



**Saint Paul Planning Commission
City Hall Conference Center
15 Kellogg Boulevard West**

Minutes Friday, September 5, 2025

A meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Saint Paul was held Friday, September 5, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in the Conference Center of City Hall, Room 40.

Commissioners Present: Memms: Grill, Presley, Starling, Thomas
Messrs: Holst, Hood, Houmas, Johnson Becker, Martinson, Ochoa, Ortega, Reilly

Commissioners Absent: Memms:
Messrs: Risberg, Syed, Taghioff

Also Present: Yasmine Robinson, Planning Director; Karoline Finlay, Planning Secretary, Bill Dermody; Current Planning Manager, Kady Dadlez; Senior City Planner, Spencer Miller Johnson; Senior City Planner, YaYa Diatta; DSI Zoning Administrator

I. Approval of the minutes for the August 22, 2025 Planning Commission meeting.

Commissioner moved to approve the July 25, 2025 Planning Commission meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner . The motion passed on a voice vote.

II. Chair's Announcements

The chair reminded the commissioners that she will be out for the next two Planning Commission meetings.

III. Planning Director Announcements

Director Robinson updated the commission on staff changes in PED. Today is Director Newton's last day and her position will be filled by our current Deputy Director Melanie McMahon.

IV. Zoning Committee

Chair Grill gave the report for the committee. Commissioner Reilly stated that not all the properties in the area of the proposed rezoning of 1059 Maryland are zoned B2. There are several single-family homes in the immediate vicinity.

25-055-586 1059 Maryland Rezoning - Rezone from B2 community business to T2 traditional neighborhood 1059 Maryland, NW corner of Maryland Avenue and Earl Street, B2, District Council 5, Ward 6 (*Stefan Hankerson 651-266-6646*)

MOTION: Commissioner Ortega moved to lay the item over for two weeks for further clarification. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reilly. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

V. Comprehensive & Neighborhood Planning Committee

Commissioner Holst gave the report for the committee. Bill Dermody gave a presentation on the Congregate Living Zoning Study. Spencer Miller-Johnson gave a presentation on the T-District Zoning Study.

Congregate Living Zoning Study – Release draft code amendments for public review and set a public hearing date. (*Bill Dermody, 651-266-6617*)

MOTION: Commissioner Holst moved to release the zoning study for public review and comment and to set a public hearing date of October 17, 2025. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinson. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Traditional Neighborhood District (T) Zoning Study – Review public hearing testimony and provide recommendation to City Council. (*Spencer Miller-Johnson, 651-266-6093*)

MOTION: Commissioner Holst moved to forward the proposed amendments to the Mayor and City Council for adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Houmas. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

VI. Transportation Committee

Commissioner Houmas gave the report for the committee. Commissioner Houmas also offered a solicitation for interest in joining the Transportation Committee.

VII. Old Business

None.

VIII. New Business

None.

IX. Adjournment

9:40 a.m.

Recorded and prepared by:
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Respectfully Submitted,

Approved _____
(Date)

Yasmine Robinson
Planning Director

Libby Starling,
Planning Commission Secretary