



# City of Saint Paul

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## Meeting Minutes

### City Council

*Council President Rebecca Noecker*  
*Vice President HwaJeong Kim*  
*Councilmember Anika Bowie*  
*Councilmember Molly Coleman*  
*Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson*  
*Councilmember Saura Jost*  
*Councilmember Nelsie Yang*

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Wednesday, September 17, 2025

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

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#### ROLL CALL

**Meeting started at 3:39 PM**

**Present** 7 - Councilmember Rebecca Noecker, Councilmember Nelsie Yang, Councilmember HwaJeong Kim, Councilmember Anika Bowie, Councilmember Saura Jost, Councilmember Cheniqua Johnson and Councilmember Molly Coleman

#### 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 Noecker stated that Items 12 and 18 would be taken separately.*

*Councilmember Johnson moved approval.*

**Consent Agenda adopted as amended**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

- 1     [RES 25-1276](#)     Approving the Memorandum of Agreement for the establishment of the 2026 - 2027 health insurance contribution rates and VEBA contribution rates.

**Laid to October 1, 2025**

- 2     [RES 25-1346](#)     Acknowledging receipt of District Energy St. Paul, Inc. notice of rate increase as of October 1, 2025, and directing the Office of Financial Services, the City Attorney's Office, and Council Operations to review and analyze the rate changes.

**Adopted**

- 3     [RES 25-1372](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Fire Certificate of Occupancy fees billed during May 2 to June 5, 2025, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for October 7, 2025 and City Council public hearing for January 14, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. CRT2601, Assessment No. 268200)  
**Adopted**
- 4     [RES 25-1373](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement services billed during March 25 to April 21, 2025, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for October 7, 2025 and City Council public hearing for January 14, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2601E, Assessment No. 268300)  
**Adopted**
- 5     [RES 25-1375](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during July 31, 2024 to April 22, 2025, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for October 14, 2025 and City Council public hearing for January 14, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. VB2601, Assessment No. 268900)  
**Adopted**
- 6     [RES 25-1376](#)     Approving the City's cost of providing Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during May 2025, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for October 14, 2025 and City Council public hearing for January 14, 2026 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2601B, Assessment No. 268100)  
**Adopted**
- 7     [RES 25-1395](#)     Authorizing the City to apply for \$72,000 from the Minnesota Department of Commerce's Solar on Public Buildings Grant Program for solar installation at Frogtown Community Center.  
**Adopted**
- 8     [RES 25-1406](#)     Approving the application for a license approval for Amsterdam LLC d/b/a Amsterdam Bar & Hall for the Liquor On Sale - 181-290 seats, Liquor On Sale-Sunday, Liquor On Sale - 2 AM Closing, Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Patio), Liquor Outdoor Service Area (Sidewalk) & Entertainment (B) license, (License ID #20110002591) for the premises located at 6 6th St W.  
**Adopted**
- 9     [RES 25-1409](#)     Approving a Rental Hall New Location license to Cakes By Jerilyn Mariee LLC d/b/a Venue 1944 (License ID 20250000938) for the premises located at 839 University Ave W Suite #105.  
**Adopted**
- 10    [RES 25-1410](#)     Approving the application for change of ownership to the Auto Repair Garage

license now held by Vue's Auto Repair LLC d/b/a Vue's Auto Repair (License ID #20250001121) for the premises located at 1202 Dale St N.

**Adopted**

- 11     [RES 25-1411](#)     Approving a Liquor On Sale - 100 seats or less, Liquor On Sale Sunday New Location license to Saint Bark LLC d/b/a Saint Bark (License ID 20250001162) for the premises located at 1145 Snelling Ave N.

**Adopted**

- 13     [RES 25-1421](#)     Accepting the donation of conference registration from PFMAM (PFM Asset Management) for City Treasurer Sarah Brown and Debt Manager Neal Youngmans to attend the 2025 Minnesota Investment Forum on October 7, 2025.

**Adopted**

- 14     [RES 25-1422](#)     Approving the application for change of ownership to the Tobacco Products Shop license now held by Fog Tobacco Plus INC d/b/a Imperial Smoke Shop Plus (License ID #20250010001) for the premises located at 227 Snelling Avenue North.

**Adopted**

- 15     [RES 25-1425](#)     Directing the Department of Safety and Inspections to revoke the Liquor On Sale - 100 Seats or Less, Entertainment (A), Liquor On Sale Sunday, and Gambling Location license against Taste of Rondo LLC d/b/a Taste of Rondo Restaurant (License ID #20190000107) for the premises located at 976 Rondo Avenue.

**Adopted**

- 16     [RES 25-1427](#)     Memorializing a City Council decision to approve an application to re-zone 5 parcels of land located at 694 Minnehaha Avenue East, *et al.* from I-2 general industrial to H2 residential, RM2 medium-density multiple-family residential, and T3 traditional neighborhood.

**Adopted**

- 17     [RES 25-1431](#)     Approving the use or non-use of a Project Labor Agreement on Department of Parks and Recreation construction projects for the second half of 2025.

**Adopted**

#### **FOR DISCUSSION**

- 12     [RES 25-1418](#)     Celebrating 40 Years of the Ordway Center for the Performing Arts.

*Council President Noecker gave remarks and read from the resolution.*

*Chris Harrington from the Ordway Center gave remarks.*

*Councilmember Bowie spoke in support.*

*Councilmember Jost spoke in support.*

*Councilmember Johnson spoke in support.*

*Councilmember Kim spoke in support.*

*Councilmember Yang spoke in support.*

*Noecker moved approval.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

**18**     [RES 25-1447](#)

Approving the City of Saint Paul Audit Committee's next study related to the data practices process and authorizing Wilder Research to conduct the study. (Laid over from September 17, 2025)

*Council President Noecker moved to lay over for one week.*

**Laid to September 24, 2025**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

**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 Pioneer Press. Public hearings on ordinances are generally held at the second reading.**

**Final Adoption**

**19**     [Ord 25-50](#)

Amending Chapter 45 of the Administrative Code to define reporting requirements and require that the City's Legislative Agenda be presented to City Council no later than the second Wednesday in December.

*Councilmember Kim moved approval.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Live testimony is limited to two minutes for each person. See below for optional ways to testify.

- 20**     [Ord 25-49](#)     Establishing the classification titled City Council Communications Lead in the unclassified service pursuant to Section 12.03.2(H) of the City Charter (must be approved by Civil Service Commission after adoption by City Council and prior to Mayor signature).
- Councilmember Bowie moved to close the public hearing.*
- Laid over to September 24, 2025 for Final Adoption**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay:** 0
- 21**     [Ord 25-53](#)     Amending Chapter 441 of the Legislative Code to adjust the electric-vehicle charging station rates.
- Councilmember Jost moved to close the public hearing.*
- Laid over to September 24, 2025 for Final Adoption**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay:** 0
- 22**     [RES PH 25-160](#)     Amending the Department of Public Works Capital Improvement Budget to add Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Community Resilience grant funding to the Jackson Street Project.
- Councilmember Bowie moved approval.*
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay:** 0
- 23**     [RES PH 25-201](#)     Approving the application of Laura K LeFebvre, Highland Park Harmonies event, for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound on Saturday, October 4, 2025 at Highland Park Picnic Shelter, 1227 Montreal Ave.
- Councilmember Jost moved approval.*
- Adopted**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

- 24**     [RES PH 25-203](#)     Authorizing the Police Department to accept the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Program grant from the Office of National Drug Control Policy, authorizing the execution of the grant agreement, and amending the 2025 grant fund budget and add activity budget. (Public hearing closed and laid over from September 17, 2025)

*Rich Neumeister, resident, spoke during the public hearing.*

*Council President Noecker moved to lay over for one week.*

**Public hearing closed and laid over to September 24, 2025**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

- 25**     [RES PH 25-205](#)     Amending the City's Operating Budget to reflect the final sale details resulting from the issuance of the Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2025C.

*Councilmember Yang moved approval.*

**Adopted**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

#### **LEGISLATIVE HEARING DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 26**     [RLH RSA 25-8](#)     Appeal of Jim Poradek & Abbie Hanson, Attorneys for Housing Justice Center, representing Tenant, Jill Ackerman, to a Rent Stabilization Determination at 934 ASHLAND AVENUE, UNIT 1.

*Appeal granted*

*Councilmember Bowie: I ask that we take Items 26 and 27 together, and then Items 28 - 31 together as well.*

*Council President Noecker: We have to read them separately, but we can discuss them together.*

*Bowie: This building had evidence of light fixture issues and wear and tear of paint. I move approval of Moermond's recommendation to deny the appeal. The other building had bigger issues that relate to livability, but this building did not. The inspector did not find livability issues in this building.*

Noecker: I acknowledge the differences between the buildings, but I continue to be disturbed by the fact that there's a requirement in our ordinance not just for us to establish habitability but also to assess substantial deterioration and code violations. The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) has acknowledged that they don't have a way of doing that apart from the fire certificate of occupancy (FCO) which in some cases can be several years old. It seems that DSI granted a significant rent increase without having established those facts. While there have been subsequent inspections after that, I feel that the initial determination is what's being appealed here. It should not be on the tenants to complain. Our ordinance seems clear that we need to have those processes in place, so I'm going to vote against the motion. I support granting the appeal. I ask DSI and staff to consider how we are fulfilling the ordinance and the requirement to establish those conditions of deterioration. The property owner has the opportunity to make the fixes, to have those fixes inspected, and to come back for a rent increase in the future. Us and DSI could make that determination after fixes have been made. Last week, tenants said that some of the repairs happened in a rapid manner, and maybe weren't done thoroughly. It's one person's testimony against another's and I don't think we have enough information from DSI to gauge whether the basic repairs are taken care of.

Councilmember Yang: What happens if the appeal is granted?

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer: A rent increase beyond 3% would not be allowed. They could reapply for an exemption to the 3% cap in a year. If Council grants it in part, there is latitude for what that would look like. Bowie's later amendments I think will be examples of that.

Yang: I ask because I don't think we've ever approved an appeal before.

Moermond: There have been approvals. I can get you information.

Councilmember Kim: If we approve the appeal, they can't even increase rent by 3%. Is that correct?

Moermond: The landlord can absolutely implement a 3% increase. That does not require City approval.

Kim: If we grant the appeal, would it default to 3% or would they need to come back and apply for that?

Moermond: They can do 3% without talking to the City at all. They could do that right now.

Councilmember Johnson: I will also not support the motion to deny the appeal. I'm interested in the opportunity to dive further into our housing study piece on the policy side, and this is an interesting area to be part of that discussion. In reviewing the materials, I've gone back and forth on this. There are ways that policy can be strengthened and made more clear. For the reason's Noecker outlined, I will probably support granting the appeals for all of today's discussion items.

Kim: I also will not support denying the appeal, and support granting the appeal. In looking at this policy, we also need to connect these conversations to the budget. Implementing things and serving our constituents need to be reflected in that.

Noecker: None of this is personal towards the individuals we are talking about. I know

*it's personal to people in the room. I wouldn't say there is blame. If anything, it's on us to make sure that our departments are fully resourced and to make sure our ordinances are written in a way that makes sense. The onus of the work shouldn't be put on tenants. I don't think the ordinance does that, but if it does, we need to spell that out. This could be part of our study. Perhaps we want to just say that whenever there's an application for a rent increase over a certain percentage, that automatically triggers a fire certificate of occupancy inspection. I think there are things we could do here but it is on us.*

*Councilmember Jost: I will support Bowie's motion to deny the appeal. Looking at the information we have, I understand there are situations where we would certainly like to have more information. But, I agree with the staff findings and the findings of the Legislative Hearing Officer for this particular case, especially around the parts related to habitability and substantial deterioration.*

*Councilmember Coleman: I will support the motion to deny the appeal as well. I've been very troubled by these appeals since our conversation last week, for many of the reasons identified by folks at this table. There are so many questions about what our process looks like and building that process to serve renters. This has exposed a number of flaws in our process and a number of concerns that I have with how we move forward. I have been thinking about the appropriate mechanisms for making these significant legal determinations as a Council, and what are the right bodies for those determinations. I think that the question of the implied warranty of habitability is a very serious one with legal ramifications. If we are to make that finding as a Council, there should be a clear process for how that's established. That is typically established in housing court or district court, not through a government body at the elected legislative level. Having us make that finding with the information that we have feels inappropriate, given the record in front of us and the availability of information. That can be due to a lack of staffing or funding, and I look forward to using this to guide us in the future as we look at funding and policy changes around our rent stabilization policy.*

*Bowie: The landlord initially proposed a 30% increase, so staff review did result in a reduction. Our ruling needs to stand up in court. We're not a court. We're not the venue for defining habitability. I'm hesitant to make a ruling that conditions were not habitable. I don't think policy not being as strong as we want is a reason to find in favor of the appellant. The process panned out as it was written. There were not items standing out as violations. Items 28 - 31 I found differently, but not for Items 26 and 27.*

*Noecker: I agree with Coleman that we aren't the body to determine the warranty of habitability. My issue is not that the property is uninhabitable. I don't think we can say that with any certainty. It is that we have a requirement for certain things to be taken into account in our ordinance, and that wasn't done.*

*Johnson: The policy is not in place just to ensure safety, but to also prevent major rent increases. I don't find solace in the request being 30% initially. I don't think it's the policy that is the issue. I agree with Noecker. The policy was not followed. It is our duty to enforce that.*

*Jost: It's helpful to understand that your comments are not based on the warranty of habitability. I think the other related part of the ordinance is substantial deterioration. I didn't find that in the record. That's a very subjective matter. Any information we have on that would be from DSI and any complaints they've received. I don't think we had*

*any complaints filed here. If we are going to be making that determination based on substantial deterioration, we need to think about what type of systematic process we're going to use to look at these cases in the same way. I did not find any errors from DSI or Moermond. I want us to be consistent.*

*Bowie: Part of the appeal is focused on the reasonable rate of return on a landlord's investment, which is in the ordinance. Property taxes are part of that. The landlord showed an increase. Unavoidable increases in maintenance costs are part of that. The landlord showed evidence of that. There have also been more tenants living there, which increases wear and tear and is built into our ordinance. These rents are below market rate for this neighborhood. We need to think about the precedent being set here. This isn't a situation of a landlord trying to jack up the rent.*

*Yang: What was the increase in property taxes?*

*Moermond: I don't have that in front of me. It's in the documents attached to the record as part of the Maintenance of Net Operating Income (MNOI) worksheet. The net total of all increases taken into account was 28.5%.*

*Bowie renewed her motion to deny the appeal. Motion failed 3 - 4 (those opposed being Councilmembers Noecker, Kim, Yang, and Johnson).*

*Noecker moved to grant the appeal.*

**Adopted as amended (appeal granted)**

**Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim and Councilmember Johnson

**Nay:** 3 - Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Coleman

**27**     [RLH RSA 25-10](#)

Appeal of Jim Poradek & Abbie Hanson, Attorneys for Housing Justice Center, representing Tenant, Vincent Cornell, to a Rent Stabilization Determination at 934 ASHLAND AVENUE, UNIT 2.

*[See 9/17/2025 minutes for RLH RSA 25-8 for related discussion]*

*Council President Noecker moved to grant the appeal.*

**Adopted as amended (appeal granted)**

**Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim and Councilmember Johnson

**Nay:** 3 - Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Coleman

**28**     [RLH RSA 25-13](#)

Appeal of Jim Poradek & Abbie Hanson, Attorneys for Housing Justice Center, representing Tenant, Kayla Simonson, to a Rent Stabilization Determination at 942 ASHLAND AVENUE, UNIT 8.

*[See 9/17/2025 minutes for RLH RSA 25-8 for related discussion]*

*Councilmember Bowie: In the record are documents relating to the inspection on September 7, 2025. There are some issues of deterioration. My motion is to allow a 20% increase instead of the Hearing Officer's recommended 25%. That increase is to also be incremental, with 10% being allowed initially and another 10% being allowed after 6 months. This is all to be contingent on receiving a fire certificate of occupancy.*

*Tenants can't use one of the stairways, which is a major safety concern. Tenants also need time to prepare for these increases. I recognize that the rent has not been raised in years, and even with this increase they will be operating at a net zero while complying with City code. This is not subsidized housing. We must continue to strengthen our rent stabilization policy to account for livability and have clear standards for timely repairs. We also need to educate tenants on how to file complaints and request inspections. My motion honors the intent of our rent stabilization policy while recognizing this unique circumstance. I also plan to make this motion for Items 29 - 31.*

*Councilmember Jost: If we are going to be using substantial deterioration beyond wear and tear as a way of making a determination, we need to think about what that means. I don't think that was a claim made in the original appeal or from the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI). I don't fully agree, but I will be voting in favor of Bowie's motion.*

*Councilmember Coleman: I agree with Jost. I am concerned about the administrative ability of this going forward. I will still support this motion, though.*

*Councilmember Johnson: Things matter regardless of if they're listed in the original appeal. The burden is not on the tenants to be familiar with our ordinance and learn every possible thing. Based on the discussion surrounding the previous two items, I will be voting no to Bowie's motion and support granting the appeal.*

*Council President Noecker: For those same reasons, I will also be voting no.*

*Councilmember Yang: What is the motion?*

*Bowie: To allow a 20% increase. That increase is to also be incremental, with 10% being allowed initially and another 10% being allowed after 6 months. They also need to have a fire certificate of occupancy.*

*Yang: A question for staff, could DSI be able to track that if we approved it.*

*Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer: Yes.*

*Bowie: Are our votes on this appeal just based on what the tenant brings up, or can we consider other information?*

*Moermond: The entire record is in front of you. This includes information from DSI inspections and information submitted by the appellant. I can't speak to how that is all weighed, and I defer to the City Attorney's Office on that.*

*Dan Stahley, Assistant City Attorney: The record is where the evidence is. You can look at the ordinance and apply the facts to it.*

*Bowie: My motion is not connected to habitability, but rather to deterioration. The ordinance lists things like reasonable return on investment as a reason to grant an exemption, but doesn't actually list reasons to not grant an exemption. A stark contrast might be helpful for interpretation going forward.*

*Jost: There is a difference between deterioration and substantial deterioration beyond wear and tear. We need to be aware of that as we move forward.*

*Bowie renewed her motion. Motion failed 3 - 4 (those opposed being Councilmembers Noecker, Kim, Yang, and Johnson).*

*Noecker moved to grant the appeal.*

**Adopted as amended (appeal granted)**

**Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim and Councilmember Johnson

**Nay:** 3 - Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Coleman

**29**     [RLH RSA 25-14](#)

Appeal of Jim Poradek & Abbie Hanson, Attorneys for Housing Justice Center, representing Tenant, Jessica Skaare, to a Rent Stabilization Determination at 942 ASHLAND AVENUE, UNIT 9.

*[See 9/17/2025 minutes for RLH RSA 25-8 and RLH RSA 25-13 for related discussion]*

*Council President Noecker moved to grant the appeal.*

**Adopted as amended (appeal granted)**

**Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim and Councilmember Johnson

**Nay:** 3 - Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Coleman

**30**     [RLH RSA 25-15](#)

Appeal of Jim Poradek & Abbie Hanson, Attorneys for Housing Justice Center, representing Tenants, Samuel Perkins & Chloe Cable, to a Rent Stabilization Determination at 942 ASHLAND AVENUE, UNIT 11.

*[See 9/17/2025 minutes for RLH RSA 25-8 and RLH RSA 25-13 for related discussion]*

*Council President Noecker moved to grant the appeal.*

**Adopted as amended (appeal granted)**

**Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim and Councilmember Johnson

**Nay:** 3 - Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Coleman

**31**     [RLH RSA 25-17](#)

Appeal of Jim Poradek & Abbie Hanson, Attorneys for Housing Justice Center, representing Tenants, Lillian Johnson & Eleanor Rowen, to a Rent Stabilization Determination at 942 ASHLAND AVENUE, UNIT 12.

*[See 9/17/2025 minutes for RLH RSA 25-8 and RLH RSA 25-13 for related discussion]*

*Council President Noecker moved to grant the appeal.*

**Adopted as amended (appeal granted)**

**Yea:** 4 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim and Councilmember Johnson

**Nay:** 3 - Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost and Councilmember Coleman

**LEGISLATIVE HEARING CONSENT AGENDA**

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**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

*Councilmember Bowie moved approval.*

**Legislative Hearing Consent Agenda adopted as amended**

**Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman

**Nay:** 0

- 32**     [RLH TA 25-349](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1499 ALBERT STREET NORTH. (File No. J2525R, Assessment No. 258565)

**Adopted**

- 33**     [RLH TA 25-294](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 427 AURORA AVENUE. (File No. J2522R4, Assessment No. 258582) (Public hearing continued to August 6, 2025)

**Public hearing continued to October 22, 2025**

- 34**     [RLH TA 25-357](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 724 CASE AVENUE. (File No. J2512E, Assessment No. 258322) (To refer to November 4, 2025 Legislative Hearing; Public hearing continued to January 14, 2026)

**Referred to November 4, 2025 Legislative Hearing**

- 35**     [RLH TA 25-348](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 732 CASE AVENUE. (File No. J2525R, Assessment No. 258565)

**Adopted**

- 36**     [RLH TA 25-331](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 869 CLARK STREET. (File No. J2524R, Assessment No. 258563)

**Adopted as amended (assessment deleted)**

- 37**     [RLH TA 25-332](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 875 CLARK STREET. (File No. J2524R, Assessment No. 258563)

**Adopted as amended (assessment deleted)**

- 38**     [RLH TA 25-119](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 263 CURTICE STREET WEST. (File No. J2507T1, Assessment No. 258537) (Continued public hearing to August 27, 2025)

**Public hearing continued to October 22, 2025**

- 39     [RLH TA 25-275](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1762 ENGLEWOOD AVENUE. (File No. VB2510A, Assessment No. 258833) (Public hearing continued to August 27, 2025)  
**Public hearing continued to October 15, 2025**
- 40     [RLH TA 25-371](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 360 KENNARD STREET. (File No. J2512B, Assessment No. 258112) (September 16, 2025 Legislative Hearing)  
**Referred to October 14, 2025 Legislative Hearing**
- 41     [RLH TA 25-352](#)     Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 650 LAFOND AVENUE. (File No. J2512E, Assessment No. 258322)  
**Adopted**
- 42     [RLH RR 25-19](#)     Third Making finding on the appealed substantial abatement ordered for 401 ROSE AVENUE EAST in Council File RLH RR 25-14.  
**Public hearing continued to October 8, 2025**
- 43     [RLH RR 25-23](#)     Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 670 SIMS AVENUE within fifteen (15) days after the September 17, 2025, City Council Public Hearing.  
**Adopted**
- 44     [RLH TA 24-489](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 676 THIRD STREET EAST. (File No. J2504E1, Assessment No. 258313) (Continue public hearing to August 6, 2025)  
**Public hearing continued to October 22, 2025**
- 45     [RLH TA 25-358](#)     Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1760 WILSON AVENUE. (File No. J2525R, Assessment No. 258565) (To refer back to November 4, 2025 Legislative Hearing)  
**Referred to November 4, 2025 Legislative Hearing**
- 46     [RLH AR 25-74](#)     Ratifying the assessment for Rubbish and Garbage Clean Up service during May 12 to 28, 2025. (File No. J2525R, Assessment No. 258565)  
**Adopted as amended (580 Minnehaha Ave E referred to November 4, 2025 Legislative Hearing)**
- 47     [RLH AR 25-75](#)     Ratifying the assessment for Excessive Use of Inspection or Abatement service billed during January 22 to February 18, 2025. (File No. J2512E, Assessment No. 258322)  
**Adopted as amended (2170 Highwood Ave referred to November 4, 2025 Legislative Hearing)**
- 48     [RLH AR 25-76](#)     Ratifying the assessment for Graffiti Removal service during February 28 to

March 28, 2025. (File No. J2510P, Assessment No. 258409)

**Adopted**

- 49**     [RLH AR 25-77](#)     Ratifying the assessment for Removal of Diseased and/or Dangerous Tree(s) service during May 2025. (File No. 2506T, Assessment No. 259008)

**Adopted**

- 50**     [RLH AR 25-78](#)     Ratifying the assessment for Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during March 1, 2024 to February 17, 2025. (File No. VB2512, Assessment No. 258825)

**Adopted as amended (677 California Ave referred to November 4, 2025 Legislative Hearing; 692 Hamline Ave N and 554 Stryker Ave referred to October 21, 2025 Legislative Hearing)**

- 51**     [RLH AR 25-79](#)     Ratifying the assessment for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during March 2025. (File No. J2512B, Assessment No. 258112)

**Adopted as amended (1615 Stanford Ave referred to October 14, 2025 Legislative Hearing)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Meeting ended at 4:57 PM**

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