



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

City Council

Council President Mitra Jalali
Vice President HwaJeong Kim
Councilmember Anika Bowie
Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson
Councilmember Saura Jost
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
Councilmember Nelsie Yang

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Mitra Jalali,
Councilmember HwaJeong Kim, Councilmember Anika Bowie,
Councilmember Saura Jost and Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson

Absent 1 - Councilmember Nelsie Yang

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 24-50](#) Authorizing the Police Department to reallocate its 2023 Pathways To Policing Grant budget to more accurately record expenditures meeting capital criteria.
Received and Filed

- 2 [AO 24-53](#) Authorizing the Police Department to correct and amend the 2024 special fund budget activity budget for the 2023 Homeland Security Bomb Grant of \$185,000.00, accepted on RES PH 24-64 (3/20/24) to correctly record expenditures meeting capital criteria.
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

Adopted Consent Agenda

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim,
Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

- 3 [RES 24-801](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Rubbish & Garbage Clean Up services during February 28 to March 14, 2024, and setting date of Legislative Hearing

for July 16, 2024 and City Council public hearing for August 28, 2024 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2422R, Assessment No. 248527)

Adopted

- 4 [RES 24-802](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Rubbish & Garbage Clean Up services during March 15 to 26, 2024, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for July 16, 2024 and City Council public hearing for August 28, 2024 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2423R, Assessment No. 248529)
Adopted
- 5 [RES 24-810](#) Authorizing the City of Saint Paul and the City of Minneapolis to enter a joint powers agreement regarding transfer of discrimination and labor standards cases.
Adopted
- 6 [RES 24-844](#) Preliminary Order setting the date of City Council public hearing for July 24, 2024 to consider approval for the Grand/Snelling parking lot operation and maintenance costs for 2025. File No. 18746-24, Assessment No. 247202.
Adopted
- 7 [RES 24-861](#) Authorizing the Department of Public Works to ask for and accept donations of new and gently used mittens, hats, and scarves; non-perishable food items; and hygiene products to be donated to people in need through the Community Cupboard at 891 Dale Street.
Adopted
- 8 [RES 24-863](#) Authorizing the Department of Public Works to apply for and accept a donation for food from the Saint Paul Jaycees Charitable Foundation for the Snow Summit on October 5, 2024.
Adopted
- 10 [RES 24-887](#) Authorizing the Police Department to submit an application for funds under a Request for Proposals for the 2025 DWI Traffic Safety Officer Grant Program, issued by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS) Office of Traffic Safety (OTS).
Adopted
- 11 [RES 24-893](#) Approving a grant application to the MnDOT State Funded IIJA Technical Assistance Program.
Adopted
- 12 [RES 24-896](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City and the Tri-Council: LIUNA Laborers, Local 363; General Drivers, Local 120; and Operating Engineers, Local 49 for the purpose of amending Article 4 of the 2023-2025 Collective Bargaining Agreement regarding the LIUNA Pension Fund contribution. (To be laid over one week for adoption)
Laid Over

- 13 [RES 24-897](#) Approving the application for change of ownership to the Tobacco Product Shop (License ID #20240000987) for the premises located at 2111 Old Hudson Road, Unit 27A.
Adopted
- 14 [RES 24-900](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for a USA Archery grant to support Saint Paul's archery program.
Adopted
- 15 [RES 24-901](#) Approving a partial waiver of the sustainable building ordinance for the restroom facility for the Victoria Park Multi-Use Field Improvements project at 1500 Victoria Way.
Adopted
- 16 [RES 24-903](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City and AFSCME Local 3757 - Legal for the purpose of revising the previously negotiated wage adjustment in the 2023 - 2025 Collective Bargaining Agreement. (To be laid over one week for adoption)
Laid Over
- 17 [RES 24-904](#) Approving the application for change of ownership to the Liquor On Sale-101-180 seats, Liquor On Sale - Sunday, Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Patio), Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Sidewalk), Entertainment (B) and Gambling Location (License ID #20240000753) for the premises located at 656 Grand Avenue.
Adopted
- 18 [RES 24-908](#) Authorizing staff from the department of Planning and Economic Development (PED), with assistance from the Office of Financial Services, to apply for grant funds of up to \$2,000,000 from the Minnesota Housing Community Homeownership Impact Fund (MHIF) to support the Downpayment Assistance and Homeowner Rehab programs citywide.
Adopted
- 19 [RES 24-913](#) Approving a subordination of a \$2,602,255 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) / Community Development Block Grant Covid (CDBG-CV) loan to Keystone Community Services, 1790-1800 University Avenue West (District 13, Ward 4).
Adopted
- 20 [RES 24-919](#) Authorizing the Police Department (SPPD) to submit an application for funds under a Request for Proposals for the 2025 Intensive Comprehensive Peace Officer Education and Training (ICPOET) Grant Program, issued by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS).
Adopted
- 21 [RES 24-868](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 70, for the purpose of correcting pay upon promotion regarding the addition of new steps in the salary schedule of the 2023-2025 Labor Agreement.
Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 9** [RES 24-867](#) Approving adverse action against the Auto Repair Garage license held by Mobile America Service Center d/b/a Mobile America Service Center (License ID #20210002100) for the premises located at 1431 Rice Street.
Adopted As Amended
Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
Nay: 0
Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang
- 22** [RES 24-720](#) Adopting the City's special assessment policies.
Adopted As Amended
Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
Nay: 0
Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang
- 23** [RES 24-927](#) Declaring June as Black Music Month in the City of Saint Paul.
Adopted As Amended
Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
Nay: 0
Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang
- 24** [RES 24-929](#) Honoring Kawaljit Bhatia for 40 years of entrepreneurship and the success of Maharaja's in Saint Paul.
Adopted As Amended
Yea: 5 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
Nay: 0
Absent: 2 - Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie
- 25** [RES PH 24-128](#) Approving the petition of Wedum Lexington LLC to vacate the unimproved portion of old Lexington Parkway South between West 7th Street and the improved portion of old Lexington Parkway South. (Public hearing closed and laid over from June 12, 2024)
Adopted
Yea: 5 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

- 26** [RES PH 24-129](#) Approving the petition of Ivystone Properties Limited Liability Company to vacate the unimproved portion of alley right-of-way behind 875 Prior Avenue North. (Public hearing closed and laid over from June 12, 2024)

Adopted

Yea: 5 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Yang and Councilmember Bowie

SUSPENSION ITEM

- [RES 24-947](#) Affirming the Declaration of Local Emergency issued June 24, 2024, by the Mayor of Saint Paul.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

- [RES 24-941](#) Approving the application for change of ownership for Pauly's of DSP LLC d/b/a Pauly's Rooftop Lowertown, to the Liquor On Sale-101-180 seats, Liquor On Sale - Sunday, Entertainment (A) and Gambling Location (License ID #20240000741) for the premises located at 255 6th St E Rooftop.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

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

- 27** [Ord 24-15](#) Amending Chapter 67 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the EG East Grand Avenue Overlay District.
Laid Over to Second Reading

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 28 [RES PH 24-110](#) Final Order approving the 2024 Mill and Overlay Program.
- Adopted As Amended**
- Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Yang
- 29 [RES PH 24-133](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Public Works department in the amount of \$383,942 to terminate a representation agreement related to cellular communication lease negotiations.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Yang
- 30 [RES PH 24-134](#) Amending the financing and spending plan in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$5,500,000 to reflect funds from the Metropolitan Council's Regional Solicitation for the construction of Phase 1 of the Point Douglas Regional Trail.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Yang
- 31 [RES PH 24-138](#) Amending the financing and spending plan in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$3,200,000 to reflect funds awarded from the Metropolitan Council for a state bonding pass through grant (\$1,000,000) and to reflect Federal Grant funding awarded from the Department of Energy (\$2,200,000) to be used for the first phase of the Como Geothermal Project.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Yang
- 32 [RES PH 24-153](#) Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept grant funding

in the amount of \$2,000,000 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry Program) and amending the financing and spending plan in the Department for forestry planning, planting, and management of the tree canopy throughout the City.

Laid Over

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

- 33** [RES PH 24-146](#) Amending the financing and spending plan in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$334,368 to utilize parkland dedication funds and for a grant awarded from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the Central Village Trails project.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

- 34** [RES PH 24-148](#) Approving the applications of the Minnesota United FC for sound level variance applications in order to present amplified sound on July 3, and 17, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. with pre-event sound checks at 5:00 p.m., within the Street and the Beer Garden Area at Allianz Field - 400 Snelling Avenue North.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

- 35** [RES PH 24-149](#) Approving the application of Minny Festivals, LLC for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on July 19 and 20, 2024 at Harriet Island Regional Park - 200 Dr Justus Ohage Boulevard.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

- 36** [RES PH 24-150](#) Approving the application of RCCG Restoration Chapel for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on Saturday, June 29, 2024 at 1414 St. Albans Street North - North Dale Recreation Center.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

- 37** [RES PH 24-154](#) Approving the application of Forward Events LLC for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on July 13, 2024 and July 14, 2024 at 390 Kellogg Boulevard - Union Depot Parking Lot C.

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEM

- 40** [RLH VBR 24-30](#) Appeal of Lakeisha Lee to a Vacant Building Registration Requirement at 273 COTTAGE AVENUE WEST. (Public hearing continued to June 26, 2024 Legislative Hearing)

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

- 55** [RLH TA 24-190](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 187 SEVENTH PLACE EAST. (File No. VB2408, Assessment No. 248807)

Adopted

Yea: 6 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Jalali, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Johnson

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA

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Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

- 38 [RLH TA 24-171](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 300 BROADWAY STREET. (File No. J2406P, Assessment No. 248405)
Adopted
- 39 [RLH VBR 24-32](#) Appeal of Vivian Vaaj to a Vacant Building Registration Requirement at 1153 CENTRAL AVE WEST.
Adopted
- 41 [RLH VBR 24-28](#) Appeal of Franchesca Vann-Wickstrom to a Vacant Building Registration Notice and Summary Abatement Order at 705 DAYTON AVENUE.
Adopted
- 42 [RLH TA 24-172](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 308 EDMUND AVENUE. (File No. VB2407C, Assessment No. 248822) (Public hearing continued to June 26, 2024)
Adopted As Amended
- 43 [RLH TA 24-205](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 720 EUCLID STREET. (File No. VB2407A, Assessment No. 248820)
Adopted
- 44 [RLH TA 24-204](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 232 EXCHANGE STREET SOUTH, UNIT B. (File No. J2408E, Assessment No. 248307)
Adopted
- 45 [RLH TA 24-188](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 503 FRED STREET. (File No. VB2408, Assessment No. 248807)
Adopted
- 46 [RLH TA 24-176](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 355 GERANIUM AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2408E, Assessment No. 248307)
Adopted
- 47 [RLH TA 24-192](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 198 GRANITE STREET. (File No. VB2408, Assessment No. 248807)
Adopted
- 48 [RLH TA 24-178](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1087 JESSAMINE COURT. (File No. J2408B, Assessment No. 248107)
Adopted
- 49 [RLH SAO 24-29](#) Appeal of Anh-Duyen Van Pham to a Vehicle Abatement Order at 705 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST.
Adopted

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- 50 [RLH TA 24-180](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1223 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2408E, Assessment No. 248307)
Adopted
- 51 [RLH VBR 24-31](#) Appeal of Mike Young to a Vacant Building Registration Renewal Notice at 1540 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST.
Adopted
- 52 [RLH TA 24-165](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1971 NORTONIA AVENUE. (File No. VB2408, Assessment No. 248807)
Adopted
- 53 [RLH TA 24-170](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 695 OHIO STREET. (File No. 2406T, Assessment No. 249005)
Continue Public Hearing
- 54 [RLH TA 24-193](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 315 PIERCE STREET. (File No. 2406T, Assessment No. 249005)
Adopted
- 56 [RLH VBR 24-18](#) Appeal of Marlene Barrett to a Vacant Building Registration Requirement at 1297 SEVENTH STREET WEST. (Public hearing closed March 27, 2024)
Adopted As Amended
- 57 [RLH VO 24-20](#) Appeal of Cynthia Johnstone, Tenant, to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice at 1352 SEVENTH STREET WEST, UNIT 1.
Adopted
- 58 [RLH SAO 24-36](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 1322 SHERBURNE AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 23-45.
Adopted
- 59 [RLH TA 24-169](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 468 THOMAS AVENUE. (File No. J2408B, Assessment No. 248107)
Adopted
- 60 [RLH TA 24-195](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 575 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. VB2408, Assessment No. 248807)
Adopted
- 61 [RLH FCO 24-38](#) Appeal of Cornelia D. Rivera to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice at 9 WARREN STREET.
Adopted
- 62 [RLH AR 24-36](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during March 29 to November 14, 2023. (File No. VB2408, Assessment No. 248807)
Adopted As Amended
- 63 [RLH AR 24-37](#) Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services

during December 2023. (File No. J2408B, Assessment No. 248107)

Adopted

- 64** [RLH AR 24-38](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during December 21 to 22, 2023. (File No. CRT2407, Assessment No. 248206)
Adopted
- 65** [RLH AR 24-39](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during October 23 to November 21, 2023. (File No. J2408E, Assessment No. 248307)
Adopted
- 66** [RLH AR 24-40](#) Ratifying the assessments for Graffiti Removal services during November 21 to December 8, 2023. (File No. J2406P, Assessment No. 248405)
Adopted
- 67** [RLH AR 24-41](#) Ratifying the assessments for Removal of Diseased and/or Dangerous Tree(s) services during January 2024. (File No. 2406T, Assessment No. 249005)
Adopted

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