [RES PH 21-13](#)       Adopting the 2021 Operating Plan and corresponding budget for the Downtown Special Service District and amending the City Operating Budget.

*Council President Brendmoen said we held public comment by e-mail and over the phone.*

*Councilmember Noecker 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

- 25     [RES PH 21-15](#)       Amending the financing and spending plans in the Fire Department in the amount of \$121,105.96 to accept the 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grant to provide paramedic training for firefighters.

*Council President Brendmoen said this is a public hearing we held online, over the phone, and by e-mail.*

*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

**26**     [RES PH 21-16](#)

Amending the financing and spending plans in the Fire Department in the amount of \$89,400 for a contribution received from the Minnesota Board of Firefighter Training and Education to pay for training for firefighters.

*Council President Brendmoen said this is a public hearing we held online, by phone, and by e-mail.*

*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

**RECONSIDERATION & PUBLIC HEARING**

**Rules Suspended**

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

**Nay:** 0

**27**     [RES PH 21-6](#)

Approving the petition of Maureen Michalski of Ryan Companies on behalf of Project Paul, LLC and Presbyterian Homes & Services, to vacate air rights over Mount Curve Boulevard, abutting Blocks 6 and 7, FORD plat.

*Councilmember Tolbert moved reconsideration*

*7 in favor, none opposed*

*They have approved the reconsideration of this item*

*(Shari Moore, City Clerk, read the title.)*

*Council President Brendmoen said it was an error. It was noticed with the wrong date.*

*Councilmember Tolbert said we heard it and approved it last week. The notice was for today for a public hearing. The comments should be online and on the phone. He moved to close the public hearing and approve.*

*Brendmoen said we had public input from electronic elements, from e-mail, and over*

*the phone.*

*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

## LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS

*Councilmember Thao moved to adopt.*

*7 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearings are closed and the resolutions are adopted*

**Adopted Consent Agenda**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 28**     [RLH TA 20-648](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1366 ALMOND AVENUE. (File No. J2014A, Assessment No. 208513)  
**Adopted**
- 30**     [RLH TA 21-77](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1696 BOHLAND AVENUE. (File No. J2014A, Assessment No. 208513) (Legislative Hearing on January 28, 2021)  
**Adopted**
- 31**     [RLH TA 21-73](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 733 CASE AVENUE. (File No. J2013A, Assessment No. 208512) (Legislative Hearing on January 28, 2021)  
**Adopted**
- 32**     [RLH TA 20-662](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1092 EDGERTON STREET. (File No. J2013A, Assessment No. 218502)  
**Adopted**
- 33**     [RLH TA 20-223](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 55 FIFTH STREET EAST. (File No. J2008B, Assessment No. 208107)  
**Adopted**
- 34**     [RLH FCO 21-3](#)     Appeal of Robert Leibman to a Re-Inspection Fire Certificate of Occupancy with Deficiencies at 687 FIFTH STREET EAST.  
  
**Adopted**

- 38     [RLH VBR 21-4](#)     Appeal of Tom DeLisle to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1053 LAWSON AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 39     [RLH FCO 21-6](#)     Appeal of Robert & Anne Long to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice at 2053 LINCOLN AVENUE. (Legislative Hearing on February 2, 2021)  
**Adopted**
- 41     [RLH TA 21-71](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1155 MARGARET STREET. (File No. J2106A, Assessment No. 218505)  
(Legislative Hearing on January 28, 2021)  
  
**Adopted**
- 47     [RLH VO 20-46](#)     Appeal of Pamela A. Herzberg to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 1547 SHERBURNE AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 51     [RLH TA 20-172](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 882 WESTMINSTER STREET. (File No. J2014A, Assessment No. 208513)  
(Public hearing to be continued to October 7)  
**Adopted**
- 54     [RLH AR 20-61](#)     Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during December 2019. (File No. J2008B, Assessment No. 208107)  
**Adopted**
- 55     [RLH AR 20-64](#)     Ratifying the assessments for Towing of Abandoned Vehicle(s) services during August to December 2019. (File No. J2003V, Assessment No. 208002)  
**Adopted**
- 56     [RLH AR 20-65](#)     Ratifying the assessments for Tree Removal service during January 2019 at 1425 6th Street East. (File No. 2005T, Assessment No. 209004)  
**Adopted**
- 58     [RLH AR 20-158](#)     Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during August 17 to 31, 2020. (File No. J2106A, Assessment No. 218505)  
**Adopted**
- 59     [RLH TA 21-86](#)     Amending Council Files RLH AR 20-43, RLH AR 20-81, RLH AR 20-115, RLH AR 20-149 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services for Quarter 3, 2019, Quarter 4, 2019, Quarter 1, 2020 and Quarter 2, 2020 at 397 THOMAS AVENUE. (Assessment Nos. 190163, 200119, 200138, 200146)  
**Adopted**

*Councilmember Yang moved to amend and adopt.*



*7 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearings are closed and the resolutions adopted as amended*

- 36**     [RLH VBR 20-71](#)     Appeal of John Hutton to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1823 HEWITT AVENUE.  
**Adopted As Amended**  
  
    **Yea:**    7 -    Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang  
  
    **Nay:**    0
- 37**     [RLH RR 20-55](#)     Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 578 LAFOND AVENUE in Council File RLH RR 19-26. (Public Hearing continued to February 3, 2021)  
  
    **Adopted As Amended**  
  
    **Yea:**    7 -    Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang  
  
    **Nay:**    0
- 45**     [RLH TA 21-83](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1663 SEVENTH STREET EAST. (File No. J2105A, Assessment No. 218504) (Legislative Hearing on February 2, 2021)  
**Adopted As Amended**  
  
    **Yea:**    7 -    Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang  
  
    **Nay:**    0
- 48**     [RLH TA 21-76](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 306 SIDNEY STREET WEST. (File No. J2003V, Assessment No. 208002) (Legislative Hearing on February 2, 2021)  
**Adopted As Amended**  
  
    **Yea:**    7 -    Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang  
  
    **Nay:**    0
- 52**     [RLH AR 20-52](#)     Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during December 3 to 12, 2019. (File No. J2013A, Assessment No. 208512) (Public hearing continued from April 22)  
  
    **Adopted As Amended**

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

**Nay:** 0

**53**     [RLH AR 20-53](#)

Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during December 13 to 30, 2019. (File No. J2014A, Assessment No. 208513) (Public hearing continued from April 22)

**Adopted As Amended**

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

**Nay:** 0

**57**     [RLH AR 20-157](#)

Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during August 3 to 14, 2020. (File No. J2105A, Assessment No. 218504)

**Adopted As Amended**

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

**Nay:** 0

*Item 29 - July 7, Item 35 - February 17, Item 44 - July 21, Item 46 - July 7, Item 50 - May 19*

*Councilmember Prince moved to continue public hearing to the above dates.*

*7 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearings are continued to their pertinent dates*

**29**     [RLH TA 20-708](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 37 ATWATER STREET. (File No. J2106A, Assessment No. 218505) (Public hearing continued to July 7, 2021)

**Continue Public Hearing**

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

**Nay:** 0

**35**     [RLH TA 20-288](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 0 HERBERT STREET, PARCEL ID: 27-29-22-13-0021. (File No. J2013A, Assessment No. 208515)

**Continue Public Hearing**

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

**Nay:** 0

**44**     [RLH TA 21-36](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1187 REANEY AVENUE. (File No. J2012A1, Assessment No. 208542) (Public Hearing continued to July 21, 2021)

**Continue Public Hearing**

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

**Nay:** 0

**46**     [RLH TA 20-680](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 901 SHERBURNE AVENUE. (File No. J2106A, Assessment No. 218505) (Public hearing continued to July 7, 2021)

**Continue Public Hearing**

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

**Nay:** 0

**50**     [RLH TA 20-659](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 663 THIRD STREET EAST. (File No. J2106A, Assessment No. 218505) (Public Hearing continued to May 19, 2021)

**Continue Public Hearing**

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

**Nay:** 0

**40**     [RLH TA 21-82](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 52 LITCHFIELD STREET. (File No. J2105A, Assessment No. 218504) (Legislative Hearing on January 28, 2021)

*Councilmember Thao moved to refer to the March 2 Legislative Hearing.*

*7 in favor, none opposed*

*Resolution is referred to Legislative Hearing on March 2*

**Referred**

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

**Nay:** 0

**43**     [RLH TA 20-660](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 542 OHIO STREET. (File No. J2105A, Assessment No. 218504) (Public Hearing continued to May 19, 2021)

*Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer, said this is a special assessment for furniture to be removed from the boulevard. The removal of this chair was ordered on July 23. Notice was sent to the owner. The owner said he did not get notice. He indicated he was at the property painting frequently. He said people leave items for others to pick up. No one picked it up. It rained. It was not in the best condition. Moermond's recommendation is to reduce if there are no same or similar by May 17. The owner is objecting to that. He has other comments. He believes her recommendation changed. He had a number of other things to say in the letter.*

*Council President Brendmoen said we have bulky garbage service these days.*

*Councilmember Noecker said Moermond's recommendation is extremely generous. It is clear the letter was sent to the correct address. Brendmoen responded she would support the motion and agrees it is generous.*

*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

**49**     [RLH TA 20-210](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 836-838 SMITH AVENUE. (File No. J2008B, Assessment No. 208107)

*Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer, said this is an assessment for boarding of the property. On December 10 of 2019, a vehicle encountered some ice, slid off of Smith, and slid into this building. It necessitated the boarding up of half of the store front. The police called the boarding contractor. Clearly there is a lot going on here. Not clear where the owner is at with insurance reimbursement to address the damage that was caused and would like to follow-up more. Moermond showed a photo of the building. Gas meter was there. It needed to be addressed immediately. After discussing this matter with Noecker, Moermond would like to continue the public hearing 8 months out. She would like the appellant to work more with the insurance. Moermond is asking for a continuation of the public hearing to August 6 and an amendment to divide over 5 year period rather than 3 years.*

*Councilmember Noecker said this is a heartbreaking situation in the middle of the pandemic. She appreciates it to be paid over 5 years. There is insurance on the driver's part and the store owner's part. She supports the recommendation of the Legislative Hearing Officer.*

*7 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*

*Resolution is amended and the public hearing continued to September 6*

**Continue Public Hearing**

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

**Nay:** 0

**42**     [RLH TA 20-230](#)

    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 888 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2008B, Assessment No. 208107)

*Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer, said this is an assessment for boarding of the property. On December 10 of 2019, a vehicle encountered some ice, slid off of Smith, and slid into this building. It necessitated the boarding up of half of the store front. The police called the boarding contractor. Clearly there is a lot going on here. Not clear where the owner is at with insurance reimbursement to address the damage that was caused and would like to follow-up more. Moermond showed a photo of the building. Gas meter was there. It needed to be addressed immediately. After discussing this matter with Noecker, Moermond would like to continue the public hearing 8 months out. She would like the appellant to work more with the insurance. Moermond is asking for a continuation of the public hearing to August 6 and an amendment to divide over a 5-year period rather than 3 years.*

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*7 in favor, none opposed*

*Public hearing is closed and the resolution is adopted*

*Resolution is amended and the public hearing continued to September 6*

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

**ADJOURNMENT**

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