



City of Saint Paul

City Hall and Court House
15 West Kellogg Boulevard
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Meeting Minutes

Charter Commission

Brian Alton - Chairperson
Jesse William Busta
Bruce Clark
Kathleen Donnelly-Cohen
Bridget Faricy
Matthew Freeman
Jon Fure
John Paul Kirr
Deborah Montgomery
Maisue Thao
Gary Unger
Rick Varco
Carrie Wasley

Friday, February 18, 2022

3:00 PM

Room 40 A&B, City Hall

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Brian Alton, Deborah Montgomery, Carrie Wasley, Kathi Donnelly-Cohen, John Paul Kirr, Matthew Freeman, Bruce Clark, Rick Varco, and Jon Fure
Absent 4 - Bridget Faricy, Gary Unger, Jesse William Busta, and Maisue Thao

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Commissioner Unger Arrived

Present 10 - Brian Alton, Deborah Montgomery, Carrie Wasley, Kathi Donnelly-Cohen, John Paul Kirr, Matthew Freeman, Gary Unger, Bruce Clark, Rick Varco, and Jon Fure
Absent 3 - Bridget Faricy, Jesse William Busta, and Maisue Thao

- 1 [CCI 22-2](#) Approving the September 27, 2021 Charter Commission meeting minutes.
Montgomery moved that Charter Commission Items be Approved. The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote.
- 2 [CCI 22-3](#) Approving the October 18, 2021 Charter Commission meeting minutes.
Montgomery moved that Charter Commission Items be Approved. The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- 3 [CCI 22-4](#) Election of the Chairperson of the St. Paul Charter Commission

 Move to approve Commissioner Brian Alton as Chairperson of the St. Paul Charter Commission. The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote.

- 4 [CCI 22-5](#) Election of the Vice-Chairperson of the St. Paul Charter Commission

 Move to approve Commissioner Deborah Montgomery as Vice-Chairperson of the St. Paul Charter Commission. The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote.

- 5 [CCI 22-6](#) Election of the Secretary of the St. Paul Charter Commission

 Move to approve Commissioner Kathi Donnelly-Cohen as Secretary of the St. Paul Charter Commission. The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote.

Commissioner Thao Arrived

- Present** 11 - Brian Alton, Deborah Montgomery, Carrie Wasley, Kathi Donnelly-Cohen, John Paul Kirr, Matthew Freeman, Gary Unger, Bruce Clark, Rick Varco, Jon Fure, and Maisue Thao
- Absent** 2 - Bridget Faricy, and Jesse William Busta

- 6 [CCI 22-7](#) Redistricting of Council Wards

 The Charter Commission Item was discussed, amended to include confirmation of the members of the Charter Review Committee and to approve the creation of a contract between the City of St. Paul and Park Street Public. The amendments PASSED by an unanimous vote and this item was laid over to the next meeting of the Charter Review Committee on 2/24/2022.

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Members of the public may attend in person, consistent with federal, state, and local guidance

on the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mayor Melvin Carter has issued Executive Order 2021-33 requiring all City employees and

visitors to wear a face covering, regardless of vaccination status, at all City-Controlled properties. This includes all public or shared indoor City spaces when other individuals are

present.

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