City of Saint Paul

Meeting Minutes - Action Only

City Council

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15 West Kellogg Boulevard
Council Chambers - 3rd Floor
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Council President Amy Brendmoen
Councilmember Mitra Jalali
Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
Councilmember Jane L. Prince
Councilmember Dai Thao
Councilmember Chris Tolbert
Councilmember Nelsie Yang

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 **3:30 PM** **Council Chambers - 3rd Floor**

ROLL CALL

Meeting began at 3:33pm

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

Absent 1 - Councilmember Nelsie Yang

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

1 CO 22-40 Letter from the Department of Safety and Inspections declaring 1600 Seventh Street West a nuisance property. (For notification purposes only; public hearings will be scheduled at a later date if necessary.)

Received and Filed

2 AO 22-25 Authorizing the Library Director to pay reimbursement of relocation expenses to Alessandro Affinito.

Received and Filed

3 AO 22-26 Amending CDBG Project Budgets: additional funding for 650-658 Sherburne and funding for 47 Douglas.

Received and Filed

4 AO 22-27 Amending the 2022 Saint Paul Regional Water Services budget by transferring funds from the Board's Office Furniture expense account to its Building Repair Services expense account.

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

Council President Brendmoen stated that Item 12 would be taken separately.

Councilmember Noecker moved approval.

Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

5 RES 22-620 Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during March 1 to 14, 2022, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 21, 2022 and City Council public hearing for August 3, 2022 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2226A, Assessment No. 228529)

Adopted

6 RES 22-621 Approving the City's cost of providing Property Clean Up services during March 16 to 29, 2022, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for June 21, 2022 and City Council public hearing for August 3, 2022 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2227A, Assessment No. 228532)

Adopted

7 RES 22-773 Authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with Fonticons, Inc. for use of their Font Awesome Pro license through the Web Store at fontawesome.com.

Adopted

8 RES 22-774 Authorizing the submission of the 2022-23 Consolidated Plan-Annual Action Plan (CDBG, ESG, HOME) to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), authorizing pre-award costs, authorizing submittal of grant applications to HUD for CDBG, ESG, and HOME awards, including any available special program allocations, and authorizing the execution of related HUD agreements.

Adopted

9 RES 22-776 Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement (January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2022) and Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Saint Paul and

the International Association of Fire Fighters AFL-CIO Local 21.

Laid over to June 1, 2022

10 RES 22-781 Designating the City's official newspaper for the remainder of 2022.

Adopted

11 RES 22-790 Approving the Maintenance Labor Agreement (May 1, 2022 - April 30, 2025) between the City of Saint Paul and the Operative Plasterers and Cement Masons International Association, Local 633.

Laid over to June 1, 2022

13 RES 22-822 Authorizing the Department of Emergency Management to apply for an annual Port Security grant from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

Adopted

14 RES 22-823 Authorizing the Department of Emergency Management to apply for an annual Emergency Management Performance grant from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

Adopted

15 RES 22-750 Approving the Maintenance Labor Agreement (May 1, 2022 - April 30, 2025) between the City of Saint Paul and the United Association Pipefitters Local Union No. 455.

Adopted

16 RES 22-768 Approving the application, per the Deputy Legislative Hearing Officer, for an Auto Repair Garage license for Turbo Tim's Anything Automotive LLC (License ID# 20220000204), d/b/a Turbo Tim's, located at 1671 University Avenue West.

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

12 RES 22-810 Recognizing Chief Todd Axtell's career with the City of Saint Paul and congratulating him on retirement.

Councilmember Tolbert spoke in favor and read from the resolution.

Todd Axtell, Police Chief, gave remarks.

Councilmember Prince spoke in favor.

Councilmember Jalali spoke in favor.

Councilmember Noecker spoke in favor.

Councilmember Thao spoke in favor.

Council President Brendmoen spoke in favor and moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

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

17 Ord 22-27 Approving an interim ordinance requesting a Planning Commission study to undertake a zoning study of non-conventional residential housing unit products.

Councilmember Noecker moved Version 2 and spoke in support.

Council President Brendmoen spoke in support.

Luis Pereira, Planning Director, gave a staff report.

Councilmember Jalali asked about the timeline.

Pereira answered Jalali's question.

Jalali spoke in support.

Councilmember Prince spoke in support.

Councilmember Noecker gave additional remarks.

Amended and laid over to June 1, 2022 for second reading

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

PUBLIC HEARINGS

See below for ways to testify.

18 RES PH 22-127 Amending the 2040 Comprehensive Plan to allow for larger block sizes in industrial development and redevelopment. (Public hearing closed on May 25.)

Council President Brendmoen spoke to Councilmember Yang's absence due to pregnancy.

Luis Pereira, Planning Director, gave a staff report on Items 18 through 21.

Councilmember Prince spoke to plot sizes.

Patty Gormier spoke during the public hearing.

Councilmember Tolbert moved to lay over for one week.

Public hearing closed, laid over to June 1, 2022 for adoption

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

19 Ord 22-24 Adopting the Hillcrest Rezoning Study amendments to Chapter 60 of the Legislative Code pertaining to the Zoning Map.

Councilmember Prince moved to close the public hearing.

Public hearing closed, laid over to June 1, 2022 for adoption

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

20 Ord 22-25 Adopting the Hillcrest Zoning Code Study amendments to Chapters 64 and 66 of the Legislative Code.

Councilmember Noecker moved to close the public hearing.

Public hearing closed, laid over to June 1, 2022 for adoption

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

21 RES PH 22-128 Adopting the Hillcrest Master Plan.

9 people spoke during the public hearing.

Could President Brendmoen spoke in support.

Councilmember Prince spoke in support.

Councilmember Thao spoke in support.

Councilmember Jalali spoke in favor and moved to lay over for one week.

Public hearing closed, laid over to June 1, 2022 for adoption

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

22 RES PH 22-132 Approving the application of Lowertown Blues for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound on July 15 and 16, 2022 at Dual Citizen Brewing Company - 725 Raymond Ave.

Councilmember Jalali moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

23 RES PH 22-133 Approving the application of OSP Events LLC for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound on Thursdays, June 6 - September 8, 2022 at Mears Park - 221 5th St E.

Councilmember Noecker spoke in favor and moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

SUSPENSION ITEM

Rules suspended

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

RES 22-858 Approving a Special Law enacted by the Minnesota State Legislature during the 2022 Session allowing the City of Saint Paul to issue a temporary on-sale malt liquor license to the Thai Cultural Council of Minnesota which would authorize the sale of malt liquor on the grounds of the State Capitol for both days of the Minnesota Songkran Festival.

Councilmember Thao moved approval.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

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

Councilmember Thao moved approval.

Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

24 RLH TA 22-120 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 999 ARMSTRONG AVENUE. (File No. CG2201A1, Assessment No. 220100)

Adopted

25 RLH TA 22-123 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 559 CASE AVENUE. (File No. CG2201A3, Assessment No. 220102)

Adopted

26 RLH TA 22-124 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 559 CASE AVENUE. (File No. CG2104A3-1, Assessment No. 220103)

Adopted

27 RLH TA 22-116 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 765 CORTLAND PLACE. (File No. CG2201A3, Assessment No. 220102)

Adopted

28 RLH RR 22-27 Third Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 854 EDMUND AVENUE in Council File RLH RR 21-36.

Adopted

29 RLH TA 22-115 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 505 FARRINGTON STREET. (File No. CG2201A3, Assessment No. 220102).

Adopted

30 RLH TA 22-136 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1223 FARRINGTON STREET. (File No. CG2201A2, Assessment No. 220101)

Adopted

31 RLH TA 22-155 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 790 GERANIUM AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG2201A2, Assessment No. 220101)

Adopted

32 RLH TA 22-134 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 640 HOLLY AVENUE. (File No. CG2201A1, Assessment No. 220100)

Adopted

33 RLH RR 22-21 Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 830 IGLEHART AVENUE in Council File RLH RR 21-59.

Adopted

34 RLH TA 22-154 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1187 MARYLAND AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG2201A1, Assessment No. 220100)

Adopted

35 RLH TA 22-130 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1570 MCAFEE STREET. (File No. CG2201A2, Assessment No. 220101)

Adopted

36 RLH TA 22-131 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1570 MCAFEE STREET. (File No. CG2104A2-1, Assessment No. 220104)

Adopted

37 RLH TA 22-152 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 755 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST. (File No. CG2104A3-1, Assessment No. 220103)

Adopted

38 RLH TA 22-153 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 755

MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST. (File No. CG2201A2, Assessment No. 220101)

Adopted

39 RLH TA 22-156 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 884 MOUND STREET. (File No. CG2201A3, Assessment No. 220102)

Public Hearing continued to June 8, 2022

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

40 RLH TA 22-159 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1690 ORANGE AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG2201A2, Assessment No. 220101)

Adopted

41 RLH TA 22-135 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 666 ORLEANS STREET. (File No. CG2201A1, Assessment No. 220100)

Adopted

42 RLH SAO 22-17 Making finding on the appealed nuisance abatement ordered for 653 REANEY AVENUE in Council File RLH VO 22-13.

Adopted

43 RLH RR 21-70 Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 1722 REANEY AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the December 22, 2021, City Council Public Hearing. (Public hearing continued to June 22, 2022)

Adopted as amended (Public Hearing continued to June 22, 2022)

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

44 RLH TA 22-132 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 792 ROSE AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG2104A3-1, Assessment No. 220103)

Adopted

45 RLH TA 22-133 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 792 ROSE AVENUE EAST. (File No.CG2201A2, Assessment No. 220101)

Adopted

46 RLH TA 22-122 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1322 SELBY AVENUE. (File No. CG2201A1, Assessment No. 220100)

Adopted

47 RLH FCO 22-34 Appeal of Kathy Bauer, dba Capital View Cafe, to a Fire Certificate of Occupancy Approval With Corrections at 635 and 637 SMITH AVENUE SOUTH .

Adopted

48 RLH TA 22-174 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 858 STICKNEY STREET. (File No. CG2201A1, Assessment No. 220100)

Adopted

49 RLH SAO 22-14 Appeal of Fredimar Calderon to a Vehicle Abatement Order at 607 TOPPING STREET.

Adopted

50 RLH SAO 22-18 Appeal of Gene Szondy to a Summary Abatement Order at 689 TUSCARORA AVENUE.

Adopted

51 RLH TA 22-158 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1605 WESTERN AVENUE NORTH. (File No. CG2201A2, Assessment No. 220101)

Adopted

52 RLH TA 22-117 Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 574 WHEELOCK PARKWAY EAST (File No. CG2104A2-1, Assessment No. 220104)

Adopted

53 RLH TA 22-119 Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 574 WHEELOCK PARKWAY EAST. (File No. CG2201A1, Assessment No. 220100)

Adopted

54 RLH RR 22-20 Ordering the removal of the structures at 988 WILSON AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the May 25, 2022, City Council Public Hearing.

Adopted

55 RLH AR 22-31 Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during October to December 2021. (File No. CG2201A1, Assessment No. 220100)

Adopted as amended (692 Point Douglas Road South referred to Legislative Hearing on July 7, 2022)

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Yang

56 RLH AR 22-32 Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during October to December 2021. (File No. CG2201A2, Assessment No.220101)

Adopted

57 RLH AR 22-33 Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during October to December 2021. (File No. CG2201A3, Assessment No.220102)

Adopted

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:26 pm

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