

**City of West St. Paul  
City Council Meeting Minutes  
January 9, 2023**

**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Roll Call**

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

Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Nate Burkett  
City Attorney Kori Land  
Assistant City Manager Dan Nowicki  
Police Chief Brian Sturgeon  
City Planner Melissa Houtsma  
Finance Director Char Stark  
Public Works Director / City Engineer Ross Beckwith  
City Clerk Nicole Tillander

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Adopt the Agenda**

Motion was made by Councilmember Eastman and seconded by Councilmember Armon to adopt the agenda, as presented.

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

**5. OCWS Briefing**

Council discussed the following items during the Open Council Work Session of January 9<sup>th</sup>:

- A. 2023 Legislative Priorities
- B. Committee Appointment Process

**6. Community Comments – In Person**

- No one came forward to address the council.

**7. Community Comments – Phone Line**

- No one called in to address the City Council.

## **8. Council Comments**

Mayor and Councilmembers addressed the public on various topics.

Congratulations on re-election Mayor Napier, Councilmember Berry and Councilmember Justen! Congratulations and welcome to newly elected Councilmember Armon!

Other West St. Paul County and State elected or re-elected representatives include:

Joe Atkins, Dakota County Commissioner, District 2  
Mary Frances Clardy, MN House – 53A  
Matt Klein, MN Senate – 53  
Maria Isa Perez-Vega, MN House – 65B  
Sandra Pappas, MN Senate – 65  
Angie Craig – U.S. House – 2

## **9. Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions**

## **10. Consent Agenda**

With Item B and Item C given further discussion, motion was made by Councilmember Eastman and seconded by Councilmember Gulley to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda, as presented:

- A. List of Claims for January 9, 2023
- B. Call for the Sale of EDA Bonds – HyVee
  - Finance acquisition of land for future development in the city – tax abatement public hearing Jan. 23, official statement and review Jan. 30-Feb. 6, award sale of bonds Feb. 13, estimated closing date March 6, 2023.
- C. Donations to the City
  - South Robert Street Business Association donated \$2,000 to the Police and Fire Department's Heroes and Helpers program.
- D. Mutual Aid Agreement Renewal with St Paul
- E. Approve Plans and Specifications and Order Ad for Bid for the 2023 Mill and Overlay Project 23-3
- F. Award Bid for Bidwell Street Safe Routes to School Project 21-8
- G. MnDOT Agreement for Federal Aid Delegation to the City
- H. City Licensing
- I. Rental Licensing
  - 274 Marie Avenue E (Apartment – Renewal)
  - 1867 Scott Lane (Apartment – Renewal)
  - 1875 Scott Lane (Apartment – Renewal)
  - 1885 Scott Lane (Apartment – Renewal)
  - 273 Westview Drive (Apartment – Renewal)
  - 281 Westview Drive (Apartment – Renewal)
  - 310 Westview Drive (Apartment – Renewal)
  - 330 Westview Drive (Apartment – Renewal)

- 291 Emerson Avenue E (Single Family – Renewal)
- 1346 Delaware Avenue (Single Family – New)
- 85 Imperial Drive W (Apartment – Renewal)
- 90 Imperial Drive W (Apartment – Renewal)
- 1492 Charlton Street (Apartment – Renewal)
- 927 Humboldt Avenue (Single Family – New)
- 180 Wentworth Avenue #A (Townhome – Renewal)
- 232 Haskell Street W (Duplex – Renewal)
- Total Amount – \$6,287.50

**J. Resubmit Pay Equity Compliance**

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

**11. New Business**

**12. Old Business**

**A. Final Reading – Rezoning a Parcel at the Northeast corner of 1 Mendota Road West (Dakota County)**

City Planner Melissa Houtsma presented. First reading was held December 12, 2022. Staff recommends approving the final reading, subject to conditions, of Ordinance No. 23-001 Rezoning a Parcel at the Northeast Corner of 1 Mendota Road West from R1 – Single Family Residential to R3 – Townhome Residential Zoning.

Motion was made by Councilmember Gulley and seconded by Councilmember Justen to approve Ordinance No. 23-001 Rezoning a Parcel at the Northeast Corner of 1 Mendota Road West from R1 – Single Family Residential to R3 – Townhome Residential Zoning.

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

**13. Adjourn**

Motion was made by Councilmember Eastman and seconded by Councilmember Gulley to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.



David J. Napier  
Mayor  
City of West St. Paul