

2nd Council Regular Meeting

Monday, July 17, 2023 6:30 PM

City Hall
704 6th Street
St. Paul, NE 68873

Agenda

1. Mayor Bergman calls City Council meeting to order, with the "Pledge of Allegiance" and the "Open Meeting Statement" as required by NE State Statutes 84-1407 through 84-1414; Mayor Bergman also states that the City Council may vote to go into Closed Session on any agenda item as allowed by NE State Statute 84-1410.
2. Submittal of Requests for Future Agenda Items
3. Reserve Time to Speak on an Agenda Item
4. Discuss - Introduce Ordinance 1039; authorizing the execution and delivery of a loan contract between the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE) and the City of St. Paul, and issuance pursuant to said contract of a promissory note of the City of St. Paul, NE in the principal amount of up to Six Million, Sixteen Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$6,016,000.00) for the purpose of constructing additions and improvements to the Wastewater Treatment System of the City as a Clean Water project; pledging assets for collateral regarding the revenues and earnings of the Combined Utilities owned by the City for the payment of said note; and ordering the Ordinance published in pamphlet form.
***Introduce ordinance with NO second;
*** Waive three (3) readings of ordinance with second and roll call; and
***Final Passage of ordinance with second and roll call.
5. Discuss - Approve / Deny Amendment No. 1 to Loan Agreement between the NE Dept. of Environment and Energy (NDEE) and the City of St. Paul Project #C318049 in the amount of \$6,016,000.00. The prior loan contract with NDEE was \$5,820,000.00; the loan interest rate is zero percent (0%). The difference between the two (2) amounts is \$196,000.00; this amount will carry a one percent (1%) interest rate. The loan will finance construction of the Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) improvements. Installments of principal and interest shall be paid semi-annually on December 15 and June 15 of each year in accordance with the Loan Repayment Schedule.
6. Discuss - Approve / Deny Consent Agenda Items: (1) July 5, 2023 (regular) Council minutes; (2) July 17, 2023, disbursements; (3) Adam Powell (919 Grant Street) as a St. Paul Firefighter; and (4) Steven Brumbaugh as a St. Paul Firefighter/EMT.
7. Discuss – Approve / Deny purchase of new electronic sign for Civic Center. If purchased in July, price includes \$2,880 rebate.
8. Utilities Superintendent Helzer updates
9. Chief of Police Howard updates:
(1) Nuisance & Incident Report;

10. Mayor Bergman updates:

- (1) City 2023-2024 Budget Workshop on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers;
- (2) Solar Generation on the June 2023 Howard Greeley Rural Public Power District (HGRPPD) invoice was \$3,236;

11. Public Announcements

12. Closed Session: The City of St. Paul reserves the right to go into Closed Session when it is clearly necessary to protect the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual; or pending litigation

13. Mayor Bergman adjourns City Council meeting.

14. Informational Items:

- (1) Certificate of Deposits June 2023;
- (2) Receipts June 2023;

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The City of St. Paul abides by the Nebraska Open Meetings Act in conducting business. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is on display in the meeting room as required by Nebraska State Law.

The Mayor and City Council reserve the right to enter into an Executive Session at any time during the meeting, in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, even though the closed session may not be indicated on the Agenda.

It is the intention of the Mayor and City Council to take up the items on the agenda in sequential order. However, the Mayor and City Council reserves the right to take up matters in a different order to accommodate the schedules of the City Council members, person(s) having items on the agenda, and the public. The City of St. Paul reserves the right to adjust the order of items on the agenda.

Anyone wishing to speak may be limited to three (3) to five (5) minutes per person. Please utilize the podium and clearly state your name and address for the record and the agenda topic you wish to speak upon in a professional manner.