



City of Saint Paul

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Minutes - Final - Final

City Council

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Councilmember Mitra Jalali
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
Councilmember Jane L. Prince
Councilmember Dai Thao
Councilmember Chris Tolbert
Councilmember Nelsie Yang

Wednesday, September 1, 2021

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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

ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 3:30 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 [AO 21-37](#) Authorizing the Police Department to reallocate its 2021 Special Fund operating budget to reflect expenditures more accurately.

Attachments: [2021 AO - Fund 225 - AU 22523414](#)

Received and Filed
- 2 [AO 21-38](#) Authorizing the Police Department to reallocate its 2021 Special Fund operating budget to reflect expenditures more accurately.

Attachments: [2021 AO - Fund 200 - AU 20023862](#)

Received and Filed
- 3 [AO 21-39](#) Amending CDBG projects budget: funding for 581 7th St E (Gregg's Auto Body)

Attachments: [AO 21-39 Financial Analysis CDBG 8.20.21](#)

Received and Filed
- 4 [AO 21-42](#) Amending CDBG projects budget.

Attachments: [AO 21-42 Financial Analysis CDBG 8.20.21](#)

Received and Filed

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 5 [RES 21-1186](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessments for the Como Avenue from Brompton Street to City Limits paving and lighting project constructed as part of the 2020 St. Paul Street Paving Program (SPS). (File No. 19235, Assessment No. 205201)

Sponsors: Jalali

Attachments: [Como Report of Completion](#)
[Special Asmts Memo - Streets 2020](#)
[Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

- 6 [RES 21-1188](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessments for the Tedesco Street from west of Otsego Street to Payne Avenue paving and lighting project constructed as part of the 2020 St. Paul Street Paving Program (SPS). (File No. 19237, Assessment No. 205202)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Attachments: [Report of Completion](#)
[Special Asmts Memo - Streets 2020](#)
[Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

- 7 [RES 21-1190](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for replacement of sanitary sewer services within the right-of-way as part of the Como Avenue trail project. File No. 19248C, Assessment No. 216003.

Sponsors: Jalali

Attachments: [Report of Completion](#)
[Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

- 8 [RES 21-1210](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for installation of a fire protection system for 2475 Doswell Avenue (File No. FP2021-03, Assessment No. 217102)

Sponsors: Jalali

Attachments: [Report of Completion](#)
[Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

- 9 [RES 21-1212](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for replacement of sanitary sewer services within the right-of-way as part of the Como Avenue paving project. File No. 19235C, Assessment No. 216002.

Sponsors: Jalali

Attachments: [Report of Completion](#)
[Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

- 10 [RES 21-1229](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessment for replacement of sanitary sewer services within the right-of-way as part of the Lexington Parkway project. File No. 19253C, Assessment No. 216004.

Sponsors: Tolbert

Attachments: [Report of Completion](#)
[Assessment Roll](#)

Adopted

- 11 [RES 21-1256](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessments for the Ford Site 429 improvement project. (File No. 19246, Assessment No. 205203)

Sponsors: Tolbert

Attachments: [Report of Completion 10yr](#)
[Assessment Roll 10yr](#)

Adopted

- 12 [RES 21-1257](#) Approving assessment costs and setting date of City Council public hearing to ratify the assessments for the Ford Site 429 improvement project. (File No. 19246-20YR, Assessment No. 205204)

Sponsors: Tolbert

Attachments: [Report of Completion 20yr](#)
[Assessment Roll 20yr](#)

Adopted

- 13 [RES 21-1269](#) Approving the use of grant funds through the Ward 6 Neighborhood Star Year-Round Program for improvements to The Minnesota China Friendship Garden and Sir Boxing And Fitness Gym.

Sponsors: Yang

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 14 [SR 21-130](#) 2022 property tax trends by Ramsey County.

Attachments: [FINAL Assessor.Auditor Budget Pres to City Council](#)

Received and Filed

- 15 [RES 21-1275](#) Honoring the life and public service of Charles (Chuck) Repke, Jr.

Sponsors: Brendmoen, Prince, Yang, Noecker, Thao, Tolbert and Jalali

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 16 [RES PH 21-187](#) Ratifying the assessment for installation of a fire protection system, as requested by Travis Temke for 754 Randolph Avenue (File No. FP2021-02, Assessment No. 217101).

Sponsors: Noecker

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 17 [RES PH 21-224](#) Approving the application of Big River Pizza for a sound level variance in order to present amplified music for Let There Be Songs to Phil the Air Sundays on September 26th, and October 3rd, 2021 at the St. Paul Farmers Market.

Sponsors: Noecker

Attachments: [Application](#)
 [ENS](#)
 [Map](#)
 [Owners' List](#)
 [Notice to Owners](#)
 [Letter to Applicant](#)

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

SUSPENSION ITEMS

Rules Suspended

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

Nay: 0

- [RES 21-1305](#) Affirming the Extension of Declaration of Local Emergency issued August 31, 2021 by Mayor Melvin Carter III.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Attachments: [Emergency Declaration COVID-19 Renewal Signed 20210831](#)

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Rules Suspended

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

Nay: 0

[RES 21-1291](#)

Approving the expenditure of program dollars on housing expenses for Alyssa Franzmeier, Beatrice Crow, Kara Komoto, and Maley Wagner, returning VISTA members of Saint Paul’s VISTA Program, in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

Nay: 0

19 [RLH SAO 21-64](#)

Appealing a Summary Abatement Order by Mavis Fry to at 887 CONWAY STREET.

Sponsors: Prince

Attachments: [887 Conway St.appeal.8-10-21](#)
[887 Conway St.Fry Ltr.8-20-21](#)

Adopted

22 [RLH TA 21-283](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 854 EUCLID STREET. (File No. J2121A, Assessment No. 218538)

Sponsors: Prince

Attachments: [854 Euclid St.SA Letter.3-23-21.pdf](#)
[854 Euclid St.Photos.3-25-21.pdf](#)
[854 Euclid St.Photos.3-30-21.pdf](#)
[854 Euclid St.Photo.4-5-21.pdf](#)

Adopted

- 23 [RLH TA 21-320](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1011 GERANIUM AVENUE EAST. (File No. J2122A, Assessment No. 218539)
- Sponsors: Yang
- Attachments: [1011 Geranium Ave E.email chain.7-7-21.pdf](#)
 [1011 Geranium Ave E.SA Letter & Photo.4-7-21.pdf](#)
 [1011 Geranium Ave E.Photo.4-13-21.pdf](#)
- Adopted**
- 24 [RLH SAO 21-63](#) Appealing a Summary Abatement Order and Vehicle Abatement Order by Joseph Dalbec to at 913 JOHNSON PARKWAY.
- Sponsors: Prince
- Attachments: [913 Johnson Pkwy.appeal.8-6-21](#)
 [913 Johnson Pkwy.photos 8-2-21](#)
 [913 Johnson Pkwy.Dalbec Ltr.8-20-21](#)
- Adopted**
- 25 [RLH TA 21-310](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 678 LAFOND AVENUE. (File No. J2121A, Assessment No. 218538)
- Sponsors: Thao
- Attachments: [678 Lafond Ave.SA Letter & Photo.3-30-21.pdf](#)
 [678 Lafond Ave.Photos.3-30-21.pdf](#)
 [678 Lafond Ave.Photos.4-6-21.pdf](#)
- Adopted**
- 27 [RLH TA 21-341](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1162 MARSHALL AVENUE. (File No. J2122A, Assessment No. 218539)
- Sponsors: Thao
- Attachments: [1162 Marshall Ave.SA Letter & Photo.3-29-21.pdf](#)
 [1162 Marshall Ave.Photos.3-29-21.pdf](#)
 [1162 Marshall Ave.Photos.4-13-21.pdf](#)
- Adopted**
- 28 [RLH TA 21-276](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1211 RANDOLPH AVENUE. (File No. J2023A, Assessment No. 208539)
- Sponsors: Tolbert

Attachments: [1211 Randolph Ave.contested email.6-1-21.pdf](#)
[1211 Randolph Ave.SA Letter & Photo.4-29-20.pdf](#)
[1211 Randolph Ave.Recheck Photos.5-6-21.pdf](#)
[1211 Randolph Ave.Zimny email.6-24-21](#)
[1211 Randolph Ave.Zimny email.6-24-21](#)

Adopted

- 29** [RLH FCO 21-129](#) Appealing a Re-Inspection Fire Certificate of Occupancy With Deficiencies by Jamie Rattanapomsonook, Thai Street Market, at 1665 RICE STREET.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Attachments: [1665 Rice St.appeal.8-9-21](#)
[1665 Rice Street dba Thai Street Market.email chain.pdf](#)
[1635 Rice St.Photos.loaded 8-9-21.pdf](#)
[1635 Rice St.Photos #2.loaded 8-9-21.pdf](#)
[1665 Rice St.Rattanapomsonook Ltr.8-20-21](#)
[1665 Rice St.Rattanapomsonook Ltr REVISED.8-23-21](#)

Adopted

- 30** [RLH AR 21-72](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during April 1 to 12, 2021. (File No. J2121A, Assessment No. 218538)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Attachments: [Notice Assessment Roll J2121A.218538](#)

Adopted

- 31** [RLH AR 21-73](#) Ratifying the assessments for Property Clean Up services during April 13 to 28, 2021. (File No. J2122A, Assessment No. 218539)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Attachments: [Notice Assessment Roll J2122A.218539](#)

Adopted

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

- 18** [RLH TA 21-304](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 554 CHARLES AVENUE. (File No. VB2110, Assessment No. 1543973)

Sponsors: Thao

Attachments: [554 Charles Ave.email chain.8-18-21.pdf](#)

Adopted as amended (ratify assessment)

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

Nay: 0

21 [RLH FCO
21-113](#)

Appealing a Fire Inspection Correction Notice by Ray Moore at 710 DESOTO STREET. (To refer to August 17, 2021 Legislative Hearing)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Attachments: [710 Desoto St.appeal.7-8-21](#)
[710 Desoto St.Photos.loaded 7-9-21.pdf](#)
[710 Desoto St.Street View.7-19-21.pdf](#)
[710 Desoto St.Aerial View.7-19-21.pdf](#)
[710 Desoto St.Moore Ltr.7-26-21](#)
[710 Desoto St.Moore Ltr.8-20-21](#)

Adopted as amended (grant longer extension)

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

Nay: 0

26 [RLH TA 21-271](#)

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1238 MARION STREET. (File No. VB2109, Assessment No. 218815) (Public hearing continued to September 1, 2021)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Attachments: [1238 Marion St.Mueller email.6-1-21](#)

Adopted as amended (ratify assessment)

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 contested and additional testimony from the appellant is in the record:

20 [RLH VO 21-34](#)

Appealing a Notice of Condemnation as Unfit for Human Habitation and Order

to Vacate by Salina Amey to at 283 CURTICE STREET EAST.

Sponsors: Noecker

Attachments: [283 Curtice St E.appeal.8-12-2021](#)
[283 Curtice St E.photos. 8-10-2021](#)
[283 Curtice St.Supporting Documents email.8-13-21.pdf](#)
[283 Curtice St.Brandtjen Letter with Cost.5-3-21.pdf](#)
[283 Curtice St.signed letter to brandtjen 8-6-2021.pdf](#)
[283 Curtice St.Sewer Video.mov](#)
[283 Curtice St.Amey-Ekobena email.8-18-21.pdf](#)
[283 Curtice St. E.Amey Ltr.8-20-21](#)
[283 Curtice St. E.Amey email.8-24-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey Cover Email & Ltr to Moermond.8-25-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey 2nd email ltr to Moermond.8-25-21](#)
[283 Curtice St. E.Amey Ltr.8-27-21](#)
[283 Curtice St. E.Amey email 1.8-27-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 2.8-27-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 3.8-27-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 4.8-27-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 5.8-27-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 6.8-27-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email + letter 1.8-29-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 2 + attachments against contractor.8-29-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 3 + attachments against contractor 2.8-29-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 4.8-29-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 5 + photos.8-29-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 6.8-29-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 7.8-29-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 8.8-29-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey email 9 + photos 1.8.29.21.pdf](#)
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[283 Curtice St E.Amey transcript email.9-1-21](#)
[283 Curtice E.Amey email.9-1-21.pdf](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Amey public record email.9-1-21](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Exteriors - Custom Fit Windows Photos.9-1-21.pdf](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Robert Brandtjen Work At-in house.9-1-21.pdf](#)
[283 Curtice St E.VID_20200401_093630_LS.mp4](#)
[283 Curtice St E.Split Fence at House Adjoining 283 Curtice St E.pdf](#)
[283 Curtice St E.VID_20200401_093630_LS.mp4](#)

[283 Curtice St E.Amey email.9-1-21.pdf](#)

[Legislative Hearing-283 Curtice St.audio starts at 01:45 -8-17-21.MP3](#)

[Legislative Hearing-283 Curtice St.audio starts at 01:45 8-24-21.MP3](#)

Adopted as amended (extension of one week to September 8)

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Thao

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

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