



City of Saint Paul

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Meeting Minutes - Action Only

City Council

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

Wednesday, September 16, 2026

3:30 PM

Council Chambers - 3rd Floor

ROLL CALL

Meeting began at 3:30 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

COMMUNICATIONS & RECEIVE/FILE

- 1 [AO 26-63](#) Amending the 2026 spending and financing budgets in the Department of Public Works Asphalt Plant and Accounting Units to fund the purchase of a Skid Steer Loader.
- 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

Consent Agenda adopted as amended.

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

Nay: 0

- 2 [RES 26-1364](#) Approving the Labor Agreement (January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2028) between the City of Saint Paul and the District No. 77, International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers AFL-CIO. (To be laid over one week for adoption)
- Adopted

- 3 [RES 26-1374](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Securing and/or Emergency Boarding services during July 2026, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for October 13, 2026 and City Council public hearing for January 13, 2027 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. J2615B, Assessment No. 268121)
Adopted
- 4 [RES 26-1375](#) Approving the City's cost of providing Collection of Vacant Building Registration fees billed during July 2025 to August 2025, and setting date of Legislative Hearing for October 13, 2026 and City Council public hearing for January 13, 2027 to consider and levy the assessments against individual properties. (File No. VB2605, Assessment No. 268908)
Adopted
- 5 [RES 26-1377](#) Authorizing the Police Department to enter into a Fiscal Sponsor Agreement with Survivor Resources to act as the fiscal agent for the 2027 Crime Victim Services grant from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety.
Adopted
- 7 [RES 26-1503](#) Approving the Legislative Hearing Officer's recommendation for the application submitted by VB Mart LLC (License ID# DSIBLLOFS-001693-2026 & DSIBLTOBAC-001319-2026) d/b/a Stop & Shop, for Malt Off Sale and Tobacco Shop licenses, located at 604 Western Ave N.
Adopted
- 8 [RES 26-1542](#) Approving the application for change of ownership to the Tobacco Shop license (License ID #DSIBLTOBAC-003212-2026) now held by King of Grocery & Tobacco LLC d/b/a King of Grocery & Tobacco for the premises located at 913 Payne Ave.
Adopted
- 9 [RES 26-1546](#) Authorizing the Fire Department to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the Minnesota Task Force One Urban Search and Rescue Team.
Adopted
- 10 [RES 26-1548](#) Authorizing the Fire Department to enter into a joint powers agreement with the State of Minnesota - State Patrol Division for helicopter operation training.
Adopted
- 11 [RES 26-1555](#) Authorizing the Department of Safety Inspections to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota's Fire Marshal Division regarding the enforcement of the Minnesota Fire Code to school inspections.
Adopted
- 12 [RES 26-1566](#) Directing the Department of Safety and Inspections to proceed with adverse

action and the imposition of a \$500.00 matrix penalty against the Tobacco Products Shop license (License ID #826567) held by GOGETIT TOBACCO LLC d/b/a GOGETIT TOBACCO for the premises located at 2484 University Ave. W.

Adopted

- 13 [RES 26-1568](#) Accepting a scholarship of travel expenses from The Knight Foundation for Shaina Abraham to attend the National Recreation and Park Association annual conference on Sep 27, 2026-Oct 1, 2026 in Philadelphia, PA.

Adopted

- 14 [Min 26-1](#) Approving the minutes of the Saint Paul City Council meetings.

Adopted

- 15 [RES 26-1582](#) Approving the reimbursement funds for the Ward 6 Budget Event.

Adopted

FOR DISCUSSION

- 6 [RES 26-1460](#) Authorizing the City to enter into a grant agreement with the Federal Highway Administration for Safe Streets for All funding.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 16 [SR 26-185](#) St. Paul Port Authority 2027 Budget Presentation.

Received and filed.

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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

- 17 [Ord 26-39](#) Amending Chapter 63 of the Legislative Code pertaining to salt storage regulation.

Public hearing continued to September 23, 2026 for Final Adoption

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

Nay: 0

18 [Ord 26-40](#)

Amending Appendix B of the Legislative Code relating to Northern States Power, D/B/A Xcel Energy, Gas Franchise.

Laid over to September 23, 2026 for Final Adoption

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

Nay: 0

19 [Ord 26-41](#)

Amending Appendix C of the Legislative Code relating to Northern States Power, D/B/A Xcel Energy, Electric Franchise.

Laid over to September 23, 2026 for Final Adoption

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

Nay: 0

20 [Ord 26-43](#)

Amending the Legislative Code by adding a new Appendix B-2 relating to Northern States Power, D/B/A Xcel Energy, Gas Franchise Fee.

Laid over to September 23, 2026 for Final Adoption

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

Nay: 0

21 [Ord 26-44](#)

Amending the Legislative Code by adding a new Appendix C-2 relating to Northern States Power, D/B/A Xcel Energy, Electric Franchise Fee.

Laid over to September 23, 2026 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 26-123](#)

Amending the financing and spending plans in the Fire Department in the amount of \$1,250,000 to accept the 2026 Economic Development Initiative (EDI) Community Project Funding (CPF) federal earmark for the Fire Department's Burn Building Restoration and Reconstruction.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 23** [RES PH 26-255](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Fire Department in the amount of \$5,467 for payment received for recycling scrap metal that was no longer needed by the department.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 24** [RES PH 26-256](#) Amending the financing and spending plans in the Fire Department in the amount of \$30,000 for a grant from the State of Minnesota through the Department of Labor and Industry to support staffing for the apprenticeship program.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 25** [RES PH 26-176](#) Ratifying the assessment for Repair of Sanitary Sewer Line on Private Properties. (File No. SWRP2603, Assessment No. 263002)

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 26** [RES PH 26-180](#) Final Order approving the Seventh Place Mall operation and maintenance for 2025. File No. 18428-25, Assessment No. 257200.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 27** [RES PH 26-181](#) Final Order approving the Seventh Place Mall operation and maintenance for 2026. File No. 18428-26, Assessment No. 267200.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 28** [RES PH 26-192](#) Final Order approving the Grand/Snelling parking lot operation and maintenance costs for 2027. File No. 18746-26, Assessment No. 267202.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 29** [RES PH 26-248](#) Approving the application of the University of Saint Thomas for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for the 2026 University of St. Thomas Football Season series on the Saturdays of September 19, September 26, October 10, October 31, and November 14, 2026, at 2115 Summit Avenue - O'Shaughnessy Stadium.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 30** [RES PH 26-251](#) Approving the application of Twin Cities in Motion for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon Weekend event on Saturday, October 3, and Sunday, October 4, 2026, at 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. - Minnesota State Capitol Grounds.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 31** [RES PH 26-252](#) Approving the application of Anderson Race Management for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for Get Your Rear in Gear - Twin Cities event on Sunday, October 11, 2026, at 200 Dr. Justus Ohage Blvd - Harriet Island Regional Park.

Adopted

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

Nay: 0

- 32 [RES PH 26-253](#) Approving the application of Xcel Energy for a sound level variance in order to present amplified sound for an Xcel Energy infrastructure/utility project on the CPKC Railroad Crossing at Eagle Parkway and Shepard Road from October 19 through November 2, 2026, at Eagle Parkway from Shepard Road to North Chestnut Street.
- Adopted**
- Yea:** 7 - Councilmember Noecker, Councilmember Yang, Councilmember Kim, Councilmember Bowie, Councilmember Jost, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Coleman
- Nay:** 0

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

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

- 33 [RLH TA 26-182](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 692 ARLINGTON AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG26Q1B3, Assessment No. 260153)
- Adopted**
- 34 [RLH SAO 26-82](#) Appeal of Mary Olson to a Notice to Cut Tall Grass and/or Weeds at 555 ASHLAND AVENUE.
- Adopted**
- 35 [RLH SAO 26-86](#) Appeal of Graham Butler to a Notice to Cut Tall Grass and/or Weeds at 702 AURORA AVENUE.
- Adopted**
- 36 [RLH TA 26-203](#) Amending Council File No. RLH AR 26-23 to delete for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during July to September 2025 at 2027 CASE AVENUE. (File No. CG25Q3B4, Assessment No. 260133)
- Adopted**
- 37 [RLH TA 26-204](#) Amending Council File No. RLH AR 26-39 to delete for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during October to December 2025 at 2027 CASE AVENUE. (File No. CG25Q4B4, Assessment No. 260144)
- Adopted**

- 38 [RLH TA 26-198](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 325 DAYTON AVENUE. (File No. CG26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260151)

 Adopted
- 39 [RLH TA 26-207](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 915 ELEANOR AVENUE. (File No. YW26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260501)

 Adopted
- 40 [RLH SAO 26-88](#) Appeal of Richard Schoolmeesters to a Summary Abatement Order and Correction Notice at 1111 FOURTH STREET EAST.

 Adopted as amended. (Granting to October 16, 2026 for compliance.)

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

 Nay: 0
- 41 [RLH TA 26-183](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 423 FRY STREET. (File No. CG26Q1B5, Assessment No. 260155)

 Adopted
- 42 [RLH TA 26-202](#) Amending Council File No. RLH AR 26-40 to delete the assessment for Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during October to December 2025 at 423 FRY STREET. (File No. CG25Q4B5, Assessment No. 260145)

 Adopted
- 43 [RLH TA 26-184](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 429 FRY STREET. (File No. CG26Q1B5, Assessment No. 260155)

 Adopted
- 44 [RLH TA 26-185](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 761 HAGUE AVENUE. (File No. CG26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260151)

 Adopted
- 45 [RLH TA 26-171](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1931 HAWTHORNE AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG26Q1B3, Assessment No. 260153)

 Adopted
- 46 [RLH TA 26-172](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 940 IDAHO

AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG26Q1B3, Assessment No. 260153)

Adopted

- 47** [RLH TA 26-181](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2103 IGLEHART AVENUE. (File No. YW26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260501)
- Adopted**
- 48** [RLH TA 26-177](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 925 MAGNOLIA AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG26Q1B4, Assessment No. 260154)
- Adopted**
- 49** [RLH TA 26-178](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1045 MAGNOLIA AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG26Q1B4, Assessment No. 260154)
- Adopted**
- 50** [RLH VO 26-39](#) Appeal of Nathan Malmgren, Jr. to a Notice of Condemnation and Order to Remain Vacate at 71 MANITOBA AVENUE.
- Adopted**
- 51** [RLH TA 26-199](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1206 MINNEHAHA AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG26Q1B5, Assessment No. 260155)
- Adopted**
- 52** [RLH TA 26-170](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 504 MISSISSIPPI RIVER BOULEVARD SOUTH. (File No. YW26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260501)
- Adopted**
- 53** [RLH TA 26-174](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1053 ROSE AVENUE EAST. (File No. YW26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260501)
- Adopted**
- 54** [RLH TA 26-187](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 961 SELBY AVENUE. (File No. CG26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260151)
- Adopted**
- 55** [RLH TA 26-186](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1760 SEVENTH STREET EAST. (File No. CG26Q1B4, Assessment No. 260154)
- Adopted**
- 56** [RLH TA 26-201](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 686 SHERBURNE AVENUE. (File No. CG26Q1B5, Assessment No. 260155)

Adopted

- 57 [RLH TA 26-200](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 719 SHERBURNE AVENUE. (File No. CG26Q1B5, Assessment No. 260155)

Adopted

- 58 [RLH TA 26-176](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1993 SHERIDAN AVENUE. (File No. CG26Q1B3, Assessment No. 260153)

Adopted

- 59 [RLH TA 26-188](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1392 SIXTH STREET EAST. (File No. CG26Q1B5, Assessment No. 260155)

Adopted

- 60 [RLH TA 26-180](#) Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 2099 SUBURBAN AVENUE. (File No. CG26Q1B5, Assessment No. 260155)

Adopted

- 61 [RLH TA 26-206](#) Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1018 VAN BUREN AVENUE. (File No. YW26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260501)

Adopted

- 62 [RLH AR 26-54](#) Ratifying the assessment for Removal of Diseased and/or Dangerous Tree(s) on Private Property during the months of May 2026. (File No. 2606T, Assessment No. 269007)

Referred to October 6, 2026 Legislative Hearing.

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

Nay: 0

- 63 [RLH AR 26-55](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2026. (File No. CG26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260151)

Adopted

- 64 [RLH AR 26-56](#) Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2026. (File No. CG26Q1B2, Assessment No. 260152)

Adopted as amended. (Deleted 1166 Colette Place for separate consideration to be referred back to September 22, 2026 Legislative Hearing.)

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

Nay: 0

65 [RLH AR 26-57](#)

Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2026. (File No. CG26Q1B3, Assessment No. 260153)

Adopted as amended. (Deleted 1101 Hoyt Avenue West and 1431 Arundel Street for separate consideration to be referenced back to September 22, 2026 Legislative Hearing.)

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

Nay: 0

66 [RLH AR 26-58](#)

Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2026. (File No. CG26Q1B4, Assessment No. 260154)

Adopted

67 [RLH AR 26-59](#)

Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2026. (File No. CG26Q1B5, Assessment No. 260155)

Adopted

68 [RLH AR 26-60](#)

Ratifying the assessment for the City's cost of providing Collection of Delinquent Yard Waste Bills for services during January to March 2026. (File No. YW26Q1B1, Assessment No. 260501)

Adopted

69 [RLH AR 26-61](#)

Ratifying the assessment for Securing and/or Emergency Boarding fees billed during May 2026 on Private Property. (File No. J2613B, Assessment No. 268119)

Adopted

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 4:29 PM.

City Council meetings are open for in person attendance, but the public may also comment on public hearing items in writing. Any comments and materials submitted by 12:00 pm of the day before the meeting will be attached to the public record and available for review by the City Council. Comments may be submitted as follows:

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