

2nd Council Regular Meeting  
Monday, March 18, 2024 6:30 PM

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

## **Agenda**

1. Mayor Mike Feeken 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 Feeken 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 - Approve / Deny proposals from Olsson and JEO Consulting Group to eliminate the existing drainage route running from Jay Street to Kendall Street on the southeast corner of 4th and Kendall Streets east of the proposed new fire station.

5. Discuss - Approve / Deny JEO Consulting Group plans/specifications, and allowing JEO Consulting Group to advertise for bids regarding the new St. Paul Fire Station.

### **6. NOTICE OF HEARING TO BE DETERMINED EXISTENCE OF PUBLIC NUISANCE AND TO ABATE IN WHOLE OR IN PART**

The Mayor and Council shall hear all evidence from the owner or any interested party pertaining to the nuisance at 807 7th Street, more legally described as N 71' of Lots Four (4), Five (5), Six (6), and Seven (7), Block Seventy-Eight (78), Original Town, Howard County, St. Paul, NE.

Discuss - Approve / Deny whether the premise constitutes a public nuisance, and if determined to constitute a public nuisance, to be abated.

a. Discuss - Approve Resolution #2024-1, granting days to abate said nuisance after the notice and hearing of 807 7th Street. Failure to abate the nuisance will result in the nuisance being abated by the City and the cost will be assessed upon the premises until the lien is paid in full.

### **7. Declaration of Nuisance: (1) 1108 7th Street (Barbara Lyons) and (2) 920 Indian Street (Jannea Rudolf)**

Discuss - Approve / Deny sending the "Notice of Hearing to be Determined Existence of Public Nuisance and to Abate in Whole or in Part" regarding the properties at (1) 1108 7th Street (Lot Eight (8), Block Four (4), Original Town, St. Paul, NE) and (2) 920 Indian Street (Lot Nine (9) & E 6' of Lot Eight (8), Block Six (6), Bartletts Addition, St. Paul, NE).

8. Discuss the City of St. Paul's Department Status updates regarding (possible action): (1) Parks; (2) Cemetery; (3) Streets; and (4) General.

9. Discuss - Approve / Deny road closure on Saturday, March 23, 2024, regarding the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce Easter Egg hunt in the City Park. The road closure consists of Indian Street between 4th and 6th Streets. City barricades are being requested.

10. Discuss - Approve / Deny placing the City of St. Paul's 2022-2023 excess Department funds into the "Insure Cash Sweep" (ICS) accounts at Citizens Bank & Trust: (1) Cemetery \$37,339; (2) Swimming Pool \$19,857; and (3) Library \$11,462.
11. Discuss - Approve / Deny Consent Agenda Items: (1) Treasurer's Report February 2024; (2) March 4, 2024 (regular) Council minutes; (3) Planning Commission Zoning Permits dated March 11, 2024; and (4) March 18, 2024, disbursements.
12. Discuss - Approve / Deny the City of St. Paul's Fire Department billing rates for Year 2024; there is no change from 2023.
13. Discuss - Approve / Deny the City of St. Paul leasing a 2024 E38 R2 Series Bobcat Compact Excavator for one (1) year for the amount of \$8,000, then perhaps purchase thereafter.
14. Discuss - Approve / Deny hiring two (2) seasonal employees for 2024, along with hourly wages;  
(1) Approve Chris Townsend's (seasonal hire) hourly wage.
15. Discuss - Approve / Deny the City of St. Paul Street Closure application form; Attorney White has approved. Once the cost of the barricades has been approved, the form will be amended to reflect the cost.
16. Utilities Superintendent Helzer updates
17. Chief of Police Howard updates:
  - (1) Lawrence Stump will be coming back to work for the St. Paul Police Dept. as a part-time Police Officer at the hourly wage of \$21. Mr. Stump is a full-time Paramedic for the City of Aurora, NE;
  - (2) St. Paul Police Dept. was awarded a grant (You Text, You Drive; You Pay) in the amount of \$1,600 from the NE Dept. of Transportation Safety Office; Officer hours consists of: Sergeant Howard 11 hours; Officer Holmes 14 hours; and Officer Robinson 14 hours;
  - (3) St. Paul Police Dept. was awarded the FLIR Scout Monocular (thermal imaging) grant;
  - (4) St. Paul Police Dept. call logs from the past year attached.
18. Mayor Mike Feeken updates:
19. Public Announcements
20. Closed Session: The City of St. Paul reserves the right to go into Closed Session for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual.
21. Mayor Feeken adjourns City Council meeting.
22. Informational Items:
  - (1) St. Paul Fire and Rescue Updated Roster;
  - (2) Big Iron Realty announces winners of their First Responders and Medical Professionals of 2024; Mike Becker from St. Paul Fire Department was chosen as the winner;
  - (3) City received reimbursement from Mike Nevriy (\$2,300) regarding the 2022-2023 Keno audit;

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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.