



City of Saint Paul

City Hall and Court House
15 West Kellogg Boulevard
Council Chambers - 3rd
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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

City Council

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

Wednesday, April 15, 2020

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

All public hearings at 3:30 p.m.

Please see below for new meeting guidelines due to the COVID-19 health pandemic emergency.

ROLL CALL

Councilmember Noecker excused.

Present 6 - Councilmember Amy Brendmoen, Councilmember Dai Thao, Councilmember Chris Tolbert, Councilmember Jane L. Prince, Councilmember Mitra Jalali and Councilmember Nelsie Yang

Absent 1 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [CO 20-13](#) Letters from the Department of Safety and Inspections declaring 1915 Ivy Avenue East and 657 Sherburne Avenue nuisance properties. (For notification purposes only; public hearings will be scheduled at a later date if necessary.)

Sponsors: Yang and Thao

Received and filed

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 2 - 8)

Consent Agenda adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 2 [RES 20-610](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during February 3 to 14, 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for May 19, 2020 and City Council public hearing for July 8, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2017A, Assessment No. 208529)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

- 3 [RES 20-611](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during February 19 to 27, 2020, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for May 19, 2020 and City Council public hearing for July 8, 2020 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2018A, Assessment No. 208530)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

- 4 [RES 20-582](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2020 Wage and Fringe Adjustment between the City of Saint Paul and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local #110.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

- 5 [RES 20-587](#) Approving the Labor Agreements between the Independent School District 625 and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 70 (July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2020); District Lodge No. 77 International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers AFL-CIO (July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2021); International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council 82/Local 1324 (June 1, 2019 - May 31, 2022); Operative Plasterers Local Union No. 265 (June 1, 2019 - May 31, 2022) and North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters (May 1, 2019 - April 30, 2022).

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

- 6 [RES 20-595](#) Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2020 Wage and Fringe Adjustment for the Plumbers, Local 34.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Laid over to April 22 for adoption

- 7 [RES 20-629](#) Establishing the rate of pay for Zoo and Conservatory Attendant-Year Round, and changing the rate of pay for the existing Zoo and Conservatory Attendant in the AFSCME Clerical employee group, EG 01.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Laid over to April 22 for adoption

- 8 [RES 20-483](#) Authorizing the Police Canine Unit to accept the K-9 Foundation donation of a direct payment to the U of M for veterinary expenses for Canine Gilly and Canine Rex for procedures not covered under the current University of Minnesota Veterinarian contract.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 9 [SR 20-33](#) Staff report from the Administration.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Received and filed

ORDINANCES

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

Second Reading

- 10 [Ord 20-16](#) Creating Sections 280.11 and 280.12 of the Legislative Code to make the sale or purchase of a catalytic converter that is not attached to a vehicle, by a person or business that is not properly licensed, a misdemeanor level offense.

Sponsors: Brendmoen, Prince, Noecker, Thao and Yang

Laid over to April 22 for third reading/public hearing

First Reading

- 11 [Ord 20-17](#) Amending sections of the Legislative Code pertaining to the Ford Districts (Leg. Code §§66.900 Ford Districts and 64.500 sign regulations by zoning district), and amending the City's Zoning Map (Leg. Code § 60.303) to adjust Ford zoning district boundaries to follow realigned streets.

Sponsors: Tolbert

Laid over to April 22 for second reading

LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted (Items 15 and 18 continued to July 15)

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 15 [RLH TA 19-797](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for Property at 823 JUNO AVENUE. (File No. J2004A, Assessment No. 208503) (Public hearing continued from January 15)

Sponsors: Noecker

Amended; public hearing continued to July 15

- 18 [RLH TA 19-754](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1015 MCLEAN AVENUE. (File No. J2004A, Assessment No. 208503) (Public hearing continued to July 15, 2020)

Sponsors: Prince

Amended; public hearing continued to July 15

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted (Items 12, 13, and 17 adopted)

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 12 [RLH TA 20-232](#) Amending Council Files No. RLH AR 20-14 to reduce the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2019 at 851 ASHLAND AVENUE. (File No. CG1904A1, Assessment No. 190144)
- Sponsors: Thao
- Adopted**
- 13 [RLH VBR 20-16](#) Appeal of Lauren Lightner, on behalf of Catherine Fehr, to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 701 HAZEL STREET NORTH.
- Sponsors: Prince
- Adopted**
- 17 [RLH VBR 20-14](#) Appeal of Daniel Heinen to a Vacant Building Registration Fee Warning Letter at 377 MARYLAND AVENUE WEST.
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted**

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted (Items 14, 16, 19, and 20 adopted as amended)

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 14 [RLH TA 20-162](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1918 IVY AVENUE. (File No. VB2007, Assessment No. 208806)
- Sponsors: Yang
- Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)**
- 16 [RLH TA 19-821](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 120 MAGNOLIA AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2004A, Assessment No. 208503) (Public hearing continued from January 15)
- Sponsors: Brendmoen
- Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)**

- 19 [RLH TA 19-794](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 457 PASCAL STREET SOUTH. (File No. J2004A, Assessment No. 208503) (Public hearing continued from January 15)

Sponsors: Tolbert

Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)

- 20 [RLH TA 19-816](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1480 REANEY AVENUE. (File No. J2004A, Assessment No. 208503) (Public hearing continued from January 15)

Sponsors: Prince

Adopted as amended (assessment reduced)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 21 [RES PH 20-98](#) Authorizing the Police Department Bomb Disposal Unit to accept a grant in the amount of \$135,000 from the State of Minnesota Homeland Security Program.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 22 [RES PH 20-77](#) Final Order approving the reconstruction of streets in the 2020 Saint Paul Streets Program (2020 SPS).

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Public hearing held and closed; laid over to April 22

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 23 [RES PH 20-60](#) Ratifying the assessment for the 2019 Street Maintenance Service Program-Sealcoating Street and/or Alley. (File No. 195600, Assessment No. 195600) (Public hearing to be continued to September 16)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Public hearing continued to September 16

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 24** [RES PH 20-48](#) Ratifying the assessment for advance sewer connection charges by properties connecting to a sanitary sewer line. (File No. 19174, Assessment No. 156003) (Public hearing to be continued to September 16)

Sponsors: Tolbert

Public hearing continued to September 16

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 25** [RES PH 20-38](#) Ratifying the assessment for replacement of sanitary sewer services within the right-of-way as part of the Fairview Avenue paving and lighting project. (File No. 19231C, Assessment No. 206001) (Public hearing to be continued to September 16)

Sponsors: Jalali

Public hearing continued to September 16

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 26** [RES PH 20-46](#) Ratifying the assessment for a sanitary sewer connection at 1199 Winthrop Street South. (File No. 18938A1, Assessment No. 206045) (Public hearing to be continued to September 16)

Sponsors: Prince

Public hearing continued to September 16

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Noecker

- 27 [RES PH 20-47](#) Ratifying the assessment for a sanitary sewer connection at 2161 Hadley Street. (File No. 18985A2, Assessment No. 206047) (Public hearing to be continued to September 16)
- Sponsors: Prince
- Public hearing continued to September 16**
- Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Noecker
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- 28 [AHPC 20-1](#) Public hearing to consider the appeal of Ray and Sheila Meyer to a Heritage Preservation Commission decision at 526 Portland Avenue in the Historic Hill Heritage District. (Public hearing continued from March 18)
- Sponsors: Thao
- Motion of intent - Appeal granted with conditions**
- Yea:** 6 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Noecker

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned

In-person meetings, or meetings conducted under Minn. Stat. § 13D.02 of the City Council, are not practical or prudent because of the COVID-19 health pandemic emergency declared under Minn. Stat. Chapter 12 by the Minnesota Governor Tim Walz and Saint Paul Mayor Melvin Carter. In light of the COVID-19 health pandemic, members of the City Council will participate in City Council meetings by telephone or other electronic means.

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