

**City of West St. Paul
City Council Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.**

1. Call to Order

Mayor Halverson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Halverson
Councilmembers John Bellows, Anthony Fernandez, Ed Iago,
Dave Napier, Bob Pace and Dick Vitelli

Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Ryan Schroeder
Police Chief Manila Shaver
City Attorney Kori Land
Parks & Public Works Director/City Engineer Ross Beckwith
Community Development Director Jim Hartshorn
Finance Director Char Stark
City Clerk Shirley Buecksler

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Adopt the Agenda

Motion was made by Councilmember Vitelli and seconded by Councilmember Iago adopt the agenda, as presented.

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

5. OCWS Briefing

Mayor Halverson stated that the Council held a Work Session prior to the regular meeting to discuss the following:

- Closed Session Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.05 Subd. 3(c) to Discuss the Sale of Real Estate Regarding Thompson Oaks Site
- Thompson Lake Storm Water Project Update
- Waste Hauler Ordinance Amendment

6. Citizen Comments

Mike Misukani, 1675 Livingston Avenue, addressed the Council regarding sidewalks which he said are of concern for pedestrians. These include sidewalks on Humboldt Avenue, Livingston between Menards and Cub Foods, and Lothenbach Avenue. Mr. Misukani added that Panda Express has not shoveled and it is icy near the steps. He also commented that pedestrians have a long wait to cross at Marie and Livingston.

James Nguyen, owner of 821 Allen Avenue, addressed the Council and said he came to the meeting to discuss this property, which is on the agenda as Item 11A.

7. Council Comments

Councilmember Iago thanked Attorney Land, Community Development Director Jim Hartshorn and City Manager Ryan Schroeder for their work on acquiring the property at 210 Logan Avenue, rehabbing and selling the property.

Councilmember Iago mentioned that the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Committee is working with the South Robert Street Business Association on a project for veterans.

Councilmember Iago also expressed his compliments to a motorist who got involved in an incident where a lady's purse was stolen by someone while she was on a metro bus. The motorist followed and was able to direct the Police Department who eventually arrested the person.

Mayor Halverson said absentee voting has started for the School District 197 Bond Referendum Election coming up on May 8, 2018.

Councilmember Napier thanked everyone who came to the SG3 Foundation Memorial Hockey Tournament on April 7th and 8th.

Councilmember Napier spoke regarding the bus crash in Canada. He said he knows firsthand the fear parents have when they have children in traveling sports. Councilmember Napier said this accident hit the hockey community hard.

Councilmember Napier said that the Major League Baseball – Jr. Home Run Derby will be held at the West St. Paul Sports Dome on April 28, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Registration is available on the City's website at www.wspmn.gov.

Councilmember Bellows said the University of Minnesota-Duluth Bulldogs won the Final Four.

8. Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions

None.

9. Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Councilmember Vitelli and seconded by Councilmember Napier to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- A. Previous Meeting Minutes:**
 - Open Council Work Session Minutes of March 26, 2018
 - City Council Meeting Minutes of March 26, 2018
- B. List of Claims, in the Amount of \$605,598.91**
- C. Resolution No. 18-44, Concurring with the Issuance of a Minnesota Lawful Gambling Exemption for Tapemark Charity Pro Am, June 8-9, 2018 at Southview Country Club, 239 Mendota Road East**
- D. Rental Licensing**
- E. Award Bid for Trash Hauler at City Facilities to Waste Management**
- F. Resolution No. 18-45, Repealing and Replacing all Prior Resolutions Regarding the Environmental Committee, and Resolution No. 18-46, Adopting New Bylaws for the Environmental Committee, Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee and the Committee of Adjustments and Planning Commission and Adopting the West St. Paul Committee Members' Expectations**
- G. Resolution No. 18-47, Approving the Distribution of the Draft 2040 Comprehensive Plan to Adjacent Communities for the 6-Month Review**
- H. Materials Testing Contract for 2018 Street Improvements Project 18-1**
- I. Stipulation of Settlement with Northern Tier Retail, LLC, Parcel No. 41**

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

10. Public Hearing

There were no Public Hearings.

11. New Business

A. Provisional Rental License Review – 821 Allen Avenue

Hartshorn provided an overview of the Provisional Rental License for 821 Allen Avenue.

James Nguyen, owner of 821 Allen Avenue, addressed the Council.

Motion was made by Councilmember Pace and seconded by Councilmember Vitelli to adopt Resolution No. 18-48, Approving the Conversion to a Provisional Rental License for 821 Allen Avenue.

Vote: 5 ayes / 1 nay – Councilmember Napier opposed. Motion carried.

B. Provisional Rental License – 1166 Smith Avenue South

Hartshorn provided an overview of the Provisional Rental License for 1166 Smith Avenue South.

Leah Frenning, Owner and Manager of 1166 Smith Avenue South, addressed the Council.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bellows and seconded by Councilmember Iago to take no action at this time, waiving the \$250 fee and not issuing a Provisional Rental License for 1166 Smith Avenue South.

Vote: 3 ayes / 3 nays – Councilmembers Napier, Pace and Vitelli opposed. Mayor Halverson voted nay. Motion failed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Vitelli and seconded by Councilmember Pace to issue a Provisional Rental License but reduce the fee to \$125.

Vote: 2 ayes / 4 nays – Councilmembers Bellows, Fernandez, Iago and Napier opposed. Motion failed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bellows and seconded by Councilmember Fernandez to issue a Provisional Rental License with no fine.

Vote: 3 ayes / 3 nays – Councilmembers Napier, Pace and Vitelli opposed. Mayor Halverson voted nay. Motion failed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Napier and seconded by Councilmember Vitelli to accept Staff's recommendation and issue a Provisional Rental License with a \$250 fee.

Vote: 4 ayes / 2 nays – Councilmembers Bellows and Iago opposed. Motion carried.

12. Old Business

None.

13. Adjourn

Motion was made by Councilmember Bellows and seconded by Councilmember Vitelli to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Jenny Halverson
Mayor
City of West St. Paul