



# City of Saint Paul

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## Minutes - Final

### 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*

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Wednesday, April 14, 2021

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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Please see the meeting guidelines due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 3:33 p.m.

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

#### COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [CO 21-34](#) Mayor's Emergency Executive Orders 21-15.  
Received and Filed

#### CONSENT AGENDA

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

#### Approval of the Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

**Nay:** 0

- 3 [RES 21-457](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean services during February 16 to 25, 2021, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for May 18, 2021 and City Council public hearing for July 7, 2021 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2118A, Assessment No. 218527)

**Adopted**

- 4     [RES 21-510](#)     Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Arlington Avenue from East Shore Dr. to White Bear. (File No. MO1900, Assessment No. 195501)

**Adopted**

- 5     [RES 21-524](#)     Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Downtown project area. (Project No. MO2008, Assessment No. 205500)

**Adopted**

- 6     [RES 21-526](#)     Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Eustis Street. (Project No. MO2001, Assessment No. 205501)

**Adopted**

- 7     [RES 21-528](#)     Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Mississippi River Boulevard. (Project No. MO2005, Assessment No. 205503)

**Adopted**

- 8     [RES 21-531](#)     Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Territorial Avenue. (Project No. MO2006, Assessment No. 205504)

**Adopted**

- 9     [RES 21-533](#)     Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Cromwell Avenue. (Project No. MO2009, Assessment No. 205506)

**Adopted**

- 10    [RES 21-535](#)     Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Suburban Avenue. (Project No. MO2010, Assessment No. 205507)

**Adopted**

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- 11     [RES 21-537](#)     Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for the 2020 Street Maintenance Service Program-Mill and Overlay: Downtown (Delayed from 2019). (Project No. MO2011, Assessment No. 205508)
- Adopted**
- 12     [RES 21-560](#)     Supporting the request for federal funding to develop a training and jobs program to support the planting and maintenance needs of the overall emerald ash borer management program.
- Adopted**
- 13     [RES 21-561](#)     Supporting the City's request for federal funding for dredging in the Mississippi River.
- Adopted**
- 14     [RES 21-562](#)     Supporting the request for federal funds to purchase 600 portable radios for sworn officers who respond to Saint Paul and mutual-aid community public safety needs.
- Adopted**
- 15     [RES 21-565](#)     Approving the Settlement in Arman v. City of Saint Paul.
- Adopted**
- 16     [RES 21-569](#)     Approving amendments to the CERT Joint Powers Agreement.
- Adopted**
- 17     [RES 21-571](#)     Authorizing the City of Saint Paul to enter into a joint powers agreement to operate a HUD Section 3 Compliance Program on behalf of the Counties of Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Washington and Anoka, and the Public Housing Authority in Minneapolis.
- Adopted**
- 19     [RES 21-473](#)     Establishing the rates of pay for the Animal Services Officer I-III series in EG 01, AFSCME, in Grades 028, 032, and 035, respectively. (Laid over from April 7)
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 20     [RES 21-486](#)     Changing the rate of pay for Heavy Equipment Operator-Water and

abolishing the classification of Revolving Power Equipment Operator.  
(Laid over from April 7)

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

**FOR DISCUSSION**

- 2     [RES 21-449](#)     Consenting to the sale of General Obligation Library Refunding Bonds, Series 2021D to be issued by the Saint Paul Public Library Agency for the refunding of prior bonds and levying a tax for the payment thereof.

**Adopted as amended**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 18    [RES 21-572](#)     Declaring April 2021 as Fair Housing Month in Saint Paul.

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

**SUSPENSION ITEMS**

**There were separate votes to suspend the rules for all four suspension items.**

- [SR 21-68](#)     Staff Report from City Attorney Lindsey Olson regarding Just Deeds.

**Received and Filed**

- [RES 21-632](#)     Memorializing a decision of the City Council to deny an appeal by Alatus, LLC from a planning commission decision denying a site plan application for a new mixed use development located at 411 and 417 Lexington Parkway North.

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang

**Nay:** 3 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Tolbert and Councilmember Noecker

[RES 21-636](#)

Affirming the Extension of Declaration of Local Emergency issued April 12, 2021 by Mayor Melvin Carter III.

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

[RES 21-629](#)

Authorizing the Fire Department to enter into a joint powers agreement with the State of Minnesota Department of Health to provide emergency medical standby services for the FEMA vaccination site at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds.

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

**FOR DISCUSSION**

- 21 [RES 21-594](#) Amending the City's Adopted Legislative Agenda for the 2021 Legislative Session.

**Adopted as amended**

**ORDINANCES**

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

**First Reading**

- 22 [Ord 21-12](#) Granting the application of Hovda Properties LLC to rezone property at 1219 Saint Clair Avenue from B1 local business to T3 traditional neighborhood and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

**Laid over to April 21 for second reading/public hearing**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 23**     [RES PH 21-49](#)     Final Order approving the reconstruction of streets in the 2021 Saint Paul Streets Program. (Project 19233, Assessment 215200)
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 24**     [RES PH 21-87](#)     Authorizing application and acceptance of a grant from the State of Minnesota to predesign and design the Playwrights' Center facility in an amount up to \$850,000; amending the 2021 City budget upon acceptance of said grant; and approving and authorizing execution of a State Grant Agreement and other necessary documents in connection therewith (District 12, Ward 4).
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 25**     [RES PH 21-90](#)     Authorizing a Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development application for Minnesota Investment Funds in an amount up to \$600,000 on behalf of Kalera, Inc. and authorizing execution of a State Grant Agreement.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 26**     [RES PH 21-91](#)     Approving the establishment of the Ford Site Housing Tax Increment Financing District #1 in the Ford Site Redevelopment Project Area and approving a Tax Increment Financing Plan therefor (District 15, Ward 3).
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Brendmoen, Councilmember Thao, Councilmember Tolbert, Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Prince, Councilmember Jalali and Councilmember Yang
- Nay:** 0
- 27**     [RES PH 21-92](#)     Approving the establishment of the Ford Site Housing Tax Increment Financing District #2 in the Ford Site Redevelopment Project Area and approving a Tax Increment Financing Plan therefor (District 15, Ward 3).

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 28**     [RES PH 21-93](#)     Authorizing the Department of Human Rights and Equal Economic Opportunity to shift a portion of remaining funds for Minority Business Development and Retention (MBDR) from the MBDR Special Fund to the MBDR General Fund account.

**Adopted**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 29**     [Ord 21-11](#)     Granting the application of 1164 W 7th, LLC (previously Miley H R Separate Prop Trust) to rezone property at 1164 Seventh Street West from RT2 townhouse residential to RM2 multiple-family residential and amending Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the zoning map.

**Public hearing continued to April 21**

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

**Nay:** 0

**SUSPENSION ITEMS**

**There were separate votes to suspend the rules for these suspension items.**

- [RLH AR 20-93](#)     Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during February 2020. (File No. J2010B, Assessment No. 208109)

**Public hearing continued to May 19**

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

**Nay:** 0

- [RLH AR 20-94](#)     Ratifying the assessments for Towing of Abandoned Vehicle service during October 2019 at 814 MANOMIN AVENUE. (File No. J2004V, Assessment No. 208004)

**Continued Public Hearing to May 19**

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

**Nay:** 0

**LEGISLATIVE HEARING ITEMS**

**The Legislative Hearing Officer recommends adoption of the following resolutions as no objections to these recommends were received:**

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

**Nay:** 0

- 30**    [RLH TA 21-160](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 998 ARMSTRONG AVENUE (File No. CRT2106, Assessment No. 218205)  
**Adopted**
- 31**    [RLH FCO 21-31](#)    Appeal of Dustin Fronk to a Correction Notice-Reinspection Complaint at 594 BRUNSON STREET.  
**Adopted**
- 32**    [RLH TA 21-141](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1150 CENTRAL AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2106B, Assessment No. 218105)  
**Adopted**
- 33**    [RLH AR 21-29](#)    Ratifying the assessments for Removal of Diseased Tree(s) services during August 2020 at 1052 CHARLES AVENUE. (File No. 2102T, Assessment No. 219001)  
**Adopted**
- 34**    [RLH TA 21-172](#)    Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 731 DELAWARE AVENUE. (File No. CRT2106, Assessment No. 218205)  
**Adopted**
- 37**    [RLH SAO 21-25](#)    Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 741 FLANDRAU STREET in Council File RLH SAO 21-14.  
**Adopted**
- 38**    [RLH SAO 21-23](#)    Appeal of Abdulaziz Osman to a Summary Abatement Order at 408 GROTTA STREET NORTH.



**Adopted**

- 39     [RLH TA 21-148](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 756 JACKSON STREET. (File No. CRT2106, Assessment No. 218205)
- Adopted**
- 40     [RLH TA 21-185](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 410 LAUREL AVENUE. (File No. CRT2106, Assessment No. 218025)
- Adopted**
- 41     [RLH TA 21-140](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 755 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2106E, Assessment No. 218305)
- Adopted**
- 42     [RLH TA 21-145](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1033 REANEY AVENUE. (File No. VB2106, Assessment No. 218805)
- Adopted**
- 43     [RLH TA 21-164](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1746 SIMS AVENUE. (File No. J2106E, Assessment No. 218305) (Public hearing continued to July 14, 2021)
- Adopted**
- 44     [RLH TA 21-193](#)     Amending Council File RLH AR 20-86 to delete the assessment for Graffiti Removal services during January 4 to February 26, 2020 at 1630 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2006P, Assessment No. 208405)
- Adopted**
- 46     [RLH VBR 21-16](#)     Appeal of Jeanine R. Post, personal representative for the Estate of Mark Danielson, to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 956 WESTERN AVENUE NORTH.
- Adopted**
- 47     [RLH AR 21-24](#)     Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during July 16 to October 19, 2020. (File No. VB2106, Assessment No. 218805)
- Adopted**
- 48     [RLH AR 21-25](#)     Ratifying the assessments for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during November 2020. (File No. J2106B, Assessment No. 218105)

**Adopted**

- 49 [RLH AR 21-26](#) Ratifying the assessments for Demolition services from November 2020 (C.D.B.G. Funds). (File No. J2103C, Assessment No. 212002)

**Adopted**

- 50 [RLH AR 21-27](#) Ratifying the assessments for Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during September 15 to October 22, 2020. (File No. CRT2106, Assessment No. 218205)

**Adopted**

- 51 [RLH AR 21-28](#) Ratifying the assessments for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during September 22 to October 21, 2020. (File No. J2106E, Assessment No. 218305)

**Adopted**

**For the following item, no objection to the Legislative Hearing Officer's amended recommendation was received and, therefore, she recommends amendment and adoption:**

- 35 [RLH SAO 21-24](#) Appeal of James & Connie Supple to a Summary Abatement Order at 616 DESNOYER AVENUE.

**Adopted as amended**

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

**Nay:** 0

**For the following item, the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendation is to continue the public hearing to May 12, 2021:**

- 36 [RLH RR 21-32](#) Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 134 ELIZABETH STREET EAST in Council File RLH RR 20-13. (Public hearing continued to May 12, 2021)

**Public hearing continued to May 12**

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

**Nay:** 0

**For the following item, the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendation is to refer to the April 20 Legislative Hearing:**

- 45 RLH TA 21-196** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1800 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST. (File No. J2106B, Assessment No. 218105) (To be referred back to Legislative Hearing on April 20, 2021)

**Referred to April 20 Legislative Hearing**

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

**Nay:** 0

**ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting was adjourned at 5:19 p.m.**

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