



# City of Saint Paul

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## Minutes - Final

### City Council

*Council President Kathy Lantry*  
*Councilmember Dan Bostrom*  
*Councilmember Amy Brendmoen*  
*Councilmember Russ Stark*  
*Councilmember Dai Thao*  
*Councilmember Dave Thune*  
*Councilmember Chris Tolbert*

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Wednesday, January 7, 2015

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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### Public Hearings at 5:30 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

*The meeting was called to order by Council President Lantry at 3:30 p.m.*

**Present** 7 - Councilmember Dan Bostrom, Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, City Council President Kathy Lantry, Councilmember Russ Stark, Councilmember Dai Thao, Councilmember Dave Thune and Councilmember Chris Tolbert

#### COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1     [AO 15-2](#)           Amending the 2014-2015 budget of the CDBG Federal Grants Fund.  
  
          **Received and Filed**
  
- 2     [AO 15-3](#)           Amending the 2014 Office of Technology and Communications  
          spending budget.  
  
          **Received and Filed**
  
- 3     [AO 15-4](#)           Authorizing the Police Department to reallocate its 2014 operating  
          budget to more accurately record expenditures (SHSP Grant).  
  
          **Received and Filed**
  
- 4     [AO 15-5](#)           Authorizing the Police Department to reallocate its 2014 operating  
          budget to more accurately record expenditures (Automated Pawn).  
  
          **Received and Filed**
  
- 5     [AO 15-6](#)           Amending the 2014 spending budget in the General Fund, Financial  
          Services accounting unit.  
  
          **Received and Filed**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 6 - 35)**

*Councilmember Thune moved to lay Item 7 over to January 21 and to approve the balance of the Consent Agenda as amended.*

**Consent Agenda adopted as amended**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

- 6**     [Min 15-4](#)     Approving the minutes of the November 5, 12, and 19, 2014 City Council meetings.  
**Adopted**
- 7**     [RLH OA 14-31](#)     Making recommendation to Ramsey County on the application of Fred T. Vanderbeek for repurchase of tax forfeited property at 474 CURTICE STEET EAST. (Laid over from January 7)  
**Laid over to January 21**
- 8**     [RES 15-52](#)     Preliminary Order setting the date of City Council Public Hearing for February 4, 2015 to consider approval for an alley improvement in the block bounded by Juliet Avenue, Palace Avenue, Lexington Parkway, and Oxford Street. (File No. 19177, Assessment No. 155001)  
**Adopted**
- 9**     [RES 15-53](#)     Preliminary Order setting the date of City Council Public Hearing for February 4, 2015 to consider approval for a new sidewalk construction improvement along the south side of Franklin Avenue from Curfew Street to Eustis Street. (File No. S1505, Assessment No. 155305) (No assessments)  
**Adopted**
- 10**    [RES 15-50](#)     Preliminary Order setting the date of City Council Public Hearing for February 4, 2015 to consider approval for a sidewalk reconstruction improvement along the north side of Energy Park Drive from Transit Way to Raymond Avenue. (File No. S1507, Assessment No. 155307)  
**Adopted**

- 11     [RES 15-55](#)           Preliminary Order setting the date of City Council Public Hearing for February 4, 2015 to consider approval of a street paving and lighting improvement along Raymond Avenue from Hampden Avenue to Energy Park Drive. (File No. 19171, Assessment No. 155201)
- Adopted**
- 12     [RES 15-54](#)           Preliminary Order setting the date of City Council Public Hearing for February 4, 2015 to consider approval for a sidewalk reconstruction improvement along the east side of Chatsworth Street North from Como Avenue to Como Boulevard West. (File No. S1504, Assessment No. 155304)
- Adopted**
- 13     [RES 15-51](#)           Preliminary Order setting the date of City Council Public Hearing for February 4, 2015 to consider approval for a sidewalk reconstruction improvement along the north side of Jessamine Avenue West from Churchill Street to Chatsworth Street. (File No. S1506, Assessment No. 155306) (No assessments)
- Adopted**
- 14     [RES 15-2](#)            Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Vacant Building Fees billed November 5, 2013 to September 19, 2014, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 3, 2015 and City Council Public Hearing for March 18, 2015 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. VB1504, Assessment No. 158803)
- Adopted**
- 15     [RES 15-3](#)            Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services from November 3 to 26, 2014, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 3, 2015 and City Council Public Hearing for March 18, 2015 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J1506A, Assessment No. 158505)
- Adopted**
- 16     [RES 15-4](#)            Approving the City's cost of providing Trash Hauling services from November 5 to 26, 2014, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 3, 2015 and City Council Public Hearing for March 18, 2015 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J1505G, Assessment No. 158704)
- Adopted**

- 17     [RES 15-5](#)             Approving the City's cost of providing Tree Removal services during November 2014, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 3, 2015 and City Council Public Hearing for March 18, 2015 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. 1503T, Assessment No. 159002)
- Adopted**
- 18     [RES 15-36](#)             Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 70, for the purpose of changing the applicability of promotion rights, following the Administrative Law Judge's order in case #68-3100-31036.
- Laid over to January 14 for adoption**
- 19     [RES 15-31](#)             Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and the International Union of Elevator Constructors, Local 9, for the 2015 Wage and Fringe Adjustment.
- Laid over to January 14 for adoption**
- 20     [RES 15-9](#)                Approving the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and the Saint Paul Manual and Maintenance Supervisors Association for the purpose of changing the applicability of promotion rights following the Commissioner of Veteran's Affairs Order in case # 68-3100-31036.
- Laid over to January 14 for adoption**
- 21     [RES 15-10](#)             Approving the extension and continuation of agreements for transfer of St. Paul Police employees (Brenna Atz, Juliet Rudie, John Serier) to the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office.
- Adopted**
- 22     [RES 15-40](#)             Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for a grant for \$47,767 from the Bremer Foundation, and if awarded, accept and enter into a grant agreement which includes indemnification language.
- Adopted**
- 23     [RES 15-7](#)                Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept the prize grant of \$5,000 from the Bush Foundation which was awarded to the Right Track youth jobs initiative.
- Adopted**

- 24     [RES 15-38](#)     Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for a grant for \$20,000 from the Pohlad Foundation, and if awarded, accept and enter into a grant agreement which includes indemnification language.
- Adopted**
- 25     [RES 15-80](#)     Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept a donation in the amount of \$200 from Regina Rippel, a District 5 Council Member and community member, for youth programming at Arlington Hills Community Center.
- Adopted**
- 26     [RES 15-22](#)     Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for funding to create a traveling display and other outreach materials about the natural and cultural history of the American elm in Saint Paul and, if successful, enter into an agreement providing indemnification for the Minnesota Historical Society.
- Adopted**
- 27     [RES 15-6](#)        Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to add organizations to the list of eligible recipients for the 2015 Charitable Gambling 10% Club.
- Adopted**
- 28     [RES 15-16](#)     Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to expend an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for the purpose of providing refreshments, marketing materials, and other incentives for various activities, programs and events throughout 2015.
- Adopted**
- 29     [RES 15-46](#)     Authorizing the Police Department to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota, Second Judicial District Court Administrator, for establishing guidelines for towing and citing during snow emergencies.
- Adopted**
- 30     [RES 15-44](#)     Authorizing the Police Department to enter into an agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
- Adopted**

- 31    [RES 15-42](#)        Authorizing the Police Department to enter into an income contract with the State of Minnesota, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, Forensic Services.  
**Adopted**
- 32    [RES 15-14](#)        Authorizing the Police Department to enter into an access agreement with Takedown Pictures, LLC.  
**Adopted**
- 33    [RES 15-34](#)        Requesting that Ramsey County revise the speed limit on Marshall Avenue between Snelling Avenue and Lexington Parkway from 35 to 30 mph.  
**Adopted**
- 34    [RES 15-28](#)        Setting a public hearing date of January 21, 2015 for schedule charges for the installation of one-inch service connections and taps of all sizes.  
**Adopted**
- 35    [RES 15-29](#)        Setting a public hearing date of January 21, 2015 for proposed water service connection cut-off charges.  
**Adopted**

**FOR DISCUSSION**

- 36    [RES 14-1861](#)        Authorizing the naming of the downtown city park, on the half block on the north bounded by Robert Street, Tenth Street East, and Minnesota Street, as Pedro Park. (Laid over from November 12)  
*Councilmember Thune moved approval.*  
**Adopted**  
**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert  
**Nay:** 0

- 37     [RES PH 14-349](#)     Approving adverse action against all licenses held by Thai Ginger Restaurant, Inc., d/b/a Thai Ginger at 173 Robert Street South. (Public hearing held December 17)

*Geoffrey Karls, Assistant City Attorney representing the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) reviewed his staff report and recommendation of revocation of all licenses, given the seriousness and length of the liquor liability lapse along with previous violations.*

*Councilmember Thune moved to adopt DSI's recommendation.*

*Councilmember Thao asked whether that meant the business needed to immediately stop operating. Mr. Karls said it meant they couldn't serve liquor but could continue to operate as a restaurant.*

*Councilmember Thune asked whether this meant the location could never be a bar again. Mr. Karls said under the ordinance, non-payment of fees would not result in the type of liquor license revocation that prohibited relicensing of the location for ten years. He said he wasn't sure whether that applied in this case. Councilmember Thune asked him to look into it.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

**ORDINANCES**

**An ordinance is a city law enacted by the City Council. It is read at four separate council meetings and becomes effective after passage by the Council and 30 days after publication in the Saint Paul Legal Ledger. Public hearings on ordinances are held at the third reading.**

**Final Adoption**

- 38     [Ord 14-47](#)     Memorializing City Council action granting the application of John D. Lenzi to rezone property at 662 Payne Ave from B2 Community Business to T2 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map. (Public hearing held November 5, 2014)

*Councilmember Brendmoen moved approval.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

- 39**     [Ord 14-48](#)             Memorializing City Council action granting the application of Housing & Redevelopment Authority (HRA) to rezone the property at 627 Wells St from R4 One-family residential to T2 Traditional Neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map. (Public hearing held November 5, 2014)
- Councilmember Bostrom moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert
- Nay:** 0
- 40**     [Ord 14-49](#)             Amending Chapter 33 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to permit fees.
- Councilmember Thune moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert
- Nay:** 0
- 41**     [Ord 14-50](#)             Amending Chapter 40 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to fire certificate of occupancy.
- Councilmember Brendmoen moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert
- Nay:** 0
- 42**     [Ord 14-51](#)             Amending Chapter 43 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to Vacant Buildings.
- Councilmember Bostrom moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert
- Nay:** 0



**First Reading**

- 43     [Ord 15-4](#)             Memorializing City Council action granting the application of Face To Face Health And Counseling Service Inc. to rezone the property at 798 Rose Avenue East from RT1 Two Family Residential to T2 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map. (Public hearing held December 3, 2014)
- Laid over to January 14 for second reading**
- 44     [Ord 15-3](#)             Memorializing City Council action granting the application of Joe Urbanski to rezone property at 1396 White Bear Avenue North from B2 Community Business to T2 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map. (Public hearing held December 3, 2014)
- Laid over to January 14 for second reading**
- 45     [Ord 15-2](#)             Memorializing City Council action granting the application of Big Steer Meats to rezone the property at 1762 Minnehaha Avenue East from R4 One-Family Residential to B2 Community Business and White Bear Avenue Overlay District, and amending Chapter 60 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to the Saint Paul zoning map. (Public hearing held December 3, 2014)
- Laid over to January 14 for second reading**
- 46     [Ord 15-1](#)             Amending the Zoning Map of Saint Paul as recommended in the Shepard Davern Area Zoning Study.
- Laid over to January 14 for second reading**

*Council members shared information about upcoming events in their wards.*

*The Council recessed at 3:41 p.m.*

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*The Council reconvened for Public Hearings at 5:30 p.m.*

**Present**    7 -    Councilmember Dan Bostrom, Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, City Council President Kathy Lantry, Councilmember Russ Stark, Councilmember Dai Thao, Councilmember Dave Thune and Councilmember Chris Tolbert

- 47**     [Ord 14-52](#)     Administrative Ordinance placing the classification titled Public Information Manager in the unclassified service pursuant to Section 12.03.2(H) of the City of Saint Paul Charter. (Civil Service Commission approval needed prior to Mayor's approval)

*No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Stark moved to close the public hearing.*

**Public hearing held and closed; laid over to January 14 for final adoption**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

- 48**     [RES PH 15-4](#)     Approving the application of the Saint Paul Festival & Heritage Foundation for a sound level variance in order to present amplified music and entertainment in Rice Park for the 2015 Saint Paul Winter Carnival from January 22, 2015 through February 1, 2015.

*No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Thune moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

- 49**     [RES PH 15-7](#)     Approving the application of the Saint Paul Festival & Heritage Foundation for a sound level variance in order to present a radio station announcer and music at Sixth Street and Jackson Street for the 2015 Saint Paul Winter Carnival - Securian Winter Run on Saturday, January 24, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

*No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Thune moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

**50**    [PH 14-25](#)

Public hearing to consider the report of the Administrative Law Judge concerning all licenses held by Pet Enterprises Motortech, Inc., d/b/a Pet Auto Repair at 44 Acker Street East. (Public hearing continued from December 17)

*Geoffrey Karls, Assistant City Attorney representing the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) gave a staff on the adverse actions related to non-payment of fees, and license condition violations including improper storage of materials and painting being done outside. He said the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) had determined that all allegations brought by DSI had been proven and a \$2000 fine and 10-day license suspension were appropriate due to the egregious nature of the violations. He said DSI recommended that the Council adopt the ALJ Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation, and impose a \$2000 penalty and 10-day license suspension. He said due to the egregious nature of the violations, DSI was also recommending that the costs of hearing also be imposed. He said those costs were currently \$2400.*

*In opposition:*

*Licensee Patrick Takuanyi said his attorney could not be present, but they were appealing the ALJ decision. He said he had never been cited by the City or paid a \$500 fine, and he did not paint cars outside. He said the photos were taken by a disgruntled neighbor and were of paint being removed with a chemical spray, which was allowed with a body shop license. He said the tires stacked outside were not his.*

*Council President Lantry asked if the Council should still vote given there was continuing legal action. Mr. Karls said the ALJ recommendation was not appealable, but the Council decision was.*

*Councilmember Thao asked for confirmation that the total penalty was \$2000 plus \$2400. Mr. Karls said that was correct. He said recognized this was a substantial amount, but the photographs of the conduct were sent to the licensee along with the notice to make it very clear that this was not a close question.*

*Councilmember Stark asked whether spraying a chemical was allowed. Mr. Karls said license conditions prohibited painting or painting-related activities.*

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

*Councilmember Thao moved to adopt the recommendation*

**Motion of Intent - Adopted the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge (\$2000 fine and \$2400 ALJ hearing fees imposed, 10-day license suspension)**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

51 [ABZA 15-2](#)

Public hearing to consider the appeal of Rafic Chehouri to a decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals denying a request for a front yard setback variance in order to enlarge the existing retail building at 945 Grand Avenue.

*Yaya Diatta, Department of Safety and Inspections, gave a staff report on the application and appeal. In response to a question from Council President Lantry, he said the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) denial was based on findings 1, 3, and 4 - primarily finding 1. He said in the BC district the intent is for residential structures to retain residential appearance while allowing businesses to operate.*

*Appellant:*

*Rafik Chehouri, property and business owner, said he was trying to accomplish three things: Make the building more handicapped friendly, increase visibility, and expand space. He displayed a model of the current and proposed building, and said they were now proposing that it be 4 feet back from the sidewalk with vegetation in front. He showed drawing, and said it would be a nice all-brick building*

*Councilmember Brendmoen noted that the building to the west used to be Stems and Vines, and the footprint of that building changed significantly after the fire. Mr. Chehouri said that was correct.*

*Mr. Chehouri displayed the model again at the request of Councilmember Thune. He said it was suggested that he could make the building more handicapped friendly by excavating the front, but that would expose the foundation to freezing.*

*Brian Alton (951 Grand Avenue) said he had a law office two doors down from Mr. Chehouri's building, and was appearing in support of the appeal. He said the BZA erred in their conclusions that the variance was not in harmony with the general purpose of the zoning code, that there were not practical difficulties in complying with the provision, that the plight of the landowner was not due to characteristics unique to the property. He noted that the BZA had correctly determined that the essential character of the neighborhood would not be altered by the change. He said it was a unique property, and granting the variance would not be precedent-setting or lead to a flood of others applying for setback variances.*

*Councilmember Tolbert asked whether a variance would give them the freedom to build something like the neighbor to the west. Deputy City Attorney Gerald Hendrickson said that was correct. Mr. Alton clarified that the 10-foot wide entryway would have zero setback, and the rest would have a 4-foot setback.*

*Councilmember Thune asked Mr. Alton whether his understanding of the Grand Avenue zoning was that residential appearance be maintained, with businesses allowed. Mr. Alton said that was correct. He said there was the desire to make sure the residential character was not overcome, but he noted that Grand Avenue was changing. He said what Mr. Chehouri was proposing would be nicely done. Councilmember Thune asked whether 951-957 (the property to the west) was nicely done. He asked whether allowing every building on Grand Avenue to expand the floor area and move to street level would result in something more like Robert Street. Mr. Alton said he had no desire to put an addition on his building. Mr. Alton and Councilmember Thune discussed existing buildings on the block and the number that were single-family-appearing. Mr. Alton said he would be opposed to other buildings building out, but Mr. Chehouri's situation was unique. Councilmember Thune said he did not feel it was a unique circumstance. Mr. Alton said it was unique in that it was next door to that large building. Councilmember Thune said if Mr.*

*Chehouri built out, his neighbor on the other side would be affected in the same way. Mr. Alton said the property on the other side was residential, and that resident was present to testify in support. There was continued discussion of whether it could be precedential.*

*Councilmember Thune asked Deputy City Attorney Gerald Hendrickson whether granting the variance could be used as a case to argue for any kind of expansion on the front of a property. Mr. Hendrickson said each place was a little different but if someone came in with fairly similar facts, this variance could be used as an argument.*

*Council President Lantry said the practical difficulties with making the building handicapped accessible in this case, was different from someone buying a property with the idea of expansion. She said those were different zoning questions.*

*Mr. Hendrickson said in reading the findings related to whether the variance would be in harmony with the general purpose of the zoning code, one point to be made was that the zoning of Grand Avenue was to have the residential character but still be able to have businesses.*

*Councilmember Stark said the biggest basis of the argument seemed to be building next door, and he asked whether the building next door had a zero setback before the fire. (Someone) answered that it always had a zero setback. Councilmember Stark said the circumstances hadn't changed and Mr. Chehouri's building had been set back behind the other building for a long period of time. Mr. Alton said it previously had a zero setback, but a lower profile. Council President Lantry said Stem's and Vines (the previous neighbor) was a low, dark brick building, and Mr. Chehouri's house sat up above. Councilmember Brendmoen said the new property looked like a strip mall.*

*Brian Dobie (1968 Berkeley Avenue) said he was a friend and customer of Mr. Chehouri's and was also an engineer. He spoke about difficulty he'd experienced getting to the business to pick up Christmas gifts after knee surgery in December; he also spoke about the problem with excavating as a solution to the accessibility problem.*

*Joanna Mueller (940 Grand Avenue) expressed support for Mr. Chehouri, and said they were great neighbors. She said she wanted to spend money and stay in the neighborhood to shop.*

*Pat Cameron (845 Laurel Avenue) said Grand Avenue should continue to grow. He said the proposal was beautiful and would add to Grand Avenue.*

*In opposition:*

*Philip Hallberg, representing District 16 Planning Council (860 St. Clair Avenue), said they were recommending denial primarily due to concerns about the precedent set by approval and the potential degradation of the BC district. He said there were lots of buildings in the same situation with residential style businesses with other properties built-out right next door.*

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

*Councilmember Thune said the zoning was put in place in the first place because Grand was a primarily residential street dotted with small businesses, resulting in a unique stretch of St. Paul allowing residential buildings to have a commercial use, not the other way around. He said there were any number of reasons someone might*

request this, and it would clearly change Grand Avenue and everything the BC zoning district is protecting. He said design criteria wasn't what you looked at in zoning, you looked at land use, and this totally eliminated the BC designation. He said every successive change moved toward the end of the character of Grand Avenue. He moved to deny appeal, and said he found no errors in the BZA decision.

Councilmember Stark said he would support the motion. He said he would like to find a reason to support the business, but that was not what the zoning code was about. He said if this building were built out and were to burn down it could be rebuilt like the one next door. He said if the overall desire of the community was to start allowing this kind of thing, then there should be a process to look at the zoning in the area and consider rezoning. He said the BC zoning was set up to maintain the very character described by Councilmember Thune.

Councilmember Tolbert said it was a unique property in terms of hill and slope, and he asked whether there was an exception in the code related to accessibility. He said it was really about accessibility. Mr. Hendrickson said the short answer was no, and the building was currently accessible under the law.

Councilmember Brendmoen said she felt the problem was really with the building that the City had allowed to be built next door, and she asked whether there was a way for this property to serve as a transition from the strip mall look to the residence. She asked whether there could be conditions on the variance to allow this to be done. She said it would be a catastrophe if all of Grand Avenue looked like a strip mall, but this seemed like a reasonable request and the right thing to do. She asked if there was a way to get it done without opening up a whole can of worms. Mr. Hendrickson said it would depend on the kind of conditions the Council was thinking of, and he didn't think there were design conditions that could be set. He said he didn't feel the concept of some sort of transition would be doable, and he hadn't heard that the appellant had proposed any conditions. In response to a question from Councilmember Thune, he said he would need a week to check into the possibility of a design overlay. Councilmember Thune said it was willing to wait a week to get an answer to that, although he still had great concerns. Mr. Hendrickson asked what sort of design conditions were being suggested.

Council President Lantry suggested having the business owner, the Summit Hill Association (District 16), and Ward 2 meet to discuss conditions/design specifications.

Councilmember Thune said he was not willing to go back and redesign, but was willing to lay the matter over to find out whether there were physical design criteria that could legally be attached to the zoning and not reproduced in all over the place. He said granting the variance would be permanent, and allow subsequent business owners to do something completely different. He withdrew the previous motion and moved one-week layover.

Councilmember Brendmoen said if something like that was possible, the City could have prevented what happened next door.

**Public hearing held and closed; laid over to January 14**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

**52**     [ABZA 15-1](#)

Public hearing to consider the appeal of Ramiro D. Maya to a decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals denying a request for lot size, lot width, and side setback variances in order to legalize a basement unit added to a single family dwelling. (Public hearing held January 7)

*Yaya Diatta, Department of Safety and Inspections, gave a staff report on the application and appeal. He said the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) found that the conversion from a single family home to a duplex had not met findings 1, 3 and 4. He gave the details of those findings.*

*Appellant:*

*Property owner Ramiro Maya said his English wasn't good and his son would explain the situation. Matthew Hernandez said the house was in terrible condition when they'd purchased it about 14 years before, and the remodeling was already in progress at that time. He said the egress window was already there but non-functional. He said they pulled a permit on March 20, 2012 to repair the window and didn't understand how the BZA determined that they had illegally installed the window. He said they did put in the rear stairs to make the basement more private and accessible for his grandmother.*

*Council President Lantry asked why no one had shown up for BZA hearings. Mr. Hernandez said his father didn't understand English and didn't fully understand letters he'd received from the City or the regulations. He acknowledged that it was a problem that they'd done a large project without a permit, and said they'd discussed with Mr. Diatta tearing everything out and making it a legal duplex. He said they didn't want to classify as a duplex, and the intention was to accommodate the family situation, not to make money. He said it was his father's life-long dream to buy the house and stay there, and it perfectly accommodated their family. He said they made a mistake about pulling permits.*

*Council President Lantry said intergenerational housing was a good idea, but in that neighborhood where things were compact, converting could be a problem. She said she would like to lay the matter over to try to find a way to meet the family's needs and accommodate this without setting a precedent.*

*Mr. Hernandez said they wanted to work with the city. He said they would take the kitchen out if necessary, but the basement plumbing was there when they bought the house.*

*Councilmember Brendmoen said this situation was coming up more and more, and looking for a solution would be a worthwhile exercise.*

*Council President Lantry moved to close the public hearing and lay the matter over for two weeks.*

**Public hearing held and closed; laid over to January 21**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

- 53**     [PH 15-1](#)                    Public hearing to consider the application of August Ventures LLC to rezone property at 999-1003 Hudson Road from RT1 Two-Family to B1 Local Business.
- No one appeared in opposition; Council President moved to close the public hearing and grant the application.*
- Motion of Intent - Application granted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert
- Nay:** 0
- 54**     [RES PH 15-1](#)                    Ratifying the assessments for Replacement of Lead Water Service Line on Private Property from July through September 2014. (File No. 1501LDSRP, Assessment No. 154000)
- No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Brendmoen moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert
- Nay:** 0
- 55**     [RES PH 15-2](#)                    Ratifying the assessments for Replacement of Lead Water Service Line on Private Property from July through September 2014 at 106 King Street East. (File No. 1403LDSRP1, Assessment No. 144004)
- No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Thune moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert
- Nay:** 0
- 56**     [RES PH 15-3](#)                    Ratifying the assessments for Repair of Sanitary Sewer Line on Private Property from July through September 2014. (File No. SWRP1501, Assessment No. 153000)
- No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Brendmoen moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert



Nay: 0

#### LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS REQUIRING DISCUSSION

- 94 [RLH VO 14-66](#) Appeal of David Himmelsbach to a Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation and Order to Vacate at 893 HUDSON ROAD.

*Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond gave a staff report on the condemnation due to excessive accumulation of combustible materials and sanitation concerns related to lack of running water in the kitchen and incomplete bathrooms. She said neither of the benchmarks set at the Legislative Hearing had been met by the deadline, and she recommended denying the appeal with an order to vacate by the close of business on Thursday (January 8).*

*In opposition:*

*Dave Himmelsbach said Kay Wittgenstein from House Calls had helped provide a dumpster which he had partially filled but was picked up sooner than he expected. He said another was brought but that had set him back. He said removing half the volume of material and providing egress paths as directed was not humanly possible for one person, and he preferred to do it primarily himself. He said Ms. Wittgenstein said he could keep dumpster until Monday but that was all the funding would allow. He said the living room, kitchen and bedroom were compliant, and the rest of it was a matter of a lot of work. He said he was confident as far as meeting the requirements as soon as humanly possible, and he would like at least until Monday if it couldn't be laid over for a week or two.*

*Council President Lantry said she would grant until noon Monday, but Mr. Himmelsbach would have to vacate that day if there wasn't compliance. She said Mr. Himmelsbach had been connected with resources but he needed to use them. She said this was about firefighter access as well as living conditions.*

*Mr. Himmelsbach asked whether he could continue to work if he was ordered to vacate. Council President Lantry said he could work as long as he was not sleeping there or bringing anything in. She said the time frame was 8:00 to 8:00.*

*Ms. Moermond asked whether the benchmark for Mr. Himmelsbach to meet was 50% of the material and 36" pathways for egress, or all of the orders as of a certain date. Council President Lantry said the benchmark should be 50% by Monday, and then a new deadline with a separate set of orders. She said she wasn't inclined to grant more than another week or so.*

*Council President Lantry moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution as amended.*

**Adopted as amended (January 12 deadline for compliance with first benchmark; immediate vacation if deadline isn't met)**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

121 [RLH TA 14-538](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 550 SAINT CLAIR AVENUE.

*Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond gave a staff report on the assessment for a clean-up of a couch from the boulevard. She said the appellant had indicated that he had not received the notice to do the clean-up. She noted that Public Works sometimes removed items in the public right-of-way but the policy wasn't consistent, and the fact that orders were issued clearly put the ball in the property owner's court. She said she felt the assessment could be split down the middle in terms of accountability.*

*In response to a question from Councilmember Thune, Council President Lantry said the total assessment was \$318. Ms. Moermond said her recommendation was that the property owner be assessed \$159.*

*In opposition:*

*Property owner Paul Lapham said he was a taxi driver and was working all night during that period, and all of the streetlights were out and he didn't see the couch. He said he didn't see the notification, and noted that his car had been hit and he was getting lots of mail from attorneys. He said he didn't know how the couch got there or how long it had been there.*

*Councilmember Thune moved to close the public hearing and adopt Ms. Moermond's recommendation.*

**Adopted (assessment reduced to \$159)**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

129 [RLH TA 14-610](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 929 SIXTH STREET EAST.

*Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond said the question was one of notification rather than whether or not the work was done. She said notification was sent to owner of record, and the appeal was filed by management company. She reviewed the dates and orders, and said the total clean-up assessment was \$468. She said the concern by management company was that they didn't receive notification, and she noted that Ramsey County and Fire Certificate of Occupancy records for the property were being updated around that time. She said the code was clear that the City was required to notify owner of record, and she felt in cases like this the Issue was between owner and management company.*

*In opposition:*

*??, property manager, said the property owner was out of the country when the Summary Abatement order was received, and the order was passed along as soon as they returned but the deadline was passed. She said they had filed change of ownership papers with the Department of Safety and Inspections in August of 2014, but had only been receiving Summary Abatement orders correctly for the past couple of months. She said they didn't receive notification and were asking for removal of the fee.*

*Council President Lantry said the company wasn't doing a very good job managing the property if the issue is where the Summary Abatement notices were being sent. She said the issue was maintaining the property, and she moved approval of the assessment. She said the management company should be going to the property more often if they were having problems with tenants.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

**LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 57 - 152)**

*No one appeared in opposition; Councilmember Thune moved to close the public hearing and approve the Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda as amended.*

**Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

- 57     [RLH TA 14-546](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 1070 ALBEMARLE STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 58     [RLH TA 14-598](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 253 ANNAPOLIS STREET WEST.  
**Adopted**
- 59     [RLH TA 14-592](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 1560 ARLINGTON AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 60     [RLH TA 14-607](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 1793 ARLINGTON AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 61     [RLH TA 14-531](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. CRT1501, Assessment No. 158200 at 1658 BAYARD AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 62     [RLH TA 14-606](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 1724 BEECH STREET.  
**Adopted as amended (full assessment approved)**
- 63     [RLH TA 14-537](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 647 BLAIR AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 64     [RLH TA 14-601](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 706 BLAIR AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 65     [RLH VO 14-65](#)     Appeal of Judy and Robert Gilbertson to a Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation and Order to Vacate at 1144 BRADLEY STREET.  
**Adopted**

- 66     [RLH TA 14-573](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 486 CARROLL AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 67     [RLH TA 14-566](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 335 CASE AVENUE. (To be deleted)  
**Adopted**
- 68     [RLH TA 14-557](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 594 CASE AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 69     [RLH CO 15-1](#)         Amending Council File RLH CO 14-11 to grant Yer Moua an extension for compliance with a Correction Notice for property at 693 CASE AVENUE.  
**Adopted as amended (extension granted to June 1, 2015 for compliance)**
- 70     [RLH TA 14-542](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. CRT1501, Assessment No. 158200 at 711 CASE AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 71     [RLH TA 14-588](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 1359 CASE AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 72     [RLH TA 14-552](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 512 CENTRAL AVENUE WEST.  
**Adopted**
- 73     [RLH TA 14-568](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 547 CHARLES AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 74     [RLH TA 14-565](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 640 CHARLES AVENUE.  
**Adopted**

- 75     [RLH TA 14-549](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 1466 CHARLES AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 76     [RLH TA 14-583](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 235 CHATSWORTH STREET NORTH. (Layover to March 18, 2015 City Council Public Hearing)  
**Public Hearing continued to March 18**
- 77     [RLH TA 14-612](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 866 CLARK STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 78     [RLH TA 14-550](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 800 COMO AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 79     [RLH TA 14-551](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501G, Assessment No. 158700 at 800 COMO AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 80     [RLH RR 14-24](#)     Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 722 CONCORDIA AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the January 7, 2015, City Council Public Hearing. (This item was reconsidered on January 21, 2015 as RLH RR 15-4)  
**Adopted**
- 81     [RLH CO 14-19](#)     Appeal of Jason Degidio to a Correction Notice at 1104 DULUTH STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 82     [RLH TA 14-530](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 1432 EDMUND AVENUE.  
**Adopted**

- 83     [RLH TA 14-553](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 1056 EUCLID STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 84     [RLH FCO 14-183](#)     Appeal of Jeff Sullivan to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice at 1084 EUCLID STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 85     [RLH TA 14-572](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 922 FIFTH STREET EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 86     [RLH TA 14-600](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 480 FOREST STREET/942 CONWAY STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 87     [RLH TA 14-535](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 2035 FOURTH STREET EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 88     [RLH VO 14-63](#)     Appeal of Lao Toua Moua to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 2049 FOURTH STREET EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 89     [RLH VO 14-64](#)     Appeal of Yanci Zhang to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate at 2049 FOURTH STREET EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 90     [RLH TA 14-584](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 878 FREMONT AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 91     [RLH TA 14-603](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 1018 GERANIUM AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**

- 92     [RLH TA 14-578](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 2164 HAWTHORNE AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 93     [RLH TA 14-562](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 787 HOWELL STREET NORTH.  
**Adopted**
- 95     [RLH TA 14-556](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 1690 HYACINTH AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 96     [RLH TA 14-534](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 1830 JAMES AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 97     [RLH TA 14-582](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 2156 JEFFERSON AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 98     [RLH TA 14-540](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 67 JESSAMINE AVENUE WEST.  
**Adopted**
- 99     [RLH TA 14-536](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 1152 LANE PLACE.  
**Adopted**
- 100    [RLH VBR  
14-100](#)     Appeal of Ahti Hujanen to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 920 LINCOLN AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 101    [RLH SAO 14-48](#)     Appeal of Camille "Blake" Traylor to a Summary Abatement Order at 2013 LINCOLN AVENUE  
**Adopted**



- 102 [RLH TA 14-599](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 675 MAGNOLIA AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 103 [RLH TA 14-605](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 288 MAPLE STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 104 [RLH TA 14-532](#) Reducing (title corrected) the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. CRT1501, Assessment No. 158200 at 1497 MARGARET STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 105 [RLH TA 14-558](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 346 MARIA AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 106 [RLH RR 14-25](#) Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 722 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST within fifteen (15) days after the January 7, 2015, City Council Public Hearing.  
**Adopted**
- 107 [RLH TA 14-613](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 1761 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 108 [RLH TA 14-576](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158400 at 1866 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 109 [RLH TA 14-559](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 1592 MCAFEE STREET.  
**Adopted**

- 110 [RLH TA 14-579](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No 158800 at 101 MCKNIGHT ROAD NORTH.  
**Adopted**
- 111 [RLH TA 14-585](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 763 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 112 [RLH TA 14-554](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 1282 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST.  
**Adopted**
- 113 [RLH TA 14-589](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 1160 MONTREAL AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 114 [RLH TA 14-563](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 2023 MONTREAL AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 115 [RLH TA 14-547](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 141 MORTON STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 116 [RLH TA 14-577](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 1150 REANEY AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 117 [RLH TA 14-590](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 1631 REANEY AVENUE.  
**Adopted**

- 118 [RLH TA 14-580](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 81 ROBIE STREET WEST.  
**Adopted**
- 119 [RLH TA 14-604](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 610 SAINT ALBANS STREET NORTH.  
**Adopted**
- 120 [RLH TA 14-548](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 869 SAINT ANTHONY AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 122 [RLH TA 14-569](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. CRT1501, Assessment No. 158200 at 645 SEVENTH STREET EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 123 [RLH TA 14-602](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501 Assessment No. 158800 at 1155 SEVENTH STREET WEST.  
**Adopted**
- 124 [RLH TA 14-608](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501 Assessment No. 158800 at 1478 SHELDON STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 125 [RLH TA 14-574](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 787 SHERBURNE AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 126 [RLH TA 14-571](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501G, Assessment No. 158700 at 1153 SHERBURNE AVENUE.  
**Adopted**

- 127 [RLH TA 14-593](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 1373 SIMPSON STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 128 [RLH TA 14-596](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 873 SIXTH STREET EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 130 [RLH TA 14-630](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 1120 SIXTH STREET EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 131 [RLH TA 14-570](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 1355 STILLWATER AVENUE.  
**Adopted as amended (assessment reduced from \$504 to \$252 and made payable over 2 years)**
- 132 [RLH TA 14-594](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 2022 SUBURBAN AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 133 [RLH TA 14-586](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 101 SYCAMORE STREET WEST.  
**Adopted**
- 134 [RLH TA 14-533](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 662 THIRD STREET EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 135 [RLH TA 14-591](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 1435 THIRD STREET EAST.  
**Adopted**

- 136 [RLH TA 14-609](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501 , Assessment No. 158800 at 741 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST.  
**Adopted**
- 137 [RLH TA 14-567](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 642 VAN BUREN AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 138 [RLH TA 14-541](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 646 VAN BUREN AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 139 [RLH VBR 14-88](#) Appeal of Kurt Evans for Cross Family Real Estate Holdings to a Vacant Building Registration Fee at 426 VANCE STREET. (Public hearing continued from December 17)  
**Adopted**
- 140 [RLH RR 14-12](#) Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 391 VIEW STREET within fifteen (15) days after the July 23, 2014, City Council Public Hearing. (Public hearing continued from January 7)  
**Referred to Legislative Hearings on January 27; Council Public Hearing continued to February 4**
- 141 [RLH TA 14-560](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500 at 1046 WAKEFIELD AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 142 [RLH TA 14-595](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301 at 938 WESTMINSTER STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 143 [RLH VO 14-62](#) Appeal of Terry Luther to a Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Remain Vacant at 125 WINNIPEG AVENUE.  
**Adopted**

- 144 [RLH TA 14-575](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800 at 1242 WOODBRIDGE STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 145 [RLH TA 14-555](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Real Estate Project No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300 at 1711 YORKSHIRE AVENUE.  
**Adopted**
- 146 [RLH AR 14-70](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Certificate of Occupancy Fees billed April 14 to May 2, 2014. (File No. CRT1501, Assessment No. 158200)  
**Adopted**
- 147 [RLH AR 14-71](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection services from April 1 to May 21, 2014. (File No. J1501E, Assessment No. 158300)  
**Adopted**
- 148 [RLH AR 14-72](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services from June 18 to July 31, 2014. (File No. J1501A, Assessment No. 158500)  
**Adopted as amended (1010 Euclid Street and 878 Magnolia Avenue East referred back to Legislative Hearings for separate consideration)**
- 149 [RLH AR 14-73](#) Ratifying the assessments for Trash Hauling services from July 2 to 30, 2014. (File No. J1501G, Assessment No. 158700)  
**Adopted**
- 150 [RLH AR 14-74](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection services billed May 22 to June 20, 2014. (File No. J1502E, Assessment No. 158301)  
**Adopted**
- 151 [RLH AR 14-75](#) Ratifying the assessments for Graffiti Removal services from June 17 to July 18, 2014. (File No. J1501P, Assessment No. 158400)  
**Adopted**
- 152 [RLH AR 14-76](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building fees billed November 18, 2013 to June 25, 2014. (File No. VB1501, Assessment No. 158800).  
**Adopted as amended (781 Iglehart Avenue referred back to Legislative Hearings for separate consideration)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Councilmember Brendmoen moved adjournment.*

**Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Bostrom, Councilmember Brendmoen, City Council President Lantry, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Thune and Councilmember Tolbert

**Nay:** 0

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