



City of Saint Paul

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Council Chambers - 3rd
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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

City Council

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

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 3:31 PM

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

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [CO 23-21](#) Letter from the Department of Safety and Inspections declaring 455 Robert Street South a nuisance property. (For notification purposes only; public hearings will be scheduled at a later date if necessary.)
Received and Filed
- 2 [CO 23-22](#) Letter from the Department of Safety and Inspections declaring 792 Rose Avenue East a nuisance property. (For notification purposes only; public hearings will be scheduled at a later date if necessary.)
Received and Filed
- 3 [AO 23-48](#) Amending the 2023 spending budget in the Department of Public Works Snelling Midway Redevelopment accounting unit.
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

Consent Agenda adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 4 [RES 23-387](#) Accepting a sanitary sewer easement from 2315 Highland Parkway LLC, Paster Doneda LLC, and Doneda Apartments LLC in conjunction with the redevelopment of property in the Highland Park community by Paster Properties.

Adopted

- 5 [RES 23-599](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to be named as a Co-Applicant of Saint Paul Public Schools application to the Minnesota Department of Education, and if awarded, accept funds from Saint Paul Public Schools for the Flipside After School Program for Middle School aged youth, in an amount of up to \$7,500,000 for September 1, 2023-August 31, 2026.

Adopted

- 6 [RES 23-601](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept donations of cookies from Girl Scouts, River Valleys, to be enjoyed by Recreation Center patrons.

Adopted

- 7 [RES 23-608](#) Authorizing the appropriate personnel to enter into MnDOT Detour Agreement No. 1051906 for the Trunk Highway 5 (East 7th and Minnehaha Ave.) project.

Adopted

- 8 [RES 23-612](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for installation of a fire protection system requested by John Rupp at 79 Western Avenue North. (Project No. FP2021-05, Assessment No. 217104).

Adopted

- 9 [RES 23-614](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for installation of a fire protection system requested by Nou Vang and Toua Xiong for specially assessing the costs of a fire protection system at 1079 Rice Street. (Project No. FP2021-04, Assessment No. 217103).

Adopted

- 10 [RES 23-617](#) Approving the addition of an Entertainment (A) license to the existing Malt On Sale (Brewery Taproom), Liquor On Sale-Sunday, Malt Off Sale (Brewery) and Malt Off Sale (Small Brewery - 128 oz) licenses held by Gambit Brewing Co., LLC d/b/a Gambit Brewing Co. (License ID #20220001740) for the

premises located at 141- 4th Street East, Suite LL2.

Adopted

- 11 [RES 23-618](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2023 Wage and Fringe Adjustment between the City and the Operative Plasterers and Cement Masons International Association, Local No. 633.
Laid over to May 3, 2023
- 12 [RES 23-619](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2023 Wage and Fringe Adjustment between the City and the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers, Local 10.
Laid over to May 3, 2023
- 13 [RES 23-621](#) Approving adverse action against the Second-Hand Dealer (Comp/Elec) license application submitted by Angkor Phone Trader, LLC d/b/a Angkor Trader (License ID# 20220001362) for the premises located at 422 University Avenue West, Unit 4.
Adopted
- 14 [RES 23-623](#) Approving adverse action against the Liquor On Sale-100 seats or less and the Liquor On Sale-Sunday license applications submitted by Fasika, Inc. d/b/a Fasika Ethiopian Restaurant (License ID# 20010000419) for the premises located at 510 Snelling Avenue North.
Adopted
- 15 [RES 23-624](#) Approving adverse action against the Auto Repair Garage license held by Pronto Auto Repair, Inc. d/b/a Pronto Auto Repair (License ID #20130001947) for the premises located at 1054 Payne Avenue.
Adopted
- 16 [RES 23-628](#) Authorizing the City to transfer \$2,222,897 of American Rescue Plan funds from the 30% AMI Deeply Affordable Housing account to a specific account for the Farwell Yards project.
Adopted
- 17 [RES 23-629](#) Approving Ordinance Permit 20220010601 for Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure Installed by Alliant Engineering, Inc. for Pulte Model Homes.
Adopted
- 18 [RES 23-630](#) Authorizing use of a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) for the Plato Apartments at Farwell Yards Project at 115 Plato Boulevard West (District 3, Ward 2).
Adopted
- 19 [RES 23-634](#) Authorizing the City to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement, on behalf of the Police Department, with the State of Minnesota, on behalf of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) to participate as a member of the MN Financial

Crimes Task Force.

Adopted

- 20 [RES 23-635](#) Approving the application with no new conditions added, per the Legislative Hearing Officer, for University of Saint Thomas (License ID # 20110002908), d/b/a same, to apply for an Expansion of Service Area for the Liquor On Sale - 291 or more Seats licenses located at 2115 Summit Avenue.

Adopted

- 21 [RES 23-639](#) Approving a Liquor On Sale-181-290 Seats, a Liquor On Sale-Sunday, a Liquor On Sale-2AM Closing, an Entertainment (B) and a Gambling Location license to Lennon Enterprise, Inc. d/b/a Half Time Rec (License ID #20230000324) for the premises located at 1013 Front Avenue.

Adopted

- 22 [RES 23-644](#) Reciting a proposal for a Housing Finance Program for a multifamily rental housing development, approving the project and the program pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 462C, authorizing the Housing and Redevelopment Authority to issue conduit multifamily housing revenue obligations and authorizing the preparation of necessary documents and materials in connection with said project and program, Farwell Yards Project to be located at 115 Plato Boulevard West (District 3, Ward 2).

Adopted

- 23 [RES 23-653](#) Authorizing the Office of Financial Services to apply for grant funds of \$50,000 from the Public Finance Initiative to advance racial equity work in public finance.

Adopted

- 24 [Min 23-20](#) Approving the minutes of the Saint Paul City Council meetings of May 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2022.

Adopted

- 25 [RES 23-527](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2023 Wage and Fringe Adjustment between the City and the Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local Union 1 Minnesota/North Dakota.

Adopted

- 26 [RES 23-572](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2023 Wage and Fringe Adjustment between the City and the United Association of Pipefitters Local No. 455.

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 27 [RES 23-536](#) Approving the application with conditions, per the Legislative Hearing Officer

for Clairview Holdings LLC (License ID #19980003516), d/b/a Groveland Tap, located at 1834 St. Clair Avenue, to add a new Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Patio) and expand the indoor On-Sale Liquor Service Area licenses to the existing Malt On-Sale Strong and Wine On-Sale licenses. (amended and laid over from April 19, 2023)

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 28** [RES 23-566](#) Approving adverse action against the Cigarette/Tobacco License held by KMH Retail LLC d/b/a Mini Pac (License ID# 20210000750), at 1184 Maryland Avenue East. (Licensee's Attorney will speak to City Council on licensee's behalf) (laid over from April 26, 2023)

Laid over to May 3, 2023 (Item was initially adopted but then reconsidered later in the meeting for the layover)

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

Nay: 0

- 29** [RES 23-591](#) Approving adverse action against the Tobacco Shop License held by Mohammed Ibrahim & Ali Abdullane d/b/a Annapolis Super USA #002 (License ID# 20160003307), at 1333 Thomas Avenue. (Licensee will speak to Council on his own behalf) (Laid over from April 26, 2023)

Laid over to May 3, 2023

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

Nay: 0

SUSPENSION ITEM

- [RES 23-647](#) Authorizing the proper City Staff to execute the contract for collection of recyclables from residential properties and municipal facilities with Neighborhood Recycling Corp. d/b/a Eureka Recycling.

Laid over to May 10, 2023

ORDINANCES

An ordinance is a city law enacted by the City Council. It is read at three separate council meetings and becomes effective after passage by the Council and 30 days after publication in the Saint Paul Pioneer Press. Public hearings on ordinances are generally held at the second reading.

First Reading

- 30** [Ord 23-21](#) Granting the application of Lucky 888 LLC to rezone property at 1416-1418 Grand Avenue from OS office-service to T2 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

Laid over to May 3, 2023 for Second Reading

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

Nay: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 31** [Ord 23-22](#) Amending Chapter 225 of the Legislative Code relating to weapons.

Laid over to May 3, 2023 for Final Adoption

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

Nay: 0

- 32** [RES PH 23-97](#) Authorizing the City on behalf of the Police Department to accept and amend the Special Fund for \$34,865 in funds from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety for the 2023 Pathways to Policing grant.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 33** [RES PH 23-81](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Fire Department in the amount of \$115,850.04 for the Minnesota Task Force One (MNTF1) reimbursement from the City of Edina.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 34 [RES PH 23-90](#) Approving the application of Dual Citizen Brewing for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on Saturdays, June 3, July 8 and August 12, 2023 at 725 Raymond Avenue.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 35 [RES PH 23-92](#) Approving the application of Macalester College for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on May 12-13, 2023 at 179 Snelling Ave S - Macalester Stadium.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEM

- 36 [RLH RR 23-18](#) Fourth Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 318 EDMUND AVENUE in Council File RLH RR 21-11

Public hearing closed and laid over to May 3, 2023

- 37 [RLH RR 22-55](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 1366 FREMONT AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the October 26, 2022, City Council Public Hearing. (Amend to remove 15 days)

Adopted as amended (remove within 15 days)

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

Nay: 0

- 40 [RLH RR 23-10](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 1117 JENKS AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the April 19, 2023, City Council Public Hearing. (To refer back to July 11, 2023 Legislative Hearing)

Public hearing continued to May 3, 2023

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

Nay: 0

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA

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Approval of the Consent Agenda

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

- 38** [RLH VBR 23-16](#) Appeal of David Sprangers to a Vacant Building Registration Requirement at 1859 GRAND AVENUE.
Adopted
- 39** [RLH RR 23-17](#) First Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 39 HILLTOP LANE in Council File RLH RR 22-53.
Adopted
- 41** [RLH RR 23-15](#) Third Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 655 JESSAMINE AVENUE EAST in Council File RLH RR 22-51.
Public hearing continued to May 10, 2023
- 42** [RLH VO 23-14](#) Appeal of Arnold Kampa to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Revocation and Order to Vacate at 1084 LARPENTEUR AVENUE WEST.
Adopted
- 43** [RLH VO 23-16](#) Appeal of Monica Mogren to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 1604 MARGARET STREET. (To refer to August 1, 2023 Legislative Hearing)

Referred to August 1, 2023 Legislative Hearing
- 44** [RLH RR 23-12](#) Third Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 595 PARK STREET in Council File RLH RR 21-27
Adopted
- 45** [RLH VBR 23-15](#) Appeal of Jason Vang, on behalf of Naw Reh, doing business as Karen and Hmong Market, LLC, to a Vacant Building Registration Requirement at 1648 RICE STREET.
Adopted

- 46 [RLH RR 23-9](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 2120 ROSE AVENUE EAST within fifteen (15) days after the April 5, 2023, City Council Public Hearing. (Amend to grant 180 days)

Adopted as amended (granted 180 days)

- 47 [RLH RR 23-19](#) Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 1457 THIRD STREET EAST in Council File RLH RR 22-24. (Legislative Hearing on April 25, 2023)

Public hearing continued to May 10, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 5:18 PM

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