



SOUTH ST. PAUL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jimmy Francis called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 PM on Monday, May 18th, 2026.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Todd Podgorski, Matt Thompson, Joe Kaliszewski, Jimmy Francis, Pam Bakken, Lori Hansen

Absent: Tom Seaberg

Staff Present:

Ryan Garcia, City Administrator

Kori Land, City Attorney

Deanna Werner, City Clerk

Brian Wicke, Chief of Police

Michael Healy, City Planner

Monika Miller, Senior Planner

Deb Griffith, Community Affairs

3. INVOCATION

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. South St Paul Memorial Day Parade, Program and Picnic

6. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Comments are limited to 3 minutes in length.

Gail Avenson

Glen Boche

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by: Matt Thompson / Joe Kaliszewski

Moved: Approval of Agenda

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays, motion Passed

8. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed on the Consent Agenda are items, which are considered routine and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a member of the governing body or citizen, in which case the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered at the end of the Consent Agenda.

- A. City Council Meeting Minutes of: April 27th, 2026 Work Session, May 4th, 2026 Council Meeting and May 11th, 2026 Work Session
- B. Accounts Payable
- C. Business Licenses
- D. Call for Public Hearing - Tobacco Compliance Violations
- E. Trash Hauling - Award Bid
- F. 2026 Performance Measurement Program - Resolution 2026-64
- G. Stormwater Maintenance Agreement for Riverside Holdings, LLC (Bonfe)
- H. Approve ReLeaf Grant Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- I. Approve Transfer of 2025 General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance to the Capital Programs Fund.
- J. Approve Proposal for Construction Services with SEH for the 2026 Lead Service Line Replacement Project
- K. Adopt a Resolution Identifying a Need for Funding to Complete the 2050 Comprehensive Plan Update and Authorizing an Application for Planning Assistance Grant Funds
- L. Approve Proposal from Davey Tree for Phase One Plantings for the Regrowing Shade in South St. Paul Program
- M. Waive the Final Plat Filing Deadline for the Wakota North 2nd Addition Final Plat
- N. Approve Land Lease for 1678 Wiplinger Lane at the Fleming Field Airport
 Moved by: Joe Kaliszewski / Pam Bakken
 Moved: To approve the Cosent Agenda as presented.
 Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays, motion Passed

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Site Plan Review for Riverside Holdings, LLC
 Moved by: Matt Thompson / Todd Podgorski
 Moved: To approve site plan review for Riverside Holdings, LLC
 Vote: 5 ayes / 1 nays, motion
- B. First Reading: Ordinance Amendment to Allow Low Impact Production in Mixed Markets and Makers Subdistrict 1 (MMM-1)

Council Member Podgorski introduced for the first reading an Ordinance Amendment to Allow Low Impact Production in Mixed Markets and Makers Subdistrict 1 (MMM-1)

C. Second Reading: Ordinance Updating Zoning Requirements in the R-2 Single-and-Two Family Residence District

Moved by: Joe Kaliszewski / Lori Hansen

Moved: To Approve Ordinance 1444, Updating Zoning Requirements in the R-2 Single-and-Two Family Residence District

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays, motion Passed

D. Charter Commission Appointments

Moved by: Lori Hansen / Joe Kaliszewski

Moved: To Approve Resolution 2026-034, Recommending Charter Commission Appointments

Vote: 4 ayes / 2 nays, motion Passed

12. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Pam Bakken / Lori Hansen

Moved: To Adjourn

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays, motion Passed

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.



/s/: Deanna Werner
City Clerk