

**City of West St. Paul
City Council Meeting Minutes
September 26, 2022**

1. Call to Order

Mayor Napier called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Dave Napier
Councilmembers Wendy Berry, Julie Eastman, Lisa Eng-Sarne, Robyn Gulley, John Justen and Dick Vitelli

Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Nate Burkett
City Attorney Kori Land
Assistant City Manager Dan Nowicki
Police Chief Brian Sturgeon
Community Development Director Ben Boike
Public Works Director / City Engineer Ross Beckwith
Parks & Rec Director Dave Schletty
Finance Director Char Stark
City Clerk Nicole Tillander

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Adopt the Agenda

Motion was made by Councilmember Justen and seconded by Councilmember Eng-Sarne to adopt the agenda as presented.

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

5. Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions

A. Oath of Office - Introduction of New Police Officer

Chief Sturgeon and Mayor Napier swore in new police officer Anthony Tonda. Anthony was previously a CSO in West St. Paul, moved to Centennial Lakes for his first officer position and has come back to WSP. Many friends and family members were present in the council chambers. Thank you for choosing West St. Paul, Officer Tonda, and welcome home!

B. Outstanding Property Awards

Community Development Director Ben Boike presented the outstanding property awards to Greg & Kathy Moore of 180 Edith Drive, Julio & Sara Cenicerros of 1854 Stryker Avenue and Riverview Baptist Church of 14 Moreland Avenue East.

Thank you for the value added to our West St. Paul community!

6. OCWS Briefing

Council discussed the following items during the Open Council Work Session of September 26th:

- A. Dakota County Crisis Center Presentation
Emily Schug, Deputy Director of Social Services – Dakota County; Julie Bluhm, CEO – Guild; Joel Dunning, Wold
- B. Explore West St. Paul Days 2023 Presentation
- C. Intoxicating THC Products Ordinance
- D. Parks Master Plan and Community Center Study

7. Community Comments – In Person

- Connye LaCombe, Butler Avenue, unsafe biking conditions – staff will review.

8. Community Comments – Phone Line

- No one called in to address the council.

9. Council Comments

Mayor and Councilmembers addressed the public on various topics.

10. Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Councilmember Berry and seconded by Councilmember Eastman to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda, as presented:

- A. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2022
- B. City Licensing
- C. Rental Licensing
 - 1266-1268 Kruse Street (Duplex – New)
 - 966 Robert Street S (Condos – Renewal)
 - 976 Robert Street S (Condos – Renewal)
 - 900 Robert Street S (Apartment – Renewal)
 - 347 Emerson Avenue W (Single Family – New)
 - 864-866 Dodd Road (Duplex – Renewal)
 - 140 Haskell Street (Apartment – Renewal)
 - 895 Robert Street S (Apartment – Renewal)
 - Total Amount – \$12,551.00
- D. List of Claims for September 26, 2022
- E. Final Payment CP 21-3
- F. Donations to the City
- G. Resolution Approving the Application of a Dakota County CDA Redevelopment Incentive Grant
- H. Grant Acceptance - Minnesota Department of Public Safety
- I. MOU - Management of Grant Award

J. Resolution Adopting the Preliminary 2023 Tax and Debt Levy

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

11. Public Hearing

12. New Business

A. First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Sections 34.03 and 153.043 of the City Code Regarding Zoning Application Fees

Community Development Director Ben Boike asked Council to table the item for further legal and staff research.

Motion was made by Councilmember Eng-Sarne and seconded by Councilmember Eastman to table the item.

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

B. Order and Receive Feasibility Report and Order Public Hearing for 2022-2023 Robert Street Sidewalk Snow Removal

Public Works Director / City Engineer Ross Beckwith presented. Notice of the public hearing will be posted in the paper and property owners will be notified.

Motion was made by Councilmember Eastman and seconded by Councilmember Gulley to receive the feasibility report and order a public hearing for the Robert Street Sidewalk Snow Removal.

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

C. Order Preparation of Proposed Assessment and Call for Final Assessment Hearing for 2022 Crusader Avenue Street Improvements Project 22-1

Public Works Director / City Engineer Ross Beckwith presented. Notice of the public hearing will be posted in the paper and property owners will be notified.

Motion was made by Councilmember Vitelli and seconded by Councilmember Eng-Sarne to approve Resolution 22-067 Order Preparation of Proposed Assessments for 2022 Street Improvements Project 22-1.

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

D. Site Plan for the Expansion of a Parking Lot at 1675 Livingston Ave. – Dakota County CDA

Community Development Director Ben Boike presented the site plan amendment. Planning Commission reviewed and voted 7-0 to recommend approval of the site plan as

recommended by city staff. Staff looks for approval of the site plan amendment subject to listed conditions.

Motion was made by Councilmember Eng-Sarne and seconded by Councilmember Justen to approve Resolution No. 22-068 Approving a Site Plan Amendment for a Parking Lot Expansion at 1675 Livingston Avenue (Dakota County CDA) as presented.

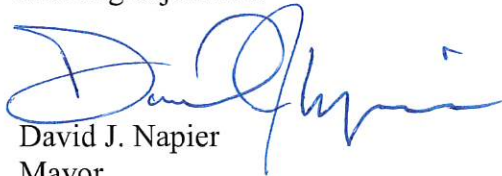
13. Old Business

14. Adjourn

Motion was made by Councilmember Eastman and seconded by Councilmember Gulley to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David J. Napier", is written over the printed name and title.

David J. Napier
Mayor
City of West St. Paul