



# City of Saint Paul

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## Minutes - Final

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### City Council

*Council President Amy Brendmoen*  
*Councilmember Dan Bostrom*  
*Councilmember Rebecca Noecker*  
*Councilmember Jane L. Prince*  
*Councilmember Russ Stark*  
*Councilmember Dai Thao*  
*Councilmember Chris Tolbert*

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Wednesday, January 17, 2018

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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### Budget Amendment Public Hearings at 3:30 p.m. Public Hearings at 5:30 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

*The meeting was called to order by Council President Brendmoen at 3:32 p.m.*

#### Councilmember Bostrom excused

**Present** 6 - City Council President Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Dai Thao, Councilmember Chris Tolbert, Councilmember Russ Stark, Councilmember Rebecca Noecker and Councilmember Jane L. Prince

**Absent** 1 - Councilmember Dan Bostrom

#### 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 (Items 1 - 13)

*Councilmember Thao moved approval of the Consent Agenda.*

#### Consent Agenda adopted

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

- 1     [RES 18-67](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during September 22 to October 20, 2017, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 20, 2018 and City Council public hearing for April 4, 2018 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J1806E, Assessment No. 188305)  
**Adopted**
- 2     [RES 18-68](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during November 2 to 30, 2017, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 20, 2018 and City Council public hearing for April 4, 2018 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J1806A, Assessment No. 188506)  
**Adopted**
- 3     [RES 18-69](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Graffiti Removal services during November 9 to 18, 2017, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for February 20, 2018 and City Council public hearing for April 4, 2018 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J1804P, Assessment No. 188403)  
**Adopted**
- 4     [RES 18-29](#)     Authorizing the Fire Department to enter into a hazardous materials emergency response contract with the State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety for the time period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2022.  
**Adopted**
- 5     [RES 18-41](#)     Authorizing the Fire Department to accept the donation of \$500 from Saint Patrick's Association.  
**Adopted**
- 6     [RES 18-39](#)     Changing the rate of pay for the existing classification of Supervisor of Rehabilitation from Grade 023 to Grade 019, EG 09, SPSO.  
**Laid over to January 24 for adoption**
- 7     [RES 18-93](#)     Requesting City officials to promulgate and approve the list of eligible organizations for the 2018 Charitable Gambling 10% Club.  
**Adopted**

- 8     [RES 18-57](#)     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 2018.

**Adopted**

- 9     [RES 18-26](#)     Authorizing the Police Department to accept a grant in the amount of \$209,895 from the State of Minnesota for the Terrorism Prevention 2018 grant program.

**Adopted**

- 10    [RES 18-84](#)     Authorizing the Police Department to accept a donation of cash and stuffed animals from the members of the Church of the Blessed Sacrament.

**Adopted**

- 11    [RES 18-75](#)     Authorizing the City to enter into the Delegated Contract Process (DCP) Agency Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT).

**Adopted**

- 12    [RES 18-90](#)     Approving a Liquor-Outdoor Service Area (Patio) license with one condition to St Paul Wine Bar, LLC (License ID #20170003453) for the premises at 1 Leech Street.

**Adopted**

- 13    [RES 18-92](#)     Approving a waiver of the 45-day notice requirement in order to issue Liquor On Sale 101-180 Seats and Liquor On Sale-Sunday licenses with conditions to HBCL, LLC, d/b/a Hodges Bend (License ID #20170004483) for the premises at 2700 University Avenue West, Ste. 100.

**Adopted**

#### **FOR DISCUSSION**

- 14    [RLH FCO  
17-169](#)     Appeal of Brett Ripley to a Correction Notice-Reinspection Complaint at 1685 TAYLOR AVENUE. (Public hearing held November 1)

*Councilmember Stark moved an amended version giving Mr. Ripley an additional six months to come into compliance. He said there was some possibility Mr. Ripley might re-appeal the matter in that time.*

**Adopted as amended**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

**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.

**First Reading**

- 15    [Ord 18-3](#)            Granting the application of the Northern Star Council to rezone their property at 393 Marshall from OS Office Service to T2 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.
- Laid over to January 24 for second reading**
- 16    [Ord 18-2](#)            Granting the application of PDMC, LLC to rezone their property at 739 Selby Avenue from B2 Community Business to T2 Traditional Neighborhood, and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.
- Laid over to January 24 for second reading**

**BUDGET AMENDMENT PUBLIC HEARINGS (held during the 3:30 portion of the meeting)**

- 17    [RES PH 18-19](#)       Amending the financing and spending plans in the Fire Department in the amount of \$125,000 for a contribution received from the State of Minnesota to pay for training and equipment for the Fire Department Hazardous Materials team.
- No one was present to testify. Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom
- 18    [RES PH 18-11](#)       Approving and authorizing acceptance of the Metropolitan Council Local Housing Incentives Account Grant for the Como by the Lake project, and amending the 2017 Budget.
- No one was present to testify. Councilmember Stark moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*
- Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

**19**     [RES PH 18-14](#)

Amending the 2017 Financing and Spending Plan in the Department of Planning and Economic Development to reflect a Livable Communities Act Transit Oriented Development grant from the Metropolitan Council.

*No one was present to testify. Councilmember Thao moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

*Council members shared news from their wards.*

*The Council recessed at 3:38 p.m.*

**PUBLIC HEARINGS (Public hearings begin at 5:30 p.m.)**

*The Council reconvened for public hearings at 5:31 p.m.*

**Councilmember Bostrom excused**

**Present** 5 - City Council President Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Dai Thao, Councilmember Russ Stark, Councilmember Rebecca Noecker and Councilmember Jane L. Prince

**Absent** 2 - Councilmember Dan Bostrom and Councilmember Chris Tolbert

**Councilmember Tolbert arrived during Item 20**

**Present** 6 - City Council President Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Dai Thao, Councilmember Chris Tolbert, Councilmember Russ Stark, Councilmember Rebecca Noecker and Councilmember Jane L. Prince

**Absent** 1 - Councilmember Dan Bostrom

20 [Ord 17-60](#)

Establishing sustainable building regulations for buildings owned, operated, or funded by the City.

*Kurt Schultz, Planning and Economic Development (PED), gave a staff report highlighting the proposed updates to the current policy. He said recommendations from the advisory committee included maintaining the basic structure of the policy and the \$200,000 threshold, removing Green Globes from the list of standards, and adding Parksmart. He said Green Globes hadn't been used by any developer or development since the inception of the policy, and Parksmart was a relatively new standard relating specifically to the design, maintenance and operation of parking structures. He said the biggest single recommendation was to include major renovations in the policy. He said other additions included a renewable energy requirement, encouragement to make buildings electric-vehicle-ready, a resiliency component, and water use tracking. Mr. Schultz answered questions from Council members.*

*Councilmember Stark moved a minor amendment with name changes to some of the programs. Yeas - 6 Nays - 0*

*In opposition:*

*Greg Johnson (2189 Mitchell Avenue) said he was concerned about dropping of Green Globes without adding the Green Building standards.*

*Bennett Schwartz (2131 N. Leavitt Street, Chicago), Green Building Initiative, asked that the Green Globes standard not be removed. He listed buildings in the Twin Cities area that had been certified with the Green Globes standard. He spoke about the standard and said it was essential for St. Paul to have it in the Sustainable Buildings Policy to protect consumer choice and maintain a high level of rigor, results and accountability to the public. He referred to a letter that had been submitted to the Council. He said he was in support of the mission of the standard but asked that the Green Globes standard be included.*

*Councilmember Stark asked whether Mr. Schwartz had thoughts about why Green Globes hadn't been used in the seven and a half years since the standard had been implemented, and why that might change in the coming years. Mr. Schwartz said they had had a lot of growth in the last year or two and would be making a more concentrated effort to reach out and convey the benefits of Green Globes to buildings and organizations in the Midwest.*

*Mr. Johnson said Green Globes was wrapping up its latest update to the standards which was likely to stimulate use across the country.*

*In support:*

*Kendall Crosby, Kendall's Ace Hardware (840 Payne Avenue) said they were awarded a B3 award for sustainability the previous year; he spoke in support of the City's guidelines.*

*Laura Milberg (1504 Summit Avenue), MPCA, spoke in support on behalf of the MPCA John Carmody (2028 Cedar Lake Parkway, Minneapolis), original director of the Center for Sustainable Building Research at the University of Minnesota, spoke in support of the innovative nature of the policy*

*Sherry Brezinka (1717 W. 90th Street, Bloomington), Regional Director for the US Green Building Council, spoke in support of the addition of the Parksmart standard*

*Terry Olsen (542 Pelham Boulevard)*

*Monte Hilleman, St. Paul Port Authority (380 St. Peter Street)*

*Councilmember Stark moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 6 Nays - 0*

*Councilmember Stark made brief comments, and said he'd have conversations with staff about the Green Globes standards. Council President Brendmoen clarified that the Council would not be voting on the ordinance until the following week so there still would be the opportunity to make changes. She said she looked forward to getting staff input on the Green Globes standards and felt it made sense to revisit the ordinance on a regular basis. Councilmember Prince said she also looked forward to the discussion to see if the standard could be added back in.*

**Public hearing held and closed; laid over to January 24 for final adoption**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

**21**     [Ord 18-1](#)

Amending Chapter 65 of the Legislative Code pertaining to land use definitions and development standards.

*No one was present to testify. Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing.*

**Public hearing held and closed; laid over to January 24 for final adoption**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom



**22**    [Ord 17-64](#)

Amending Legislative Code Section 293.07, pertaining to noise source limitations, by enacting a new subdivision to exempt certain soccer matches and other activities held in a municipal stadium from noise source limitations.

*Joe Spencer, Planning and Economic Development (PED), gave a staff report. He said the amendment brought the noise ordinance in line with the agreement with the stadium. He said it would also apply to City events in the stadium and was not expected to be used a lot. He clarified that this would not apply to CHS Field.*

*Councilmember Stark clarified that the exemption would apply only to noise during soccer games and audience noise and speakers but did not apply to things like fireworks or concerts. Mr. Spencer confirmed that that was correct.*

*Councilmember Thao asked a follow-up question about fireworks.*

*In opposition:*

*Stephanie Digby (1682 Taylor Avenue) expressed concerns about the effects of noise pollution.*

*Councilmember Thao moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 6 Nays - 0*

*Councilmember Thao said they had received calls and emails from residents; he thanked Ms. Digby for coming to testify. He said his office had taken time to reflect on the concerns and would be open to laying the matter over to allow time so other members of the community could be heard.*

*Council President Brendmoen noted that the public hearing had been closed and the Council wouldn't vote until the following week.*

*Councilmember Stark said they had heard from people by email over the course of the week, in particular the Union Park District Council, who were asking for a little more time to provide their recommendation. He moved a layover to February 7 to give the district councils time to discuss and weigh in. He assured Ms. Digby that problems would be addressed if they arose.*

**Public hearing held and closed; laid over to February 7 for final adoption**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

- 23     [RES PH 18-20](#)     Approving the petition of Morelli's to vacate a portion of abutting Bedford Avenue.

*Council President Brendmoen provided some background on the project, and said this resolution was cleaning up some details.*

*No one was present to testify. Councilmember Brendmoen moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

- 24     [RES PH 18-17](#)     Approving adverse action against the Cigarette/Tobacco license held by Blue Store St Paul at 879 Fremont Avenue.

*Therese Skarda, Assistant City Attorney representing the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI), gave a staff report on the violation concerning flavored tobacco products. She said this was the third violation of the license conditions within 18 months and DSI was recommending a \$2000 matrix penalty and a 10-day suspension of the cigarette/tobacco license. She said the licensee responded to the notice with a request for a public hearing.*

*In opposition:*

*Talib Altamar, owner of the Blue Store, said before he carried the flavored hemp, he asked the owners of the companies who sold it whether he could sell it, and they said he could. He notices he received from the companies. He said he was not going to sell flavored tobacco since he got the notice.*

*Councilmember Prince asked whether there might be confusion about whether these were flavored tobacco products. Ms. Skarda said the purpose of this hearing was to dispute the fine; the facts were admitted. She said the previous two violations involved seizure of same and similar items by the Department of Revenue, and the three violations were within a short period of time. She said based on that information she didn't see where this would be a confusion situation.*

*Mr. Altamar said for the first violation he was cleared because he brought all the receipts from Sam's Club, and for the second violation he was overseas. He said when he discovered the violation he called and learned they had found the cigarettes in the freezer. He said the owner of the building tried to kick him out of the building and put something in the store. He said the third time they told him he could sell it, and he thought this was not tobacco but just hemp. He thanked the Council for their time.*

*Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 6 Nays - 0*

*Councilmember Prince said it looked pretty irrefutable. She thanked Mr. Altamar for coming to testify and said she hoped they could work together going forward, but she was going to uphold the recommendation of DSI.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

25 [RES PH 18-18](#)

Approving adverse action against the Auto Repair Garage license held by Xpert Auto Center, Inc., d/b/a Xpert Auto Center at 1160 Rice Street.

*Therese Skarda, Assistant City Attorney representing the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI), gave a staff report on the adverse action involving three repeated license violations: exceeding the allowed number of vehicles, changing the striping of the lot, vehicles obstructing driveway and curb cut. She said this was a first license violation, and DSI was recommending a \$500 matrix penalty. She said the licensee admitted the facts but requested the hearing.*

*In opposition:*

*Licensee Kamran Hyatt said he had over a decade of experience from managing to renting and now owning, and had only one complaint, which was unsubstantiated. He said he had improved the site. He acknowledged having too many cars on the lot; he explained the circumstances leading to the violation and the measures taken to prevent it from recurring. He said he hadn't realized the striping was in violation and would correct the striping as soon as the weather permitted. He said he was asking that the fine be waived, as this was the first violation, and with constant fees and taxes, \$500 was very steep. He said the code inspector had come to investigate a complaint about cars parked on Geranium, and he had offered immediate access to his surveillance cameras to document that he was not parking cars there. He said he was not sure who was bringing the complaints, but he was working hard to run an honest business. He thanked the Council for their time.*

*Council President Brendmoen noted that Mr. Hyatt had moved into a higher profile location than he was in previously, which could explain the complaints being called in. She said Mr. Hyatt had made improvements and the building looked good but was also high profile. Mr. Hyatt said the shop next to them was not as pretty. He said he was working hard to reduce the number of cars, but just the other day they'd had five cars towed in without his knowledge. Council President Brendmoen said she wanted to hear from the neighbors present, but the business was large relative to the size of the lot, and it was possible they would need to figure out some solutions. Mr. Hyatt said he had tried to purchase the property next door. Council President Brendmoen said that was something they could follow up on later.*

*In support:*

*Lynne Connolly (105 West Rose Ave.) displayed a photograph she said was taken last spring of vehicles from the business parked on Rose, and photos taken the previous week of vehicles on the street, including one partially obstructing the alley, and traffic going in and out. She showed a photograph of a truck from the business parked across the street from her, halfway down the block from the business. She said there had been three auto accidents at that alley behind the business since the business went in, and she didn't remember there having been one prior to that. She showed a photos taken that day of cars parked at the business; and said cars were being delivered all night. She said there was a car fire in one of the vehicles parked on the street. She said she had seen uniformed employees getting into cars on the next block and then driving them back down, and she had heard from others that there was some parking up near St. Bernard's. She said they had enough of an issue on that block as Rice Street had gotten busier, with more traffic going through the neighborhood and speeding. She said it was not safe for children on that block. She said he (Mr. Hyatt) had chosen not to correct on multiple times, and someone from the business came and swore at her when she was taking pictures.*

*Councilmember Thao confirmed that Ms. Connolly was not saying it was employees*

who were speeding. Ms. Connolly said other people were speeding and with the additional parked cars and traffic it became untenable.

David Grossman (123 Rose Ave W.) said he had observed cars parked up and down Rose, and employees getting in and out. He said he called the police who spoke to the owner. He said the owner came and told him he would try to correct the problem but he had a right to park there and a business to run. Mr. Grossman said nothing had changed in the year since then. He said one of the accidents happened right in front of his house, and he felt it was due to the way the cars were parked. He said it created a safety hazard and drew the unwanted attention of people scoping out cars. He said he didn't feel he (Mr. Hyatt) was taking this seriously, and the problem lay in the fact that the employees were going under the direction that the owner was setting the precedent for. He said he'd called the cops to tow cars from the business that had been left from Friday to Sunday. He said the situation was overwhelming and a lot of neighbors were angry. He said he didn't believe he (Mr. Hyatt) had honored his word, and needed to be watched more closely.

Council President Brendmoen moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 6 Nays - 0

Council President Brendmoen thanked the neighbors and business owner for coming and sharing their perspectives. She said she would support staff attorney's recommendation. She said based on the photos from fall and recently, it looked like an ongoing issue, and the penalty seemed appropriate. She said she wanted to work with Mr. Hyatt to try to figure out a solution. She said it was a big shop and he did need appropriate places to put the vehicles. She reiterated that the business was in a high visibility, high impact area. She moved to adopt DSI's recommendation.

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

**26**     [RES PH 18-10](#)

Approving the application to MNDOT for installation of a mural in the public right-of-way on the sidewalk in front of 205 West 7th Street.

*No one was present to testify. Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

- 27     [RES PH 18-13](#)     Approving the application of Melissa Diaz for a sound level variance in order to have a DJ with sound system for a Pre-Superbowl Football Fiesta on Sunday, February 4, 2018 on the patio space at El Burrito Mercado, 175 Cesar Chavez Street.

*No one was present to testify. Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

**LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

41 [RLH VO 17-64](#)

## Appeal of Robert Stein to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Revocation and Order to Vacate at 1150-1152 BURR STREET.

*Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond gave a staff report on the order to vacate due to long term non-compliance. She said the Council had heard an appeal by the tenant a couple of weeks before, and an extension on the vacate date was granted. She said a follow-up inspection on January 5 indicated there were still corrections to be made. She said the owner did not attend the follow-up Legislative Hearing on January 9. She reviewed the remaining violations. She said due to the long term non-compliance and no-show hearing she recommended denial of the appeal. She said if the Council wished to insert a vacate date, she felt February 1 was a reasonable date given the tenant had already been granted an extension to January 1 and had been working with the Community Stabilization Project and was referred to SMRLS.*

*In opposition:*

*Property owner Robert Stein said he wasn't able to make it to the Legislative Hearing; he apologized and said that was why he was present for the public hearing. He said egress in the basement was no longer an issue because there was no longer a bedroom there. He said the gutters had been cleaned multiple times; he showed a photograph and said the inspector didn't go up on a ladder. He said only two feet at the top of the dryer vent had to be replaced and he was told by a planning and permit person that he didn't need a permit; he said he would will follow up with the inspector. He displayed the photograph he had shown the permit staff person. He said as far as a person sleeping in the basement, it was still carpeted, with a couch and television and the person was sleeping fully clothed on floor. He said two families there had been there over three years, and to throw them out over leaves in the gutter - he didn't know. He said the smoke detector affidavit was now done. As to the motorcycle, he said he wasn't sure what could be done other than going in the house every day. He said the tenant was moving anyway. He said he was going to get a permit for the dryer vent but was on two-week a waiting list for HVAC person to inspect and pull a permit.*

*In response to a question from Council President Brendmoen, Mr. Stein said everything was completed on the due date but they were seeing it differently. Council President Brendmoen said the Council needed Ms. Moermond to tell them it was completed. She said the recommendation was that they extend the vacate date to February 1 for the tenant. Mr. Stein said he didn't want to have a vacant building. Council President Brendmoen said there was a path to getting the Certificate of Occupancy list completed and approved by the inspector. Mr. Stein said the only thing remaining was waiting or the contractor to get out there and look at the dryer vent. He asked Ms. Moermond whether she agreed the basement egress was no longer a factor. Ms. Moermond said Mr. Stein should complete his testimony.*

*Tenant Jorge Lopez said he had lived in the 1150 unit for almost 9 years. He said ever since the first inspection in July, he admitted his belongings were a mess, and he had been cleaning up since Mr. Stein asked him to. He said he had been trying to comply with Mr. Stein and Brian Schmidt (the inspector), don't have the materials to do more. He said his family had been pitching in to make the place livable, and were in the process of relocating and the house was currently full of packing materials. He said it would be almost in move-in condition when they vacate. He said in the past he had been in next door to do repairs and could see that those tenants, who had changed over the years, were very messy. Council President Brendmoen said she had to interrupt because they were way over the time allotted for testimony. She asked Mr. Lopez whether they had found a place to live. Mr. Lopez said that was a problem and they hadn't found a place to live; he said he was in the process of applying but hadn't*

been approved for a new lease elsewhere. He said the motorcycle had been moved out, and he had done everything the inspector had told him to do. He said the bedroom hadn't been used since July.

Council President Brendmoen said she was concerned about Mr. Lopez's family, and wanted them to be able to stay. She said there were life safety things and a checklist that had to be completed, but it was in everybody's interest to get it done. She asked Ms. Moermond to clarify what was needed. She moved to close the public hearing.  
Yeas - 6 Nays - 0

Ms. Moermond said when a Certificate of Occupancy was revoked for long term noncompliance, it was because there's no tool left in the tool kit. She said someone sleeping in the basement and a motorcycle in the basement were high hazard issues. She said it was removed but these were bad management practices. She said it was a management issue and basic repairs that weren't done over the course of six months. She said this type of issue was being discussed in the Fair Housing Advisory Group, and this might be a situation for a tenant remedy action and assignment of an administrator, or a remedy through the courts. She said right now she was punting on the landlord, and didn't think this was going to happen and if it did it would be millimeter by millimeter. She said the tenant had testified in Legislative Hearings that he had been making the repairs. She said it wasn't a situation that was good to have ongoing but the City had limited tools available.

Mr. Stein said when you have 20 properties that are all inspected at the same time it was hard to keep up. Council President Brendmoen that was Mr. Stein's business.

Council President Brendmoen said to Mr. Lopez that she was sorry about the situation and would work to help make sure he and his family landed on their feet. She said she was going to go with Ms. Moermond's recommendation. She said it was possible the Certificate of Occupancy could be restored but based on the past six months it didn't seem very likely. She moved Ms. Moermond's recommendation.

**Adopted (appeal denied)**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom



- 45 [RLH TA 17-543](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 966 CENTRAL AVENUE WEST. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)

*Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond said this was an unusual situation in that the amount of the assessment was for two clean-ups. She said she was recommending that the cost for the second clean-up be deleted as there was no video record. She gave a staff report and showed a video on the first clean-up. She said the owner testified in Legislative Hearings that he was out of town and called for extension and didn't get one. She said he also didn't file an appeal. She recommended approval of half of the overall assessment, for the one clean-up, from \$946 to \$500 to be divided over 3 years.*

*In opposition:*

*Property owner Ermias Mekonine (Minneapolis) said he purchased the property a year and a half ago to build a house for his mom, and had spent \$2000 on cleaning up the property over the last six to seven months. He said mattresses and all kind of garbage kept being thrown there. He said he always cleaned it up when he got a notice, but this one time wasn't around. He said he called the inspector and didn't hear back. He said that morning he planned to go clean it and when he got there it was cleaned. He said \$500 for one clean-up was punitive, and it wasn't like he didn't want to clean it - he wasn't around. He said it took him over a year to get a loan for the property and adding another \$500 was relay difficult. He said he wished he hadn't bought the property.*

*Council President Brendmoen asked whether \$500 was the reduced number. Ms. Moermond said the second clean-up was deleted from the assessment. She said the City was out twice, and she was recommending that the first clean-up be approved in its entirety and spread over three years. She said they had also talked about trimming back shrubbery and doing other things to make it less attractive for dumping to occur.*

*Mr. Mekonine said he had called his Council office about it. He said it took six months to get it approved but now it was under construction. Council President Brendmoen said there was an item coming up on the agenda concerning dumping on a property in her ward. She said it was a tough and frustrating issue.*

*Councilmember Thao moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 6 Nays - 0*

*Councilmember Thao said he sympathized; he said people left shopping carts behind his garage. He said appreciated that Mr. Mekonine was keeping the property clean, but going from \$900 to \$500 was a good deal. He said the City did the work. He said the assessment was spread over three years and didn't have to be paid up front. He said he was going with the Ms. Moermond's recommendation because the work had been done.*

**Adopted (assessment reduced and payable over 3 years)**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

**49**     [RLH SAO  
17-108](#)

Appeal of Patrick A. Carlone to two Summary Abatement Orders, a Vehicle Abatement Order, and a Correction Notice at 185 COMO AVENUE. (Public hearing continued from January 3)

*Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond said Mr. Carlone was not present.*

*No one was present to testify. Councilmember Thao moved to close the public hearing and approve the resolution.*

**Adopted (appeal denied)**

**Yea:** 5 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Bostrom and Councilmember Tolbert

78 [RLH TA 17-500](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 890 MARGARET STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)

*Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond said she was a Tall Grass and Weeds assessment. She said the property owner said she was out of town, but there was a lease agreement that tenant took care of the lawn and shoveling the snow. She said she would show the clean-up video and she referred to a photo in the record with a ruler showing the grass was a foot tall. She said she had asked in Legislative Hearings how often the property owner checked property, said she (property owner) said every couple of months. She showed the video.*

*In opposition:*

*Property owner May Kou Vang said this was the first time she had seen the video. She said she had a contract with the tenant to mow the lawn and she assumed it was being done. She said she had a picture of the front yard given to her by the City, and the grass wasn't a foot long. She said the tenant's understanding was that he was mowing the front lawn, and she hadn't seen the back yard. She said she was out of town when she received the notice and when she checked in with the tenant he said it was done. She said she trusted that the tenant was doing what they'd agreed on. She said she tried her best to make sure her property was kept up and to follow regulations.*

*Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 5 Nays - 0 (Councilmember Tolbert out)*

*Councilmember Prince said she appreciated Ms. Vang coming down and that she had an agreement with her tenant. She said the City held property owners responsible, and the agreement with the tenant was between the two of them. She referred to the video and photographs, and said the work was done and they did need to hold Ms. Vang responsible. She moved to adopt Ms. Moermond's recommendation.*

*Ms. Vang asked if it was possible to have more time for compliance. Ms. Prince said they could talk about that going forward and she would be in touch. She said typically this was how it was handled.*

*Ms. Moermond said this was a standard length of time. She said her observation in the Legislative Hearing context was that this appeared to be a long-term non-compliant issue by the time the grass becomes a foot tall. She said it was a tight turn-around per City policy and the City expected compliance. She said notification was sent to the owner of record, to the occupant, and to any Certificate of Occupancy responsible party.*

*Council President Brendmoen said she thought they had recently changed it (compliance time) because the post office moved from downtown to out in Eagan. She said Ms. Vang could drive by more often.*

*Ms. Moermond reviewed that the orders were on August 2 with a compliance date of August 6, the re-check was done on August 9 and the work was done on August 10.*

*Council President Brendmoen said they did want to give people the opportunity to comply and heard Ms. Vang's concern.*

**Adopted (assessment approved)**

**Yea:** 5 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Bostrom and Councilmember Tolbert

**88**     [RLH VO 17-62](#)

Appeal of Ryan Kempenich to a Notice of Condemnation Unfit for Human Habitation and Order to Vacate at 1464 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST. (Public hearing held January 17)

*Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond said this was a large Victorian house; she referred to a photograph. She said Mr. Kempenich (property owner) started using the property as a rooming and boarding house, was cited and stopped, and then the use recurred. She described the use options and the layout of the house. She said the second floor kitchen would need to be removed to make it a single family home. She said the owner had indicated a desire to do that, and would then like to convert it to a duplex when he had the time and money. She said she believed he was asking for more time.*

*Property owner Ryan Kempenich said he had taken care of the major concerns: heating, plumbing, fire hydrants, and key box. He said he needed more time for mortar on the chimney and for the second floor windows. He said it was close to the stadium and affordable housing was needed, and there were now just four of them living there. He said he needed more time for the electrical mast; he said Xcel wouldn't do it until spring. He said everything else would be done within a couple of days. He asked for 10 days for the interior and three months for the exterior items.*

*Councilmember Stark asked Mr. Kempenich if it was still his intention to keep it as a single family home for the time being. Mr. Kempenich said it was. Councilmember Stark confirmed that Mr. Kempenich was looking for a little more time for the inside, and until spring for the outside work.*

*Councilmember Stark moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 6 Nays - 0*

*Councilmember Stark asked Ms. Moermond if the request for additional time was reasonable. Ms. Moermond said the condemnation was around overcrowding and smoke and CO detectors. She said a walk-through by the inspector would confirm those things were addressed, and then she could grant 90 days to complete the work. She requested a layover.*

*Councilmember Stark moved a three-week layover.*

**Public hearing held and closed; laid over to February 7**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

95 [RLH TA 17-494](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 460 PIERCE STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)

*Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond gave a staff report on the assessment for a clean-up. She showed a photograph of the items. She said the property owner indicated items were not hers, and she had tried to unsuccessfully to contact the code enforcement (CE) supervisor, but had not contacted the inspector or filed an appeal. Ms. Moermond recommended approval of the assessment. She said there was a question about whether neighboring property owners were being checked for garbage and garbage service, and the CE supervisor for that area did do a complete circuit of the area following the clean-up of this property. She said there was a video of the clean-up available. Councilmember Stark said it didn't seem like the clean-up was in dispute.*

*In opposition:*

*Property owner Gwynne Evans said she'd owned the buildings for 35 to 40 years and done her share of paying for everyone's garbage from here to southern California but this time she didn't think it was fair. She said 459 Fry Street didn't have garbage service, had garbage piled up and 20 to 25 complaints, and were bringing their trash across the alley to her building. She said she called Dan (inspector) who said she was right about the problem and he would take care of it. Ms. Evans said when she followed up with the inspector he said he wasn't able to get a hold of the owner, and would ticket the owner. Ms. Evans said she couldn't afford to continue to pay for this guy's trash, because there were ten people in the building and all of the trash came over. She said they found the 459 address on some of the garbage that came over. She said she got a notice in the mail that she was being charged for all of the items in the photograph, and the people in her building were long term tenants and no one had moved out. She said then she found out that these people got kicked out of the building (459 Fry?) and that's when all of the stuff came over. She said she asked Dan to contact (CE supervisor) Lisa Martin, who she had dealt with before, and was waiting for the call because she (Ms. Martin) always called back. She said all of the sudden they (the City) picked the stuff up. She said she told Ms. Moermond in the Legislative Hearing that all she wanted was "fair," and she didn't think it was fair for her to pay. She said she had paid hundreds of thousands of dollars. She said 624 Summit, on Grand Avenue all of their garbage comes over to her building and she paid for it. She said she never said anything, but this time it was not right.*

*Council President Brendmoen said this was an issue that had come up a couple of times that night and it was really frustrating.*

*Councilmember Stark moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 6 Nays - 0*

*Councilmember Stark thanked Ms. Evans for coming down. He said this was an chronic problem in the City that they hoped would get better with organized trash collection. He said the tricky part of this was that when material ended up on someone's property it had to be taken care of. He said it sounded like Ms. Evans had dealt with this many times in the past but wasn't able to get a hold of the person she'd worked with before, and so the work was done (by the City). He asked Ms. Moermond the amount of the assessment. Ms. Moermond said the total assessment was \$562. Ms. Evans said she didn't mind paying for other people's trash but there comes a point where it's not okay. Councilmember Stark said he heard the frustration. He said the City did do the work and someone had to pay for it, and as unfair as it was for Ms. Evens to pay for it, it was also unfair for the rest of the taxpayers to have to pay for it. He said given the circumstances he was going to recommend that the Council reduce*

the assessment from \$562 to \$400.

Council President Brendmoen asked whether property owners had legal recourse if they knew who was doing the dumping. Deputy City Attorney Rachel Tierney said they would have to have proof but could take it to small claims court.

**Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

**61**     [RLH TA 17-499](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1019 GALTIER STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)

Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond gave a staff report on the assessment for a property clean-up. She said the owner did make an attempt to clean up; she said the mattresses were gone and in the interim a refrigerator showed up. She said she was asking that the cost of the refrigerator disposal be deleted. She said a brush pile remained. She showed the video of the clean-up of the brush pile and concrete; she reviewed the dates. She said the cost of the assessment was \$508. She said the main argument against was that the amount seemed exorbitant to clean up brush with trash strewn through it. She said it cost a lot to send a crew out.

Council President Brendmoen asked if it was \$508 after removing the refrigerator. Ms. Moermond said the amount after removing the refrigerator was \$478. Council President Brendmoen confirmed that the cost for removing the refrigerator was \$30. Ms. Moermond said yes, that was the refrigerator disposal fee.

*In opposition:*

Marcus Paden, property manager, said they did not dispute the brush pile. He said they did clean up the mattresses and other things left behind, which cost \$225. He said they did miss the brush pile. He said he was just asking for a reasonable fee for the clean-up of the brush pile. He said according to the list it was \$368 plus \$165 service fee, and they just removed \$30 for the clean-up of the refrigerator.

Council President Brendmoen moved to close the public hearing. Yeas - 6 Nays - 0

Council President Brendmoen said it seemed like a lot of money to remove the brush pile. Councilmember Stark said it seemed reasonable to reduce some of the labor for the fridge. Council President Brendmoen agreed. Ms. Moermond gave a breakdown of the fees.

Council President Brendmoen moved to reduce the overall amount by \$100 to account for time for the refrigerator. She said she appreciated that most of the work was done by their own crew and hoped that continued into the future. She said they were working hard on cleaning up North End, and piles like that brought property values down.

**Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

#### **LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA**

**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 28 - 136)**

*No one was present to testify. Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing and approve the Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda as amended.*

#### **Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended**

**Yea:** 6 - City Council President Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Stark, Councilmember Noecker and Councilmember Prince

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Bostrom

- 28**    [RLH TA 17-504](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 821 AGATE STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 29**    [RLH TA 17-521](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1093 ARGYLE STREET. (File No. VB1802, Assessment No. 188801)  
**Adopted**
- 30**    [RLH TA 17-555](#)    Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Property at 1093 ARGYLE STREET. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 31**    [RLH SAO 18-1](#)    Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 373 ARLINGTON AVENUE WEST in Council File RLH SAO 17-101.  
**Adopted**
- 32**    [RLH SAO 18-2](#)    Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 1400 ARLINGTON AVENUE EAST in Council File RLH SAO 17-100.  
**Adopted**

- 33     [RLH TA 18-9](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1162 ARUNDEL STREET. (File No. VB1802, Assessment No. 178801)  
**Adopted**
- 34     [RLH TA 17-545](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 41 ATWATER STREET. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 35     [RLH TA 17-569](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 113 ATWATER STREET. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 36     [RLH TA 17-539](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 475 BANFIL STREET. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 37     [RLH TA 17-488](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 933 BEECH STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 38     [RLH TA 17-517](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1047 BEECH STREET. (File No. J1802V, Assessment No. 188001) (Public hearing to be continued to October 3, 2018)  
**Public hearing continued to October 3**
- 39     [RLH TA 17-570](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1618 BEECH STREET. (File No. VB1802, Assessment No. 188801)  
**Adopted**
- 40     [RLH TA 17-538](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 662 BURR STREET (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 42     [RLH CO 18-1](#)     Appeal of Nancy Mork and Amy Mork to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice and Correction Notice at 601 CALIFORNIA AVENUE EAST.  
**Adopted**
- 43     [RLH TA 17-513](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 654 CANTON STREET. (File No. VB1802, Assessment No. 188801)  
**Adopted**



- 44 [RLH TA 17-544](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 862 CENTRAL AVENUE WEST. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 46 [RLH TA 17-533](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Property at 1045 CHARLES AVENUE. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 47 [RLH TA 17-528](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1530 CHARLES AVENUE. (File No. J1802C, Assessment No. 182001)  
**Adopted**
- 48 [RLH SAO 17-106](#) Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 1936 CHELTON AVENUE in Council File RLH SAO 17-94.  
**Adopted**
- 50 [RLH FCO 17-223](#) Appeal of John Regenold to a Re-Inspection Fire Certificate of Occupancy with Deficiencies at 644 COTTAGE AVENUE/1378 MAYWOOD STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 51 [RLH TA 17-536](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 724 DESOTO STREET. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 52 [RLH TA 17-541](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 934-936 EDGERTON STREET. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 53 [RLH TA 18-15](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 940 EDGERTON STREET. (File No. J1803G, Assessment No. 188702)  
**Adopted**
- 54 [RLH TA 18-16](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 940 EDGERTON STREET. (File No. J1804G, Assessment No. 188703)  
**Adopted**
- 55 [RLH TA 17-515](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1282 EDGERTON STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**

- 56     [RLH TA 17-557](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1349 EDGERTON STREET. (File No. J1803B, Assessment No. 188102)  
**Adopted**
- 57     [RLH TA 17-524](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 675 EDMUND AVENUE. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 58     [RLH TA 17-501](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1905 FERONIA AVENUE. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 59     [RLH TA 17-558](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 999 FIFTH STREET EAST. (File No. VB1803, Assessment No. 188802)  
**Adopted**
- 60     [RLH TA 17-509](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 837 FOURTH STREET EAST. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 62     [RLH TA 17-554](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 177 GEORGE STREET WEST. (File No. VB1803, Assessment No. 188802)  
**Adopted**
- 63     [RLH CO 17-50](#)     Appeal of Harold Brady to a Correction Notice at 214 GEORGE STREET WEST.  
**Adopted**
- 64     [RLH TA 17-510](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 50 HATCH AVENUE, (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 65     [RLH TA 17-556](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Property at 1679 HYACINTH AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503) (Public hearing to be continued to October 3, 2018)  
**Public hearing continued to October 3**
- 66     [RLH FCO  
17-224](#)     Appeal of Amy Talarico o/b/o Lois Matthews to a Fire Safety Inspection Appointment at 793 IVY AVENUE WEST.  
**Adopted**

- 67     [RLH TA 17-537](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1976 IVY AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1803E, Assessment No. 188302) (Public hearing to be continued to July 11, 2018)  
**Public hearing continued to July 11**
- 68     [RLH TA 17-553](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 908 JEFFERSON AVENUE. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 69     [RLH TA 18-18](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 908 JEFFERSON AVENUE. (File No. J1803E, Assessment No. 188302)  
**Adopted**
- 70     [RLH TA 17-491](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 893 & 895 JENKS AVENUE. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 71     [RLH TA 17-549](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 37 JESSAMINE AVENUE WEST. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 72     [RLH TA 17-492](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 613 JESSAMINE AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No.188502)  
**Adopted**
- 73     [RLH TA 17-529](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1887 LACROSSE AVENUE. (File No. CRT1803, Assessment No. 188202)  
**Adopted**
- 74     [RLH TA 17-559](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1740 LARPENTEUR AVENUE EAST. (File No. VB1803, Assessment No. 188802)  
**Adopted**
- 75     [RLH TA 17-575](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 662 LAWSON AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**

- 76     [RLH TA 17-489](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 854 LAWSON AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 77     [RLH TA 17-497](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 896 LAWSON AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502) (Amended to File No. J1803A3, Assessment No. 188516)  
**Public hearing continued to July 18**
- 79     [RLH TA 17-551](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 258 MARIA AVENUE. (File No. VB1803, Assessment No. 188802)  
**Adopted as amended (assessment deleted)**
- 80     [RLH TA 17-530](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 873 MARION STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 81     [RLH TA 17-523](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1630 MARION STREET. (File No. J1802V, Assessment No. 188001)  
**Adopted**
- 82     [RLH TA 17-507](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 711 MARSHALL AVENUE. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502) (Public hearing to be continued to July 18, 2018) (Amended to File No. J1803A3, Assessment No. 188516)  
**Public hearing continued to July 18**
- 83     [RLH TA 18-10](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Property at 1708 MARSHALL AVENUE (File No. VB1802, Assessment No. 188801).  
**Adopted**
- 84     [RLH TA 17-519](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 603 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502) (Amended to File No. J1803A3, Assessment No. 188516)  
**Public hearing continued to July 18**
- 85     [RLH RR 17-48](#)     Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 544 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST in Council File RLH RR 17-12. (Public hearing held February 28)  
**Referred to Legislative Hearings on January 30; Council public hearing continued to February 14**

- 86     [RLH TA 17-514](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 955 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502) (Public hearing to be continued to July 18, 2018) (Amended to File No. J1803A3, Assessment No. 188516)  
**Public hearing continued to July 18**
- 87     [RLH TA 17-506](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1152 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 89     [RLH TA 17-522](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1572 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1802V, Assessment No. 188001)  
**Adopted**
- 90     [RLH TA 17-502](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 422 MOUNT IDA STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 91     [RLH TA 17-512](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 445 MOUNT IDA STREET, (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 92     [RLH TA 17-479](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 491 OHIO STREET. (File No. J1802P, Assessment No. 188401)  
**Adopted**
- 93     [RLH TA 17-550](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 678 ORANGE AVENUE EAST. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 94     [RLH TA 17-534](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Property at 1418 PAYNE AVENUE. (File No. VB1803, Assessment No. 188802)  
**Adopted**
- 96     [RLH TA 17-579](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1113 PLEASANT AVENUE. (File No. VB1803, Assessment No. 188802)  
**Adopted**

- 97 [RLH TA 17-498](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 920 RANDOLPH AVENUE. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502) (Public hearing to be continued to July 18, 2018) (Amended to File No. J1803A3, Assessment No. 188516)  
**Public hearing continued to July 18**
- 98 [RLH TA 17-520](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1187 REANEY AVENUE. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 99 [RLH TA 17-496](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 893 RUSSELL STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 100 [RLH TA 17-525](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 534 SELBY AVENUE. (File No. J1803B, Assessment No. 188102)  
**Adopted**
- 101 [RLH TA 18-11](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 880 SELBY AVENUE. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 102 [RLH TA 17-548](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1011 SELBY AVENUE. (File No. J1802P, Assessment No. 188401)  
**Adopted**
- 103 [RLH FCO 17-222](#) Appeal of Lise Day to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice - Complaint Inspection at 1620 SEVENTH STREET WEST. (Legislative Hearing on January 16)  
**Adopted as amended (180 days for compliance)**
- 104 [RLH TA 17-505](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 585 SHERBURNE AVENUE. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 105 [RLH TA 17-531](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 694 SHERBURNE AVENUE. (File No. J1803B, Assessment No. 188102; amended to File No. J1803B1, Assessment No. 188107, and to delete the assessment)  
**Referred to Legislative Hearings on February 6; Council public hearing continued to February 21**

- 106**    [RLH TA 17-547](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Property at 694 SHERBURNE AVENUE. (File No. VB1803, Assessment No. 188802; amended to File No. VB1803A, Assessment No. 188809)  
  
**Referred to Legislative Hearings on February 6; Council public hearing continued to February 21**
- 107**    [RLH TA 17-493](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 108 SIMS AVENUE (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502) (Public hearing to be continued to July 18, 2018) (Amended to File No. J1803A3, Assessment No. 188516)  
  
**Public hearing continued to July 18**
- 108**    [RLH TA 17-487](#)    Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1016 SIXTH STREET EAST. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
  
**Adopted**
- 109**    [RLH TA 17-562](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 584 STRYKER AVENUE. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
  
**Adopted**
- 110**    [RLH TA 17-546](#)    Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 624 SUMMIT AVENUE. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
  
**Adopted**
- 111**    [RLH TA 17-560](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 663 THIRD STREET EAST. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
  
**Adopted**
- 112**    [RLH TA 17-495](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 305 THOMAS AVENUE. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502) (Public hearing to be continued to July 18, 2018) (Amend to File No. J1803A3, Assessment No. 188516)  
  
**Public hearing continued to July 18**
- 113**    [RLH TA 17-532](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1001 THOMAS AVENUE. (File No. J1803B, Assessment No. 188102)  
  
**Adopted**
- 114**    [RLH TA 17-542](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1159 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
  
**Adopted**

- 115 [RLH TA 18-4](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1493 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 116 [RLH TA 17-568](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1679-1681 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. J1802P, Assessment No. 188401)  
**Adopted**
- 117 [RLH TA 17-526](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 329 WHEELLOCK PARKWAY EAST. (File No. VB1802, Assessment No. 188801)  
**Adopted**
- 118 [RLH TA 17-561](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 419 WHITALL STREET. (File No. J1803E, Assessment No. 188302; amended to File No. J1803E1, Assessment No. 188309)  
**Public hearing continued to March 7**
- 119 [RLH TA 17-540](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1527 WINTHROP STREET NORTH. (File No. J1803E, Assessment No. 188302)  
**Adopted**
- 120 [RLH TA 17-508](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 0 WOODBRIDGE STREET AND 1362 WOODBRIDGE STREET. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted**
- 121 [RLH TA 17-535](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 970 WOODBRIDGE STREET. (File No. J1801C, Assessment No. 182000)  
**Adopted**
- 122 [RLH TA 17-576](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 647 YORK AVENUE. (File No. J1802P, Assessment No. 188401)  
**Adopted**
- 123 [RLH AR 17-91](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration Fees billed during March 27 to June 21, 2017. (File No. VB1802, Assessment No. 188801)  
**Adopted**



- 124 [RLH AR 17-92](#) Ratifying the assessments for Boarding and/or Securing services during July 2017. (File No. J1802B, Assessment No. 188101)  
**Adopted**
- 125 [RLH AR 17-93](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during August 1 to 30, 2017 2017. (File No. J1803A, Assessment No. 188502)  
**Adopted as amended (1164 Norton removed from the assessment roll for separate consideration)**
- 126 [RLH AR 17-94](#) Ratifying the assessments for Trash Hauling services during August 1 to 29, 2017 2017. (File No. J1803G, Assessment No. 188702)  
**Adopted**
- 127 [RLH AR 17-95](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy Fees billed during June 8 to July 8, 2017. (File No. CRT1803, Assessment No. 188202)  
**Adopted**
- 128 [RLH AR 17-96](#) Ratifying the assessments for Towing of Abandoned Vehicle services during May to June 2017. (File No. J1802V, Assessment No. 188801)  
**Adopted**
- 129 [RLH AR 17-97](#) Ratifying the assessments for Demolition services from May 2017. (File No. J1801C, Assessment No. 182000)  
**Adopted**
- 130 [RLH AR 17-98](#) Ratifying the assessments for Demolition services from May to July 2017. (File No. J1802C, Assessment No. 182001)  
**Adopted**
- 131 [RLH AR 17-99](#) Ratifying the assessments for Boarding and/or Securing services during August 2017. (File No. J1803B, Assessment No. 188102)  
**Adopted**
- 132 [RLH AR 17-101](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during June 22 to July 21, 2017. (File No. J1803E, Assessment No. 188302)  
**Adopted**

- 133 [RLH AR 17-102](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration Fees billed during January 4 to July 21, 2017. (File No. VB1803, Assessment No. 188802)  
**Adopted**
- 134 [RLH AR 17-104](#) Ratifying the assessments for Graffiti Removal services during August 8 to September 22, 2017. (File No. J1802P, Assessment No. 188401)  
**Adopted**
- 135 [RLH AR 17-103](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during September 1 to 29, 2017. (File No. J1804A, Assessment No. 188503)  
**Adopted**
- 136 [RLH AR 17-105](#) Ratifying the assessments for Trash Hauling services during September 1 to 28, 2017. (File No. J1804G, Assessment No. 188703)  
**Adopted**

*Ms. Moermond noted that this was the last Legislative Hearing being held in the evening, and they would be held during the 3:30 portion of the meeting beginning February 7.*

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

*Council President Brendmoen adjourned the meeting.*

**Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.**

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